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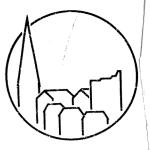
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with some-thing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

Note to Contributors

Another year over and still the **Newsletter** continues on its determined course. Thanks are due to those people who submit the articles without which we could not continue.

Community

Christmas is a time of celebration. It is also a time for community. The recent tragic death of an old woman from hypothermia in Dublin should serve as a reminder to us all to visit those who are spending Christmas alone, particularly the elderly, to ensure everybody has a happy Christmas.

New Year's Presents

"All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth", lisped child star Shirley Temple, and our hearts melted. Well it would not take much to melt the soft hearts of the **Newsletter** Editorial team. All we want is for Santa to do some serious damage to the Thing in the Square as he goes on his merry rounds. Then, the County Council could build something approximating to Maynooth's original status as a model town. Perhaps the government could give us something modest towards its upkeep a million pounds of structural funds perhaps. And then we want . . . and then . . . and then . . .

Drunk Driving

Finally, on a more serious note, drivers please remember the best Christmas and New Year's present you can give your friends and relatives is not to drink and drive.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am planning - with my friend Karl Woodhouse - to found a Maynooth Coarse Angling Club early in the New Year. The idea is to provide entertainment and instruction for the many young Maynooth folk whom we encounter when fishing on the 'Royal' - although the more adults the merrier. We wondered if you might be willing to advertise this intention in an appropriate edition of the **Newsletter**? The idea would be to ask interested parties to contact me so that we can assess the level of support. We would then try to arrange an introductory meeting for Jan./Feb. '94.

With many thanks in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

Jeff Morrison

P.S. Could you please indicate our plan to Royal Canal Amenity Group?

Dear Editor,

It is with much pleasure and gratitude that I write to thank you for your kind support and help at the recent Terry Fox Run held in Maynooth on 17th October. The event proved to be a great success and has raised £955.20 to date.

Overall, remittances to date indicate that this, the first year of Terry Fox Runs in Ireland have been a major success and will contribute greatly towards funding innovative cancer research in Ireland.

Again, many thanks for all your help and co-operation.

Yours sincerely, G. Vesey, Area Co-ordinator.

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Dear Editor.

The enclosed "colouring" was in the **Newsletter** last year. This came from Tara Bourbonnais whose grandparents Sam and Elsie Regan are from Maynooth, Canada. I had sent them a copy of the **Newsletter** because it had an article on Maynooth Canada. Sam Regan visited Maynooth Co. Kildare in the early 70s when Fr. O'Higgins was Parish Priest. I did not get to know them until 1986 when we visited Maynooth, Canada.

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P.S. Tara wanted to colour it and send it back to here just for fun.





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Community Council Notes

New Year greetings to all our Community Councillors, readers, contributors and advertisers. Thanks to all who made the Newsletter the success it was during the past year. The Community Council are very sad at loosing Eileen Dunne one of their supervisors. Eileen has been a valued Community Council member and laterly an employee. Eileen has been secretary of the Planning and Development Committee and Chairperson of the St. Patrick's Day Committee. We wish Eileen every success for the future in the Civil Service. We now welcome Freda Kelleher as our new supervisor. Freda has been a Community Councillor for some years, is currently Secretary of the Citizens Information Centre and also Secretary of the Festival Committee. We wish Freda every success in her job and for her future with the Community Council.

We wish to thank Eithne and John Carey for making the farewell party the success it was. Below Eileen hands over the keys for the future to Freda.



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BAND BULLETIN

This month's Bulletin is suffering from a severe bout of News Starvation. Because of the Christmas holidays we have had to go to press earlier than usual so I'm afraid we don't have too much to write about this month.

Our Race Night in November was a huge success and for this we owe a vote of thanks to all who helped us on the night, to our race sponsors, our horse sponsors, those who had a little "flutter" on the night, to Paddy Desmond our M.C., Bruce Byrne our Auctioneer for the Auction Race who managed to squeeze the last punt from the punters, Tom Mc Myler for giving us the bird (he gave us a turkey for our raffle) and finally to Maynooth G.A.A. for putting the Clubhouse at our disposal for the night, All in all it was a most enjoyable and profitable evening and helped greatly to reduce our debt. Thanks again for all your help.

At this point we have not yet started our Christmas Carols but we hope all goes well throughout the Christmas and New Year and we look forward to 1994 on an optimistic note when our wish is that by the end of the year we will at long last have seen the end of our battle to reduce our debt to the Bank.

See you all here next month when we hope to bring you completely up to date on all the happenings in December and Janu-

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION NOTES

A Successful A.G.M.

It was very encouraging to see an increase in the attendance at our AGM, held in the Boys' National School on 16th November. This change may simply reflect the increase of 290 in the membership of our branch since our previous A.G.M., bringing current membership to 1,230.

On the other hand, they may all have come in the hope of winning one of the six turkeys that were raffled. Mary McInerney handed out white envelopes to the lucky winners whose names were pulled out by Denis Maguire, Auditor deemed suitably impartial. No sign of the birds whose fate was thus sealed.

White Smoke?

The business of the election of eight members to the Board of Directors and of three supervisors went smoothly. The newlyconstituted board met, as required under Irish League of Credit Union rules, on Monday 22nd. November, to elect officers and form committees.

Three people were re-elected to offices they previously held: Michael Mooney - Chairperson, Catherine Mulready -Treasurer and Ann (Lima) Higgins - Credit Committee.

Several who are serving again have taken on a new role: Pat Harney - Secretary, John Reid - Assistant Chairman, Ken Loane - Assistant Treasurer, Mary McInerney (who did not stand down, as I mistakenly reported last month - my apologies) - Credit Control Officer and Matt Doran - Membership and Insurance Officer. continued

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Then there are those members who are serving on the Board for the first time: Sheila Kevitt - Assistant Secretary, Betty Costigan - Credit Committee and Michael O'Riordan -Education Officer.

Finally, the Board co-opted three committee members: Aidan O'Rourke, Caroline Dunne - thus retaining their expertise once again for the benefit of the branch - and Betty Begley, who has served as a teller for some time already.

Expression of Sympathy

Unfortunately, some of our members or officers have experienced bereavement during 1993. We would like to offer our heartfelt sympathy to them and their families.

All the Best in 1994

As we face into a New Year, we would like to take this opportunity to wish our members and their families and all the members of our community success and happiness in 1994. May our branch continue its steady growth, making its distinctive contribution to the financial life of Maynooth.

Emer McDermott P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Our A.G.M. was held on October 19th. There was a large attendance to see the most unusual demonstration of fondant icing and sugar-craft. The officers for the year ahead are:-Chairperson - Mary Doyle

Vice Chariperson - Maureen Stephens Secretary - Joan Reynolds Assistant Secretary - Mary Cleary Treasurer - Catherine Fields Assistant Treasurer - Margaret Howe

Competition Secretary - Felicity Satchwell P.R.O. - Moira Baxter

We also have a very active and energetic committee of six members, looking forward to a busy year ahead in the club. Mary Doyle thanked the outgoing committee for all their work during the past year. A special thanks to our members for making the big Gala Night on October 28th in Parish Hall such a huge success. We have received congratulations and compliments on the efficient manner in which everything was organised, especially the teas. Also noted was the bumper sales tables organised by Noleen O'Brien and Toni Reid, full of Christmas stock. A special mention was made of how everyone was greeted and welcomed to the hall and the warm friendliness of club members.

Imelda Desmond has been nominated as in-coming treasurer of A.O.I.F.E. We thank Imelda for all her work in the club during the past year as secretary. She was chief organiser of getting Mr. Craig Bullock for our Gala Night and spent so much time organising tickets, taking bookings and keeping everything checked that October 28th would be a success. We wish Imelda every success and good luck in her new post. With her experience and efficiency she will be a great asset to A.O.I.F.E.

The annual Christmas Dinner will be on January 18th, for members and their friends. After the most enjoyable night

last year we had in Moyglare Manor, how could we go anywhere else, but back to Manor again. So, anyone that wishes to have a beautiful meal, fun and craic, contact Felicity Satchwell re tickets.

May I take this opportunity to wish all our members friends and people of Maynooth a very happy New Year!

Moira Baxter P.R.O.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The December meeting of our guild was held in the I.C.A. hall on Thursday, December 2, at 8.00 p.m. This was our Christmas meeting and our recently decorated hall looked exceptionally well with lots of Christmas decorations. This was all thanks to Mary and Norah. Our president, Imelda Delaney, thanked the two ladies. Mary thanked the ladies who helped with the craft day in November which was a great success.

Competitions

Viva, our Timire, gave details of a competition for an article in Irish, on a local area. Closing date for competition is 17th February and the prize is a week in An Grianan.

Our Sports Officer, May, got together a team to represent our guild at the table quiz in the G.A.A. hall on Thursday, December 9. It was in aid of the Venturers, which is a branch of the Catholic Boys Scouts of Ireland.

Activities

Craft nights are starting back again for 1994 on Monday 10th January at 8.00 p.m. We did lovely Christamas decorations during November and December and I'm sure Nell will have many more craft ideas for the New Year.

Badminton resumes in the Parish hall on Tuesday 11th January, at the new time of 11.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. May would like to see a large turnout and would especially like to see some new members.

By the time this goes to press the twelve ladies who were doing the twelve week furniture restoration course will have completed the course. I'm sure we will all have fabulously restored antiques to show for all our efforts. Many thanks to our instructor, Des McCloskey.

Our golfing ladies will have their first outing on January 14, in Bodenstown Golf Club. Ms. Doris Coe, captain of the Kildare Co. I.C.A. Golfing Society, is looking forward to a large turnout on that day.

There will be a six week course on "stress, assertiveness and general health" starting on Wedneday January 12 (10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.). There may still be one place available on the course.

Federation Meeting

A report, prepared by Norah McDermott, was read out at our meeting, on the federation meeting which was held in Derrinturn on November 27. Our federation president, Nellie Dillon and our federation P.R.O. are doing a sponsored SLIM to raise money for the I.C.A. Please give them your support. There will be an Effective Speaking course in February in the Curragh. The federation Make and Model competition will be held in April, so ladies now is the time to start knitting and sewing.

A sub-committee of federation has been established to investigate and report on the state of refuges for battered wives and homeless persons. Our representative on this sub-committee is Norah McDermott

Entertainment

At the end of our meeting, M. Souhan, A. Broughan, U. Walsh and M. Haren entertained everyone with a short sketch and a selection of festive songs. Mairead and Una also gave us a few bars of a song each. Well done ladies.

Raffle and Competitions

Mrs. F. Satchwell kindly donated a turkey for our Christmas guild raffle. The results of the raffle are as follows:- Turkeys to go to I. Delaney, I. O'Brien, and P. Lavin, £5 each to I. Delaney and M. O'Gorman and a Christmas table decoration (donated by Mairead) to A. Broughan.

The competition was for a Christmas decoration and 1st was C. Harpur, 2nd M. O'Gorman and 3rd T. Mooney. Many thanks to Margaret Molloy and Pauline Burke who judged the competition.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Thursday January 6, at 8.00 p.m. The competition at this meeting will be for a slice of Christmas cake.

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all I.C.A. members, their families and friends a very peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Connie Harpur P.R.O.

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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our annual sale of work took place on Sunday Nov. 21st and thanks to the generosity and support of the wonderful people who make up our town, we made a handsome profit of £4.296.95. It was nice to see so many of our neighbours from Leixlip, Celbridge, Dunboyne, Kilcloon and Kilcock there also on the day. All of you as well as our hardworking committee can be proud of such a result and we thank you all most sincerely. You may rest assured, all of this money will be used wisely. In fact half of the sum made has already been spent on fuel for our Senior Citizens for Christmas, the other half will follow at Easter. We would also like to thank those who come along year after year and help on the day. If I were to thank you all individually I would need half of the Newsletter. However I must mention our Scouts and all the other young people who did most of the running around for our ticket sellers, and Tony, Cath and Cormack who kept them in check. In the present climate, where there is such negative thinking about young people's attitude towards our older people, it is nice to go out on a positive note. After all, solidarity between the generations was what 1993 was all about. Once again many thanks. The results of our Monster draw and the two smaller ones can be found on the opposite page.

We held our Christmas Party this year in S.V.D. house on Sunday Dec. 12th. Mass was celebrated by Fr. Pat O'Connor from Salesian House, suitably assisted by our own Folk Group who not only added to the enjoyment of the Mass but treated us to a selection of Christmas Carols in their own inimitable style. Nice one Eitne! After all that holiness we ate Christmas pud. and cake and danced the evening away in the fashion to which we have become accustomed. Kevin and Jo provided the usual entertainment ably assisted by our own accordion band. We had some very lively music from a group of students from S.V.D. House who sang the songs of their respective countries. Santa of course arrived on time with lots of presents and kisses for all. Many thanks to everyone who helped make the evening so enjoyable.

Our Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday Jan 16th at 5pm in the Post Primary School Moyglare Rd. All Senior Citizens in the Maynooth area are welcome to all functions. All you have to do is let our committee member in your area know if you wish to go. Our morning club will reopen on Tuesday Jan. 11th for cards and on Thursday Jan 13th for Bingo. Our laundry service will also re-commence on Tues. Jan 11th.

Finally our A.G.M. will take place on Tues. Feb 1st at 8p.m. in the Health Centre. Anyone interested in what we do is welcome to attend. Once again thank you all for your support in '93 and we wish you peace and happiness in '94.



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Result of Draw - Sunday November 21st

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2nd. Draw

1st. - Christmas Cake - Paddy Desmond, Main St., Maynooth.

2nd. - Bottle Whiskey - Lima Higgins, Greenfield, Maynooth. 3rd. - Bottle Wine - Helena Halton, Dublin.

3rd, Draw

1st. - Christmas Cake - Mr. McManus, Railpark, Maynooth.

2nd. - Large Soft Toy - Anne Birchall, Greenfield, Maynooth.

3rd. - Bottle Brandy - Nell McLoughlin, Carton Court, Maynooth.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

We would like to thank, all those parents and children who came out on such an appalling day to support our Christmas Fair. Hopefully everyone got a bargain.

As Christmas is a very busy time for everyone, we would also like to thank all the volunteers who give their time freely to the summer project.

Finally, we wish everyone a Happy New Year and look forward to your continued support, when we hold our flag days on the 20th, 21st & 22nd January 1994.

Margaret Loane P.R.O.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF MAYNOOTH/ KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

The new Students' Union Hall in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, will be the venue for the No Name Club's official opening on 22nd January next.

Approximately 40 hosts and hostesses have been busy training for this big night. Training sessions took place upstairs in the Leinster Arms in mid-November. Meals for the training were provided by Martin Brady while Ann Carey gave a talk on make-up.

The night will comprise of a live band and disco. The band for the night will be the ever-youthful "Schizophrenics", while the disc-jockey for the disco will be Vincent O'Sullivan from CKR

The No Name Club's objective is to create an alternative to pub-culture for young people by means of providing a nonalcoholic disco. The event will be run by young people for young people.

Tickets are available from the hosts/hostesses in either Maynooth's Post Primary School or Scoil Dara, Kilcock, or from Dawson's Menswear, Main Street, Maynooth, at a cost of £3. There will be a limited number of tickets (600) and, as admission is by ticket only, you'd be right to get your skates on. Buses will be organised for the night, leaving from different locations. Information on these can be got from the hosts or hostesses.

Everyone involved have been working very hard for this opening and we wish them every success.

PRESENTATION CONVENT PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION, MAYNOOTH.

At the recent AGM of the above association, the committee for the forthcoming year was elected. The committee members are as follows: Anna Stainsby - Chairman, Catherine Heslin - Secretary, Noreen Curran - Treasurer, Brian O'Brien

- Asst. Secretary, Brigid Cody-Kenny, Eithne Barry, Rita Holmes, Jean Kennedy, Sean Cushen, Martin Connolly and Sean Lyons.

VENTURER SCOUT NEWS

The Venturer section of 8th Kildare scout unit is now three months old! The Venturers participated in a number of activities including, a treasure hunt, an overnight camp and a fifteen mile day hike in the Wicklow mountains. In the coming months we hope to hold a career guidance seminar, a personal development weekend and a substance abuse seminar as well as a large number of other activities associated with scouting.

On Thursday 10th December a very successful table quiz was held in Maynooth G.A.A. club. We would like to thank all those who supported us on the night and especially all our sponsors who include Buckleys Builders Providers, McMylers, The Leinster Arms, Bradys, Caulfields, The Roost, Donovans Newsagents, Geraghty's Supermarket, St. Patrick's Pharmacy, The Caddyshack, Just Gifts, Maynooth Bicycle Shop, Billy McCrory, Jim's Shoe Repair Shop, Tinkerbell Boutique, Barry's Newsagents, Maynooth Jewellers, McCormacks Chemist, Kehoes Delicatessen, Have it Framed, Talking Heads, Maynooth Autos, Vanity Fayre, James Smiths Butchers, The Castle Gate Restaurant, Tender Touch, Quinnsworth, Newtown Stores and The Flower Pot. We would especially like to thank Maynooth G.A.A. club for the use of their facilities, Mr. David Jolly for his assistance with p.a. and Mr. Colm Nelson, St. Patrick,s College.

We also take this opportunity to wish all our sponsors, parents and patrons a Happy New Year.

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AROMATHERAPY

Aromatherapy is an ancient art concerned with the use of essential oils that have been extracted from flowers, plants, herbs, fruit trees and resins. They were of tremendous value in biblical days and because of their strong links with religion and royalty, retained a mystical quality. "Hezekiah welcomed the kings and ambassadors and showed them his prized treasures - silver, gold and aromatic oils and spices". (2 Kings 20v. 12.)

Each pure oil has unique properties which can be utilised very effectively by the human body to aid health and prevent disease.

Aromatherapy is a particularly successful way of treating stress related disorders as the treatments themselves are very tranquil and relaxing and the oils are noted for their emotional properties.

Essential oils are powerful; if they were not, they would be no more than mere perfumes, and Aromatherapy would not exist. Only a very small amount of oil is required in order to be effective. Many people mistakenly believe the more the better, but often with essential oils "less is more". The oils can be introduced into the body in many ways e.g. inhalation, baths, massage, compress and vaporisation. Inhalation and massage are the most effective.

A good massage can be one of the great delights of life. It can have a profound relaxing effect, lowering stress levels, easing pain and inducing a blissful state of tranquilty. A person under a great deal of stress could certainly benefit from any treatment which promises all this and in fact massage is probably the best way to deal with most stress related conditions. Somehow we all manage to produce tension of some sort in our bodies, either physical or emotional. Not only does modern living lessen the amount of exercise we give our muscles, but we sit with our spines bent, we walk incorrectly, and when we stand we let our weight go first on one leg and then the other. The effect of this is that the muscles are working overtime to keep us in our slovenly positions and blood and lymph have greater difficulty in flowing round evenly, and toxins cannot be eliminated quickly enough by natural means. Massage:-

- 1. Improves circulation, producing an environment which is conducive to healing.
- 2. It stimulates the lympathatic system thus speeding up the elimination of unwanted substances and toxins.
- 3. It alleviates stress, anxiety and tension and improves the body's immune system.

These direct benefits combined with the psychological benefits of feeling well cared for and cosseted quickly produce a marvellous feeling of well being that cannot be matched by modern drugs.

The power of touch is also very significant in Aromatherapy. Often people who are not well or are stressed, benefit simply by the touch of another human being. Old people and people suffering from diseases such as cancer or loneliness can benefit enormously from the power of touch; in fact we all can. Touch in itself brings us closer to others, and immediately helps to de-stress us. Aromatherapy and touch go so well together that Aromatherapy massage was born and is now the best known method of using essential oils in this country.

Indeed the essential oils used in aromatherapy, as well as appealing to our senses of smell, the plant kingdom is a veritable pharmacopoeia and provides us with the means to heal ourselves naturally.

As Hippocrates is known to have said - "There is a remedy for every illness to be found in nature".

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CARNATION WEEK '93 RAISES £2,750

Carnation week '93 raised £2,750. The proceeds go towards the running costs of the National M.S. Care Centre which is located in Bushy Park, Dublin.

The Centre is a respite care centre available to people with multiple sclerosis and other neurological disabilities. It supports people whose care and effort enables the sufferers to continue living in the community.

We would like to thank the people of Maynooth and surrounding areas for their continued generosity and the following who helped sell carnations: Maynooth Fire Brigade, the O.N.E., Emmet Stagg T.D. and the Labour Party.

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L to R Paul Connolly (Labour Party), Seamus O'Reilly, (O.N.E.), Emmet Stagg T.D., Larry O'Brien (O.N.E.), Mick Hyland (O.N.E.), Joe O'Rourke (Maynooth Fire Brigade).

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That time of year is upon us in the depth of winter with all its accompanying road hazard conditions for driving. Freezing weather conditions are a feature - cold, rainy, icy elements combined with snow create dangerous and unsuitable situations for road users. Consequently anyone comtemplating doing a journey should spend a little time making a few precautionary checks on their vehicle.

Tyre pressures (including the spare) should be checked; clean vehicle windows, mirrors and lights. While travelling if you encounter any of the following weather elements follow this advice:

Fog

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

Snow:

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

Ice.

- 1. In the comforts and heat of your vehicle you may be unaware of the drop in temperature outside. Be aware and always
- 2. Black Ice You cannot see it, but reduced road noise tells you that it's there.
- 3. Above all slow down and take your time *it's better to be late than dead on time*. Carry de-icers, jump leads and in very severe weather situation carry a shovel, a heavy warm coat and an effective sizeable Car Lamp. Forewarned is Forearmed.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY IDENTITY CARD SCHEME:

The above scheme was launched over six months. It's a voluntary initiative introduced as a combined effort between the local licensed traders and the Gardai to curb the problem of under age drinking.

Identification Cards are issued only to persons of 18 years and over. Its progress is being monitored. Despite the implementation of this measure there are still complaints of Alcoholic drink being served to young persons under the legal age of 18 years.

We appeal to all proprietors of Licensed Establishments to renew their efforts to curb this scourge afflicting our youth. Bar and floor staff should be appraised of the neccessity, when in doubt to check the age of doubtful customers and where appropriate to insist on the production of an Identity Card. We also point out that parents also have an obligation to talk

We also point out that parents also have an obligation to talk to their children on this subject from a legal, medical and most of all from a common sense view point. There is no substitute

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for parental vigilance in this area. Responsible attitudes to alcohol need to be fostered to avoid abuses of it which can in turn create serious sociological problems in the form of crime, vandalism and other patterns of misbehaviour. In conjunction with the implementation of the Identity Card scheme the Gardai intend to enforce this law rigidly in the New year.

Welcoming a New Year

We look forward to 1994 with confidence. We appreciate the wonderful help and co-operation from the community of Maynooth. On behalf of the Gardai at Maynooth we convey thanks for this continued spirit of goodwill. We extend our best wishes to all the people of the community during the coming year.

Your local Gardai.

HELP STOP A FIRE!

In November a fire gutted a house in Rail Park, but luckily enough there were no fatalities.

Upon speaking to Lenny Murphy from the fire station in Maynooth we were informed that there was no smoke alarm installed in the house. This device would have given earlier warning as was proved in a kitchen fire last month whereupon hearing the fire alarm a woman quickly checked the source, contained the fire by closing the kitchen door, rang the fire brigade and briskly got all occupants out of the house.

Unfortunately, this time of the year brings about a lot of fires and thus safety should become a priority.

The National Safety Council has a leaflet out on safety entitled "Firehound's Fact File - Fire Danger in the Home". Some tips they give to save you from disaster are:

- Keep open fires safe : use a fireguard
- Clean Chimneys at least twice a year
- Older and younger folk are most at risk e.g. don't leave matches lying around for children and keep an eye on older people.
- Switch off and unplug all appliances not in use during the night.
- It is important to ensure that each room with a gas heater has adequate ventilation.
- When you're awake your eyes, ears and nose can alert you to a fire problem but what happens while you and your family are asleep?
- Note that the high life risk time for fires is between 9.00 p.m. and early morning.
- All portable heaters should be kept well clear of curtains and furniture and placed where they cannot be knocked over. Gas or oil heaters should never be moved or carried when in use.
- It is especially important to make a final safety check around the house before retiring at night, like checking that the fire is low and placing a sparkguard in front of it or if you are a smoker, put cigarettes out safely and empty all ashtrays.

Special occasions such as Christmas may bring their own hazards. Seeing that your decorations, Christmas cards and candles

may still be up around the house it is important to keep a check on these, especially Christmas Tree Lights.

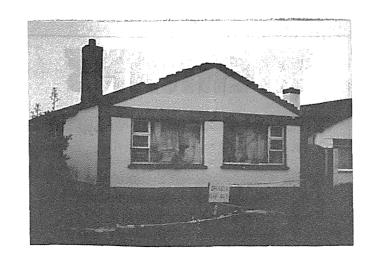
One of the most important appliances to install, with reference to the fire in Rail Park, is a smoke alarm. These are available from Ua Buachallas on the Main Street or House Pride in Maynooth Shopping Centre - a sensible purchase for the early warning!! But don't just let the fire alarm sit there without proper servicing - batteries need to be checked regularly. It's often the case in houses that things like burnt toast can become an infuriating experience when smoke alarms are installed thus causing inhabitants to remove the batteries momentarialy and forgetting to replace them. Believe it or not, the alarm doesn't work without batteries and would just be a useless fixture.

It you are renting accommodation you should ensure that your landlord installs one of these alarms for your own safety. And landlords, this simple device could save your house!!

The basic things that Lenny referred to as priorites if a fire breaks out in your house are (1) Get everyone out of the house; (2) Call the Fire Brigade at once. Please note that all calls are taken in good faith. Even if you think there is a risk, don't be afraid to pick up that phone. And in case you are afraid of incurring large bills (referring to a discussion on the Pat Kenny Radio Show in November on Fire Service charges in different counties), just to say that the service in County Kildare is free of charge except in the case of chimney fires which are at a nominal rate; (3) Try to extinguish the fire, but don't put yourself at risk, always positioning yourself between the fire and your direct line of exit to permit escape.

The particular leaflet mentioned here and one entitled E.D.I.T.H. (Evacuation Drill in The Home) are both available from the National Safety Council Tel: (01) 963422 or from your local Citizens Information Centre (above Kehoes on the Main Street).

Looking at a photograph of the remains of a house gutted by fire can be quite bleak - just sit down and think prevention!





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HURRICANE NELLY

Strong westerly winds, let's call them "Hurricane Nelly", hit Maynooth early in December. Getting home from work with a one step forward two steps back was difficult enough what with pot-holes full with water awaiting the approaching feet (thanks to Kildare County Council) and the piercing feeling of hail-type rain against the skin making one feel miserable (for want of a worse word).

It was bad enough not being able to see where I was going in the poor lighting of Maynooth (thanks to you know who again!) but then it happened !YES! the electricity went.

With feet getting wetter and body temperature lowering very fast the thought of entering a cold dark house was daunting. "Oh my God, did I remember to get candles and new batteries for the necessary torch?" Sure even if I did buy candles I wouldn't have a clue where I left them. However, candles and torches were the last thing on my mind. "I've no gas cooker!" Hot food was out of the question - not even a cup of tea to warm the toes. My lot would be a cheese sandwich and a glass of milk with maybe the odd chocolate biscuit.

Like a fool I thought I'd sit in and watch television, looking forward to catching up on the capers in Coronation Street (could someone tell me what happened on 8th December!)

I still hadn't found the candles!. Walking around I knew I meant to put those shoes away as I fell and spoke bleep words in the dark (God will forgive me!!) Bingo! I found a candle in the bottom drawer underneath last years Christmas cards (no! I don't tipp-ex my Christmas cards for recycling!)

Lighting the candle I returned to bed. Unfortunately I had no hot water to fill my bottle so it was into the cold bed for me, tossing and turning continually to warm the shackles. I finally nodded off after much effort to wake up the next morning with a fully lit house - some silly fool didn't turn off the light switches.

Heading to work the next morning wasn't very different except for the lack of wind i.e. the pot holes hadn't gone away and were laden with even more water. Plodding my way through muck, slush and floods from overflowing undredged waterways I prayed for a better tomorrow and thanked God that I was safer than many other people who incurred injuries during the storm. Hurricane Nelly may not have been as fierce as that of Charlie but she certainly will be remembered in Maynooth. May the calm after the storm last.

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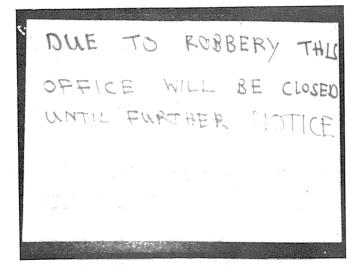
These plates were common in Maynooth houses in years gone by; but my enquiries so far have failed to locate one. I should be most grateful if any

Newsletter reader could loan me one of these plates, so that copies of it could be made to mark the forthcoming Bicentenary in 1995.

Rev. Matthew O'Donnell, Vice-President

MAYNOOTH POST OFFICE RAID

Drama hit Maynooth on Thursday 9th December as Maynooth Post Office was raided in the early hours of the morning. Four raiders rammed a silver Opel Vectra into the rear door and proceeded to blast their way through the communicating door with a shotgun. They threatened staff before escaping with £14,000 cash in the stolen Opel Vectra which was later found abandoned in a wood at Kellystown. Nobody was injured in the incident but the Post Office stayed closed for the morning.



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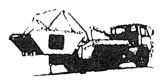
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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Maynooth Success in under Fourteen North Leinster Maynooth Post Primary School were successful in their recent match against Rathangan played in Maynooth on Tuesday 7th of December 1993.

Final result: Maynooth 2 goals, 9 points.

Rathangan 2 goals, 7 points.

Maynooth earned a place in the under fourteen North Leinster Semi Final with this hard fought win.

Poor underfoot conditions and a strong breeze did not help good football but both teams served up an open game. Rathangan, with the aid of a strong breeze, started well and raced into a 2.2 to 0.1 lead after 25 minutes. A speculative lob from Maynooth player Ronan Doyle ended up in the back of the Rathangan net to give Maynooth a good half-time lead.

In the second half, Maynooth with the wind at their backs, took their scores well and despite a late Rathangan goal, finished victorious by 2 points.

R Kelly, S Cummins, E Gallagher and N Byrne all had a good game for Maynooth, who are now through to the semi-final, which will be held after Christmas.

Maynooth Post Primary Debating Success.

Three Maynooth teams entered the Leinster Schools Debating competition, which was sponsored by the E.S.B. Seven other schools entered the competition each represented by three teams, with Maynooth facing Clongowes, Castleknock and Blakestown Clonsilla.

David Lee and Carrie Lynch of fifth year were successful in opposing the motion that the house revered the memory of Charles J Haughey, and so progressed to the second round with David Lee wining the prize for Best Speaker. Also competing for fifth year were Elizabeth Whittaker and Kate Ruddy. From sixth year were Maurice McCarthy and Owen Creevy who also proved too good for the opposition with the motion that the house has sold out to technology. They also progress to the next round of the competition.

Aer Lingus Young Scientists' Exhibition, 1994

Maynooth Post Primary School have entered a project for the Aer Lingus Young Scientists' Exhibition in January 1994. Aoibheann O'Sullivan, Sarah Commane and Jackie Kinsella will present the project for the junior section of the Group Project Awards in Chemistry and the Mathematical and Physical Sciences. Their project is entitled "Simple rules for Julian-Gregorian conversion".

This is both an interesting and an original idea. The early Roman calendar had gone badly astray. Julius Caesar, as Emperor, was obliged to have it corrected. He was assisted in this task by the famous Egyptian Astronomer Sosigenes. At that time, the most accurate measurement of the year was 365.25 days. Sosigenes recommended that every four-year cycle should consist of three years each containing 365 days followed by a fourth year (leap year) of 366 days. This calendar became known as the Julian calendar in honour of Julius Caesar and it began to function in 45 B.C. However, the measurement of 365.25 days was slightly too long, causing an error of about eleven minutes per year. This error amounted to

one day in about 130 years. As time went on, fixed periods in the years such as the equinoxes, began to fall earlier. By the Middle Ages it was well known that the calendar was in error.

In 1582 Pope Gregory advanced the calendar by ten days. He decreed that October 4th, 1582, should be followed by October 15th of that year. Unfortunately, the Reformation had taken place and Christendom was severely divided. The Catholic countries immediately adopted the new Gregorian calendar while the Protestant countries clung to the Julian. For over 200 years both calendars were used simultaneously. The situation is even more interesting in Ireland where both calendars were in use from 1582 until 1752 when England adopted the Gregorian calendar. By this time the error had increased by an extra day so that eleven days had to be dropped. The English parliament ordered that 2nd of September, 1752, be followed by 14th of September of that year, thus bringing England into line with most of Europe. Riots broke out in the streets with mobs chanting "Give us back our eleven days". Russia did not adopt the Gregorian calendar until 1917 by which time there was a thirteen-day lag. This explains why the October Revolution (25th of October, 1917) is now commemorated on 7th of November. The use of the Gregorian calendar is now universal.

The purpose of this project is to develop simple rules for converting dates from one calendar to the other. Such rules have considerable practical application for historians. Much confusion exists with regard to historical dates because of the simultaneous use of both the Julian and the Gregorian calendars. Simple Julian-Gregorian conversion rules will go a long way towards clearing up this confusion.

One might get the false impression that this project is historical rather than scientific. Nothing could be further from the truth. The topic is highly specialised and most historians are completely unfamiliar with it. All calendars work on a cycle in astronomy. A knowledge of the motion of the Sun, the Moon and the Earth is required in order to fully understand a calendar. While this topic has historical application it is more a specialised topic of astronomy than of history.

In addition to developing rules for calendar conversion, the students have also worked out five simple rules to establish the day of the week on which a particular date fell. Their rules are valid for either a Julian date or a Gregorian one. They are also valid for the era of A.D. or B.C. This may interest Bible scholars as well as historians. The students say that these rules are easy to use and will suit non-technical people. A third topic which the students are researching is the method of calculating the date on which Easter fell, or will fall, for any given year past or future. Many people will be surprised to learn that such a calculation involves solving eleven mathematical equations.

The girls are enjoying the project. They have discovered some facts which do not appear in history books. These will be released this month. They have consented to the release of one gem of historical information which is as follows. The Battle of the Boyne took place on the 1st of July, 1690, according to the Julian calendar then in use. At that time, the difference continued

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between the two calendars was ten days so that the Gregorian date for this battle was the 11th of July, 1690. When the Gregorian calendar was adopted in England in 1752, the difference between the two calendars had increased to eleven days and so the battle is celebrated on the now familiar 12th. This date is a mistake. The difference between the two calendars was only ten days during the 17th century when the battle actually took place. Therefore, the correct anniversary according to the Gregorian calendar is the 11th of July. The difference of eleven days did not exist until the 18th century when England adopted the Gregorian calendar. This explains how the Julian date was mistakenly advanced by eleven days instead of ten. On the 12th of July, marches take place all over Northern Ireland. We will not become involved in the politics of the 12th marches. However, with some degree of amusement, we would like to say to the marchers in Northern Ireland that they have the wrong date.

We cannot disclose any more details of the project at present. However, we wish them every success in the Young Scientists' Exhibition.

Michael J. Walsh

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MISS ROYAL CANAL

The 1993 Miss Royal Canal and Fashion Show was held in the Setanta Hotel on Thursday the 18th November. A good time was had by all as each contestant was interviewed by Liam Quigley of '98 FM' fame and some even gave an example of their talents by singing songs or reciting ditties. The Ms. Cameo entrant Grace Kelly must be commended for her wonderful singing talent which she displayed when singing Nancy Griffith's "From a Distance", during which you could hear a pin drop in the audience.

Some lovely fashions were modelled intermittently throughout the contest by male and female models. Joan Howard Williams introduced fashions from Libra designs, Private Collections, Dawsons, Traffic and Bridal Hire. During the interval, the audience was entertained by our very own Bachelor of Maynooth, Eugene Fitzpatrick.

There were prizes galore to be won, by buying a ticket, picking the winner of the contest, or simply dressing well. Even the models had their own special draw, where 3 names were drawn and 3 prizes awarded. There was also a chance for the contestants to win a prize without winning the title of Ms. Royal Canal. There were 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes for contestants with the most sponsorship. These went to:

1st prize - Carolann Hayes - Ms. Roost.
2nd Prize - Klara Crothers - Ms. Donovans
3rd Prize - Sinead Hickey - Ms. Helen's Hair Affair.
The prize for Best Dressed Woman went to Mrs. Carmel Farrelly and Best Dressed Man went to Paul Harrington.

The moment we'd all been waiting for came towards the end of the evening. Ms. Royal Canal 1993 was announced. The winner was...Ms. Newtown Stores, Audrey Farrelly. One must say, whilst it must have been a very tough job for the judges, as the standard was very high indeed, this girl displayed a great personality while being interviewed on stage. She then recited a poem written by her sister's boyfriend, Steven Stanley, which had everyone in hoots of laughter. She was no. 9 on the list of contestants and even though there were potential winners among the rest of the contestants this young lady held the audience's attention in a way that no-one could match.

One of the questions which Liam Quigley asked Audrey was "what would you do if you won the Lotto?" One might have expected her to talk of her dreams and ambitions, but quick as a flash, she came back with the answer, "I'd restore the Royal Canal". What else could one expect from a true Ms. Royal Canal.

Well, prizes were certainly being kept in family on Thursday night. It was Audrey's mum, Carmel Farrelly who won Best Dressed Woman and it was her witty poet friend, Stephen Stanley who won "Guess the Winner" in the Leinster Leader. With Audrey winning the top prize of the night, this was one group of people who went home very happy indeed.

The Royal Canal evening ended on a musical note with a disco for the more energetic of the audience. There was music to suit everyone's taste and needless to say everyone let their hair down.

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One must not forget, amidst all of the excitement and glamour, the true purpose for this great event, that is to raise funds for the restoration of the Royal Canal. Recognition and commendation must be given to all who took part in the fundraising and let's not forget the hardworking people who are doing the restoration work itself. One hopes that the swans appreciate all of the hard work that is being put into the enchancement of their environment!

Profile on Ms. Royal Canal

Our 1993 Ms. Royal Canal is Audrey Farrelly of Laraghbryan. Maynooth, Audrey is a third generation Maynooth resident, presently living at home with her parents, Carmel and Ted her sister Clodagh and dog Toby. Audrey was educated locally, in the Presentation Convent in her early years and then in Maynooth Post Primary where she finished up very nicely indeed with six honours to her name. Having then gone on to study computers in Crumlin College, she is now gaining experience in this field in her present employment in Fitzwilliam

Audrey would like to travel in the future before she settles down to a career of her choice.

So how did Audrey manage to represent Newtown Stores in the Ms. Royal Canal competition? Well, Audrey worked for Newtown Stores up until September and all of the girls were asked if they'd like to enter. One passed the buck on to the next and before she knew it she had been conned into being Ms. Newtown Stores herself.

Well, she certainly did them all proud, and if the support she had on the night is anything to go by, she was a popular choice indeed. She says herself that her friends were very supportive which gave her the confidence she needed.

Audrey is absolutely thrilled with her prizes and as there is no special man in her life right now, she plans to bring her friend along with her on the trip to London. She is looking forward to the year ahead as the reigning Ms. Royal Canal.

We wish Audrey every success in her year as Ms. Royal Canal 1993 and look forward to seeing her at local events in the fu-

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PREDICTIONS FOR 1994 (part 1)

January will see some very severe weather. Blizzards in the second week mean Maynooth will be cut off from the rest of the world for ten days. Customers are trapped in Brady's for over a week but fight off the rescuers when they attempt to dig them out. Residents resort to staying in bed all day to keep warm (see rising birth rate in October). Miley goes on the rampage in Glenroe and bites Stephen Brennan on the leg.

Mopping up operations continue through the month. The melting snows reveal the full horror of the blizzards-potholed road, piles of litter and rubbish in the Main Street, cars abandoned on footpaths - much like it was before really. In Glenroe Miley is arrested for drug dealing and worrying sheep.

March

The Thing is demolished. Excavations on the site reveal it to be the location of a Stone Age burial ground. Plans to build an interpretative centre are put forward by local politicians. A mass movement to have the Thing rebuilt springs up. Biddy is arrested for soliciting in Fitzwilliam Square.

April

Jack Charlton announces that he is to use the Harbour Field as Ireland's training base in preparation for the World Cup. Maynooth Town defeat Ireland 4-0 in a friendly match. Jack Charlton resigns. Miley takes over as Ireland's new manager. Maynooth Town second team defeat the Republic 6-0. Kildare reach the League Final. There is much excitement in the county and hopes are high. Dublin win the final 3-19 to 0-5.

The Bishops Spring Meeting in Maynooth reaffirms the Pope's teaching on ... you know ...eh..thingy...the birds and the bees and the fact that there isn't any in heaven. They call for a full and open debate on thingameiig. To celebrate the Bishop's statement the Maynooth Newsletter is sold with free packets of condoms. With the sheep shearing season in full swing Miley resigns as manager of the Irish team and is succeeded by Mick O'Dwyer.

June

The early rounds of the World Cup are completely over shadowed by the Maynooth Summer Festival. In a unique development a woman is selected as Bachelor of the Year - sure there's women for you. In the Inter Estates competition severe rioting follows the final between Cluain Aoibhinn and Kingsbry. In Boston, Ireland play their first match and Niall Ouinn, playing on crutches, scores the winning goal in the last minute against Brazil. Because of a spate of injuries Eamon Dunphy is recalled to the Irish squad but he is refused a visa by the American embassy on the grounds of being "a little git". In their second match Ireland are held to a draw by Norway thanks to two goals and three points by Mikey Sheehy. Mick O'Conell plays a starring role in midfield, ably assisted by John O'Keeffe and Paudi O'Shea. In the final match in their group Ireland draw 0-0 with Switzerland thanks to a great performance by Paddy Cullen in goal. They now face Argentina in the quarter final.

(more next month).



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PLAY REVIEW "THE FAITH HEALER"

Maynooth Colege Drama Society, the Roscian Players, presented *The Faith Healer* by Brian Friel, on 6th and 7th December, 1993, in the Aula Maxima of Maynooth College. This production directed by Declan O'Keeffe was a portrayal of the life led by Francis Hardy, Faith Healer, his wife/mistress Grace and his manager Teddy as they toured the remote villages of England, Scotland and Wales, offering a miracle cure to the afflicted people of those areas.

While this story was told in monologues, it was a gripping insight into the lives of three very different people, what kept them together and what finally tore them apart. One could almost visualise their experiences as if they were happening there and then and one could experience a spiral of emotions throughout the entire play.

The cast gave a tremendous performance. Jim Roche who played the part of Frank held the audience with his ability to tell his story in a way that left one profoundly disturbed. His conflicting denial of himself and his powers was powerful and he played a very difficult part with great reverence.

Tom Gallagher played the part of Teddy, the manager, and whilst having a great command of an English accent, he also managed to entertain the audience and add a lightness to the whole situation.

It must be said that the star of the performance was Aoife Moloney, who played Frank's wife, Grace. The emotion this young actress displayed was heart-rending and one found oneself sympathising both visibly and from the heart with her past and present predicaments. She could have been sitting in your front room pouring out her heart, so convincing was she in her distressed state.

Overall, this was a play well worth watching and if this cast are presenting a production in the future it will be well worth attending.

Future Productions

Jan. 18th - 19th. "The Conquest of the South Pole"
by Manfred Karye.

This eight cast play is about unemployment in its cryptic sense and should prove interesting. Produced by Carol-Anne McNamara, it will take place in the Aula Maxima in the College with a cover charge of a mere £1.00. Definitely value for money.

Arts & Music



Jim Roche, Aoife Moloney and Tom Gallagher the case of 'The Faith Healer'

RUNNIN' SCARED ROCK THE BOARDS

Dowlings of Prosperous was the venue, for the final of Caragh G.A.A.'s Talent Competition, on Tuesday 7th December in which our local band Runnin' Scared competed 'Yes! they finally made it!!

They sang two of their original songs "In this Land" and one recently composed called "Leave with me Today". A great number from Maynooth headed out to Prosperous that night to lend their support. They were on eighth out of ten acts and the supporters eagerly awaited. The crowd really got going when they got up on the stage, dancing and cheering to their hearts' content. Lead singer Kevin Breslin played a blinder and performed with such confidence always ensuring pleasing the crowd. Back up harmonies by Enda Breslin and Declan Noonan really gave a great flavour to the sound and let's not forget the drummer, Thomas Murphy, who rhythmically added the final touch.

Under the management of John O'Connor I feel this band is really going to get places. They were pipped at the post for first place by a girl and her brother from Edenderry who, according to their introduction (which I felt was a bit biased for the judges ears) had played with Louise Morrissey and had quite a professional standing. Coming in second to this calibre of artiste was a great feat even though many of the audience felt they should have won.

1994 could be their big year to enter the Irish arena of Rock. They certainly did not look like they were 'Runnin' Scared' on stage but portrayed great confidence and panache which will go a long way in their future career.



Looking jubilant after coming 2nd in the Talent
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2 oz/50g butter 2 oz/50 g plain flour 1 tbsp/15 ml mustard powder ³/₄ pt/450 ml milk 6 oz/175 g mature Cheddar cheese, grated 3 eggs, beaten 8 oz/250 g smoked ham, chopped salt and pepper

Preheat the oven to Mark 4/350°F/180°C. Bring a large pan of salted water to the boil. Add the pasta shapes and boil them for 10-12 minutes until just tender.

To make the sauce, melt the butter in a saucepan and mix in the flour and mustard powder. Cook for 1 minute, stirring constantly. Whisk in the milk then bring to the boil and cook until the sauce is thickened and smooth. Simmer for 2 minutes. Remove the pan from the heat and stir in the grated cheese, beaten eggs, chopped ham and seasoning.

Drain the pasta and spread half in the base of an oven-proof dish. Cover the pasta with half the sauce. Repeat the layers and bake for 20 minutes until bubbling and browned. Serve the baked pasta hot with a green salad and warm, crusty bread.

SAUSAGE AND ONION PIE

Serves: 6 Prep: 15 mins Cook: 30 mins Cals per portion: 665

Sausagemeat is very inexpensive and makes a delicious pie filling.

1 lb/450 g packet shortcrust pastry 1 lb/450 g sausagemeat 1 onion, chopped 4 oz/125g mushrooms 1 tbsp/15 ml chopped fresh parsley 2 tsp/10 ml dried sage 2 eggs, beaten 9 in/23 cm deep pie dish

Preheat the oven to Mark 5/375°F/190°C. Grease the pie dish. Roll out half the pastry and line the pie dish with it.

In a bowl, mix together the sausagemeat, onion, mushrooms, parsley and sage. Bind the mixture together with half the beaten egg.

Place the filling in the pie dish and smooth over the top. Roll out the rest of the pastry to slightly bigger than the top of the

pie and lay it across the top. Pinch the two edges together to seal them and trim off any excess pastry. Decorate with the excess pastry formed into leaves and pastry roses. Glaze with the remaining beaten egg. Make a small hole in the top of the pie to allow steam to escape. Place in the oven and bake for 30 minutes, until golden. Serve hot with boiled carrots and peas.

OUEEN OF PUDDINGS

(Serves four people)
1 pint milk (570 ml)
4 oz fresh white breadcrumbs (110 g)
1/2 oz butter (10 g)
2 oz caster sugar (50 g)
The grated rind of a small lemon
2 eggs
3 level tablespoons raspberry jam

Pre-heat the oven to gas mark 4, 350° F (180°C) You'll need a generously buttered 1¹/₂ pint (845 ml) oval piedish.

First pour the milk into a saucepan and bring to the boil. Remove from the heat and stir in the butter, breadcrumbs, 1 oz (25 g) of the sugar and the lemon rind, and leave for 20 minutes to allow the breadcrumbs to swell.

Now separate the eggs, beat the yolks and add them to the cooled breadcrumb mixture. Pour it all into the pie-dish and spread it out evenly. Bake in the centre of the oven for 30-35 minutes, or until set.

Meantime, in a small saucepan melt the jam over a low heat and, when the pudding is ready, remove it from the oven and spread the jam carefully and evenly all over the top.

Next beat the egg whites until stiff, then whisk in 1 oz (25 g) of caster sugar and spoon this meringue mixture over the pudding. Finally, sprinkle a teaspoon of caster sugar over it all and bake for a further 10-15 minutes until the topping is goldenbrown.

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The first of January may herald the start of a new calendar year but, as far as the gardener is concerned, spring is more often than not regarded as the start of the gardening year. Nonetheless, in January some plants do begin to flower, snowdrops, the occasional primrose, and winter heliotrope with its delicious fragrance; others such as Christmas roses, winter jasmine and witch-hazel will be in full flower.

There is some seasonal work to be carried out during January and if you have not already done so, roses should be cut back so that their roots will not be disturbed by strong winds. Supporting stakes and ties of shrubs and trees should be checked and renewed if necessary; snow should be shaken off branches. if possible, before they break, and shelter and protection of small or tender plants may need strengthening. Watch out for perennials being lifted by frost and firm them back into the soil.

Try to get the last of the digging finished so that the soil will benefit from being exposed to frost.

Fork through and thoroughly weed flower and shrub borders. and top dress with well-rotted manure or compost. Don't use manure on rhododendrons or azaleas.

If you are lucky enough to own a greenhouse, keep the temperature up, the atmosphere not too damp, and ventilate slightly. even in severe cold; clean out rigourously all fallen vegetation, as grey mould thrives on this and is at its worst in cold damp conditions.

Seed should be ordered now from the new catalogues. Annuals, biennials and bedding plants can all be ordered: some of the more easily grown annuals for quick display are goditia, calendula (pot marigold), limnanthes (butter and eggs or scambled eggs to some!), annual chrysanthemum, cornflower, nigella (love-in-a-mist), night-scented stock, forget-me-not, nasturtium, larkspur and a variety of ornamental grasses, for sowing in March/April. Biennials for May and June sowing are foxgloves (the modern hybrids are delightful), sweet Williams, Canterbury bells and wallflowers (all good cottage garden plants). Pansies, honesty and sweet rocket can be added. The bedding plants can be started in February from seed-petunias, nemesias, ageratums, bedding dahlias, busy Lizzies (impatiens), lobelias, tobacco plants (nicotiana) and dwarf phlox are some to sow in a warm greenhouse.

If you have not already pruned your established apple trees they can be pruned from November until February. Pear trees may also be pruned this month. Use good quality tools and make sure they are sharp to reduce the risk of disease. If you are a beginner in the craft of pruning do not attempt any drastic treatment, too little pruning is safer than too much. If your tree is suffering from a disease there are various winter sprays on the market that will treat a variety of infections, so consult your local garden centre to find out which spray is appropriate to combat the disease which has infected your tree.

So get to work on the garden, weather permitting, and not only will you feel very virtuous but you will reap the benefits later on in the year.

IRISH WILDBIRD CONSERVANCY **NEW YEAR ACTIVITIES**

The Irish Wildbird Conservancy will be in full swing for the month of January 1994 with many different activities arranged.

Activities are as follows:

Saturday 1st January 1994 - New Year's Day outing to Bull Island. The meeting place for participants will be at Causeway, St. Anne's Park Raheny at 10.30 am.

Tuesday 18th January 1994 - A talk and slide show on the topic of "Bull Island Nature Reserve" given by Pat Corrigan, the Wildlife Ranger, will take place in the Spa Hotel, Lucan, Co. Dublin, commencing at 8.00 pm.

Saturday 22nd January 1994 - Outing to Corkagh Park (sign posted off Boot Road) Clondalkin, Dublin 22. Meeting Place: Corkagh No. 2 Car Park. Time: 10.00 am.

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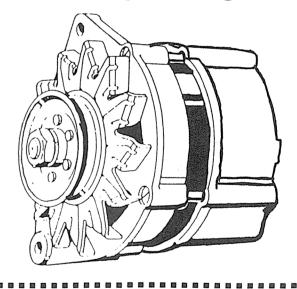
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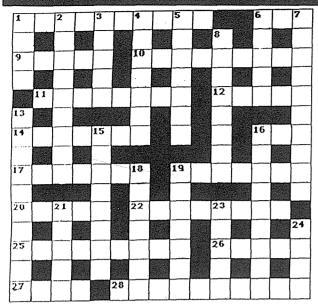
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Crossword No. 74



Entries before 5.00 p.m. 21st January, 1994.

Name:

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ACROSS

- 1. 3 x 12 (5,5)
- 6. The mint made the cow talk (3)
- 9. Raft in the east was not before its time (5)
- 10. It was raining on the editor who worked things into the finished product (9)
- 11. Eastern Secret Service in grind for donning oneself (8)
- 12. Sounds like Brendan was a chap who made a mistake while singing (5)
- 14. Mix-up in the middle of the crying vegetable may give what one thinks (7)
- 16. Eleven for the Roman twins (3)
- 17. Slowly moving forward towards the surroundings of the garden (7)
- 19. Murt's turn at the end or confused the elevated stand (7)
- 20. The fabulous French man makes a great story (5)
- 22. The naughty child on the end of the horizon may sound like he put his friend in jail (8)
- 25. The criminal investigation department's entertainments are great events (9)
- 26. Topping may be a fancy (5)
- 27. 'Es mind is at rest (4)
- 28. Long locks of hair are on par with intruders (10)

DOWN

- 1. Crazy dance after tea for the mouse catcher (4)
- 2. Go to bed in Reg's house and you'll be coming back tomorrow (9)
- 3. Snare what one gets (5)
- 4. Operation in short in small particle may bring a judgement (7)
- 5. A joke in need for one who is getting married (7)
- 6. My one in the middle gives cash (5)
- 7. Booking sheets may command the different ways you feel (5,5)
- 8. Rapid nonsense is spoken by such people (8)
- 13.A social gathering place is good for the welfare of the learner in the fifth note who is not on frozen water.(4,6)

- 15. A resting house you finish the circuit with may give you a hint (8)
- 16. Move to the next page for apple desserts (4,5)
- 18. The Saskatchewan lying within for the furrier (7)
- 19. Rests for the person who shows off in public again (7)
- 21. Good money for the horses kicks (5)
- 23. Could this be the place that the Apache's came from (5)
- 24. Sounds like the girl could be a military commander (4)

Solution to Crossword No. 73.

Across: 8.Impended 9. Broths 10. Cohere 11. Trousers 12. Shaded 13. Negative 15. Urge 17. The Dome 19. Lamaism 22. Dose 24. Camden St 27. Random 29. The Bible 30. Brunch 31. Or else 32. Sick call

Down: 1. Smooth 2. Defended 3. Addendum 4. Editing 5. Oblong 6. Corset 7. Thor14. Eels 16. Reds 18. Heathery 20. Aerobics 21. Announce 23. Otters 25. Dabble 26. Nobles 28. Occult.

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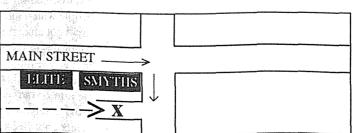
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One of the great losses in Irish sports coverage has been the disappearance of Declan Forde's column on the exploits of College Green. **The Newsletter** can now confidentially reveal that College Green have not folded but are instead plying their trade in the Italian league. This decision was motivated both by the need to find new challenges and the emotion inspired amongst us all by Maastricht and European unification. Also their wives refused to allow them join the Dutch league unless Ajax Amsterdam were playing in an empty stadium at least 100 miles in every direction from their Home Ground.

College Green have adapted well to their new surroundings. Our reporter sends us this exclusive match analysis:

It was a great day for College Green and Maynooth when the mighty AC Milan came over to play the lads in a match that would decide the destiny of the Italian league.

A bumper attendance was swelled by a convention of nearsighted Wicklow farmers and their dogs who under government equality legislation are now allowed their own sheep trials. Attracted by the crowds and the sheep droppings on the pitch men and dogs mistook the match for the sheep trial. Being Wicklow men having paid, they decided to stay anyway. It was a decision which was to have tragic implications for AC Milan.

The match itself proved to be a disappointment, although the cappuchino tactics of the College Green Manager, one cup of coffee in the morning after 17 pints of Harp, twenty Major and a shift in Kinnegad the previous night, were triumphantly vindicated as the lads weaved their way around a static Italian team. The latter found it hard to adjust to the playing surface which had been ploughed for spring corn the previous week.

After 17 minutes Mc Groarty skipped past the clumsy Baresi who looked out of his depth at this level to open the scoring. Minutes later Libero Paul Broughan, chipped Donadoni, nutmegged Panucci and slipped the ball under the keeper's body. The latter showed a strange reluctance to dive on the greasy surface where the sheep normally congregate.

The second half was marred by a tragic incident when Lentini, who had been strangely quiet on the right, ploughed into the sheep-dogs. They had been growing increasingly restive and promptly savaged him. However, following entreaties by the Wicklow farmers and the sheep-dogs AC Milan coach Capello agreed to continue.

This incident resulted in a subtle change in College Green tactics as a stream of long balls were played into space on the right and McGroarty strangely unmarked put a string of crosses into the Italian goalmouth. Some of the dogs had also congregated there and a curiously nervous Ielpo slipped two crosses into his own net.

The final score was 5-0 McGroarty getting his usual hat-trick. Yes indeed, another great day for the men of Maynooth and another trophy for College Green.

Next issue: Junior B Gaelic football the ballet of Irish sport, Bishop Casey on why he will never manage Ireland and Eamon Dunphy: the homo-erotic implications of his analysis of Michael Proust . . . sorry! Platini.

With apologies to Con Houlihan.

John Drennan

DAVID JOLLY IN THE NEW YORK MARATHON

In the build up to the New York Marathon the big thing for David Jolly was to raise much needed cash (£3,000 to be exact) for Our Lady's Hospital For Sick Children, Crumlin. None of this money was spent on his trip, for as part of the Eamon Coghlan Team his expenses were covered by various sponsors. David, a 48 year old sales representative for Danfay Ltd, had begun to scale down his training, running just a few races to keep him sharp.

His hour came.

Then his hour came. He got on board a 12 o'clock flight from Dublin on Wednesday 10th November, with the feeling "Here I am at at last". After a ten-hour trip he touched down at 5.30 p.m. N.Y. time. As a member of Eamon Coghlan's team David got V.I.P. treatment all the way. After registration the rounds of receptions began, provided by the various sponsors where he mingled with world class athletes. The Chemical Bank was the main sponsor of the team and the event. Climatising to his new surroundings, he got up early in the morning and ran 3-4 miles in Central Park, generally relaxing and being careful with his diet.

No drink

Before the race drink was out even though David is fond of a pint of Guinness which he claims contains minerals such as iron. Along with his team mates he generally drank minerals and water. David, a part-time musician, did a gig in "The Old Stand" where he sang a few songs.

At the receptions and sports clinics David met Greta Weitz, Steve Scott, the fastest American miler, Marcus O'Sullivan, John Treacy and Ray Flynn. On the morning of the race, Nov. 14th, David, along with all the elite runners, were bussed, with police escort front and rear, from the St. Patrick's Hotel to the start of race.

The start of the race

The New Yorkers make a big day out of their Marathon. It is an extravaganza; an organisational mammoth achievement with 28,000 participants, the race began on Verrazano Bridge, with three separate starts feeding into the main body of runners.

Two million people watch the race and side shows are a popular feature. David got an eerie feeling as he looked down into the ocean through the grids on 59th Street Bridge, which is two miles long.

Then as he turned into Fifth Avenue the noise was phenomenal; like going into a stadium. Along this four mile stretch there were approximately two policemen every hundred yards. Coloured residents could be seen break dancing on the sidewalks of Harlem. The crowds were fantastic. continued

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Murderous Conditions

The race was run in the searing heat conditions of a record 70° F and a humidity of 70% with decreased oxygen making it difficult to perform well. Water and Gatorade electrolyte drinks had to be drunk all the way. Most marathons are run in spring or autumn to prevent this scenario. Over 50 people were hospitalised due to heat exhaustion. At three miles to go a big coloured N.Y. cop said to David's team-mate: "At 23 miles and you're still smiling, you've got to be a feckin' Irishman". Some female runners had stripped down to their bras. David sped up over the last 3 miles which were twisty and hilly to cross the line in a respectable time of 3 hours 25 mins. He and all the other runners were way outside their best times due to the conditions. One woman suffering from multiple sclerosis didn't complete the race until the following afternoon where she was greeted by famous American runner Greta Weitz.

Drank the bar dry!

Meanwhile the happy Irish party headed back to St. Patrick's Hotel and proceeded to drink the bar dry having restrained themselves this far.

This was David's 11th marathon spanning a career of 14 years in the sport. He has won numerous prizes including the Kildare novice 8000m in 1992. He ran last years Dublin City Marathon in a time of 2hrs. 57mins.

Way of life

Running is a way of life to him as he does specialist training six days a week. David has become hardened to the elements and is able to cope with all kinds of extreme conditions. Between the canal banks, the college grounds, country roads and the new roads, David sees Maynooth as virtually a runner's paradise. David is an example to us all by virtue of his discipline and dedication. Long may he continue in his endeavours.

Willie Healy



David Jolly

KILCLOON LADIES' FOOTBALL

It is with sorrow and regret that we bid farewell to Karen Nolan, founder of the Kilcloon Ladies' Football Club. She founded the club in June '91 and with a lot of her time, skills, dedication and hard work coached her team to a final. Unfortunately we lost by one point.

We wish Karen all the best as she continues to remain secretary for the Meath team and all the very best of luck in '94 in her new childcare business in Maynooth. We sincerely thank Karen for everything she did for us, for if it wasn't for you Karen there would never be a Kilcloon Ladies' Team.

Team: Geraldine Nolan, Una Burke, Kathy Kerins, A & S Smith, R & C Tolan, D & B Tobin, A & E Snee, A.McNulty, A. Rattigan, S. Graham, C.O'Reilly, L.McLernan.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Maynooth Athletes were busy during the month of November, competing in a Kildare B Championship and two Leinster Championships on successive Sundays. They brought home a number of medals to the club.

Results are as follows:

B. Championship Kilcock 14/11/93

Girls U 10 (3rd) P. Byrne, (4th) G. O'Hurley, (5th) L. Bruton Boys U 10 (1st) A. Baxter, (3rd) D. Connellan, (4th) C. Carr, (9th) F. Molloy, (11th) D. Baxter, (12th) C. Rooney, (14th) D. Adderley, (16th) S. Moriarty. They also got 1st Team. Girls U 12 (16th) A. McTernan (19th) C. Baxter Intermediate (1st) J. Campbell, (2nd) A. Synott

Leinster Championship (uneven ages) Kilkerley 21/11/93

Boys U 9 (20th) P. Campbell, (38th) E. Diggins, (63rd) D. Adderley, (67th) G. Connellan.

Girls U 11 (43rd) P. Byrne, (60th) L. Bruton.

Boys U 11 (1st) D. Campbell, (21st) P. King, (66th) D.

Connellan, (75th) C. Carr, (88th) J. O'Connell.

Girls U 13 (35th) M. O'Sullivan, (63rd) N. Moriarty

Boys U13 (12th) C. Diggins, (18th) D. O'Rourke.

Boys U 17 (7th) M. Cunningham, (30th) C. Byrne

O/45 (2nd) L. McNamee, (12th) D. Jolley

Novice (9th) J. Campbell

Boys U 11 County Team, (2nd) included D. Campbell and P. King

Boys U13 County Team (2nd) included C. Diggins

and D.O'Rourke.

Leinster Championship (even ages). Athboy 28/11/93

Girls U/10 (34th) P. Byrne (48th) G. O'Hurley. (49th) L. Bruton.

Boys U/10 (17th) A.Baxter, (25th) D. Connellan (32nd) P. Campbell (on county team (3rd). (61st) C. Carr (73rd) D. Adderley (75th) C. Rooney (76th) D. Baxter.

Girls U/12 (34th) M. O'Sullivan (66th) N. Moriarty.

Boys U/12 (2nd) C. Diggins (29th) K. Ennis (both on county team (3rd).

Boys U/16 (8th) M. Cunningham.

O. 35 (4th) J. Cambell (2nd county team).

O. 40 (5th) L. McNamee (13th) D. Jolley.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES.

1st Team (Football)

(1) Ardclough Tournament - Semi-Final v Confey Maynooth 3.12 Confey 3.4

Scorers: Hugh Purcell and John O'Toole 1.1 each; Paul Garvey 5 pts., Dave Faherty 1 goal; Killian Fagan 3 pts., Derek Fleming and Joey Nevin 1 point each.

Best for Maynooth: Mickey Noone, Ken Killoran, Liam O'Toole, Hugh Purcell, Joey Nevin, John O'Toole, Killian Fagan and Derek Fleming.

Maynooth started poorly giving away 2 soft goals through defensive slip-ups. At one stage we were 7 points in arrears but fought back well to cut the deficit to 1 point by half time. In the second half the side cut loose however to win confortably and qualify for a final meeting with Sallins.

(2) Winter League v Sallins (away)

Maynooth 1.11 Sallins 1.10

Scorers: Fergus Devereaux 1 goal; Mick Nevin, Joey Edwards, Liam O'Toole, Hugh Purcell 2 points each; John Nolan, Mickey Noone and Johnny Nevin 1 point each.

Best for Maynooth:

Seanie Molloy, Mickey Noone, Derek Fleming, Johnny Nevin, Mick Nevin and Liam O'Toole.

Maynooth struggled all through against a lively home side who if their finishing had matched their approach work would surely have won. We stretched into a 5 point lead early in the 2nd half but as has happened so after this season we simply couldn't maintain it. The team relaxed allowing Sallins to gain the bulk of the possession which they proceeded to run at Maynooth. They took the lead with a few minutes remaining and it was left to Mick Nevin and Mickey Noone to pull the game from the fire with two great long range efforts.

(3) Winter League v Cappagh (away) Maynooth 1.9 Cappagh 1.6

Scorers

Seanie Molloy 1.3; Killian Fagan 4 points, James Gilligan and Joey Edwards 1 point each.

Best for Maynooth:

Mick Nevin, Pascal Ennis, David Mahony, Killian Fagan, Aidan Burke, Liam O'Toole, Joey Edwards and Seanie Molloy.

Revenge on our Tom Flood Cup conquerors in a keenly contested affair at Cappagh. Maynooth started sluggishly, to say the least, with far too much loose play in evidence. Cappagh were given the freedom of the pitch in which to operate and took advantage of it. The team tightened up considerably in the second half, however, and would have won by more but for a tendency, by the forwards, to go for goals when points were there for the taking. There was a pleasing return to form by Pascal Ennis while Killian Fagan was excellent all through. Seanie Molloy revelled in his outfield role finishing with 1.3 to his credit.

(4) Ardclough Tournament - Final v Sallins. Maynooth 1.14 Sallins 2.6

Scorers: Killian Fagan 1.1; Joey Edwards and Paul Garvey 4 points each; Seanie Molloy and Pascal Ennis 2 points each; Joey Riordan 1 point.

Best for Maynooth: Dave Faherty, Mickey Noone, David Mahony, Killian Fagan, Joey Nevin, Pascal Ennis, Seanie Molloy and Joey Edwards.

The team started off in very impressive fashion with every player on his toes and hungry for possession. With great running off-the-ball we threatened to over-run Sallins scoring 1.4 without reply and missing twice as much. As is our "wont" however we took the "foot off the pedal" allowing Salins into the game. They accepted the opportunity gratefully and battling for every ball got right back into the contest with an excellent goal. Maynooth led by 5 points at half time and started the second half on the attack but as spendthrift as we had been in the early minutes of the game. Our shooting was deplorable during this period and Sallins, gaining great heart from a smashing goal by their substitute full forward, were really putting it up to us in every sector of the field - only the vigilance of Faherty, at this stage, prevented further goals being conceded. As if sensing the danger, however, Maynooth stormed back and with Ennis, Mollov, Fagan, Edwards and Riordan leading the final charge went on to deservedly take the silverware.

(5) Winter League v Confey (Home) Maynooth 11 points Confey 5.9

Scorers: Paul Garvey 3 points; Pascal Ennis, Joey Nevin, Liam O'Toole 2 points each; Joey Edwards and John O'Toole 1 point each.

Best for Maynooth: Mickey Noone, Derek Fleming, Joey Nevin, Pascal Ennis and Seanie Molloy.

After the euphoria of the previous day's victory over Sallins we were brought back to earth with a bump by Confey. We started like a team with little appetite for the contest and while we had the wind in our favour we couldn't impose ourselves on the game. While the concession of a silly goal didn't help we somehow managed to haul ourselves back into contention and actually led by 2 points at half time. This lead was extended to 5 points with 15 minutes remaining at which stage "the roof caved in". A long ball to the Maynooth square flew through a defender's hands to the net heralding a Confey comeback which few could have foreseen. Two further goals followed, neither of which would have been out of place on a more auspicious occasion. Confey went on to win decisively and now look like qualifying for the knock out stages of the competition. Maynooth must still be wondering what hit them in the final 15 minutes of the game.

(6) Winter League v Clogherinkoe (home)

Maynooth 12 points Clogherinkoe 1.6

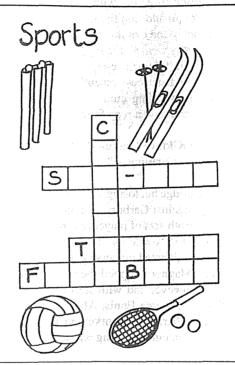
Scorers: Paul Garvey 6 points; Pascel Ennis and David Mahony 2 points each; Joey Edwards and Hugh Purcell 1 point each.

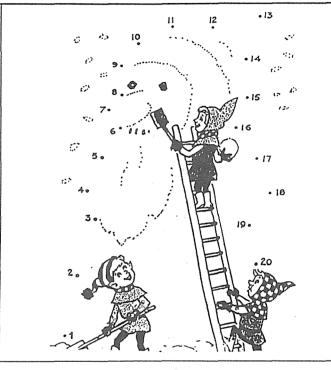
Best for Maynooth: Joe Conway, Aidan Burke, Mickey Noone, Paul Stynes, David Mahony, Killian Fagan, Joey Nevin, Pascal Ennis and Liam O'Toole. continued

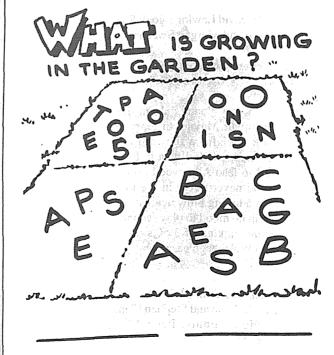


Children's Corner









WINNERS OF DECEMBER COLOURING COMPETITION

4-7 YEARS

1st Emma Fleming
63 Maynooth Park, Maynooth
2nd Conor Devaney
19 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth
3rd Elaine Tobin
Ashleigh, 108 Rail Park, Maynooth

8 - 12 YEARS

2nd Eibhlin Carr
6 Rockfield Manor, Maynooth
3rd Sallyann O'Reilly
493 Mariaville, Moyglare Rd.,

Crewhill, Maynooth

Mark Cummins

Maynooth

1st

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After the previous week's debacle against Confey, Maynooth had to win to retain any interest in the competition. This they duly did but not before they had given their mentors and supporters their usual quota of frights. They conceded 1.1 early on although they had the wind at their backs and it took them some time to gain territorial advantage. They had a slender lead at half time which was quickly squandered on the changeover by the concession of a soft goal. The team came back at Clogherinkoe with vengeance however and stitched together some lovely moves which culminated in vital scores. They also hit the woodwork on at least 4 occasions but had no one on hand to supply the finishing touches. All in all a very committed performance, on a "bog of a pitch", which went some way to erasing the memory of the Confey set-back.

UNDERAGE

Under 11, Schools Semi-Final -V- Newbridge:

This game against Newbridge which was played in ideal conditions was, to use a "tired old cliché", a game of two halves. Maynooth struggled to keep pace with a lively Newbridge side in the first half and were in arrears at half time. Their situation deteriorated further on the changeover and early in the second half they were 7 points adrift. A great goal from Alan Baxter, however, started a marvellous and thrilling comeback during which Maynooth piled on relentless pressure to which Newbridge had no answer. Maynooth eventually won "pulling up" by the handsome margin of 10 points. A great second half performance by all.

Under 11, Schools Final -V- Kilcullen Maynooth 4.3 Kilcullen 1.6

The final whistle in this game was greeted with scenes of wild excitement and no little relief by the large contingent of Maynooth supporters present. If ever there was a gallant team performance then this was it. From goalkeeper Shane Devereaux to corner forward Seanie Brady every "man jack" on the team was a star performer.

The first ten minutes were tense and nail-biting with both teams fighting tooth and nail to secure an early advantage. "First blood" fell to Maynooth and they were never subsequently headed in a "ding dong" battle. The teams were well matched and well prepared and although the margin of 6 points in Maynooth's favour may give the impression of an easy victory this was anything but the case. Kilcullen fought furiously to the finish but Maynooth's dogged determination and fierce will-to-win just about held them off.

Team:

Shane Devereaux (Moyglare Meadows), Noel Healy (Rail Park), Patrick King (Moyglare Road), Shane Pidgeon (Moyglare Meadows), Killian Car (Rail Park), Derek Connellan (Carton Demesne), Barry Doyle (Moyglare Road), David Campbell (Laraghbryan), Paudge O'Sullivan (Laurence's Avenue), Pierre Ennis (Taghadoe), Alan Baxter (Laraghbryan), Patrick O'Rourke (Kingsbry), Mark Kavanagh (Kingsbry), Conor O'Malley (Carton Court) and Seanie Brady (Maynooth Park).

Subs:

Morgan Sweeney (Moyglare Village) for Mark Kavanagh; Martin Dolan (Carton Court) for Pierre Ennis. Congratulations are tendered to each member of the squad and to their "Supremo" Joe McBride who together with Pierce O'Connell is doing such wonderful work for Gaelic Football in the Primary School. Joe was aided and abetted on the line by Maynooth G.A.A.'s, Denis McDermott who knows the squad "inside out" from his work with them on Saturday mornings and his involvement with them in the North Kildare Leagues.

All in all the Underage footballers are doing the Town proud this year having won the Schools Under 10 and Under 11 County Competitions together with the Under 10 North Kildare League Title. In addition the Under 10's were narrowly pipped in the Final of the Community Games by Round Towers who subsequently went all the way to the All Ireland Final. When the above is taken in conjunction with Maynooth Under14's marvellous success recently it reflects well on all those involved in coaching etc., in the Schools and Club. Hopefully it also points to a rosy future.

Under 11, North Kildare League -V- Carbury (Away): Maynooth 3.5 Carbury 3.3

After beating Celbridge but losing to Naas, Maynooth got back to winning ways against Carbury in a hard fought encounter at Parsonstown. Both sets of players overcame the most miserable conditions to provide an enthralling game. Carbury settled quicker and dictated matters up to half time when they led by 4 points. Maynooth upped the tempo significantly in the second half however and with sterling performances by Paudge O'Sullivan, Pierce Ennis, Alan Baxter, Noel Healy, Derek Connellan, Patrick O'Rourke and Ian Murray gradually got on top to run out deserving winners.

Scorers:

Alan Baxter 2.1; David Lawlor 1 goal; Stephen Fleming 2 pts; Patrick O'Rourke and Morgan Sweeney 1pt each.

Maynooth V Allenwood (Away) Maynooth 3.17 Allenwood 1.4

Allenwood put a very young side in the field and were no match for a rampant Maynooth team who scored at will. Maynooth took over from the throw-in and until David Campbell and Paudge O'Sullivan in blistering form at midfield proceeded to lead Allenwood a merry dance. To their credit Allenwood never threw in the towel but they simply could not get in a telling blow against the Maynooth youngsters who were in no mood to play second fiddle. A feature of the game was the kicking of 3 50's over the bar by Paudge O'Sullivan - adult players please copy.

Scorers:

David Campbell 1.5; Conor O'Malley 1.1; David Lawlor 1 goal; Paudge O'Sullivan and Stephen Fleming 3pts each; Alan Baxter 2pts; Pierce Ennis, Peter Sheehan and Tommy Masterson 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth:

N. Healy, P. King, K. Carr, M. Dolan, P. O'Sullivan, D. Campbell, A. Baxter and S. Fleming. continued



Bridging a gap of 28 years they bring the cup back Minor Champions B 1993

Back Row L to R: S. Griffin, N. Gillick, P. Burke, D. Moore, V. Nevin, R. Molloy, J. Rossiter, T. Farrell, R. Casey, G. Lyons, P. Lacey, A. Gaffney, J. Moran, S. Noonan, P. Nevin, E. Diggins. Front L to R: P. Farrell, M. Nugent, E. Ryan, P. Ward (Captain), E. Hassett, H. Nevin, D. Buckley, S. Brennan, R. Murphy, M. Bennett.



Historic win for Maynooth U14 Football Team - First time to be won (Back Row): M. McCarron (Selector), J. Mee, C. Lyons, M. Shield, S. Cummings, D. Naughton, P. Ryan, M. Tumelty, P. Carroll, M. Byrne, E. Gallagher, A. Nugent, V. Nevin, B. Mooney, R. Gavin, C. Phelan, T. Flaherty, M. Callaghan, E. Nevin, M. Gillick (Manager).

(Front Row): M. Meally (Selector), A. O'Brien, B. Connolly, R. Kelly, N. Downey, A. Boylan, D. Coughlan (Captain), N. Byrne, A. McCarron, G. Hanley, J. O'Gorman, M. McCarron, N. Naughton, J. O'Shea.

Maynooth V Leixlip (Home) Maynooth 1.6 Leixlip 1.13

The scoreline in this game does scant justice to the effort put in by the home side who if they had taken a fraction of the chances they created early in the game would surely have run Leixlip very close at the finish. Leixlip had the edge in fielding, scoring and combined play but Maynooth's never-say-die spirit kept them well in contention all through. Some of Maynooth's star performers in earlier games didn't shine quite so brightly on this occasion but all in all the team has to be complimented for turning in so many excellent performances in the Spring and Winter Leagues. Paudge O'Sullivan repeated his speciality of kicking great 50's, in this game putting one well over the bar and hitting the bar with another great effort.

Scorers:

D. Campbell 1.2; P. O'Sullivan, P. Ennis, M. Gleeson, M. Sweeney 1 pt. each.

Best for Maynooth:

S. Devereaux who brought off a number of spectacular saves; N. Healy, P. King; D. Campbell and P. O'Rourke.

MINOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV 2 PLAY OFF Maynooth 1.8 Kilcullen 2.8

After a long season Maynooth failed in their bid for league Div 2 title. It was a match which Maynooth could have won but on the day Kilcullen were worthier winners.

Best for Maynooth:

K. Killoran, D. Fleming, E. Mitchell, P. Garvey, A. O'Shea.

Tom Flood Cup Final Caragh 1.9 Cappagh 10pts

Caragh won our tournament for the Tom Flood Cup. This has been a great year for Caragh up to this win they have won Junior A football Championship, Jack Higgins Cup, and Div 3 Senior Football League. On the day Caragh just about got the better of a very good Cappagh Team. This is the second time Caragh have won the Tom Flood Cup. Paul Flood son of Aidan presented the cup to the Caragh Captain, and a good evening was had by all in the Club House after the match. We would like to thank our ladies committee for the lovely tea and sandwiches they supplied after the match.

Under 21 Football Championship Maynooth 13pts St Kevins 2.6

Maynooth overcame the strong challenge from St Kevins to qualify for the semi-final of the county under 21 football championship. St Kevins were first to score a point by Noel Casey but from this up until half-time Maynooth took control and some lovely points from frees by Paul Garvey, and some good work in midfield by Aidan Burke and Joey Nevin kept Maynooth ahead in this game. They led by 9pts to 3pts at half-time.

The second half saw St Kevins rejuvenated, points by D. Murphy, T. Carew and a great goal by S. Gorman left the minimum between the sides with ten minutes to go. Maynooth fought back with points by H. Purcell, P. Garvey and P. Byrne

left Maynooth four points ahead with just five minutes remaining. St Kevins got their second goal through J. Casey. The final minutes were fought amid great excitement but Maynooth defence were on top through the excellent work of Eamon Dunne, Micky Noone, Kennett Killoran and David Mahoney, held St Kevins out until the final whistle sounded.

Scorers:

Paul Garvey 5pts, Hugh Purcell 3pts, Joey Nevin 2pts, Paul Byrne 2pts, Derick Fleming 1pt. also to play well were Eamon Dunne, Mickey Noone, David Mahony, Kennett Killoran and Aidan Burke.

Maynooth U21 Football Team who reached U21 semi-final. T. Fay, G. Horn, E. Dunne, M. Noone, T. Farrell, K. Killoran, D. Mahoney, A. Burke, J. Nevin, P. Garvey, M. Madden, D. Fleming, R. Quinn, H. Purcell, P. Byrne: Subs - E. Mitchell, H. Nevin, O. Nevin, J. Sullivan, B. Nevin, D. Cusker, M. Donnolly, P. Burke, S. King.

U21 Football Championship Semi-Final Maynooth 8pts. Na Fianna 2-15

Na Fianna team a pick from Allenwood, Ballyteague, Robertstown, Milltown were too strong for Maynooth in this semi-final of U21 Championship. Maynooth started the better but failed to take their chances. After 5 minutes Na Fianna got the first score a point, it was all Na Fianna and after 10 minutes there were 1.2 to 0 up. Maynooth got their first point after 15 mins. a free fron P. Garvey. At half time Na Fianna led by 1.7 to 2pts. Maynooth started the second half well and scored 2pts. but Na Fianna took control try as they did. Na Fianna held Maynooth forwards at bay. Best for Maynooth: P.Garvey 4pts. H. Purcell 2pts., M. Madden 1pt., H. Nevin 1pt. Also to play well, E. Dunne, T. Farrell, D. Mahony, A. Burke, J. Nevin, E. Lyons, K. Killoran.

Na Fianna: D.Doyle, D.Smullan, D.Hynan, J.McTeague, A.Cross, M.Dowling.

LOTTO RESULTS 17-10-93

Numbers 1,8,10,21.

Won by Paul Daly, Moyglare Rd. Maynooth. Jackpot £1,000.

LOTTO RESULTS 24-10-93

Numbers 2,4,8,9. No winner Jackpot £200. 5 x £10 G.Connellan, E.Leavy, Marie Dixon, Patsey Dunne, Bridie Flanagan.

LOTTO RESULTS 31-10-93

Numbers 1,3,10,12. No winner. Jackpot £250. 5 x £10 D.O'Driscoll, D.Casey, Rita Edwards, M.McInerney, M.Gillick.

LOTTO RESULTS 7-11-93

Numbers 4,5,12,18. No winner. Jackpot £300 5 x £10 Marie Gleeson, Mick Gleeson, Jason Dempsey, Noreen Nevin, Paul Doran.

LOTTO RESULTS 14-11-93

Numbers 12-19-20-23. No winner. Jackpot £350 5 x £10 Jim Moore, Margaret Gillick, Eamon Dunne, James Miller, Nuala & Ollie Geoghegan. continued

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LOTTO RESULTS 21-11-93

Numbers 6,8,9,10. No winner. Jackpot £400 5 x £10 Kevin McGovern, Jack Simon, Teresa Long, Thomas & Emma Fay, Nuala Geoghegan.

LOTTO RESULTS 28-11-93

Numbers 6,11,15,18. No winner. Jackpot £450 Turkey - Con Hayes, Ham - Phil Connolly Whiskey - Barry Connolly

LOTTO RESULTS 5-12-93

Numbers 5,9,18,21. No winner. Jackpot £500 Turkey - Mark Cummins, Ham - Sarah Ann Hurler, Whiskey -Judy Burke.

DINNER DANCE

We would like to thank our sponsors - C.P.L. Main St.. Jim Smith Main St., Centra Main St., Sean Donovan Greenfield, Kieran Masterson Maynooth S/C., Sports Locker Maynooth S/C. Moyglare Manor Hotel, Phil Brady Main St., Caulfields Main St., G. Mulcahy Greenfield S/C, Jean's Foodstore Moyglare Village, Noel Kerian, College Green, Leo Prendergast College Green.

We would like to thank our Dinner Dance Committee, Mick Kelly, Pascal Ennis, Madeline Stynes for a very successful night. All had a good time. Also our bar staff for their wonderful help.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 16th. January 1994 in the Clubhouse at 11.00am. All members are welcome to attend.

Wishing all our members, supporters and players a Very Happy New Year.

Tommy Fay P.R.O.

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Match reports are few this month due to the worsening weather conditions with matches being called off due to poor playing conditions. Our home pitch at Dublin Road has not escaped either, being closed on a number of dates. Seniors and schoolboys have been affected by cancellations and it is hoped that a major fixture pile-up will not accrue with the U/16 European championships fixed for Ireland in 1994 whilst we also have a date with Uncle Sam in the U.S.A. in 1994.

Having mentioned the U.S.A. it is only appropriate that the club should lend it's best wishes to Jack Charlton and the lads in their quest to achieve their ultimate goal. Having reached their second successful world cup finals is a great boost for the country and for soccer in general in this country. Looking forward to the games will help to shorten the long winter evenings ahead, so bon voyage lads and give 'em hell.

Leinster Junior League Dalton Cup Maynooth Town 0 Killinarden Ath. 2

This game was dominated by Maynooth for long periods but our inability to convert chances into scores cost us dearly. Killinarden were never spectacular but their general work rate was always more forceful and so they reaped the rewards for their greater endeavour. A goal in each half was enough to see Killinarden through despite the best efforts of Gerry Thompson and Paul Byrne.

Watkins Cup

Maynooth Town 1 Inchicore Rgrs 3

Maynooth made a tame exit from the Watkins Cup despite taking the lead with a Paul Byrne header from a Martin McTernan corner. Inchicore came back at Maynooth and scored two quick goals and with Maynooth then trying to grab an equaliser they scored a late penalty to put the issue beyond doubt.

Conway Cup

Maynooth Town 4 Ormond F.C. 3

This was a great game and our second string gave everything to achieve this hard earned victory. Ormond opened the scoring early and it looked as if Maynooth were in for a heavy defeat. The never say die attitude of Maynooth stood them in good stead and they fought back to take a half-time lead. A Micheál Kelly corner was slotted home by Killian Fagan and just on half time the same player put Maynooth in front with a headed goal. Ormond equalised midway through the second half to rock Maynooth back on their heels. Killian Fagan completed his hat-trick when he put Maynooth in front once more and it looked as if Maynooth would advance to the next round but in the last seconds of play Ormond scrambled the equaliser. Extra-time was a real cliff hanger but with a minute of time left a Robert Thompson crossfield pass was latched onto by Michael Murphy who smashed a left foot shot to the roof of the net much to the jubilation of the home team and supporters. This was an excellent all round team performance but Man of the Match was definitely Killian Fagan and he got good assistance from Mickey Kelly, Darren Moran and Micheál Kelly.

Leinster Junior Shield Maynooth Town 2 Seagrange Utd. 2

(Seagrange won 3-2 on penalties after extra time)

This was once more a cracking performance by Maynooth and they can feel proud of their performance. Seagrange have been unbeaten in their division of the Leinster Senior League this season and set out to prove why that is so. Maynooth were undaunted by their reputation and took the lead first when continued

Michael Murphy slotted home John Murray's pass. Maynooth had a player dismissed for hand ball in the second half and this put Maynooth under a great deal of pressure. Seagrange got on terms but Maynooth took the lead again when a Michael Murphy shot came off the upright, but Killian Fagan was on hand to slam the rebound to the net. Seagrange got a late equaliser to force the game into extra time which proved scoreless. In the resulting penalty shoot-out Seagrange emerged winners by a 3-2 margin. Another top class show which failed to provide the desired result.

D.D.S.L. U/15

Tymon Bawn 1 Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth never produced their usual high standard of play but were still good enough to overcome Tymon Bawn. A workmanlike rather than classical display by Maynooth where goals by Fran Larkin and Martin Byrne secured the points.

D.D.S.L. U/13

Tymon Black 1 Maynooth Town 1

Maynooth held out for a fighting draw against their Tallaght opponents and were good value for their draw. Danny Byrne and Stephen O'Sullivan were best for Maynooth.

D.D.S.L. U/12

Bohemians F.C. 1 Maynooth Town 6

Maynooth were dominant throughout and were good value for this convincing win. Maynooth held a comfortable half-time lead through two goals by Andy Madden and one each by Sean Brady and Trevor Naughton. Two second half goals by Shane Folan and Trevor Mc Mahon put a convincing look on the scoreline.

D.D.S.L. U/10

Dunard 2 Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth lost a two goal lead in this game but were still good value for a share of the points two goals by Thomas McGovern was not enough to secure both points but nevertheless a good performance in which Simon Fagan and Joe Fleming performed well.

D.D.S.L. U/13

Maynooth Town 3 Mount Merrion 0

Maynooth stepped up on recent form and ran out convincing winners against Mount Merrion. Maynooth held a comfortable half time lead with goals by Alan Geoghegan and Karl Murray. When it looked as if Mount Merrion might get into the game in the second half Danny Byrne sealed the issue for Maynooth with a third goal.

D.D.S.L. U/12

Maynooth Town 2 Ben Madigan Utd. 3

Maynooth failed to build on an early lead and paid a dear price for their complacency. Andy Madden put Maynooth in front but Maynooth allowed Ben Madigan right back into the game to score three goals. A second Maynooth goal by Donal Houlihan was not enough to save Maynooth from a disappointing defeat.

D.D.S.L. U/10

St. John Bosco 1 Maynooth Town 1

Maynooth had to pull out all the stops to hold out against an eager St. John Bosco side. Maynooth trailed by a goal at half-time and it took some inspired goalkeeping by Mark Dunne to prevent St. John Bosco from running riot. The heroics of Mark Dunne seemed to inspire Maynooth and they battled away to grab a deserved equaliser by Thomas Mc Govern who relinquished his defensive duties to go forward and earn Maynooth a point. Mark Dunne and Gary McMahon were best for Maynooth.

As we enter into another year may we take this opportunity to thank the many people who helped us and gave us support throughout 1993. We were helped and assisted by so many people in various ways that it would be impossible to mention all so to the many people concerned a sincere thanks. May we wish a very Happy New Year to everybody and may all your wishes come true in 1994!

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Housing Maintenance

An attempt by Labour Councillors at the Estimates meeting to have a provision of £100,000 transferred from a provision of a New Council Chamber to Housing maintenance was defeated by 14 votes to three.

Only the three Labour members supported the provision of this additional finance which is badly needed for Housing Maintenance. Cllr. McGinley who had proposed the transfer of the funds expressed surprise at the lack of support for his motion from certain other Councillors.

BIRTHDAYS

To Tracy, happy birthday on 16th January from Annette

To Orla, happy birthday on 12th January from Annette.

To Annette and Orla, thanks for listening, from Ray and Anita.

To everyone who is reading this, Rave Rules, from Orla and Annette.

Happy 13th birthday to Karina McGovern, Greenfield, on January 14th. With love and best wishes from Nannie Una and Uncle Kevin, also best wishes from Joan and Tom in Moyglare. XXXX

Happy 13th birthday to Karina McGovern, Greenfield, on January 14th. With love from Mammy, Daddy, sisters Stacey, Michelle, Debbie and Regina Also best wishes from Wilchelle, Wilc

Sister, sister-in-law, nephews, nieces, staff of Moyglare Nursing Home, relatives and friends of Noel McGarry, Ladychapel and Roanstown, Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The sons, daughters, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, of the late Mary Walshe, Greenfield, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; those who attended the removal, Mass and funeral; those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes. A special word of thanks to the priests and the kind neighbours. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

CONGRATULATIONS

Christy and Francie Burke, Barrackstown, on the birth of their baby boy. A brother for Kathie.

Edward Lyons, Greenfield, who celebrated his 21st. birthday Dec. 10th. A party celebrating the happy occasion was held in the Celbridge House attended by family and friends.

Sylvia Burke, Newtown, who celebrated her 21st. birthday Dec. 16th. A party in the Clock House for the happy occasion was attended by family and friends.

Ronnie Thompson, Greenfield. Birthday Jan. 11th. Best with from Sylvia and family.

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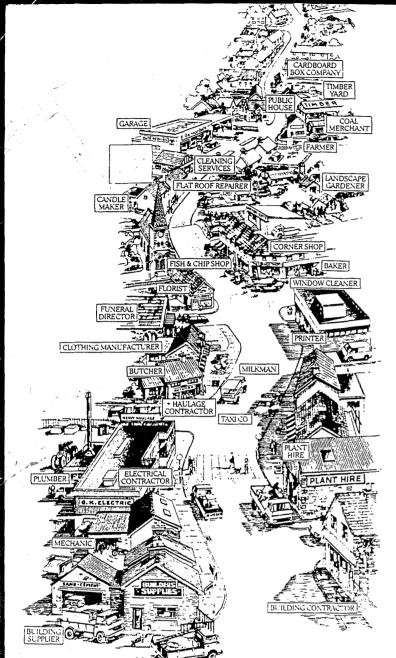
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with something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

By-pass and Green Spaces

Recent developments on the Straffan Road signal the first moves to upgrade the approach road to the by-pass. Trees have been uprooted and walls removed and before long we will see a wide, modern road allowing fast access to the interchange at Moneycooley. The winding country road, lined with ancient hedges, mature trees and stone walls will be swept away in the interests of progress and safety. While the new road may be an improvement on the pot-holed trackway of the past, some readers will lament the passing of these reminders of Maynooth's rapidly disappearing rural environment. In particular, as the fields give way to more and more housing estates, Maynooth is no longer a rural retreat from the concrete jungle which Dublin is. Now, before the tide of concrete covers any more of Maynooth, could we ask our planners to step back a little, and 'set aside' some land for recreational purposes? And we don't mean little pockets of grass interspersed with houses. Maynooth needs a park which will sustain a range of recreational activities, games, athletics, walking and even swimming. A site should be identified now, and the Council should follow the example set by Dublin County Council which has provided many magnificent parks throughout the county for the use of its citizens. Of course this will cost money-but the roads have cost millions also. The needs of residents who will spend a lifetime in Maynooth should be at least as important as the needs of motorists who want to reduce their time passing through Maynooth by a matter of a few minutes.

Perhaps the proposed Maynooth Urban District Council would pay more attention to this issue. More details further on.

Bicentenary Celebrations

The College is not the only institution in Maynooth to be looking forward to a bicentenary celebration in the near future. Astute readers who read the Issue Number on the front cover of this month's *Newsletter* will have noticed that we have reached Issue 199. Next month, we intend to celebrate our two hundredth edition with some changes which will make the *Newsletter* brighter, newsier, more informative, and entertaining. While your Editorial Committee has taken a long cold look at the *Newsletter* as we have come to know it, we depend on you the reader to come up with suggestions for improvements. So, If you have ideas for articles, regular features, illustrations, reviews, or even want to contribute material yourself, just ring Norah McDermott at 6285922, or call into the *Newsletter* offices, Main Street, above Kehoe's delicatessen.

Valentine's Day

And a happy Valentine's Day to all our readers!

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Letters to the Editor

Community Council Notes

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you on behalf of the desperate teenagers of Maynooth. We are requesting that some form of action be taken about the lack of facilities for us. We are pleading with you for some form of youth club to keep us off the streets and from hanging around the shops, harbour etc. By hanging around these places we could end up drinking and smoking etc. We would like to thank the people who run the summer project and the discos in the parish hall as we enjoy these events. I think by writing this we are speaking for teenagers as well as adults.

Bored Teenagers.

Dear Editor,

Can somebody help in interpreting a series of dreams I had sometime last month.

Ghoul: I am the Ghost of Christmas Past; what can you see? Self: I can see the Main Street, but it's bright and colourful, and there's a huge star on the tree outside Paddy Bluepaws, and there are decorations on each individual tree. (Those that survived the Night of the Long Knives anyway). And the band plays on even when the Public Lighting switches off at 12 midnight on New Year's Eve. Is that the Spirit of Christmas, or what?

Self: Not again, but you look different.

Ghoul: I am the Ghost of Christmas Present, what do you make of this?

Self: Why are the Binmen collecting so late? And look, there's a clerk still working in the bank at this hour on Christmas Eve.

Ghoul: The Binmen are snowed under with bins full of obsolete and discarded electrical cable and coloured bulbs - seems there's not much use for them around here; and the poor unfortunate in the bank can't keep up with the extra cash generated by the Annual Christmas Week Drink Price Increase.

Self: Don't tell me - you're the Ghost of Christmas Future. Ghoul: Right-on, but watch your language. The new UDC/Town Commission/West Fingal County Council (delete accordingly) has deemed the' C word as politically incorrect. Self: I see the **THING** is gone but where is the Bank this morning?

Ghoul: Like the 'C 'word they are banned from celebrating the "December Holiday" for fear of offending different creeds and cultures (or even giving the impression that it's a time for enjoyment).

Oh well, there's always the Mid-March Holiday to look forward to!

Patrick A. Farrell

ST. PATRICKS DAY COMMITTEE

The Annual St. Patricks Day Parade in Maynooth has become one of the largest and most successful in Leinster outside of the Dublin Parade. This year we want to make it larger, more successful and with even greater local involvement so groups, clubs, organizations and businesses interested in having a float in the Parade should fill in the Application form, enclosed in this issue, and submit it before the closing date on March 4th. There are prizes for floats in various categories - commercial, clubs etc. If possible we would encourage those submitting floats for judging to supply their own music.

There are also prizes for the most imaginatively decorated shop fronts. We would encourage all clubs, societies and traders to become involved in this local effort.

Festival Committee

The Festival this year will be held from 10th - 19th June. We are at present arranging various events that we hope will involve all groups in the community i.e., events such as a Field Day, Battle of the Bands, Historical Fancy Dress etc. A provisional outline of events will be published in the March edition. The next Festival Committee meeting will be held on February 24th at 8.30p.m. Any organizations or individuals interested in attending should contact the Community Council Office.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

February - Already plans are being made for the 1994 campaign. We have year one of the Planning and Development/ Tidy Towns Scheme completed and are now embarking on year two. We will be holding our A.G.M. in the Maynooth Post Primary on the first Tuesday in March (1st March, 1994). So we welcome anyone with an interest or who wish to help to come along to our A.G.M.

Sympathy to Tommy Kileen on the recent death of his sister, Colette Deegan, Ballyconnell, Ballinagore, Castletowngeoghegan.

Richard Farrell, Secretary

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BAND BULLETIN

The shorter than usual BULLETIN in January means that we have a little catching up to do this month so let's get down to business straight away.

CHRISTMAS NEWS

We are delighted to report that our carol recitals in December were an outstanding success and we would once again like to thank all those who contributed so magnanimously to our funds. I said in the November BULLETIN that with the growth of Maynooth it may not be possible to visit every area and indeed this was the case. Despite the heroics of the band members, the younger ones in particular, in braving the rain and frost we did not make it to the Newtown/Beaufield area or to Moyglare Village. Maybe next year we will be in a position to make bits of ourselves and cover ALL the estates, including Rockfield and the two new estates at the Town Bridge, with two bands. It was particularly rewarding to hear people asking 'when will you be visiting our area because the carols add a special "festive feel" to the days before Christmas'. This is a tradition which we think is unique to Maynooth and we will do our utmost to make sure it continues for many vears to come.

We were very pleased to be allowed play in the Quinnsworth Shopping Mall on Christmas Eve and the response was marvellous. The place was alive with last minute shoppers and every one of them expressing pleasure with the Christmas music. We could have played for another four hours if we had anticipated such a reaction but maybe next year. with the blessing of Quinnsworth and the support of Ollie Bright, we will be more prepared and put on a wider selection of Christmas music and Carols.

Harking back to the November BULLETIN when we mentioned our very good friends the Nuns and the Convent and our long tradition of playing for them at Christmas., I'm delighted to report that, despite a couple of false starts, we managed to keep up that much valued tradition this year and what more appropriate time to visit them than on Christmas morning. I think the visit this year was as important to us as it was to the sisters and I hope they derived as much pleasure from our visit as our members did. We wish them well when they move to their new house and look forward to meeting them there next Christmas.

Last item on the Christmas menu was our parade on Christmas morning. We thank all the hardy souls who shared the cold of the Square with us to listen to our short recital - sorry it could not have been longer but a large number of our brass players had forgotten to top up the anti-freeze and their instruments were beginning to freeze up but maybe next year with the help of the ozone layer and the global warming and some fur coats and furlined gloves maybe we'll manage to play for a wee bit longer.

THE GOOD SAMARITANS.

On the last Sunday before Christmas, at the invitation of our sometimes Alto Sax Player Tom, five of our members headed up to Grafton Street to join up with a group of Dublin Scouts to play Christmas music in aid of the Samaritans. We all agreed it was one of our most enjoyable outings in a long while with lots of craic, good music, fantastic crowds and at the end of it all over £500 for a very good cause. Not bad for an hour and a half's pleasure.

NEW YEAR

The beginning of 1994 also marks the start of the Band year and we will be holding our A.G.M. on Monday 7th February at 8p.m. where we canvass for a crew to sail us safely through another year. Our main aims are to clear our debt (we're nearly there), improve our musical standards and make the band more enjoyable for all our members. We hope to name the aforementioned crew in our next BULLETIN.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY

1994 also marks the 40th anniversary of the formation of the Boys' Band in Maynooth which was to provide the vital link between the reformed Band of 1931 and the present Band. At a slightly later stage the "Boys" element went by the wayside with the very welcome, but controversial at the time, introduction of young ladies to the Band.

Since then we have seen many boys and girls and men and women pass through the Band, hopefully a little richer for their experience. We feel this year would be an appropriate time to have a reunion of all past and present members to mark those 40 years and we would like any one interested to contact Michael or Margaret Dempsey at 6286948 or Kevin Boyd at 6285903 as soon as possible. We will then set about organising the function when we know how many would like to be a part of the reunion.

See you here again next month with some more details of our plans for 1994.

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CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE

Maynooth Citizens Information Centre is now in existence for 7 years. It was originally the brain-child of Maynooth Community Council and is at present a sub-committee of the Council. This Centre has been a major asset to Maynooth people and people in surrounding areas. The Centre when started was run on a voluntary basis, but the workload was so great the committee decided to operate a Social Employment Scheme whereby the office can now be open full time 5 days a week. The office staff at present are John O'Connor, Michael O'Regan, Alyson Gaffney, Cathy Dunne, Noeleen Edmonds, Nicola Boland, Tony Murphy under the supervision of Frances Daly and the volunteer workers are Norah McDermott, Freda Kelleher, Breda Gormally, Phil Lee, Joe Coyle, Kevin Breslin and Maureen Donnelly. We would, at this point in time like to congratulate Audrey Delaney, one of our scheme workers, who has moved on to full time employment as a supervisor on another scheme. The present officers are Chairperson: John O'Connor, Secretary: Freda Kelleher, Treasurer: Maureen Donnelly, Organiser: Michael O'Regan, P.R.O. Norah McDermott. The centre is usually a hive of activity and the workers and volunteers receive on-going training. Information on social welfare, taxes, health and housing etc. can be had by calling in or phoning the office. Phone number and opening times are listed below. Following on is a question and answer series which appears in the Newsletter each month.

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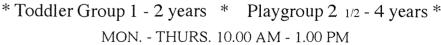
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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

Maynooth I.C.A. Guild held its first meeting of 1994 on January 6th. at 8.00pm. Well done to those members who braved the bad weather in order to attend. Unfortunately I was unable to attend, but Rosemary Hanley, our Secretary, has kindly supplied me with some notes on the meeting. Imelda Delaney, our president, welcomed the ladies to the meeting and wished them all a "Very Happy New Year".

Competitions

The Navan carpets "Designer '94" competition is coming up in March. Entry forms are available from Betty Moore. Betty also has details of an essay competition entitled "Down through the ages". This is a Spring/Summer inter-federation competition. The Make and Model competition will be on in April. The closing date for the Irish Competition is 14th February. So ladies, let's get working and ensure Maynooth is well represented in all these competitions.

Activities

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday morning, starting at 10.45am. What better way to get in shape for the summer holidays.

Craft nights are on at 8.00pm every Monday night, in the I.C.A. hall. Nell, our crafts promoter, would welcome any new craft ideas. So girls, if there is a craft you would like to do, now is the time to mention it to Nell.

Raffle and Competition

Raffle results are: 1st. M. Flynn, 2nd A. Dolan and 3rd. M. Scanlan.

The competition for January was "A Slice of Christmas Cake", and the winners were 1st. M. Flynn, 2nd. R. Hanley and 3rd. I. Matthews. Many thanks to Caroline McCartan who judged the competition. The competition for the February meeting is an "On the Spot".

Course on Stress

About a dozen I.C.A. members have started a 6 week course, in the I.C.A. hall entitled "Positively Coping with Stress and Anxiety". Ms. Finola Headon is the facilitator for the course.

Golf Outing

Three ladies from our guild took part in the Co. Kildare I.C.A. Golfing Society outing to Bodenstown Golf Club, on Friday 14th January. Breada Cronin did really well for Maynooth, finishing in 2nd place, behind Mrs. E, Molloy from Ardclough guild. Only a small number of ladies turned up on the day but perhaps there will be a larger turnout at the next outing which is planned for March.

Next Meeting

Our next guild meeting will be on Thursday 3rd February, at 8.00pm in the I.C.A. hall. The guest speaker on that night will be a representative from Stena/Sealink. He will be able to provide us with details of the services available from Stena/Sealink, e.g. short breaks, leisure and special tours and of course not forgetting the "shopping trips".

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Rosemary for supplying me with the notes of the last meeting. I look forward to seeing you all at the February meeting.

Connie Harpur, P.R.O.

KILDARE NORTH LEO CLUB

Background of Leo Clubs

Leo clubs are groups of young people, worldwide, who provide hundreds of valuable humanitarian services for their communities. Leos reflect the proud "We serve" spirit of Lions Clubs International.

Each Leo Club functions as an activity of a Lions Club. A Leo Club has an adviser who is a member of the sponsoring Lions Club. The adviser encourages and guides the Leos and acts as a liaison between the Leo Club and the Lions Club.

The first Leo Club was organised at a Pennsylvania, U.S.A., high school in 1957. Since then, Leo Clubs have flourished. They are now present in 106 different nations and have an estimated membership of 105,000. Leo Clubs were expected to serve the community by responding to the needs and welfare of others.

The original Leo motto read: Leadership, Equality, Opportunity. Then, equality was extended only to males. Today, young people of every race, gender, age and creed can enjoy the benefits of a Leo Club membership.

The second Leo Club was not formed until 1963. In 1964 Leo Clubs became an official district project. In 1967 the International Association of Lions Clubs' Board of Directors adapted Leo Clubs as an official worldwide programme. Within the first year 200 Leo Clubs were organised in 18 countries. Today, more than 4,000 clubs are in existence.

Objectives of a Leo Club

- 1) To provide Opportunity;
- 2) To provide Experience;
- 3) To develop Leadership skills.

The Kildare North Leo Club was formed last October.

The Committee are: President, Paul Tuthill, Clane; Secretary, Sharon Murphy, Kilcock; Treasurer, Elaine Fox, Maynooth; P.R.O., Pat Behan, Clane; Vice-president, Keith Johnston, Naas: Lions Adviser. Peter O'Sullivan, Donadea.

Our aims are to provide local or international charities with aid of some kind, be it through money or something they may require. It is a non-profit organisation.

We recently held a Table Quiz in the G.A.A. Hall in Maynooth, which was very successful. Our next Table Quiz will be held in Clane.

Our main fundraising this year will go towards an annual event run by all Leo Clubs here in Ireland. This event provides underprivileged children with the chance to go to Mosney. This event takes place during the summer months.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a special word of thanks to all those who contributed to our Table Quiz, no matter how great or small. We hope we will always have your support.

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MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

The Results of Our Survey

We carried out a survey on our services to Members on the first week-end in October and compiled the results from the completed questionnaires in November. A report was written up and presented to the Board of Directors in January, and you, patient reader, get the results this month.

No new opening hours

A total of 178 questionnaires were completed. The first idea we wanted to research was whether Members would find either Thursday or Friday morning opening useful. Most people said no: 133. Six people said either would suit and Friday morning received the highest number of positive responses: 32. For the moment, therefore, changes in opening hours would not seem to be justified.

However, under Other Improvements, further down the questionnaire, the opening hours attracted more comments (a total of 19) than any other item. However, few of these were specific enough to be acted upon. Nevertheless, members should think about what really suits them and let us know. We will respond as soon as it becomes practical to do so.

Insurance and Budget Planning

The level of positive response to two possible new services was practically the same: Home/Contents Insurance (97) and Budget Planning (98). VHI Group Scheme, however, attracted mostly negative responses: 101. The Board of Directors will consider these findings and we will publish the results of their deliberations when they are made available.

Loan Application? - Just Send in the Form!

The second most frequent complaint respondents made concerned money matters (a total of 12 comments). One misunderstanding that showed up here concerned loan applications. It is not necessary to apply for a loan in person. A member simply has to return a completed application form. It is only if the Member has a query or is not clear about the procedure that they need to speak to a Director or member of the Credit Committee.

A Rich Harvest!

Not only is the information outlined above useful to the Directors in deciding how best to develop our local Credit Union, but respondents were generous in their positive comments as well. And more than that, 26 people volunteered to work as tellers. This boost to the numbers of staff makes a great difference and is welcomed by all.

Thanks

This information was gathered by Directors, as an extra to their regular weekly duties: Catherine Mulready, Ken Loane, Jim McMahon, Pat Harney and myself. I have an awful feeling that this list should be longer and I apologise to anyone whose name I may have left out.

Emer McDernott P.R.O.

THE MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The Annual Dinner on January 19th in Moyglare Manor Hotel was a most enjoyable night. Sixty members and friends enjoyed a beautiful meal. After dinner Toni Read had organised a quiz, also there was a lucky draw with spot prizes. The 16th was our Chairwoman's birthday and Maureen Stephens presented Mary Doyle with a bouquet of flowers. The night ended with a sing-a-long.

Imelda Desmond will be the demonstrator on February 15th. This meeting will be held as usual in the Divine Word Hostel on Moyglare Road at 8 pm. Imelda always has lots of useful ideas, and makes wonderful arrangements so we expect a large attendance on the 15th. Non-members are most welcome to attend any of our monthly meetings.

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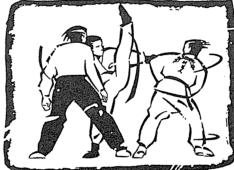
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Annual General Meeting will be held in Band Hall, Sunday, February 13th at 3pm Mass for deceased members in St. Mary's Church same day 12.00 noon. All members are invited to attend.

P. Nolan Secretary

'MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE'

Our annual dinner went ahead according to plan on Sunday Jan 16th in the Post Primary School. Together with our neighbouring friends from Pagestown, Mulhussey and Kilcloon we enjoyed a beautiful four course meal, courtesy of Peter O'Brien Catering and his most efficient staff. Peter never seems to tire of responding to our needs, and for that we are very grateful. A word of thanks to Joe, Jamie, Eamonn and David, the four young people who came along to help, 'well done lads'.

In previous years our entertainment took the form of a concert after the meal, but this year we took a new direction. Bill Lawlor and his band "The Earls" gave us a 'musical treat for dancing feet'. They played excellent music of the ballroom variety that would have made Victor Sylvester sit up and take notice. There were lots of prizes to be won and the highlight of the evening was our waltzing competition. Kit and Peggy Edwards danced away with first prize, while Chris Feighery and Annie Burke came a close second. Third place was taken by Josie Carr and Ena Rochford. All in all it was a most successful and enjoyable evening. A special word of thanks to Tom Ashe for his continuous co-operation and support. We wish him well with his monster fund raising draw for a much needed extension to the school. Anyone can buy a ticket for which there are some great prizes, so why not get in on the act. We all benefit from this school, young and old alike. Our A.G.M. takes place on February 1st in the Health Centre. Our Valentine's party will be on February 13th in the Post Primary School at 3.30p.m. We look forward to seeing everyone there, and in keeping with the time of year, 'romance' will be the order of the evening.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION AMERICAN TEA PARTY

Come and enjoy yourself!

Dear Parents,

For a great night out we have organised an American Tea Party as a fund raising activity, the proceeds of which enable the Parents' Association meet financial demands placed upon it by the school, on Friday 25th February 1994 in the County Club, Dunshaughlin:- Music by Centre-Fold (9 - 2). Tickets will be available from any committee member. Full details are available from any of the committee members.

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

How You Can Help!

Hosts/Hostesses will be required to host a table of 10 or more persons. Please co-ordinate your group and confirm your booking and/or table reservation with anyone of the committee members over the next few weeks, they are:-

Mary Byrne, 6286762; Sally Cotter 8255664; Lise O'Farrell, 6287343; Jacqueline Smith, 6286660; Dermot Nangle P.R.O., 6286400:

Dermot Nangle P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

On the 19th February '94 we will be coming to the start of a new term. This term will continue until 23rd April '94 inc. (nine week term).

There will be no swim on 2nd April which is Easter Saturday. There will be a free family swim on Saturday 9th April for members. No buses on that day. Separate arrangements are being made for a bus - refer to committee - notices will be handed out regarding same.

Fees are as follows:

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We are now taking names for our waiting list. Please contact Aine Hearns Kennedy, 13 Rail Park, Maynooth, any committee member or the Newsletter Office giving particulars of age and experience if any.

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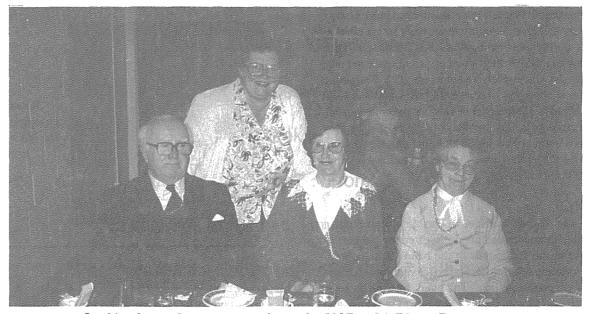
OLD PEOPLE'S DINNER DANCE



Ann Flemming & Margaret Dowling enjoying the Old People's Dinner Dance



Having a ball at the Old People's Dinner Dance are Ann Murphy, May Dowling & Gabe Cassidy



Looking forward to a great evening at the Old People's Dinner Dance are John O'Reilly, Maura O'Keeffe, Mary O'Reilly & May Flannigan



All set for a great night at the Dinner Dance are Imelda Farrelly, Tóisín Farrell, Maureen Butler, Margaret & John Walsh

NO NAME CLUB IN MAYNOOTH JANUARY 22

What is the No Name Club? The No Name Club is an alternative to "Pub Culture" for young people aged 15 to Leaving Cert age. The idea is to match the standard of Bars and Nightclubs, rather than renting draughty halls. The idea began in 1978 in Kilkenny, as the Brainchild of Eddie Keher, the All Ireland Hurler. Originally non alcoholic bars were run, but nowadays cabarets, live music, nightclubs and competitions have evolved to offer an attractive alternative to under age drinking.

Hosts and Hostesses

The No Name Clubs are run by young people themselves, with adult organisers and administrators lending a hand. The young people who **volunteer** to organise, are trained as Hosts and Hostesses (Pat Kenny's wife, Kathy was one of the first hostesses when the No Name Club was launched in Kilkenny). The young hosts and hostesses are intensively trained in running a nightclub/bar and dealing with cash and people. They are awarded with a certificate signed by prominent figures in their respective locality, which is a bonus for a C.V. The young organisers are encouraged to compete in regional and local competitions held in different venues around the country, such as The Waterford selection weekend being hosted by Ray D'Arcy, where entrants from the 38 clubs nationwide are competing. One of the main figures in the operation is Arthur Kiely - Development Officer.

No Name Disco

On entering the No Name disco, in the Maynooth Student Union building, I encountered hundreds of young people enjoying themselves to the sounds of the band "Schizophrenics" playing a variety of originals and cover versions by bands such as Therapy and Metallica. The band, like the patrons, are young (Vincent Nevin, Cian O'Melia, Kevin Farrell and William Gannon). The night was a huge success with C.K.R. D.J.'s Vincent O'Sullivan and Mary Lynam. It's good to think that the young revellers had a great time and will still be able to recall the events the next morning without a booming headache. The youths were from Maynooth, Kilcock and surrounding areas. The hosts and hostesses were selected from the area by interview.

Thanks

The No Name disco on Saturday owes its success to many sources such as the Lions Club, local Publicans, St. Patricks College, the A.I.B. and Cardinal Press. The event could not have taken place without the efforts of the local Gardai such as Sgt. Joe Canny and Martin Kane. As secretary, Melanie Oliver also played a large part along with members of the local clergy and the Community at large who formed the founding Committee. Mention must also be made of the many adults who generously gave their time free, and the youths whose behaviour at the event was impeccable.

We would like to wish the No Name Club every success for the future in the Maynooth area and look forward to hearing of more events.



Left to right - Linda Nurney, Marie Laheen, John Corcoran, Belinda Rooney, enjoying themselves at the opening of the No Name Club in the Students Union on January 22nd



Jenny Walsh enjoying herself at the No Name Club opening

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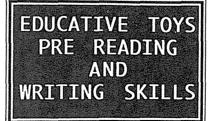
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Christmas Raffle

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Water Levels

The Committee apologises to the Angling Fraternity and the canoe enthusiasts for the two levels of water which pertain at present. This is due to the fact that the Office of Public Works are presently completing repairs to the land sluice at the 13th lock and this should be completed shortly, when levels will be restored. The Office of Public Works have also trimmed the hedges along the canal so people can now enjoy canalside walks without getting caught in the hedgerows.

Works up-date

Work is continuing at a steady pace with the wall on the Fire Station side of the Harbour completed. The huge unsightly bank which separated the Habour from the Harbour field has been removed and landscaping will ensue in this area. This bank was a source of danger for children playing in the area. The Foreman has asked us to appeal to anyone who may be renovating or demolishing old buildings or walls to let us know as building stone is urgently required for the continuing building in the Harbour. Anyone who has stone/rubble to offer can contact the undersigned at 01-6286372. On the subject of the work, the Foreman also tells us that there are a number of vacancies for workers. Anyone wishing to start on the scheme can contact the Foreman at the Harbour.

Angling Club

A new Angling Club has been set up in association with the Royal Canal Amenity Group and interested persons can contact Jeff Morrison at 6289674.

Committee

Your Royal Canal Amenity Committee appeals to any interested parties who would like to join the Committee, to contact the undersigned at the above telephone number. In recent times committee numbers have dwindled due to circumstances beyond our control. Some members have moved from

the area and other members were forced to retire due to pressure of other commitments. This wonderful amenity is there for the people of Maynooth and should be preserved and refurbished. If you have a couple of hours a month on your hands and are interested, then why not join us!

Steam Train

We are delighted to confirm that the Steam Train, which has proved so popular in the last couple of years, will run again this year! Keep an eye on this column for further details.

Gerry Fitzpatrick P.R.O.

ANGLING CLUB

In the January issue we printed a letter from Jeff Morrison with reference to setting up an Angling Club. We omitted his address and telephone number which is as follows: 20 Manor Court, Maynooth Tel: 6289674.

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We have just started another year and its time to start planning for summer, summer camp, hikes, outings, etc. Before all that THE SCOUT SECTION will be training for the camp craft competition, the aim being to hold onto the Trophy they won last year.

On Sunday 13th February, Scouts from all over Ireland will converge on Maynooth to take part in the National Scout Quiz. The venue is the sports complex on the new campus. This is the first time a national event has been run by a group outside of National Head Quarters. This has been made possible by the kind co-operation of Maynooth College authorities and the Students' Union. We thank those for their time, their efforts and for their premises. Could this be the start of a new era of co-operation between the College and local groups?

Ventures are now up and running again in Maynooth, and a full programme is being planned, under the guidance of leaders, Shane O'Neill, Helen Monahan and Neva Redmond.

Due to lack of leaders, the Beavers section has closed. If you would like to become a leader, please contact Tony Muldowny- Phone 6286033

Hoping I can announce the re-opening of the Beavers next month.

Tony Muldowney
Unit Leader 8 Kildare

STUDENTS UNION

(1) Students for Charity

Who are they? We are a group of Maynooth students who get together after a number of weeks of each college year to plan events to raise money for charities in Ireland. Last year we raised £10,000.17p for ISPCC Childline. Over the last seven years we have raised over £35,000. Okay! We do a lot of money collecting. Now here is the chance to be part of this special group of people, get your name in for the next event to Ronan Barry in the Maynooth Students' Union. What is the next event? On the 5th of February we are raising money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation. They want to send three children under the age of fifteen on holiday. All these children are ill with terminal diseases. With the help of 98FM we will try to raise over £5,000 to cover expenses for these three holidays. Also, on the 11th, 12th and 13th March Maynooth Students are again raising money for I.S.P.C.C. Childline by cycling to Galway (via Limerick). Ten thousand pounds was raised last year and it is hoped that the same will be achieved again.

(2) Monday February 21st is the start of Maynooth's Rag Week. This week is generally a time when most students forget about their time-table and indulge in the more social aspects of college life. The week starts with a Drag Ball at which the Glam Tarts will play. Other bands playing are an Emotional Fish and the College's very own Mummers. A week to remember (or forget) for some.

- (3) Thursday 10th February is the date set for a Referendum in the College. It is hoped that the outcome will result in a new addition to the Students' Union Executive. The post in question is Irish Language and Cultural Affairs Officer, whose portfolio will include amongst others the promotion of the Irish language and the implementation of the Unions bi-lingual policy.
- (4) 24th to the 28th January saw Women's Week in Maynooth College. The week included a wide variety of events from talks by prominent Irish Women, to the hugely successful Traffic Light Ball. Altogether it was a highly successful week. Well done to Aine Corrigan (Women's Rights Officer) and her organising committee.
- (5) Maynooth College and the Soccer Club played host to the Harding Cup from the 27th to 30th January. This is an annual intervarsity and most Irish Colleges were represented over the weekend. At the time of going to print it is not known what the eventual outcome was.

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BEAUFIELD AREA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION - B.A.R.A.

Happy New Year to all our residents. We would like to thank you for your support in '93.

The children's Christmas party was a great success, thanks to all involved.

It is now time to plan for '94. Maintaining the estate is our main priority as you are aware. It will take a lot of hard work and commitment from everyone. The Residents' Association would appreciate any input from residents no matter how little. We shall be holding our A.G.M. in the near future. "Looking forward to 1994"

Stephen McCann

GREENFIELD ACTION GROUP

The Bollards

By now everyone will be aware of the unfortunate time wasting situation which has arisen in connection with our bollards.

Kildare County Council granted planning permission for the erection of bollards at the area meeting in December 1993 requested by 98% of residents (directly affected) i.e. Greenfield residents.

The Celbridge Area Council Committee took place on 14th Jan.1993, at which Councillor John McGinley requested a date for the erection of said bollards.

County Engineer John Carrick informed the full meeting of a local business person's objections to the said bollards. This business person, who we will refrain from mentioning at the moment (due to publishing date, we must seek legal action before doing so), has served legal action on K.C.C. for granting planning permission for said bollards.

This legal action is being taken in total disregard to the local residents who provide a large percentage of their livelihood. It is with total disgust that we learn of his antagonistic actions against the safety of our children. 98% of the residents in Greenfield voted positively in favour of the bollards with their signatures, with their voices and attendance at our meetings and above all at the biggest test public protests early in

the morning and late at night.

It is with this complete unionism that we will stand and win against people with such disregard for other people's high values.

As you read this a meeting will have taken place to clear up this mess once and for all. Everyone will be made aware of our satisfactory results through our local *Newsletter*.

Once again we must impress upon this business person our total disgust at his blatant intervention in matters which so obviously do not concern him.

Christmas Party

Having missed the deadlines for the January issue we have a lot to talk about.

What a great Christmas party! The children and parents alike visited Santa Claus in the Band hall. All had their lists, a few longer than others.

Santa listened carefully, noting all. Drinks and snacks were enjoyed by all. A very sincere thank-you to Santa for visiting us. His kindness and natural attributes reaching all. Thanks to the local shops for their unfailing support! Tom Geraghty, Greenfield Supermarket for the giant teddy-bear for our raffle. We would like to thank Ger Scanlon, Kids Cottage, for her support and generosity.

A.G.M.

Our A.G.M. was due to have taken place in early January. Due to the unfortunate time-wasting business over the bollards, all hands are requested on deck to clear this issue once and for all. Greenfield Action group are now a major force to be reckoned with!

Taking this opportunity to wish you all a peaceful 1994.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our next meeting will be on the 7th February. Items for inclusion should be sent to our secretary: Melanie Oliver, 40 Maynooth Park. **N.B.** Our A.G.M. is upcoming in March 1994, members will be advised of venue and date.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Sorry we missed out on last month's issue as we were 'between news' waiting for things to happen due to the early copy date.

The Christmas night out was a very enjoyable event for those who ventured to Harry's in Kinnegad on 17th December. A first class meal, great band and lots of balloons and streamers made for a great night and all this for £12! No sooner was the night over when some of the residents were asking about the next social outing. Maybe we'll try for something during the summer.

Unfortunately the night out did not turn out to be a 'ramps ball' The last news on the ramps is that the residents were consulted on the locations proposed by the County Council but none of these were acceptable. The problem is that the ramps must be a minimum distance from any junction, a maximum distance from street light yet still be laid out in such a way to prevent cars from speeding between ramps. The local engineer has met a representative from our committee and has gone back to the Council to have the work recosted to include one wider ramp and two extra street lights. Hopefully we should have better news by the time this appears in the *Newsletter*.

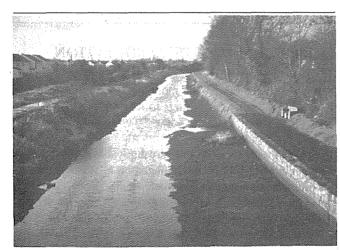
A FISHY STORY

The fish are hopping and screaming aloud: "Where's the water gone?" Yes, folks, the canal is drained out. Could it have anything to do with Buggy Horan who lurks suspiciously around the harbour feeling thirsty these days?

It's a fishy kind of business, a case of here today, gone tomorrow. As the water was lowering a local fisherman couldn't believe his catch - a good evening's work. But when he went back the next day it was a different kettle of fish (pardon the pun!) when there was no water and no fish (a fisherman's heartbreak!).

Rumour has it that the fish have migrated to Mullingar at the moment while work is being done on one part of the canal. One wonders whether they will return with a distinct increase in environmentally unfriendly people who seem to think the canal is an extra large dust-bin. This has become even more evident now that the canal is drained with the debris consisting of cans, crisp bags, the remains of fish and chips (maybe that's why the fish left!!!) and any other type of casually discarded waste you could think of.

Let's hope when cleaned out, and the eventual return of the water, the fish will feel happier with their dwelling place and happily greet any passer-by who is without a hook.



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MAYNOOTH ENTRY IN AER LINGUS YOUNG SCIENTISTS' EXHIBITION

Further to the success of the Maynooth Post Primary School entry in this Exhibition, the girls involved, Aoibheannn O'Sullivan, Sarah Commane and Jackie Kinsella, have decided to release further details of their findings.

There is considerable disagreement regarding the date of Christ's birth. During the 6th century, the Roman monk, Dionysius Exiguus, worked back to the year in which he believed Christ was born and called it 1 A.D. The era of A.D. was unknown until then. Many historians feel that he miscalculated and that Christ was born about four years earlier. The astronomer Kepler (1571-1630), making use of a lunar eclipse recorded in King Herod's time, calculated the birth of Christ as having taken place about five years earlier than that fixed by the old Julian calendar. We are not certain how close the result of a modern calculation, based on the same information, would be to that obtained by Kepler. However, the accuracy of Kepler's result obviously depended upon the accuracy of the information which he used. One difficulty with old historical records is that the method of recording dates varied from place to place. Was the date of the eclipse properly interpreted. Unfortunately, the evidence regarding the birth of Christ is too flimsy to allow a definitive dating. We are therefore not in a position to say which year is correct.

There is even further confusion regarding the day and the month in which Christ was born. A record of his birth appears in the old Roman Philocalian Calendar and is worded as follows: "V111 kal Ian natus Christus in Bethleem Iudeae". This is translated as follows. V111 is 8 in Roman numerals. Kal is an abbreviation for kalendae (kalends) which referred to the first day of the month. Ian is an abbreviation for Ianuarius (January). The Romans counted back from an event and included the starting date in the count. Starting with and including January 1st., a count back of 8 days brings us to the 25th of December. The entire Latin sentence may be translated as follows: "On 25th of December, Christ was born in Bethlehem in the province of Judea." Unfortunately, this recording makes no reference to the year of birth. However, some historians would argue that the celebration of the birth of Christ on December 25th was designed to offset the pagan feast of "Natalis solis invicti" (The birthday of the unvanquished Sun). The Winter solstice probably occurred on 25th of December, during the time of Christ, and this was a strong pagan feast. By the time of the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. the vernal equinox had fallen on 21st of March and the Winter solstice on about 22 of December. However, an error of almost three days had accumulated on the Julian calendar by 325 A.D. During the time of Christ, both the vernal equinox and the Winter solstice would have occurred about three days later. Some historians claim that because the early Christian Church could not root out strong pagan feast days, it allowed Christian feasts to fall on the same dates and slowly christianised the pagan ones.

Estimates of the month in which Christ was born range from early September to late Spring. Some historians claim that shepherds do not watch over sheep in the middle of winter. One point must always be kept in mind when discussing a

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topic such as this. The type of weather that one should expect during a particular season depends on the part of the world in which one is living. We are not familiar with the climate of the Middle East during the winter but our research has confirmed that there are greater extremes of temperature differences between day and night. Snow has been known to fall on the desert at night and melt quickly the next day under the hot sun. We leave this controversy to the historians.

Far more information is known about the date of his death as he had become well known by this time. Christ was crucified on the eve of the Passover. The Jews celebrated this feast on the 14th day of the first month (14th of the Jewish month of Nisan), that is to say, the lunar month of which the 14th day either falls on or next follows the day of the vernal equinox. The early Christians followed this tradition and Easter became the Christian equivalent of the Jewish Passover. The proper date for the celebration of Easter became a matter of dispute among the early Christians. In 325A.D. The Council of Nicaea decreed that Easter should be celebrated on a Sunday. During the year of this famous Council, the vernal equinox fell on 21st March. This date became accepted as the proper time of the vernal equinox. Easter was therefore defined as the first Sunday following the first full Moon which came on or after the 21st of March.

Easter has always been the principal feast day of the Christian Church and the dates of all movable feasts are decided from the date of Easter. Christmas, on the other hand, did not become a feast day until several hundred years after the birth of Christ. Nevertheless, while the exact birthday of Christ is not known, the tradition of celebrating it on 25th of December has been in existence for hundreds of years and has become well established. It is hard to see this date changing.

Michael J. Walsh

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EYE HEAR

Buggy and the Bungee

Famous local character Sean 'Buggy' Horan revealed to the present company that he was going to jump. This caused great concern until he explained about the Cerebral Palsy sponsored Bungee Jump, being staged at the Foxhunter, on Sunday 23rd January. Locals tried to dissuade the Bombardier 'Buggy'.

One said "when you hit the end of the rope, your spine will stretch a few extra feet and your head will hit the ground". Another suggested that, "Buggy would burn up in the earth's atmosphere", but the cheekiest comment was that "the best place to tie the rope was around Buggy's neck as that was the hardest part of him".

Last seen Buggy, having borrowed a tug-o-war rope, for extra protection, was heading up the Dublin Road into the mists of legend.

Back to the Dark Ages

Christmas came early to Rail Park on Wednesday 8th December. The estate was plunged into darkness by a power cut. Out came the candles when they were eventually located. The children were filled with awe and the old folk experienced old nostalgia but to many it is a sign that there is an inadequate power link to the estate.



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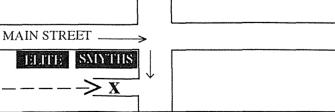
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Congratulations

Congratulations to Bernard Durkan who recently won the Irish Times Backbencher of the year award. One of the more active Back-benchers in our Dáil, Bernard has been involved in national politics since 1982 and is a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. He was also the sole T.D. on the Fine Gael Commission for Renewal.

FIRST IRISH TRAVEL COMPANY AN-NOUNCES DETAILS OF WORLD CUP **PACKAGES**

Funtrek are the first Irish travel company to announce details of their packages for the 1994 World Cup when they issued their brochure on Tuesday, December 28th, 1993.

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- *27-night package to cover all of the matches up to the semifinal, costing £1,690.

"Our packages provide the best value for money for Irish fans. The cost of the packages will include accommodation, flights, travel within the United States and match tickets."

Funtrek will be using air-conditioned camper vans (seating 14 people) to transport fans between New York and Orlando, and all other match destinations on the East Coast. Fans who wish to travel to matches on the West Coast can do so by availing of Airpasses provided by Funtrek.

Our camper vans offer a number of very practical advantages for Irish fans who wish to attend all of Ireland's matches in the first round. Firstly, they offer great flexibility. Fans can follow Ireland wherever they play without having to worry about expensive hotel accommodation.

"In addition they are a much more economical way to travel and allow fans to see the sights of America along the way. For example travelling from New York to Orlando on train or bus will be considerably more expensive and a lot more restrictive. There are only two trains daily between the two destinations and the journey takes 22 hours."

Funtrek's flexible combination of travel by camper van and Airpass for West Coast matches really comes into its own in the event of Ireland qualifying for the Second Round and

Because the venues for these matches will not become clear until after the First Round is completed, fans using other packages or making their own arrangements will have to book scarce places at very late notice on scheduled flights or trains. Such arrangements will be very expensive. For example, a one-way plane flight from East Coast to the West Coast will cost \$900 approximately and a similar train ticket will cost \$500."

Another notable feature of Funtrek's packages is the provision for refunds in the event that Ireland don't stay on after the Second Round.

"In order to ensure that Irish fans can support their team up to and including the semi-final stage, Funtrek have arranged a special 21-night and 27-night package. In the event that Ireland are eliminated before the quarter-finals the fans who book these packages will be fully refunded for the nights which they don't use. In addition, if Ireland are eliminated at the First Round stage, the fans who have booked these packages will have the option of going on a coast-to-coast trip with Funtrek or a holiday in Cape Cod."

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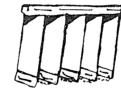
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- 5. It will avoid delay and needless enquiry if you present your application form at the Garda Station where you are known or where your identity can be readily confirmed.
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- 7. If you must attend at a Garda Station where you are not known, you must be identified by a reputable person.
- 8. Your Irish passport is a very special document, entitling you to international travel. Please guard same with care.
- 9. Any difficulties that may arise in the matter of identification can be overcome by co-operation and understanding.
- 10. Your identity is critical and the central ingredient of your Passport please do not expect the Garda to certify it on production of some anonymous document made out in your name.

Robberies

The tranquillity of Maynooth was shattered early in December when a vicious gang of criminals, travelling in a stolen car, wearing balaclavas and brandishing firearms entered the town and carried out a lightening robbery on our local Post Office. Staff personnel at the Office were terrorised. In the light of this terrorising event the Garda advice in such circumstances is:

- 1. Keep calm as far as possible and try and concentrate.
- 2. Obey do only what you are asked no more and no less.
- 3. Observe Note details i.e. description of suspects, general appearance, height, build, hair style, colour, eyes, dress and any other distinguishing features; write down details at first available opportunity, especially make, colour and registration number of vehicle used by attackers.
- 4. Preserve the scene of the incident and do not allow interference with places where fingerprints or indeed footprints may be found.

Consequent to this violent raid we ask all business people to exercise extreme caution when dealing with large sums of money. The service of the Garda Divisional Crime Prevention Officer is readily available and may be contacted through the local Gardai.

Maynooth Garda Annual Dinner Dance.

Our Annual Dinner Dance takes place on Friday, 4th March, 1994, again at the Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge. This event has become a part of the social calender and we anticipate the usual huge support for the occasion. Any information may be obtained by enquiring at your friendly local Garda Station.

FROM MAYNOOTH TO LAPLAND

Talk about "Santa Claus is coming to Town" being reversed - a family from Kingsbry in Maynooth have been to Lapland and back to visit Santa in his own town, compliments of the National Lottery.

Margaret Lyons' ticket, of 182 Kingsbry, was drawn from thousands of entries in a special draw for Christmas where three Santa symbols on their scratch card put them in the running for a fabulous trip of a lifetime.

Seán, her husband, had bought the ticket and put his wife's name on it. Margaret said "Sure I didn't think I'd have a chance of winning but we sent it off anyway."

The trip was for four people, two adults and two children, so on Friday, 17th December, Seán and Margaret headed to Dublin with their daughter Sharon (four and a half) and nephew Conor O'Brien (eight years) where they had dinner at a special function in the Montrose Hotel with the 49 other winners and then stayed over for the night eagerly awaiting their flight the next morning.

So, early on Saturday morning the Lyons set off with nephew Conor for Lapland, where their destination was the Lapponia Hotel in Rovaniemi, 500 miles from Helsinki.

On the flight, which took three and a half hours, the RTE crew found a star in Sharon, who amused them with her chitchat, speaking of Santa's beard, calling it a "board". She thus was selected as one of the six kids to be interviewed by the Den team for their show on television which was to take place on Christmas Day.

Saturday and Sunday were packed full of activities from sleigh rides to meeting Santa's reindeers and watching his elves at work. However, the highlight of the trip was meeting Santa himself.

Margaret and Seán said that Sharon was very shy in front of the RTE cameras but upon meeting her I'd never have guessed.

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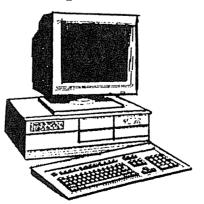
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ADVICE TO APPLICANTS FOR PASSPORTS

Its that time of year again when you are leafing through the holiday brochures and planning the annual vacation, which is well deserved. Updating or acquiring a new Passport may be necessary. If so attend to the matter early and hereunder is some timely advice to facilitate the smooth processing of your application.

- 1. Your Passport will be your badge of identity, especially when travelling abroad.
- 2. In making your application your identity must be officially established and certified by a Garda.
- 3. You must sign the application in the presence of the Garda, who will certify the Form and the accompanying photographs.
- 4. If you are not known to the certifying Garda, your co-operation will be required in establishing your identity when presenting your application form.
- 5. It will avoid delay and needless enquiry if you present your application form at the Garda Station where you are known or where your identity can be readily confirmed.
- 6. For this latter reason you can present your application form at a Garda Station serving the area where you reside or where you formerly worked or indeed any Garda Station.
- 7. If you must attend at a Garda Station where you are not known, you must be identified by a reputable person.
- 8. Your Irish passport is a very special document, entitling you to international travel. Please guard same with care.
- 9. Any difficulties that may arise in the matter of identification can be overcome by co-operation and understanding.
- 10. Your identity is critical and the central ingredient of your Passport please do not expect the Garda to certify it on production of some anonymous document made out in your name.

Robberies

The tranquillity of Maynooth was shattered early in December when a vicious gang of criminals, travelling in a stolen car, wearing balaclavas and brandishing firearms entered the town and carried out a lightening robbery on our local Post Office. Staff personnel at the Office were terrorised. In the light of this terrorising event the Garda advice in such circumstances is:

- 1. Keep calm as far as possible and try and concentrate.
- 2. Obey do only what you are asked no more and no less.
- 3. Observe Note details i.e. description of suspects, general appearance, height, build, hair style, colour, eyes, dress and any other distinguishing features; write down details at first available opportunity, especially make, colour and registration number of vehicle used by attackers.
- 4. Preserve the scene of the incident and do not allow interference with places where fingerprints or indeed footprints may be found.

Consequent to this violent raid we ask all business people to exercise extreme caution when dealing with large sums of money. The service of the Garda Divisional Crime Prevention Officer is readily available and may be contacted through the local Gardai.

Maynooth Garda Annual Dinner Dance.

Our Annual Dinner Dance takes place on Friday, 4th March, 1994, again at the Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge. This event has become a part of the social calender and we anticipate the usual huge support for the occasion. Any information may be obtained by enquiring at your friendly local Garda Station.

FROM MAYNOOTH TO LAPLAND

Talk about "Santa Claus is coming to Town" being reversed - a family from Kingsbry in Maynooth have been to Lapland and back to visit Santa in his own town, compliments of the National Lottery.

Margaret Lyons' ticket, of 182 Kingsbry, was drawn from thousands of entries in a special draw for Christmas where three Santa symbols on their scratch card put them in the running for a fabulous trip of a lifetime.

Seán, her husband, had bought the ticket and put his wife's name on it. Margaret said "Sure I didn't think I'd have a chance of winning but we sent it off anyway."

The trip was for four people, two adults and two children, so on Friday, 17th December, Seán and Margaret headed to Dublin with their daughter Sharon (four and a half) and nephew Conor O'Brien (eight years) where they had dinner at a special function in the Montrose Hotel with the 49 other winners and then stayed over for the night eagerly awaiting their flight the next morning.

So, early on Saturday morning the Lyons set off with nephew Conor for Lapland, where their destination was the Lapponia Hotel in Rovaniemi, 500 miles from Helsinki.

On the flight, which took three and a half hours, the RTE crew found a star in Sharon, who amused them with her chitchat, speaking of Santa's beard, calling it a "board". She thus was selected as one of the six kids to be interviewed by the Den team for their show on television which was to take place on Christmas Day.

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She told Santa that she was a good girl and said what she wanted for Christmas but didn't forget to give Santa her sister Regina's letter, who couldn't go on the trip. He then gave her a lovely present of a big cuddly dog and a car.

I asked her about the reindeers and she said that "they were lazy and they wouldn't get up." However, she did have great fun on the sleigh with the huskies pulling her.

At night-time she spoke of going into the forest to see the elves with their little lanterns. She said: "They were dancing around, then falling down and going asleep." She really enjoyed this. She was very puzzled, however, as to why they were wearing slippers in the snow.

The family arrived back to Dublin on Sunday night, exhausted after their packed full weekend. Sharon, her cousin and Margaret and Seán really had a fantastic time and all Sharon can talk about is going back next year. Maybe the National Lottery will be lucky for them again!!



Sharon Lyons from Kingsbry, talking to santa in his home in Lapland





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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Congratulations to Nicola Creighton on being awarded an Entrance Exhibition Scholarship by Trinity College. These awards are made to first year college students on the basis of their performance in their Leaving Certificate Examination results. Well done Nicola and we wish you well in your studies in T.C.D.

Well done to Mary Heanue who graduated this year from Maynooth College with a first class honours Science degree. Mary had the proud distinction of coming first in her class overall, and first in Maths/Physics as a result of which she was receiving the Nicholas Callan Award for experimental Physics. She now goes on to take a Masters and we look forward to another first class performance.

Morven Duffy has been selected by Prof. Laffey U.C.D. and Prof. Holland U.C.C. to participate in the team-squad who are to be trained to represent Ireland in an International Maths Olympiad. Morven along with others was selected on the basis of her excellent Maths results in the Junior Certificate last year. This a singular honour and at the end of this very stringent course the team will be selected. We wish Morven well in maintaining the fine Maths tradition of this school to the forefront.

And finally to our three young scientists for their project on the Julian Gregorian Calendar. A hearty well done. The judges were very impressed with the project and awarded them a highly recommended rosette. Apparently the U.C.D. Astrological Society are interested in acquiring the project for publishing. Well done Girls - All Girls!

Maynooth Post Primary School is in existence now since 1971. In the intervening years many students have gone through its scholarly doors and are continuing to do so in greater numbers. Not so long ago students from Leixlip, Palmerstown, Celbridge and Kilcock used to attend Maynooth Post Primary but are no longer doing so, partly because the school going population of Maynooth itself has greatly increased from 120 in 1971 to 673 in 1993 and partly because these towns over the years have happily got their own school.

In 1982 a large extension was built to cope with the increasing population and now once again another large extension is to be added this Spring. Included in this planned extension is a great hall which will be used primarily by the students in the school as a utility for assembly, lunch, discos, drama, retreats, meetings, study hall, exams etc etc., in other words a recreational extra curricular facility which any teacher in any school would confirm should be an essential feature of all schools.

To pay for this extra facility the staff in the school along with the parents association and past-pupils are holding a Monster Draw which hopefully will raise the necessary finance. The prizes are many and valuable as advertised elsewhere in this Newsletter and we are asking all the people of the town,

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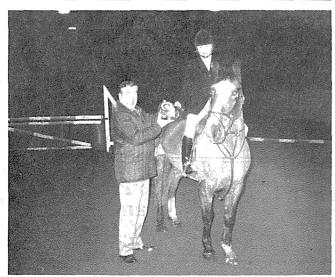
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It has always been a policy of the school to support local business by buying locally and many businesses in the town could bear witness to that. We are, in other words, a significant net contributor to the welfare of Maynooth in many ways. What we ask now is support for our plan to make the Educational facilities better for future generations of Maynooth stu-

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MAYNOOTH SHOW.IUMPING WINNER

Miss Simone Leavy was winner of Maxi Showjumping Competition on her horse Castleknock Diamond and received the Dublin Crystal Trophy in Summerhill, Co. Meath on December 19th last. Simone competed against some of the top amateur riders in the country but she still overcame the odds. She is the daughter of Niall and Anne Leavy from Kingsbry. Congratulations Simone.



Simone with her pony Castleknock Diamond

MINISTER PROMISES MAYNOOTH TO ACHIEVE URBAN DISTRICT **COUNCIL STATUS**

Is the long struggle for Town Commission Status in Maynooth finally over. So it appears, according to the Leinster Leader which quotes Emmett Stagg, Junior Minister for the Environment as suggesting that Celbridge, Leixlip and Maynooth will become Urban District Councils possibly as early as June 1994. This is part of the review of local government by Michael Smith who in a letter to Maynooth Community Council indicated that a resolution of the Town Commission question was imminent. The Leinster Leader report suggests that the budget for each Urban District Council could be as high as three to four million pounds.

This would represent an excellent result for Maynooth Community Council which has been campaigning for Town Commission status for several years. Under this new legislation Maynooth would in fact gain the higher Urban District Council status. This would give Maynooth's elected representatives control over housing planning and engineering subject to central government restrictions.

Subsequent inquiries have indicated that the issue may not be as clear-cut as first appeared. Nothing has as yet been officially decided and it is probable rather than certain that Maynooth will see an up-grading of status. Moreover this is unlikely to happen until 1995 whilst the budget allocated to Maynooth Urban District Council will not be as high as originally thought. Sources quoted a figure of one million pounds subject to levels of activity as more probable.

This was confirmed by Emmet Stagg, who noted that Maynooth was one of only eight towns in Ireland which would be affected by the proposed changes, Celbridge and Leixlip being others.

Local reaction was generally positive. Bernard Durkan welcomed the Minister's statement but did express concern as to how such a council would be funded, noting this could result in an increase in local charges. Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin expressed delight at the successful culmination of the long struggle.

Senan Griffin (current Chairperson) described the move as a positive development for Maynooth but also stressed the responsibility we would incur with UDC status. Gerard Brady was perhaps happiest of all. His response was "terrific, Leixlip Town Commission have done a marvellous job and we can do the same." Councillor McGinley believed that Maynooth could become an Urban District Council before June, noting, "it would be very easy for the Minister to grant this now", and that he hoped, "this would not be put on the long finger".

It is certainly to be hoped this will not occur and that the efforts of the Community Council will be rewarded with some degree of local independence by 1995.

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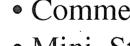
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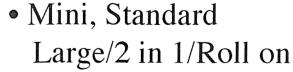
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POLITICAL EXCLUSIVE

In keeping with our tradition of public service and commitment to the truth, the Newsletter reveals in this issue secret correspondence indicating the fine work being carried out by the Kildare/Ballymagash Co.Council on our behalf. The author of this correspondence is the well known Councillor O'Mussolini.

Dear Minister,

Further to our last letter, which surprisingly you have not responded to, I would like to inform you of the important progress being made by me and others like me in the great task of national regeneration which seventy years after independence still lies before us.

The *Mediteraneanization* of the canal continues apace. Plans are well in hand to achieve 85% pollution status by 1995. The sewage pipes are in place and ready to motor and the brochures "Maynooth, A second Adriatic" have just been completed by the cousin Mick. We believe the uncompleted housing estates will also enhance the "Spanish resort effect", and we expect the set-up grant from the Department of Tourism any day now.

It is also intended to transform a section of the canal into a Saragasso theme park. The algae and weed plantation programme is progressing well with the aid of Joe the brother's piggery. Any chance of an EC grant for he is losing an awful amount of slurry and the times are hard.

The brother Manus is donating a few scrap cars, seven Ouinnsworth trollies and a Co. Council bollard to create a montage approximately resembling a ship-wreck. We hope the total effect would also be similar to Jurassic Park and expect the cheque from the Film Board any day now.

The Saragasso theme project has run into one slight problem as unfortunately owing to the purity of the water all the eels have died. However, the Bombay sewer rats have taken to the water as a second home. Transport of these was costly and the Department of Transport will receive the bill any-day now. Disregard the fact that they squeak with a Limerick accent.

We would like to severely complain about the re-tarmacing of the C.A. road during the summer. This act of environmental vandalism has severely damaged the trade of the brotherin-laws garage and a nascent tourist trade. Last summer alone several busloads of Japanese and American tourists stayed for several hours, photographing these pot-holes until the helicopter came and winched them out.

The Uncle Michael's building company is doing its best to recreate this superb environmental landscape and we will be ready to re-open the pot-hole absailing centre any day now once the S.E.S. workers and Department of Environment grant arrives. We are sorry about the last inspector.

Finally the architectural dig at the site of the Thing is going well. Several valuable artefacts from the Chinese, Italian and

Grecian age have been discovered. Several Roman artefacts have also been discovered. The latter may have been designed by some unknown artist called Roost whilst there are several remmants with Leinster and Arms written on them so we presume they are from the Fitzgeralds. We do not know how valuable these artefects are, but there is a terrible hum off them so they must be old.

The brother Seamus, the demolition contractor, is building a heritage centre once he receives the grant from the Department of Arts and Culture. This would be an exact replica of the Thing for which I presume the community will be properly grateful. Of course copying this unique design will be very expensive and I expect the grant to reflect this.

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PREDICTIONS II

July:

Mick O'Dwyer resigns from Kildare team and takes a job of training Willie Healy's donkey. Kildare County Board says "we're better off without O'Dwyer" and appoint a joint management team of Ted Dexter and Graham Taylor. Kildare gives youth its fling in the 1st Round of the Leinster Championship with recalls for Pat Dunny and Tommy Carew whilst Larry Stanley is on the subs' bench in case things go wrong. The County Board pronounces itself cautiously optimistic and Kilkenny defeat Kildare 5-22 to 1-3, the bus-driver getting a hat-trick. The County Board announces "We don't miss O'Dwyer". Ted Dexter is heard muttering: "What is the stars, Seamus; what is the stars?" Unemployment goes below 200,000. Willie Healy's donkey wins Epsom Derby at 200/1.

August:

FG elect Eamonn Dunphy as new leader. Country laughs. Unemployment goes below 150,000. A reformed Biddy and Miley, two Swedish cultural refugees and Willie Healy's donkey win the Eurovision Song Contest with a witty little number, "Bam Bam Boom Boom Bang Bang Yahoo! Up Wickla Hee-Haw". A nation mourns and M. D. Higgins flees into exile. Eamonn Dunphy disguised as John Bruton sneaks into America and is admitted as a political refugee.

September:

Ireland wins World Cup 7-6 against Albania, late replacements for Germany. The recalled E. Dunphy scores seven from the spot and denies intimidating the referee. On being questioned on his decision to award Ireland nine penalties the referee smiles manically and repeats the same statement: "I am not a good referee, I am a great referee" before detonating a massive bomb which blows himself and the cream of British tabloid journalism up. The referee is posthumously knighted for his services to sport.

October:

A quiet month. Kildare are defeated 2-15 to 1-5 by the Kilkenny under 12 Junior B football team who play without the bus-driver for the 2nd half to give Kildare a sporting chance. Kildare County Board says: "We are making steady progress and we don't miss O'Dwyer or Fahy or Fitzgerald or Tomkins or . . . or . . . or . . . or . . .

Despite Willy Healy being the jockey the donkey wins the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, the Kentucky Derby and Monaco Grand Prix. Kildare County Board commit mass suicide. Albert Reynolds announces full employment and calls a general election.

November:

In a divisive campaign Northern Unionists threaten to re-unite with the South if Albert Reynolds is re-elected. This threat proves decisive and FG under Dunphy win an overall majority of 164 seats. Emmet Stagg is re-elected in Kildare.

December:

Not a good month. Dunphy announces his cabinet. Mick McCarthy becomes Minister for Arts, Culture and the Gaeltacht. Eamonn Casey gets Finance. Tim Yeo Foreign Affairs and Alan Kernaghan Defence. Emmet Stagg declares Maynooth an independent socialist republic and applies for incorporation into Yemen. In an attempt at decisive government Eamonn Dunphy drops an atomic bomb on The Thing. This starts an ecological and subterranean chain reaction which owing to an unfortunate series of co-incidences results in the destruction of planet earth. Only The Thing survives, floating peacefully through space puzzling numerous aliens until an unfortunate collision with Star Trek results in the destruction of all other planetary life as we know it.

This completes the predictions for 1994. G'luck!



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Who'd ever have thought that at 4.30 a.m. on the 7th of January, two ambulance men from Maynooth would be faced with their first breech birth. Yes, on that morning twins were born unexpectedly to Marcella Connolly who was only expecting one little patter of feet. This wondrous occasion took place after the ambulance was called to Rail Park where Marcella's parents live. There was no time to get her to the hospital on time so it was full steam ahead for Padraig Kearney and Terry Fitzsimons from Maynooth ambulance service. Marcella's Mother assisted with the first birth with the help of the ambulance men. Padraig insisted: "It wasn't us who delivered them but Marcella herself, we just assisted." There wasn't much problem with the first delivery, which was a girl.

Then there was quite a shock to the mother, her parents, the father, David, his mother and the ambulance men alike. You see Marcella was told that there was only one child in the womb but to everyone's surprise it was realized that there was another one on the way. This was to be the ambulance men's first breech birth. They coped very well with the situation and a healthy boy was born. The ambulance brought both mother and her babies into the Coombe Hospital where full check-ups were done to ensure that all was well. They recuperated there until Thursday when they returned home good and healthy.

When speaking to Marcella I asked how she was coping with four children under three now whereupon she replied "well I haven't hung any of them on the line yet"... She said her mother has been a great help in lightening the workload.

Both Marcella and her family wished us to thank publicly Maynooth ambulance service and especially Padraig and Terry who did a great job that night. May Marcella and family have health and happiness.



Terry Fitzsimons, one of the ambulance men, along with Padraig Kearney who assisted in the delivery of Marcella Connolly's twins

WITNESS TO CAR THEFT

What would you do if you were walking home and saw two people suspiciously tampering with a car?

Well, that very thing happened to me on Tuesday, January 11th at 3 a.m. when going home through Meadowbrook towards Cluain Aoibhinn. I saw two guys in a car in front of me at one of the bridges crossing the Joan Slade in Meadowbrook. When they saw me coming they immediately stooped down as I passed by. I wondered what to do so I had to make an on the spot decision. I walked on about fifty yards and stopped, watching their every movement.

Then the fright came. The two of them jumped out of the car in fright and they weren't the only ones in fright. One of them obviously realised that they had been seen and said "Everything's alright, we just can't start our car." I smelt a rat and was going to ring on one of the doorbells, feeling that the car was belonging to one of the houses. But then I didn't know whether they were armed and thus felt I would be putting my own safety at risk. The two guys briskly got back into the car and, starting it up and taking off.

I ran briskly towards the telephone in Beaufield whereupon I rang 999 for the Gardaí. I reported the stolen car and gave as much information as I possibly could.

On Wednesday morning I went to Meadowbrook in search of the owners. I found the house and explained what happened in the early hours of that morning, giving them the same information as I gave to Emergency. I then went to the Garda station and repeated the same story, giving my name and phone number in both cases in case of further clarification.

The Gardaí told me that the car was found in Galway that day, a silver Opel Ascona, but were not able to disclose what condition it was in. Seemingly, there were a number of cars stolen in the North Kildare area that night.

The owners were quite surprised on the return of their car that there was no damage and the only thing that was missing was the baby chair. They were really very lucky as a lot of cars would come back barely recognisable.

The Gardaí said that I did the right thing getting out of there and ringing 999 straight away. I wasn't able to give much information but what I gave may have been instrumental in the safe return of the car.

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This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds Closing date for receipt of entries is Friday 18th February 1994 by 5pm.

Features

WRITING COMPETITION

The writers' **FORUM MAGAZINE** have recently advertised their 1994 original writing competition for unpublished works. Maybe there is a budding writer within you who would like to put pen to paper and, who knows, your recognition could bring you fame.

There are three categories in the competition:-

- a) Short Stories up to 2,000 words
- b) Poetry up to 40 lines
- c) Articles up to 1,000 words.

The prizes are £250, £100 and £50 with three £10 consolation prizes in each category.

All winning entries will be published in Writers' **FORUM MAGAZINE**, Volume 2.

The closing date for the competition is 15th March 1994. For full details and entry form just send a stamped addressed envelope to Writers Forum (Dept. CL), 321 Pleck Rd., Walsall, West Midlands WS2 9HD.

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Art & Music

ROCK...GIGS... GIGS

The "Schitzophrenics have been quite busy with their gigs in the Students Union for the opening of the No Name Club on Saturday 22nd January and in Mullingar on Saturday 29th January.

On Tuesday 15th February they will be playing in Keanes Pub, Kilcloon. Lets hope they get good support from Maynooth.

Any other bands wishing to contribute articles on gigs should contact us here in our office on the Main St. (above Kehoes). Make sure items are in before copydate and that you leave a contact.

John McLoughlin



"The Schitzophrenics" who played at the opening of the No Name Club on January 22nd

DEAR BERTIE

Dear Bertie, For weeks on end They do decend These endless troupes Of pressure groups Upon your door Their points to score Each do insist That on your list Their urgent case Take pride of place Might as well sock Against a rock Your head my son It can't be done There is no way On budget day Up in the Dáil To please them all They'd bellyache Should they partake Of the consummate cake Great budget, well done Love, Mother

VALENTINE'S

LET ME CALL YOU THE ENCHANTER

(i)

Let me call you the enchanter,
As I sit by the harbour.
I recall your meaning
Causing my heart to pour,
Thoughts and dreams
As myriad as the sands upon the shore.

(ll)

Looking at the reeds rustle, Like your hair, So many, many caresses, A million waves do bear. Under the eye of the bridge I see a world I cannot share.

(iii)

May this hour last forever, Though I shiver in the cold, To stop my heart from bursting, My arms I tightly fold. I'll wait for your footsteps If it takes 'til I grow old.



Peter Loftus with his girlfriend Hillary Lawlor, Students in the College. Peter thinks it's great and that it should happen every week. He wishes his Ma a Happy Birthday on the day. They'll be going out for loads of pints. Peter wants something nice and cuddly whileHillary says that flowers wouldn't go astray along with a night out.

(iv)

Like a lonely swan
Resisting in the dark winds high,
Numbed by the chill,
Hears a distant cry.
Hiding his webbed feet
And with danger will not fly.

(v

Like Lir's child Sensing your spirit The water tossing wild Like a creased sheet Words unable to prise The lid of love discreet.

(vi)

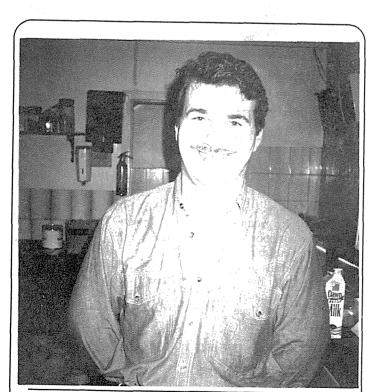
You don't know
I wait upon this edge,
Seeing bright reflections,
Above the murky dredge.
My sorrows written by busy pens
Of scrawling reeds and sedge.

(vii)

The fluffy clouds pass
In the grey above,
Wiping away each tear
Of the angels of love
After them, from this nadir
Into the wind I shove.



Willie Healy



Chris Cullen, Castlegate Restaurant says Valentine's Day may be a bit over commercialised but it's a good idea. He'll probably be working but will finish the day by going for a meal with his wife. What he'd like: "What can you get for the man who has everything" - but he would really like a romantic weekend away with his wife.

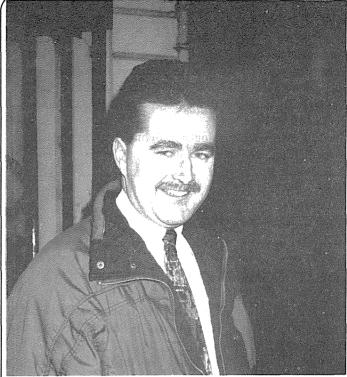


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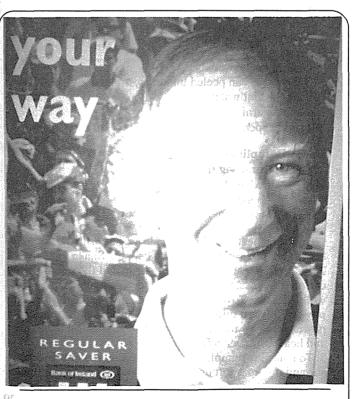




Michelle O'Connor, student in Maynooth says she doesn't like Valentines Day because she never got a card in her life (Ahh!) and she won't be doing anything romantic because she's not going out with anyone (Hey guys get your skates on!!). By the way fellas she would love a bunch of red roses.



Martin Collins, Barman, Caulfields says its brilliant. He said he would probably be working but will more than likely go out for a meal or do something special. The present he would really like is a "Porsche" (Good Luck Martin)



We bumped into Jack Charlton in one of the local drinking houses. After asking him questions three times we still couldn't understand what he was saying and gave up. However we did pick up the words European and World Cup. I'm sure he'll find time for some romance.



Valerie Boylan, Nuzstop, says that it's lovely. She'll be heading out for a nice romantic meal with her husband. She would like her engagement ring reset with diamonds for a present. (How Sweet!!!)

Art & Music

DEVANEY ACADEMY OF SPEECH AND DRAMA

Congratulations to the following students from Maynooth who recently passed their Speech & Drama examination with honours in the Royal Irish Academy of Speech & Drama.

Kindergarten: Edel Barry, Clare Barry, Amy O'Connor, Gemma Hawthorne.

Grade 1: Michelle Cunningham, Bernadette Keigher, Lisa Murphy, Therese Nic An Airchinnigh.

Well Done!

M. Devaney A.L.C.M. T.E.F.L. Dip.

LOCAL RADIO WEEK

Local Radio KCI will once again take to the airwaves every evening 5.00-9.00 p.m. from Monday, February 21st - Sunday, February 27th inclusive.

This particular station will operate from the Kairos Communications Institute attached to St. Patrick's College and, as in previous years, will be available to listeners in Celbridge, Leixlip, Kilcock and, of course, Maynooth. All aspects of both community and commercial life in these areas will be given extensive coverage and it is hoped that every age group - from the most with-it to the ever so politically correct - will find that their particular interests are very well catered for. Full details on each day's programme schedule will be carried by local and provincial papers and displayed in the local shops including the frequency on which Radio KCI will be transmitted.

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- 1. Crush the biscuits in a plastic bag with a rolling pin. Heat butter in a bowl on high power (650 microwave) for 2 minutes. Add biscuits and bind together.
- 2. Line the greased flan dish with the mixture, chill or leave in a cool place to set.
- 3. Peel and evenly slice bananas, place in bowl with the sugar. Cover and heat on high power for 4 minutes.
- 4. Lightly fork bananas breaking down into small pieces, add the rum, stir, and when cool pour into the flan case. Chill or leave in a cool place to set.
- 5. Decorate with whipped cream.

Total cooking time: 6 minutes

Utensils: 1 litre/13/4 pint bowl and 20 cm./8 inch flan dish.

Country Stew with Herby Dumplings

3/4 kg/11/2 1b braising steak.

1 beef stock cube

30ml/2 tablespoons flour

salt and pepper

1 onion, sliced

I clove garlic, crushed

2 carrots, sliced

2 medium potatoes, cubed

1 (398g/14oz) can peeled tomatoes, drained

300 ml, 1/2 pint water

1 bouquet garni

salt and pepper.

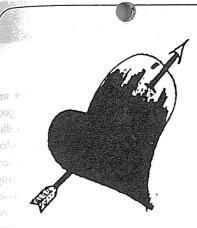
Herby Dumplings.

50g/2oz self-raising flour 25g/1oz shredded beef suet 10ml/2 teaspoons dried or fresh parsley salt and pepper.

- 1 Cube the meat and place in a plastic bag with the crumbled beef cube, flour and the salt and pepper. Shake to coat.
- 2. Place the meat in the cooking dish, add the onion, garlic, carrots, potatoes, tomatoes, water and the bouquet garni. Mix well. Season. Cover with cling film. Pierce the top. Heat on power 10 for 10 minutes. Give the dish a half turn. Heat on power 5 for 10 minutes. Give dish a half turn again. Stir and heat on power 5 for 20 minutes.
- 3. To make the dumplings place all the ingredients in a bowl, stir and mix to a soft dough with water. Turn onto a floured surface and form into 4 dumplings.
- 4. Stir the stew and add the dumplings. Heat on power 5 for 20 minutes. Rest for 5 minutes. Remove bouquet garni and serve.

Cooking time: 1 hour

Utensil: 3 litre/51/2 pint ceramic dish.



Children's Corner

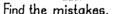


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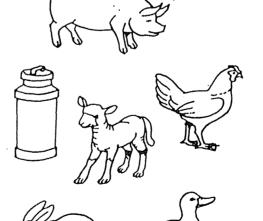


Fig has rabbits tail, Chumhas no side handels, Chicken has webbed feet, Lamb should have cloved feet, Rabbit has pigs tail, Duck has



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- 2nd Karen Hildabrand 38 Rail Park, Maynooth
- 3rd Alan Hardiman Dublin Road, Maynooth

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GARDENING HINTS

"If Winter comes can Spring be far behind" goes the old saying and certainly there are delightful indications in the garden (only!) that Spring is on its way, with crocuses, snowdrops etc. starting to emerge. The days have started to lengthen, and the extra light - and sometimes warmth - will start more plants into growth towards the end of the month. Lawns may need topping, no more, on a mild day when the soil is not waterlogged or frozen. If it is very wet, spiking to a 4-in depth with a garden fork is better treatment for the turf, and gives the grass roots a chance to breathe; later in the month worm casts may need sweeping off with a stiff broom.

Flower Garden

In sheltered places roses showing signs of breaking into leaf should be pruned quickly before they do; this applies of course to the hybrid teas and floribundas, and those climbers not yet cut back. Clematis, similarly, may be actually bursting. The early summer flowering varieties should be tipped back only, the later summer flowering kinds need cutting back hard to leave 3, 4 or 5 ft. of growth from ground level. They grow exceedingly vigorously in the next four months. As in January keep a vigilant eye open for unsteady shrub and tree supports. After gales, stakes and ties may need to be renewed, especially in exposed gardens. Be sure to firm the soil around wind-rocked plants.

Weeds, of course, may also be starting to grow and it is best to hoe them off or otherwise eradicate them before they get into their stride - it is so much easier to do and quicker, when they are at the seedling stage, or when they have a weak winter hold on the soil. In the growing season it sometimes takes all one's strength to detach a well-grown weed from the ground.

A pleasant job for a dull February day is pruning many of the shrubbery plants, for instance fuchsias, preparatory to top-dressing or re-potting next month just as growth is starting. Flower seeds to sow are ageratum, impatiens, nemesia and petunia, in fact all sorts of half-hardy bedding plants for out of doors so that they can be brought on early and planted out at the end of May. Give them a temperature of 60° -70°F (16°-21°C); a propagating frame which can be heated will be needed if the greenhouse is a cool one. Sweet peas can be sown if missed out in the general rush in the autumn and will flower in early July.

Very cold snaps can be a seasonal dismay and the temperature may fall to 20° or 30° F (10 or 15° C) below freezing, quite unexpectedly, so listen to weather forecasts, follow your own knowledge and experience of local weather conditions, and prepare to increase the greenhouse heat accordingly. Many precious plants are lost by just one night's severe cold. But, unless this kind of Arctic climate is expected, always ventilate the greenhouse, so that grey mould does not ravage the plants and be ready to spray if troubles appear.

Vegetable Garden

If one's stomach rules one's gardening, then vegetable and fruit growing is another branch which will take up a good deal of time. Vegetables are an essential constituent of diet; home-grown ones are much better than shop sold (or soiled) ones for flavour and nutrient contents, crispness and general deliciousness. Sowing vegetable seeds now will give crops much earlier than usual; for instance, French beans, Brussels sprouts, cucumbers, carrots, radishes, tomatoes, leeks and lettuces, cauliflowers and broad beans will all germinate well in a temperature of $60^{\circ}F$ ($16^{\circ}C$) and more.

Before the season really begins a quick review of last year's pests and diseases will help in the battle against them this year. Spray with the appropriate deterrent as soon as leaves unfold, if there was trouble last season, otherwise leave the plants alone but keep a vigilant eye on them.

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IRISH WILDBIRD CONSERVANCY INFORMATION

The Liffey Valley Branch of the Irish Wildbird Conservancy have resumed activities following the Christmas break. We held our traditional New Year's Day outing at Bull Island, which was very well attended. The first of January '94 was fine but very cold and windy. Those who braved the weather and in some cases hangovers were well rewarded with hundreds of brent geese and flocks of assorted ducks and waders, including wigeon, teal shelduck, a few pintail, curlew, toy like sanderling, a kestrel hovering just above our heads and only a few yards away . . . and more, a nature lover's paradise. To round things off, the Bull Island Nature Reserve's wildlife ranger, Pat Corrigan, came out to the Spa Hotel, Lucan, on Tuesday, January 18th, at 8 p.m. and gave us a fascinating talk and slide show on the management and wildlife of the reserve. As usual, the Spa Hotel staff looked after us very well. We have an outing to Corkagh Park, Clondalkin, on Saturday, 22nd January, at 10.30 a.m. Birds to look out for at the moment include goldfinch, redpoll, siskin, fieldfare and redwing, not forgetting our more common birds such as greenfinch, chaffinch, blue and great tits, robins, thrushes, etc. The IWC is currently looking for new members so if you do not recognise any of these birds you are more than welcome to join.

Feed the Birds

If IWC membership isn't for you, you can still help by feeding wildbirds in your garden during the winter months. Peanuts, wildbird seed (available from most garden centres, pet shops and some supermarkets), kitchen scraps, apples, etc., will all help. You will be amazed at the number of species you can attract into your garden. More information about feeding wild birds and all aspects of the IWC's activities including how to become a member from The Irish Wildbird Conservancy, Ruttledge House, 8 Longford Place, Monkstown, Co. Dublin. Tel. 01/2804322, fax 01/2844407.

Meetings

You are also very welcome to attend any of our meetings or outings, which are free and open to the general public.

Local information from Brendan, tel. 6272621, or Fridolin, tel. 573698.

Liffey Valley Branch: Programme for February 1994: Tuesday, February 15th: "Birds of the Four Seasons", slide show and talk by Oran O'Sullivan, IWC General Manager. Venue: Spa Hotel, Lucan, Co. Dublin. Time: 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 19th: Outing to Brittas Ponds and Blessington Lakes. Meet: Green Isle Hotel car park, 10.30 a.m. Bring wet weather gear and boots/walking shoes. Lunch if required.

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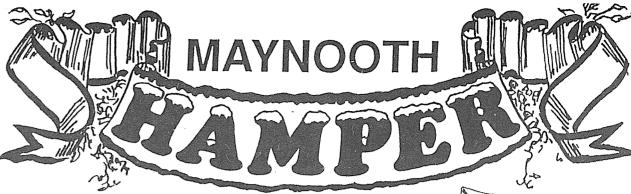
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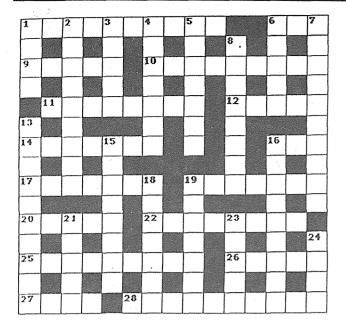
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- 6. Colourful Hubert in the shade (3)
- 9. O! Reap the musical (5)
- 10. There's plenty of cakes doing the Rumba! (9)
- 11. It creeps to get Bill's acknowledgment (8)
- 12. Centering the limb ye might end up reading a poem (5)
- 14. The price for the dangerous gas is a scented aroma (7)
- 16. Being fifth, a note was sent to Mozart (3)
- 17. See, the easterner is in the middle of the Rumba with a great beat (7)
- 19. Dud in the Islamic ruler's force could make things dirtier (7)
- 20. The cigarette with no nicotine on the church table (5)
- 22. A watery sound to the clock for sports (8)
- 25. In the electric cable in the small particle one may get the angle on this (9)
- 26. In the east An Post is a bit awkward (5)
- 27. Plays around with towards positive answers (4)
- 28. String along at ease towards the unreactives (5,5)

Down

- 1. Golf club press report (4)
- 2. The public relations officer took a bad free but ended with a coloured more likeable ending (9)
- 3. A hint for the marathon after tea (5)
- 4. Parking in the middle of a test for the French man for instance (7)
- 5. See our opening service for the swift horse (7)
- 6. Therefore he took a chance at the end (5)
- 7. Always youth work present all around? (10)
- 8. Ted raved and drew attention to himself (8)
- 13. See I twice staple the expert (10)

- 15. Nun reved into the back of a bus which caused her to lose courage (8)
- 16. Blue birds turned to French beloved ones to find the dresses seams? (9)
- 18. No, I thank the Frenchman back for great joy (7)
- 19. A crier on mountains in County Down? (7)
- 21. Thank Fianna Fáil for the positive reply to the Welshman (5)
- 23. G.I. from the North may make an object (5)
- 24. Is it the right answer? (2.2)

Solution to Crossword No. 74:

Across:

1, Three dozen. 6, Moo. 9, After. 10, Ingrained. 11, Dressing. 12, Boyer. 14, Opinion. 16, Two. 17, Edgings. 19, Rostrum. 20, Fable. 22, Imprison. 25, Incidents. 26, Dream. 27, Ease. 28, Trespasser.

Down:

1, Trap. 2, Returning. 3, Earns. 4, Opinion. 5, Engaged. 6, Money. 7, Order forms. 8, Babblers. 13, Dole office. 15, Innuendo. 16, Turnovers. 18, Skinner. 19, Reposes. 21, Bucks. 23, India. 24, Emir.

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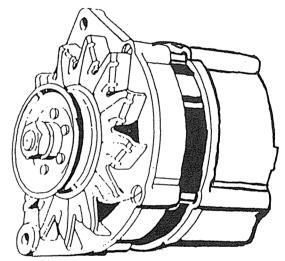
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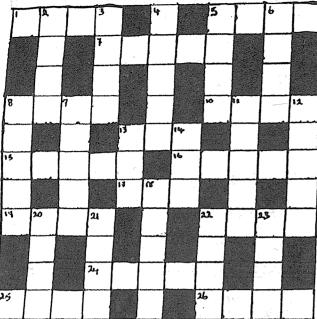
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Across:

- 1) A freshening sweet (4)
- 5) The end of a prayer (4)
- 7) Detested (5)
- 8) No in the South West may remind you of a white Christmas (4)
- 10) Long hair on the horse's neck (4)
- 13) Not old (3)
- 15) The present time (5)
- 16) A water mammal (5)
- 17) A pair (3)
- 19) Tots up (4)
- 22) The aftermath of a cut (4)
- 24) The beginning (5)
- 25) A place to buy things (4)
- 26) Current affairs (4)

Down:

- 2) A holy picture (4)
- 3) To melt (4)
- 4) Taste what the Americans say (5)
- 5) Eve's partner (4)
- 6) Where 5 down was (4)
- 8) He came last month (5)
- 9) Possessed (5)
- 11) The top of the house (5)
- 12) Mistake (5)
- 13) Fish catcher (3)
- 14) To seek the affection of (3)
- 18) Cries (5)
- 20) To move hastily (4)
- 21) A quick photo (4)
- 22) Scrutinise carefully (4)
- 23) In a different way (4)

COLLEGE GREEN F.C. -"The Next Generation" ("The Voyage Back to Sanity")

The following is a randomly selected group of words, assembled in particular order, in response to Mr. John Drennan's article in the January edition. A cynical reader might have detected a touch of sarcasm in Mr. Drennan's piece, but perish such an unworthy thought. I have been instructed by the Board of College Green F.C. to set a few, minor, factual details straight. Otherwise the Board gave John's article the (dreaded) vote of confidence, as Board's are prone to do.

John is right in that the "boys in green and white" have not folded. But the rumour of us joining Serie A of the Italian League is a baseless lie, put about by certain disreputable media elements. Joining a professional league would be anathema to a club such as ours, who in the best Corinthian tradition would regard ourselves as gentlemen, rather than "players". But what we can reluctantly reveal is that the club is in fact a modern day re-incarnation of the Tuatha De Danaan! By use of certain esoteric powers we once more became the Sluagh Sidhe (which I refuse to translate between these parentheses, on the grounds of possible misunderstandings which could prove incriminating), on leaving the Meath and District League. Taking our secrets and mysterious ways with us we entered an occult realm (known well to Richard McDonnell, who lives there permanently) where we practise the black arts (Guinness drinking) to this day.

The entrance to this ethereal netherworld is of course to be found in that well-known Bronze Age ritual site, known locally as "The Thing". Admission can be gained by giving the stygian gatekeeper the password - "What are you having, Fran Walsh?" What the author of last month's prediction column in the Newsletter forgot to warn us of, was of course the dreadful curse which will fall upon Maynooth when "The Thing" is finally demolished. The King Tut/Carter affair will pale into insignificance by comparison!

So much for us. Now back to John Drennan's article. Our joint managers, Paul Broughan and Tony O'Connor, never shifted anything in Kinnegad - they might have indulged in a spot of light opera in Carnaross, exchanged Greek puns in Bailieboro and debated obscure points of existentialist dogma in Baliinlough; but shifting in Kinnegad, no. Imagine the distress you caused their wives, John.

There is nothing wrong with sheep farming. John Hughes and Philip Purcell are now both well established members of this venerable profession. Phil "Drabble" Purcell we used to call him. The cry of "Martin Dolphin" still resonates across the hillsides of Blackrock each time John Hughes lines up to take a free kick at one of his flock. John and Phil are now available for bookings for the 1994 Nativity Play season.

Ciaran McGroarty never "skipped", nor crossed from the 'right wing'. Firstly, he floated rather than skipped. Secondly, Joe Buckley can't ever recall a cross, as such. Thirdly, McGroarty, being very P.C. was as likely to venture down the right wing as a fascist attending a barmitzvah. Fourthly, Ciaran never scored a hat-trick in his life. Most of his goals resulted from incidents where the actual goalscorer, usually Ray Broughan,

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was rendered unconscious by a miscued overhead kick delivered by his own number 10. Custodian of the nets, bon vivant and Kingsbry's Daniel Day Lewis lookalike one Malachy McCann, scored more often than the "Moville Marauder".

Seekers after truth will no doubt be enraptured to learn that Paul Broughan has converted from the role of libero to that of a free thinking full back with Moynalvey A.F.C. in the Meath and District League. Tony O'Connor has converted to natural gas and plays the pivotal role of centre half for the same club. Cluain Aoibhinn's matinee idol, Aidan Siggins, plays (loosely) under the name of "Zico" for the south Meath Maestros. The combined transfer fee for the three has made College Green rich beyond avarice and will enable us to send Terry Healy to Lourdes for the cure. Paddy McGovern is still available for office parties and the 1994 panto season. Peter Connell, our last surviving unreconstructed left-sided player, is living in Havana (a fictitious small hamlet outside Navan) and claims to be working full time for the Newsletter. Eanna O'Boyle is living as a hermit somewhere near Valencia and he puzzles his family (decent Duleek folk who worry about him) and former colleagues with mysterious postcards every couple of months - something to do with pursuing Holy Grails. Joe Buckley, the Allan-A-Dale of the troupe, is writing the history of College Green F.C., "Camelot Revised" with himself in the Lancelot role, no doubt. The whereabouts of other members of the merry band is a closely guarded secret, which can only be revealed in extreme circumstances, or upon payment of a large bribe to the writer.

However, despair not. Seven(teen) Samurai like, the hosts of College Green will reassemble at the end of the millennium and do battle with the Milesians, Formhoire, or Ratoath Harps 4ths (whichever may be available). We are prepared to mix passes, metaphors, myths, paradox and cocktails with the best of them. All the foregoing is written without the benefit of discussing football - why break with tradition. If there is anything worse than writing about amateur football, then surely that must be having to read about it. Farewell, John Drennan.

Yours (not) in Sport,

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

The Club held it's Annual General Meeting on Sunday 16th January 1994 in Club House. Outgoing Chairman Mick Gillick who was re-elected gave a comprehensive report on all aspects of our club during 1993. He complimented all teams hurling and football for their effort during 1993 and hoped that 1994 would be a better year.

The secretary Noel Farrelly presented a very comprehensive report on all events and activities for 1993. He thanked the various committees, selectors, sponsors and all trainers of teams.

Treasurer Mick Gleeson reported on a successful year in the running cost of the club. He thanked his fellow officers and all who helped him during 1993.

Officers elected for 1994

Patron: Fr. Brendan Supple

Presidents: Jimmy Treasy, Phil Brady, Jim Nolan, Josie Murphy, Dinny Breen.

Vice Presidents: Tim Twomey, Ollie Reilly, Phil Burke.

Chairman: Mick Gillick. Vice Chairman: Mick Caden Secretary: Noel Farrelly. Assistant Secretary: Tommy Fay Treasurer: Mick Gleeson. Assistant Treasurer: Jimmy

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Registrar: Madeline Stynes.

Hurling Chairman: Roddy Molloy.

Football Chairman: John Nevin

Executive Committee: Kieran Diggins, Patrick Farrell, Bernie Leacy.

Juvenille Committee: Chairman: Pat Nevin, John O'Rourke, Roddy Molloy, John Nevin, Sean Molloy, Pat Comerford.

Bar & Social Committee: Chairman: Michael O'Riordan, Ben Mee, Patsy Dunne, Tom Coffey, Padraig Ward, Mick Gleeson, Mick Gillick.

Finance Committee: Chairman: Mick Kelly, Jim Lawlor, Seamus Nevin, Madeline Stynes, Ollie Geoghegan, Bernie Leacy, Richard O'Malley.

Ground's & Development: Committee, Chairman: P.J. Bennett, Dan O'Driscoll, Seamus Nevin, Dominic Nugent. Handball Committee: Sean Donovan, Pat Nevin.

Camogie & Ladies Football: Chairman: John Nevin

Junior 'A' Manager: Kevin Connolly. Junior 'B' Manger: Martin Donnolly.

Under 21 Manager: Joey Edwards.

Our main aim for 1994 is (1) To win a Junior Football Championship. (2) To develop our grounds and have a good playing surface for all our teams. (3) The promotion of camogie and ladies football. (4) To get more of our members and under age players to play handball.

Lotto Results 12/12/93

Numbers: 1 - 6 - 16 - 24. No winner. Jackpot £555 Turkey: Margaret Gillick, Ham: Kevin Hurley, Whiskey: Martin McInerney

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Lotto Results 19/12/93

Numbers: 1 - 6 - 9 - 14. No winner. Jackpot £600. Turkey: Mick Caden, Ham: Shay Tyrrell, Whiskey: Noreen

Lotto Results 2/1/94

Numbers: 11 - 17- 21 - 24. No winner. Jackpot £666. 5 x £10 Brian Curtis, J. Dowwery, J. Donnolly, L. Leacy, Lorraine Dempsey.

Lotto Results 9/1/94

No winner: Jackpot £700. Numbers: 7 - 10 - 13 - 21

5 x £10 Jim Ryan, Anna Whelan, M.C. Dempsey, Peggy Edwards, Mick Moynihan.

Lotto Results 16/1/94

No winner: Jackpot £750 Numbers: 3 - 10 - 14 - 19

5 x £10 Liam Leacy, Bernie Leacy, May Haron, P. Treacy,

Mrs. A. Treacy.

Tommy Fay P.R.O.

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS 1993

People have been heard to say that "there is nothing for young people to do in Maynooth". However, it can be seen that in the sports area there is a wealth of activities. Youngsters should make better use of the facilities and activities provided through the work of large, dedicated and selfless army of volunteers, working on behalf of the various sporting organisations. Here are some of the highlights of the year 1993.

The G.A.A. Club

Maynooth G.A.A. saw new success at underage level. In football the under 14's boys won a historic victory, winning the Kildare league by beating Celbridge in October. The team and mentors Michael Gillick, Mick Melia and Manus McCarron celebrated in style.

The Boy's National School is decorated by the two cups won by the under 10 and 11 teams. Michael O'Connell and Gerry McBride saw a good year's pickings. The under 10 club team also won the North Kildare League. The work of Kevin Connolly, Denis McDermott, Ollie Geoghan, Pascal Ennis and John Campbell is paying dividends.

There are great prospects in hurling, both the minor and under 16 teams recorded historic victories bringing cups back to Maynooth and bridging gaps of up to 30 years. Mentors Pat Nevin, Kieran Diggins and Roddy Molloy are well pleased with their charges.

The under 21 team made it to the semi-finals of the Kildare Championship however, the same squad will be available for next years campaign.

The junior 1st team made it to the semi-finals of the league. They won the Hugo Lyons and Farrell cups. This relatively young squad trained by Kevin Connolly are knocking hard on the door of success and are well regarded throughout Kildare. Likewise, the junior Boys team finished high in the rankings. The outing of the year was to Aughawilliam in Leitrim where Maynooth beat the Connaught finalists.

Soccer

This coming year the Maynooth Town A.F. C. are celebrating twenty- five years of their existence in their present form. This club was formed by the amalgamation of Ballygoran U.T.D. and Maynooth St. Mary's in 1969. Their highlight of 1993 was the trip to Old Trafford on May 3rd by twenty-six of their members to see their favourite team Manchester United lift the cup.

In the summer they ran two successful tournaments. In the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup, Robert Thompson's Scousers Army beat Brady's, The Clock House. Whilst in the Patsy Byrne Memorial cup the winning team was captained by the late Patsy's son Martin.

During the year the under 14 boys' team won the Dublin District Schools League South. Their player of the year was Martin Byrne.

The girls' u/18 team (which is essentially an u/16 team) were finalists in the Leinster Ladies' League, guided by Francis Kearney and Shelly Breslin.

The senior teams finished high in the rankings in the Leinster Cup and Shield. The 1st team player of the year was Paul Byrne and the 2nd team player of the year was Ray McTiernan. Club mentors such as Lenny Murphy, Gerry Folan, Michéal Dempsey, Tom Dempsey, Mick Hegarty, Tony McMahon, Frank McCarrick, Johnny Thompson are determined to ensure their success continues.

Athletics

Maynooth Athletic Club is no stranger to national records or glory. In the track and field series Maynooth cleaned up in the Kildare championships.

In the Leinster championships gold medals were won by Patrick O'Rourke u/10 long jump, David Campbell 60m hurdles, Patrick King in 60m. Declan O'Rourke won two gold medals in 300m and 600m events, Conor Diggins won bronze in 300m and 600m.

In the All-Ireland Finals in Cork, Maynooth won 5 gold, 6 silver and 6 bronze medals. All-Ireland gold medals were won by Patrick O'Rourke in u/10, 60m and 80m. David Campbell took gold in the u/12 long jump, silver in 600m and high jump. Patrick King won the u/10 60m gold. Karl Ennis won the u/13 walk. Bronze medals were won by Declan O'Rourke (injured) and Mary O'Sullivan in u/13 100m. John O'Rourke continues to grow in stature on the track winning gold in the Phoenix Park Half Marathon 0/35 and Kildare medals. Club trainers are John Campbell, John O'Rourke, Mick Gleeson, Dan Commane and Pat King.

The Terry Fox run on the 17th October was won by Dara Clear and Sharon Harte. John O'Reilly of Maynooth Post Primary School won a sports scholarship to U.C.D. He was All-Ireland Schools Champion in the 800m between 1990 and 1992.

Community Games

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Over 200 children participated on Sunday 16th May in the G.A.A. field. Many new faces were introduced to athletics and may become names for the future. Maynooth went on to win two gold medals in the Kildare finals and trips to Mosney. They were: Karl Ennis in walk and Conor Diggins in U/12 600 m. In a controversial decision our u/12 relay team of P. O'Rourke, C. Diggins, D. Campbell and P. King having finished first were deemed disqualified by a zone judge.

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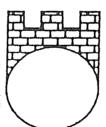
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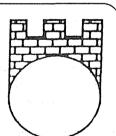


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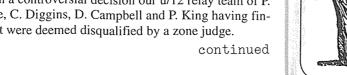
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Gliding

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Pitch and Putt

Tom and Tony Bean opened a new Pitch and Putt course on the Dunboyne Road in March this year. The 1st Festival Tournament was won by Sean and John Fagan of Woodlands, Maynooth. Michael Quinn and Matt O'Callaghan organised the event. The course record of 48 was set by Gerry Power of Celbridge.

Summer Project

The Summer Project provided an invaluable array of sporting activities such as soccer, bowling, tennis, pitch and putt and swimming etc.

Tae Kwon Do

Maynooth has the benefit of 3rd Dan Instructor Gerard McClelland who is also instructor and manager of the Irish team. For the first time since its opening in 1985 the school has won two 2nd Dan Black Belts. The winners were Séan Foy Leinster Cottages and Antoinette Mooney.

Swimming

This year the club celebrated its 21st anniversary with a successful summer gala. It continues to ferry youngsters to the Stewards sports Centre for swimming lessons and their efforts may save lives in the future.

Circuit of Ireland Rally

Local men Michael Smallwood and David Noone, backed by strong local sponsorship, finished in a highly respectable 23rd place in the rally. Motorsport came to Maynooth on 15th June at Doyle's Mart for the Festival Trials. It is regarded as a major coup for Maynooth.

Gymnastic

Gymnastic classes are available in Maynooth Parish Hall courtesy of Des Hogan, Monday 3 - 5 p.m.

Tug - o' - War

Five teams competed in the Summer Festival tournament. In the mens' section the winners were Larry McEvoy's Leinster Arms B team. The womens' section was won by Helen's Hair Affair team. On October 17th the Hitchin' Post Cup was won by Bradys, the Clock House, beating Westmeath teams from Riverstown and other local outfits.

Boxing

New York based Jimmy McMahon, from Mulhussey, Maynooth continued his unbeaten run over 13 bouts as a professional welterweight by beating Dave Lovell (England) in the Basketball Arena in Tallaght on September 24th. The event was witnessed by over five hundred fans from the Maynooth and Meath area. He began his career with Kilcock Boxing Club.

Kilcloon Ladies' Football

Kilcloon beat five teams on their way to the semi-finals of the Meath Junior League. Three of the squad were promoted to county level. Karen Nolan rallied the cause.

Cycling

The main event was the participation of two local men Pat Carr and Ian Hayes in a charity cycle from Malin Head to Mizen Head. Pat's bike was nicknamed "the gate". The C.Y.S. Maynooth College participated in a fund raising cycle to Galway and back (250 miles) on 10th October. Maynooth Boys' National School ran a sponsored cycle involving 200 participants.

Badminton

Our local club trains in the Parish Hall and their 1st team won their section of the Dublin Novice Shield. They enjoyed considerable success in the Tallaght League.

Highlights of snooker, rugby and greyhound racing will be reported on in next issue.

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DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

BY-PASS ACCESS ROAD

At the January meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Democratic Left, grave concern was expressed at the fact that work has not begun on the upgrading of the Straffan Road as far as the new by-pass, which is due to open in early 1995. Even if work was to begin right away, there is no way that it will be completed in time.

The opening of the by-pass will lead to a major increase in traffic flow on the Straffan Road, passing through Maynooth's main residential area. Major dangers to motorists, pedestrians and especially children will be created if the proposed improvements are not in place by then. These include wider footpaths, cycle lanes, traffic lights, and screening walls between housing estates and the road.

In addition, there will be absolute chaos if the improvement work is in progress after the by-pass is opened. Given that planning of the Straffan Road upgrading began some ten years ago, it is ridiculous that it has not got under way to coincide with work on the by-pass. Councillor Catherine Murphy is taking up the issue as a matter of urgency with the County Engineer.

URBAN COUNCIL STATUS FOR MAYNOOTH?

The meeting welcomed recent reports that Maynooth, along with Celbridge and Leixlip, may be accorded Urban District Council status in the forthcoming review of local government. It is entirely unsatisfactory that a town of Maynooth's size has no statutory form of local government of any description.

The meeting also ridiculed claims by the Labour Party that they are the only party with a chance of gaining three seats on Leixlip Town Commission in the elections scheduled for next June. In the previous election, the Democratic Left candidates got considerably more votes than did the Labour Party. In the last County Council elections, the Democratic Left and Labour Party votes in Leixlip were almost identical, even with Emmet Stagg in the field for Labour. Democratic Left is confident that they will be the party with three seats in Leixlip after next June's elections.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

The meeting passed a vote of sympathy to former Branch Chair, Proinnsias Breathnach, on the recent death of his father.

FINE GAEL NOTES

BACKBENCHER OF THE YEAR

Over the years Bernard Durkan's performance at both Dail and Constituency level has been high-lighted on many occasions by Political correspondents when reviewing the contribution of T.D.s to Dail debates and legislative matters. Last year was no exception. In his review of political performances in 1993, Irish Times correspondent Drapier, assisted by some colleagues, have voted Bernard Durkan, Backbencher of the Year. The choice was unanimous. Bernard received

the award for "his enthusiasm, his belligerence, his suspicion of all utterances ministerial, his contagious good humour and his ability to relate legislation to everyday problems". In concluding Drapier states that he "knows this award will be a popular one".

Besides performing well in the Dáil, Bernard Durkan also undertakes a phenomenal amount of work for his constituents. This was highlighted in recent weeks when he was successful in preventing the eviction of a young mother and her children by one of the Building Societies. This is but the tip of the iceberg, many hundreds of problems are dealt with privately and confidentially. Should you wish to consult Bernard on a matter of concern to you contact him at his weekly clinic at the Roost on Saturdays at 4.00p.m. approximately.

LOCAL CHARGES

The hypocrisy of both government parties in introducing a bill on Ethics in politics is highlighted by their attitude to local charges. Some years ago Fianna Fail in an election manifesto undertook to abolish local charges. What happened? Nothing!

The Labour Party have for years orchestrated a campaign against local charges. Nowhere has this campaign been more actively promoted than in Kildare. It is therefore difficult to understand Minister of State Emmet Stagg's attitude to these charges now that he is in government. When Kildare Co. Council wrote to him to ask if the Government would make up the shortfall in revenue if local charges were abolished he replied as follows: "As Minister for Housing and Urban renewal, I have no statutory or legal competence in the matters raised by you and it would, therefore, be inappropriate for me to comment on same"

In view of this reply Labour Councillors should either give up the empty charade of opposing local charges or else get their colleagues in the government to do the ethical thing and abolish them completely.

FLOODING OF MEADOWBROOK/PARSON ST.

Concern was expressed at a recent meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael that flash floods could become a problem in the Meadowbrook/Parson St. area due to the draining of water from the by-pass into the Joan Slade river. It was felt that the speed with which heavy rain would drain off the motorway could cause temporary flooding in the area. Bernard Durkan was asked to raise the matter with the County Engineer.

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Bollards Greenfield

The County Engineer has advised Cllr. John McGinley that he had received a number of solictors letters questioning the legality of the Council's action. The Council's solictors are looking into it. Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have urged the County Engineer to proceed with the erection of the bollards immediately.

Political Party Notes

Taking in charge of Kingsbry Estate

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised that the work to finish Kingsbry Estate will be started in April at the earliest.

Cllr. John McGinley has advised Kildare County Council that this is totally unacceptable and that it is essential that work begin in April at the latest.

Completion of Moyglare Village Estate

John McGinley had asked Kildare County Council to put serious pressure on the builder to complete the Moyglare Village Estate. An enforcement order was issued by the Council last May and the next step is the calling in of the Bond.

Public Lighting at the Harbour

Following representations by Cllr. John McGinley the County Engineer has agreed that this area would benefit from additional lighting and he has included it in the Maynooth Plan.

Maynooth Plan

As advised previously, Cllr. John McGinley tabled a motion to the Celbridge Area Committee of the council which called for the following.

- Paving of footpaths
- Undergrounding E.S.B., Telecom and T.V. Cables
- Erection of appropriate public lighting
- Surveying trees in Main Street and Lime Walk Avenue and replanting where necessary.

Cllr. John McGinley stated at the last meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council that this work should be completed before the bi-centenary of the College in 1995.

The County Secretary stated that it would be beneficial for the progress of the work if a local co-ordinating committee was formed between St. Patrick's College, the Community Council and the County Council. The Community Council agreed to this at it's last meeting and they have requested the College to participate.

Refurbishment Works in Greenfields Phase 3

Minister of State Emmet Stagg T.D., has issued approval to Kildare County Council to carry out refurbishment works to the houses in Phase 3 Greenfields.

The work consists of the replacement of front and rear wall panels, including new external windows and doors, the provision of fire breaks to party walls, new porches, fascia's, soffits, gutters and downpipes.

Kildare County Council will plan the phasing of the work and it is hoped that all works will be completed within the next 18 months.

Special Road Grant for Rathcoffey/Laragh Area

Minister of State Emmet Stagg T.D., has advised the Local Branch that the Department of the Environment has allocated a special road grant of £70,000 to Kildare County Council to repair minor roads in the Rathcoffey/Laragh area affected by construction traffic from the Leixlip/Maynooth/Kilcock bypass.

The money will help to alleviate some of the worst roads affected by the by-pass construction office.

Labour Advice Service

Minister Emmet Stagg continues to be available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4-00 p.m. in Caulfields (Private Meeting Room).

Cllr. John McGinley holds an Advice Service in Caulfields (Private Meeting Room) at 8-00 p.m. every Thursday. If you require assistance of a community or private nature please feel free to call.

WATER RATES -NOT UNDER THE BRIDGE YET

All residents recently received demands for Water and Refuse Charges from Kildare County Council. These demands were accompanied by a News Bulletin that was so illuminating that you could easily light the fire with it. In the opening passage the County Manager refers to the "difficult task" he had in preparation of the estimates. I can assure him that his task is less difficult than for those who must pay his "demands". Indeed one can all assure him that our finances too are "constrained and the flexibility between competing demands is limited". Yes, we are trying to survive as well. We read that our charges are gone up to £70 for water and £60 for Refuse. Lavish figures are given on receipts of charges but as you might expect you are kept in the dark about spending allocations. Half a balance sheet is worthless. Our playground and footpaths apparently remain neglected despite these charges. Have you seen any improvements in your area?

Irish Language

The bulletin does refer to the allocation of £2,000 towards the Irish Language. One wonders do those who disconnect water supplies speak Irish. This donation towards national pride is absurd in a state or county where water disconnection agents are allowed trample on the rights of its citizens to an essential human service. This is typically "Irish". Then there is to be computerization of our Libraries - how wonderful, where would we be without that?

Elusive Discounts

They describe their discount scheme if you pay before the 1st February as "the best discount scheme in the country"!! This shows how out of touch with reality they appear to be. First of all, most struggling families due to the enormous burden of expenditure at Christmas time, find their finances in total dissaray in January. There are bills deferred and a lot of catching up to be done. For many of our residents the discount scheme is thus unattainable and irrelevant. Between Road Tax and Service Charges a lot of people pay over £360 per annum to the offices of Kildare County Council. This is despite the fact that most people already pay income tax and PRSI amounting to over 55% of their wages, after allowances. The injustice of these charges are that a person already having paid thousands of pounds tax can still be deprived of water over not having paid a lousy seventy pounds (punts). The refuse charge is equally reprehensible.

Many Councillors are against the charges, but they lack the conviction to go all the way on this. Their political futures seem more important in the end. The appointment of an Administrator would show up the true lack of democracy that is creeping into Irish affairs.

Continued

Political Party Notes

Birthdays

God-Given Rain

How the God-given rain that dampens all our lives can become a source of tax is unbelievable. The introduction of these charges shows a complete lack of understanding of the psyche of the Irish people. It is totally repugnant to the Irish way of Life.

Many people bravely resisted the charges initially and paid the price of having their supplies cut off. As good law observing citizens they did as much as they peacefully and democratically could. Politicians mumbled but the result was the same. The state and county council won using threats and jackboot tactics. It is a shallow "victory" and causes disgust in the minds of the people.

All these increases are happening at a time when the efforts of the protest groups are ebbing. They should revitalise their campaigns and at the very least articulate the peoples abhorrence of these charges. We all know that the alternative to these charges is a fairer taxation system. The government know this but continue to protect those who pay very little tax. They have offered a tax amnesty while leaving the tax collection service under resourced. They will continue to do this while it costs them nothing at the ballot box.

Waivers

There are waivers for special categories but the lower paid must surely feel the brunt of false promises.

Foul Act

To cut off a person's water supply is the most foul act immaginable. It stinks of facism and people cannot survive without water. It is a case of the state laying siege to the family home. Yet they rant on about helping families. It is a violent act against the dignity and life of the person.

Essential Service

Water is an essential service to the home. If an industrial dispute disrupts essential state services, they have laws to protect the state. However when the state cuts off an essential human service there are apparently no laws to protect the citizen, only to protect the perpetrators. Thus it would appear the law is balanced against the individual. It should be a crime to deprive a person of their water supply.

Posturing Politicians

Weekly, local people are expected to trudge their way through the wet and rain to Maynooth Library to hand over their hard earned cash which they badly need for other "essential" purposes such as buying meat for the table, clothing and footwear. Their County Council "demands" this.

They look up through an avalanche of bills and feel ground down by the state. Nowadays, rarely does anyone feel this is a good country to live in. They are not impressed by posturing politicians, who fail to deliver any relief to their situation.

Let them all know we see, we know what they are up to and we never forget.

Willie Healy

Happy birthday to Christina Cullen, 13 Vanessa Lawns, Celbridge, who is seven years old on February 3rd. With lots of love from Mammy, Daddy, Paul and Michael.

Mrs. Cissie Richardson, Mariaville, Maynooth, January 28th. Best wishes from husband Tom, son Joe, Maureen and grand-children, sister Ita McTernan, brother Phil Burke and your many relations and friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Birthday wishes to Thomas Bean, Lemar, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrates his birthday on February 27th. Love from Dad, Mam, Tony, Mary and family.

Darren Naughton, Greenfield, Maynooth, aged 14 on February 14th. Love from Daddy and Mammy.

Mrs. Shirley Cummins, Highfield, Kilcock, on February 12th and to her daughter, aged 10 on February 5th.

This month, Rehab's retail training store in Maynooth is a year old. Situated on Mill Street, just off Main Street, it is still going strong and providing excellent training opportunities for people with learning disabilities. And we can be sure it'll be with us for many more years to come. Congratulations!

Phil Brady, Clock House, Maynooth, who celebrated his birthday on January 19. Best wishes from all the family and all your customers and many friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Happy 21st birthday to Martina from all in Greenfield.

To our darling son, Andrew. Happy second birthday. With all our love, Mommy and Dad. Hope you enjoy your party.

To my wonderful grandson, Andrew. Happy second birthday. With all my love, Nannie Nolan.

Happy second birthday to my darling nephew and Godchild Andrew. Hugs and kisses. Love Auntie Margaret.

To my dear nephew, Andrew. Happy second birthday from Auntie Elizabeth.

To our special grandson, wishing you a very happy second birthday. Hope you enjoy your big day. Love Nannie, Mary and Granddad Jack.

Best wishes Andrew on your second birthday. Love, Uncle Finbarr

Happy birthday Mary Travers from all at Hillview and Riverview.

Happy 21st birthday Martina Mooney from all at Hillview and Riverview.

Best wishes to Phil Brady, Clock House, Maynooth, who celebrates his birthday on January 19th. Best wishes from all the family and all your customers and many friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Paul McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock, who celebrates his 18th birthday on February 14th, his sister Gillian who celebrates her 12th birthday on January 24th and to their cousin Maeve McTernan of Avondale, Leixlip, who celebrates her birthday on January 24th, Paul's Daddy, Larry, who celebrates his birthday on February 25th and his Uncle Gerard of Corraville, Maynooth, on February 26th. Last, though by no means least, best wishes to his Granny, Ita McTernan, of Parson Street, Maynooth, whose birthday was on January 11th, from all her family in Maynooth, Kilcock, Dunboyne and Leixlip.

SYMPATHIES

Sons, Daughters, Brothers, Sisters, Daughter-in-Law, Son-in-Law, grand children, Relatives and friends of Lena McLoughlin (nee Quinn), Smithstown Maynooth, formerly Drumdiffer, Co. Leitrim.

Mother, Brothers, Sister, Sisters-in-Law, Nieces, Nephews, relatives and friends of Cecil McAssey, The Harbour, Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of the late Cecil James McAssey wish to thank sincerely and profoundly everybody who helped and supported them in any way through Cecil's illness and departure.

The family of the late Mary Moran, Barrogstown, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who sent mass cards, floral tributes and messages of sympathy. A special word of thanks to Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. and to Fr. Cogan for their kindness and support.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Catherine and Sean Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, on the birth of their baby girl and sister for Edel and Susan. From her family and many friends.

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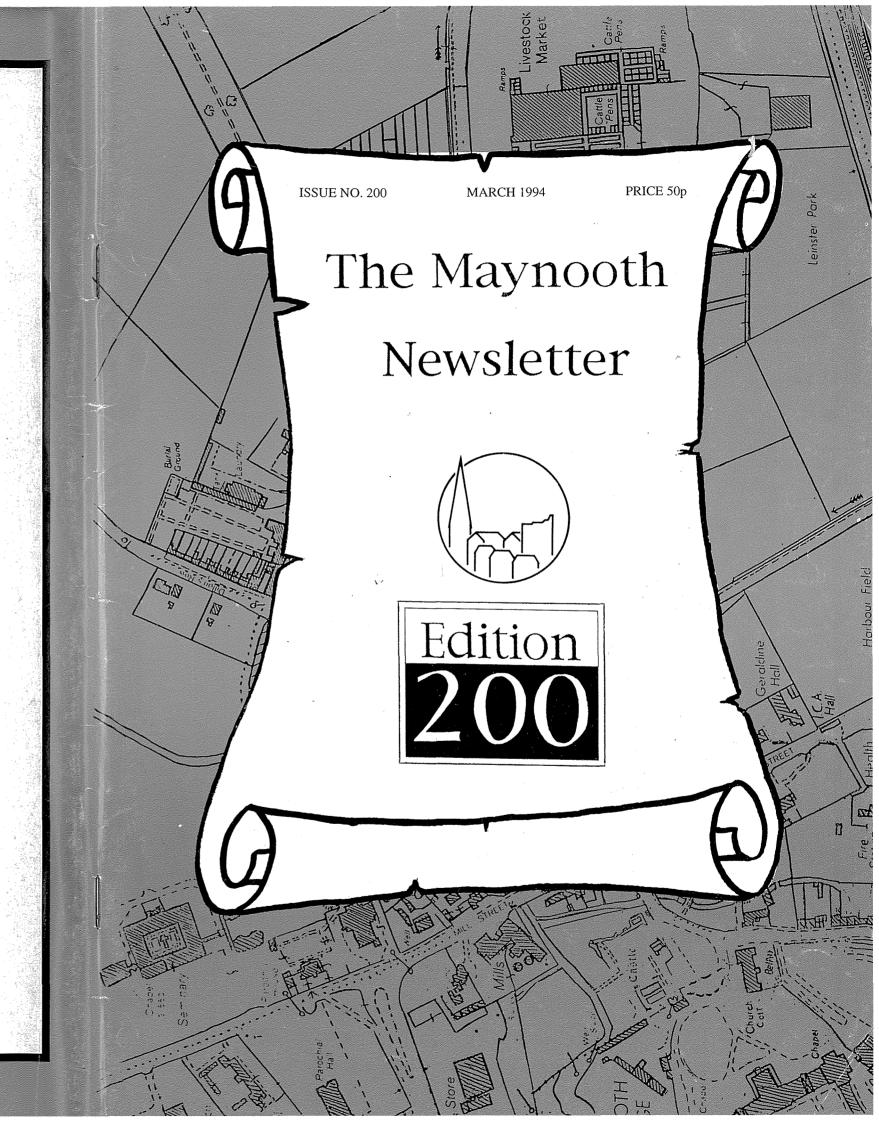
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with something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

GREENFIELD BOLLARDS

The campaign to install bollards on the Greenfield Lane has intensified and a certain bitterness of tone has crept in. The **Newsletter** deplores this. Surely we are sufficiently grown-up as a town to settle our differences amicably without insidious references to boycotting. The words and actions of certain politicians have not been overly impressive either.

The Greenfield Action Group has a right to agitate for the safety of their children. However those who oppose these bollards no matter how few or many, also have the right to object if they feel these bollards are objectionable in any way. There is more than one individual opposed to these bollards and their views should be heard also. That is the essence of what constitutes a democratic society, the projection of the views of minorities as well as majorities.

Surely it is not too late for some form of compromise to be reached if all groups involved are willing. The proposed public enquiry would surely represent the most suitable forum for debate and perhaps all sides should restrain their views until this takes place. Above all this is a problem which should be solved reasonably through discussion, debate and compromise, not threats and mudslinging. Perhaps our politicians could also help by speeding up the commencement of this inquiry to as soon a date as possible.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I have watched with great interest the work being done to transform the old Presentation Convent into modern apartments. However, in recent days my interest in the development has been taken by the changes to the boundary wall along Convent Road. I was aware that changes were due to take place to this wall in relation to its existing location and height. It is very disappointing to see that the developer has opted to replace this existing stone wall with a modern plastered type one.

It is sad to see the loss of this stone wall as it was in a high profile location and especially so as there are efforts afoot in the town to retain and replace the old stone walls which are very much part of the character of the townscape. The replacement of an existing stone wall by a plastered type wall is an inappropriate contribution to the town's character and would seem to reflect an insensitivity by the developers in harmonising their work into the existing environment. I feel it is also an indictment of our planners that they would not specify and ensure the retention/replacement of these features "in the interest of visual amenity".

Apart from this gripe the apartments building itself is a pleasant looking structure and credit is due to the developer in using a name for the apartments that reflects and is sensitive to the history of the original building, something not seen too often in modern developments.

Yours sincerely, Tony Bean.

Dear Editor.

You may be aware that a group of people with learning difficulties have moved to a Housing Estate from residential care in St. Loman's Hospital. Five detached houses are now the homes for twenty two young men and women at Newtown Grove, Maynooth. The relocation took place over twelve months ago.

We, of the Parents Association, are delighted and proud of the area our sons and daughters are living in. We hope you will accept and integrate them into your society and community.

As this is a pilot project run by the Eastern Health Board, the way we treat and care for mentally-handicapped people in Ireland will depend a great deal on the success of "Aisling House" Newtown Grove, Maynooth.

The Parents' Association has bought a mobile home in Co. Wexford for week-end breaks and summer holidays for the residents - purchased and maintained two mini-buses, one of which needs replacing this year.

Because of the small amount of residents the parents in our Association are numerically small and it is increasingly difficult to maintain the high standard that is required to keep our residents mobile and on the road. It is important that we have good transport to carry them back and forward to swimming, horse-riding, bowling, picnics, tours, etc, which are an integral part of their education.

For this to happen we need your support, by giving financially, by sponsorship, by considering "Aisling House" as your charity when running events or indeed of your time. It is important to state at this juncture that all monies go directly to enhancing the lives of the residents.

If you require any more information please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the Committee Officers named below. At present our meetings are held in St. Loman's Hospital, Palmerstown. Our next two meetings will be held on **Wednesday March 16th** and **Wednesday May 18th at 8pm** sharp. You are cordially invited to attend. We will endeavour to answer any questions you may have on the subject.

James E. Whelan Chairman

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It is planned to have the Race Night on the 21st April. We would ask all those who are asked to sponsor to give generously. We want to get the town looking good, and improve our marks in the Tidy Towns. A lot of good work has been done and a lot more needs to be done. Any suggestions from the public would be welcomed.

There is still no move in the Geraldine Hall being taken over by the Community Council. Further communications will be made to try and advance the situation, so that before the Bicentenary of the college the Geraldine Hall will be upgraded to its former glory in the town of Maynooth.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade is the biggest Parade in Leinster outside Dublin.

We would like to invite any marching bands or businesses interested in our Parade to take part.

The Maynooth Parade is quite a spectacle and we hope all our readers come to the Parade.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Our A.G.M. takes place on the 1st. March at 8 o'clock in the Maynooth Post Primary School.

All are welcome to hear our plans for the coming year.

We look forward to meeting all our friends during the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Finally, we offer our deepest sympathy to Joan Lennon and the rest of the Lennon family on the death of our friend and former committee member Louis. He will be greatly missed by us all.

Richard Farrell. Secretary, P.R.O.

Clubs, Organisations, Societies

A. C. O. A.

A. C. O. A. stands for Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional families. We meet every Wednesday night to share our feelings relating to our family or life situations. Most of us are from families that did not function or work properly i.e we lost the benefit of one or both of our parents through alcoholism, violence, separation death etc.

This has given us all similar experiences which enables us to understand how each one of us feel, and to help each of us to cope. The group's philosophy is one of patience and trust. We do not allow for interruption or opinions when someone is sharing. This avoids the fear we had as children of expressing how we felt and creates a safe and loving environment. We do not heal our problem all on our own, however, we do so with the guidance of our higher power, be it God, nature or whatever spiritual influence the individual may have.

Through the fellowship we experience we grow as individuals and learn to walk the road to a more content happier life, gradually taking "one day at a time".

If you find it hard to cope or if your family is making life difficult for you, come and share at our meetings, which are held every Wednesday night at 8.p.m in the Salesian Hostel. Ask for David or Michael of A.C.O.A. Confidentiality assured.

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Annual General Meeting

Our A.G.M. this year was exceptionally well attended and it is interesting to see once again that the majority of those at the meeting were under twenty one. One notable exception to this was the presence of our Joint Honorary President, Mr. Phil Brady, whom we were delighted to have with us. Older members of the Band will remember that Phil was our Chairman for many, many years and helped in many ways to keep it going during the lean years. It is very encouraging to see such an interest from the younger age group and slowly but surely they are beginning to take an active part in the running of the Band's affairs. As I said last month, this is the 40th Anniversary of the formation of the Boys' Band and we hope that this year will be a launching pad for a further 40 years and more for the Band.

The meeting elected the following Committee to govern for 1994:

Hon. Presidents:

Rev. Fr. O'Higgins

Phil Brady

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Mick Hyland Peter Brazil Colm Carroll Denise Mc Carron

Convent Apartments

No sooner had we spoken last month about the Nuns and their new house than out of the blue came a belated invitation to play at the unveiling of the new Convent Apartments to the public. With our long connections with the Convent I suppose it was entirely appropriate that we should be there on this occasion and although the weather did it's best to thwart the builders and detract from the opening, I'm sure that with the benefit of lots of sunshine and a little bit of growth, the apartments will be one of the most attractive areas in the town and will do a great deal to improve the appearance of the Convent Road area. It's also nice to see that the main convent building is looking better than ever, something I'm sure that will satisfy the older residents of Maynooth who will remember all too well the happy days spent with the nuns in the Convent School.

Band Reunion

We have had a very positive response to our suggestion for a 40th Anniversary Reunion this year and we hope to have further news of this in our next **BULLETIN.** It is amazing just how many people have been involved with the Band throughout the 40 years and you never know, some of them may even decide to come back to us after this get together.

St. Patrick's Day & Limerick

March in Maynooth can mean only one thing - The St. Patrick's Day Parade - and this year we are looking forward once again to the biggest event of the year in the town. Since last year some of our junior members have graduated to the Senior Band and I'm sure it will be a special day for them. Let's hope that the weather is kind to us this year for the sake of all the participants in the Parade, particularly the younger ones. On the Sunday after St. Patrick's Day we undertake our Annual Trip to Limerick where this year we will be defending our title as best Irish Brass and Reed Band in the Parade. Win, lose, or draw we will, as usual, be making this a very enjoyable day out with a stop along the way back for a meal, "refreshments" and maybe a bit of a sing song somewhere. We look forward to this day each year and I'm sure there will be just as much "craic" as in other years. Hopefully we will be reporting another victory in next month's BULLETIN.

That about winds up the news for this month, see you all again in April.

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Main Social Welfare Improvements in 1994 Budget

General Increase

- 3% in all Social Welfare and Health Board weekly payments from July.
- Additional increase of 3% to bring **short-term payments** up to the priority rate recommended by the Commission on Social Welfare. All payment rates will now be at or above the priority rate.
- Further increase of £2.10 in Unemployment, Disability and Injury Benefits, bringing these rates from £55.60 to £61.00 (an overall increase of 9.7%).

Survivor's Contributory Pension

A new Widower's Contributory Pension (similar to the existing Widow's Pension) will be introduced from October. Rates of payment and PRSI conditions will be the same as the Widow's Pension. Newly widowed men and women will receive the pension for the first year. Thereafter, the pension will continue to be payable to widowed people with incomes up to £12,000. The requirement in relation to income will not apply at pension age (66 years). Reduced pensions will be payable up to £16,000.

NB: All existing widows will keep their entitlements.

Child Benefit

The higher rate of Child Benefit will be increased to £25 from September and will apply to the third and subsequent child(ren) in a family.

Family Income Supplement

Income limits will increase by £10 (an increased payment of £6 per week for families).

Carer's Allowance

- Carers can have means of up to £6 per week and qualify for the full Carer's Allowance.
- New earnings disregard of £100 per week where there is a working spouse.

Unemployment Payments

- The minimum Unemployment Assistance payment for people living at home will increase to £10 from July.
- The personal rate of Unemployment Benefit goes up by £5.40 to £61.00.
- Pay-Related Benefit will not be payable to new claimants from July.

Pension Improvements

- A single Child Dependant rate of £15.20 will be payable for all qualified children to people getting Old Age Contributory, Retirement or Invalidity Pension. The rate for third and subsequent children will be increased by 18.75% to the new rate of £15.20.
- On the death of an adult dependant the pensioner will continue to receive the adult dependant allowance for a further six weeks.

Extra Benefits (Free Schemes)

- A pensioner previously living alone will retain the Free Telephone Rental Allowance where s/he is being cared for by a person in receipt of a Carer's Allowance.
- Pensioners aged 75 or over can retain the Free Telephone Rental Allowance even no longer living alone.
- Widows aged 60 to 65 can retain their late husband's entitlement to Free Schemes provided they satisfy the qualifying conditions (other than the age condition).
- Extension of Free Electricity Allowance to include Night-Saver Units.

Maternity Benefit

- The minimum rate will increase from £65.00 to £74.20 per week.
- The Disability Benefit rate will be paid if higher than the Maternity rate.
- The full child dependant allowance will be payable to the spouse where s/he is receiving a social welfare payment.

Adoptive Benefit

New Scheme of Adoptive Benefit similar to Maternity Benefit to be introduced, payable for 10 weeks from the date of the adoption.

Support for Voluntary and Community Groups

- An extra £2.5 million for Community and Voluntary Organisations, Women's Groups, Development Courses for men and projects to tackle Moneylending.
- Respite Care Fund to continue this year with £500,000 allocated.

Pay-Related Social Insurance (PRSI)

- Employer's PRSI will be reduced to 9% for workers with earnings up to £173.00 per week. Where earnings exceed this amount, a rate of 12.2% will continue to apply on all earnings up to £496.00 (equivalent to an annual ceiling of £25,800).
- The ceiling for Employee's PRSI will increase to £20,900.
- The minimum earnings for insurability will increase from £25 to £30 per week.

Adjustment of 1992 Measures

- The Substantial Loss of Employment rule will be amended for casual workers.
- The redundancy payment limit at which people may be disqualified from Unemployment Benefit for up to 9 weeks will be increased from £12,000 to £15,000.
- Treatment Benefits ceiling to increase to £35,000 per annum from April (£70,000 in the case of a dependent spouse).

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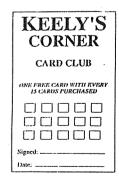
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Maynooth Old Peoples Committee

Our annual collection will take place from the 10th-13th of March this year and we trust we can rely on the usual generosity of all our patrons and friends.

Our A.G.M. was adjourned until March 1st owing to the untimely death of a much loved and valued member of our committee, Rose Bean. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this very sad time, and we extend to them our heartfelt sympathy and support.

Rose will be remembered by all who knew her for her loyalty and dedication in everything she did. She was part of many organisations in Maynooth, and she touched the lives of many people. Rose served our committee well, for almost seventeen years, right up until last November, when her illness began to curtail her activity, but she never lost interest in our work. I can say with conviction, that our committee is all the richer for her membership.

Each of you will have your own memories, or your own story to tell, but I would like to share my thoughts with you as I bid a fond farewell to an old friend.

"Rose"

We met in our Parish Church Back in 1963 When a group of us joined the choir Including you and me.

Like many lasting friendships At first we didn't gel But as we practised in the evenings We got to know each other well.

There was Monica, Paddy, Niall and Jo All invited to your home At anytime of day or night We were welcome in Ballygoran.

You joined the "Old People's Committee" With energy to share
You rarely missed a party
You danced with marvellous flair.

Some years ago I was asked to join The Church "Society for the Altar" And when told, my partner, would be you Of course I didn't falter.

We would dust around the Altar rails And then arrange the flowers We knew we had a winning team We worked side by side for hours.

And then there came the parting How I wished that you could stay Your leaving was difficult to understand And so too is God's way. After thirty years of ups and downs
We made it to the end
And you have gained your rightful place
But I have lost a friend.

You know we'll often think of you We'll often speak your name And although your world is peaceful now Ours, won't be the same.

To know you was a privilege Rose As a friend you were the best And our consolation is in knowing That in peace with God you rest.

Go ndeáneamh Dia trócaire ar do ainm.

Josée

Josephine Moore

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

It is that time of year again when Community Games are upon us. We wish to thank all those who helped and participated in the past. Community Games cater for children whose ages range from under 6 to under 16 on 31st July 1994.

The programme of events is as follows: -

Art, Handball, Swimming, Athletics, Hardcourt Tennis, Table Tennis, Badminton, Hockey, Variety, Basketball, Hurling, Camogie, Judo, Volleyball, Modelling Project, Chess, Pitch & Putt, Choir, Quiz, Cycling, Draughts, Rounders, Gaelic Football, Rugby, Gymnastics, Soccer.

Over the next few months watch out for posters, notices and Newsletter items regarding the Community Games. We would like to see as many children as possible taking part this year. Any adults interested in helping the Committee with their work please contact Maynooth Community Council 6285922. Remember this is the year of the family so lets make it a special one with Community Games.

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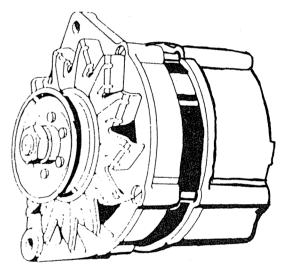
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MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION NOTES

Justifying the Members' Confidence

The members of our local Credit Union trust the voluntary staff and members of the Board with their hard-earned money. There are several structures in place to oversee the proper handling of that money. I am impressed with the thoroughness of this protective aspect of the operation of the Credit Union myself and think that readers might like to know more about it, too.

The Auditor's Report for the AGM

In the January edition, I mentioned in passing that the Auditor, Mr. Denis Maguire, was present at our AGM in November. Each year, as is normal in many legally-constituted organisations, he inspects the books and accounts of the Credit Union and because the Members of the Board have been doing their job properly, he is able to report to the ordinary Members attending the AGM, that all the monies entrusted to the Credit Union are properly accounted for.

Under the Scrutiny of the League

Another Major Annual Financial Event is the inspection by the Field Officer from the Headquarters of the Irish League of Credit Unions, of which our Credit Union is a member. On the 11th January this year, Mr. Brian Douglas visited our offices at the Harbour, inspected all the books and found that the Credit Union was performing satisfactorily.

On-going Supervision

Three Supervisors are elected at the AGM. This year they are **Paddy Arthurs, John McQuaid** and **John Butler.** The supervisors have a kind of watch-dog function. They attend the offices at least once a week, not according to any set routine and monitor all the business activities of the Credit Union. They inspect the financial and all other records monthly, they examine all the books and oversee the working of each Committee.

They ensure that we operate in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Irish League of Credit Unions and that we avoid any practices that go against them. Supervisors serve for a term of one year, and can stand for re-election.

Emer McDermott P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES.

Well if the snow was responsible for the low attendance at the January meeting, it was the storm that affected the attendance at our February meeting. Ladies had to brave driving rain and gale force winds to get to the monthly guild meeting on Thursday 3rd February.

Competitions

Ladies there is still time to get the pens or typewriters out in order to participate in the inter-federation essay competition which is entitled 'The I.C.A. Down Through the Years'. Further details are available from Betty Moore.

Bord na Gaeilge and the Kildare Federation have joined forces to bring us a competition for a 'Bi-lingual Easter Card'. The card would be 8" x 6" and be of original design and wording. The winning card from each guild will go forward to county level. This, therefore, will be the guild competition at our March meetings. Viva, our Timire, has details of this competition. Viva also, would like to know if any members are interested in applying for the Silver Fainne.

The Kildare Federation Make and Model competition will take place on 19th April, in Toughers Function Rooms, Naas at 8.00 p.m. Please take note that the Children's Section this year is for sewing or knitting, and you can make the garment for your own child or grandchild.

The National Make and Model competition (Kildare heat) will be held in Toughers on the same night. The theme for that competition is 'An Outfit Suitable for Ladies Day at the races'. Further information can be obtained from Nell McLoughlin, our Crafts Promoter.

Activities

Craft nights are on, as usual, in the I.C.A. Hall on Mondays at 8.00p.m. Some ladies are making lovely fabric placemats, while others are doing cross stitch pictures, trapunta cushions, rug making and tweed pictures.

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday at 10.45 a.m.

Marion Souhan, our Arts Promoter, hopes to form a Drama Group at the March guild meeting, so that we can compete in the I.C.A. one act play competition, planned for the Autumn.

The members of Kildare I.C.A. golfing Society are reminded that there will be an Open Day in Cill Dara Golf Club on 28th March. Tee off is at 11.00 a.m.

Federation Meeting.

The next federation meeting will take place in Rathmore on Thursday 24th March at 8.00p.m. All I.C.A. members are welcome to attend.

Nitromors Competition Winner

Our President, Imelda Delaney, presented Mary Flynn with a certificate from Kildare Federation to mark her win at County level in the Nitromors Furniture Restoration competition last year. You will recall that Mary went on to National level and did exceptionally well, being awarded second place overall.

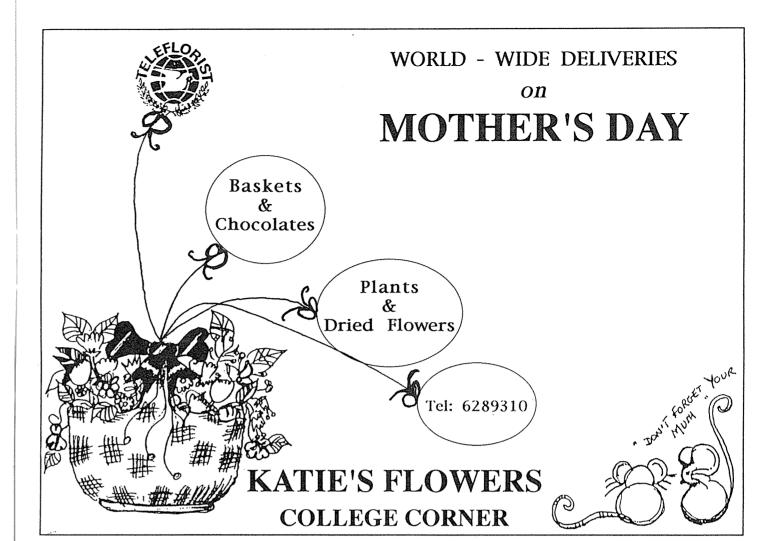
This year's final of the Nitromors competition will be held in late Spring, but as yet no date has been set for the County final.

Raffle and competition

The raffle results were - 1st J. Grant, 2nd and 3rd M. Halton.

The competition results were - 1st M. Halton, 2nd M. Flynn and 3rd J. Grant.

The Competition for the March meeting, as I've mentioned above, will be for a 'Bi-lingual Easter Card'. Continued



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We were very grateful to Mr. Michael Burns from Stena Sealink who braved the bad weather to attend our February meeting. He gave a talk and slide show on the many trips offered by his company.

Maynooth Annual show

On 10th February an ad hoc committee of Maynooth I.C.A. was formed, as is usual each year, to undertake the organisation of the Maynooth Annual Show. This year Marion Souhan is the chairperson, Irene Matthews is treasurer and once again I've got the job of secretary. Our next meeting will be on the 10th March in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.30p.m. We would love to see some more I.C.A. members at this meeting.

This year we are without the services of Mrs. Margaret Gee. R.I.P. Margaret contributed enormously to the Show's success each year and this year she will be sadly missed.

Next Meeting

Our next guild meeting will take place in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 3rd March at 8.00 p.m. We hope to be able to have a gardening expert as our guest speaker at this meeting.

Connie Harpur, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The postponed A.G.M. has been re-scheduled for Sunday, March 6th, in Band Hall at 3 p.m. All members are invited to attend.

P. Nolan, Secretary.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Just a reminder to people that adults may now borrow five items per person, and children may borrow three. The lending period has been increased to three weeks.

Other changes that have taken place with regards to charges you'll all be glad to know that the 10p charge per book is gone and in its place is an annual registration charge of £5 per year per adult or £10 per year per family, or £2 per year per senior citizen and £1 per year per child.

Some new books that have been added to stock include the following:-

Fiction Titles:

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Some Non-Fiction include:

R.F. Foster - Modern Ireland 1600-1972 Louise Hay - You Can Heal Your Life John B. Keane - Year Of The Hiker

Some classical C.D.'s have also been added to stock ranging from Bartok to Beethoven, Schubert and Tchaikovsky.

Many more new adult and children's books will be added to stock over the next few months, so watch this space for de-

Margaret Walshe-Gannon

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Works Up Date

Work is continuing at the Harbour and with the bank now removed between the Harbour and the Harbour-field, this area has now been tidied up. As with last month's issue, we again appeal to anyone demolishing old buildings or walls to contact us and we will arrange to remove the rubble, as building stone is urgently required to continue the walls in the Harbour area.

200th Celebrations

The Royal Canal is 200 years old this year, having been completred in 1794, and there will be many celebrations throughout the year, which will include a Monster International Boat Rally from Dublin (Blanchardstown) to Mullingar. Local celebrations in this context will be announced later.

Maynooth Fair which was to have taken place at the Parish Hall on Sunday 27th March (the Sunday before Easter Sunday) is now cancelled due to the hall being double booked.

We will advertise the new date for the Fair in the near future.

There will be many stands selling services and products. There are a limited number of spaces left. Each space costs only £30 which is great value. A big turnout is expected. To book a space send £30 to Royal Canal Amenity Group, 35, Greenfield drive, Maynooth (Telephone: 6286043) but do so immediately to avoid disappointment.

There will be a number of telephone card/stamp/postcard/coin dealers in attendance. Telephone card collecting is one of the fastest growing hobbies in Ireland. Marion Finucane recently featured this hobby on 'Live Line' on Wednesday 16th February and interviewed Michael Giffney who will have a stand at Maynooth Fair. A limited edition telephone card which was on sale at the Stamp and Coin Fair at the Royal Hospital Kilmainham last year for £3.50 now will cost you £75. British collectors are keen to buy the Tina Turner cards which were a limited edition in Ireland in 1993.

See you there and remember the date!

We regret to say that the Royal Canal Rally set for 22nd, 25th and 26th April has been cancelled until further notice, due to incomplete work being carried out by Iarnród Eireann at Amien Street.

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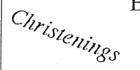
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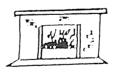
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SCOUT NEWS

Plans are being made on many fronts at this time of year:plans for the Scout Summer Camp this year in Boyle, Co. Roscommon in early July, plans for Cub Camp Venue not yet decided, plans for Venturer Expedition, and of course, nearer home, there is the St. Patrick's Day Parade. So Scouts, check your uniforms, flags etc. and be ready for another Parade.

February 13th saw the very successful National Scout Quiz held in Maynooth. Over 500 Scouts, Leaders and Supporters attended and engaged a very full day's activities. Winners were from Cork.

At the time of writing this we appear to be near to getting the Brownie colony back in action. Hopefully as you read this they will be up and running.

Finally, on behalf of all the Scouts, Cubs, Venturers, Leaders and hopefully, Brownies, let me congratulate the Newsletter on 200 successful issues.

Tony Muldowney, Unit Leader.

ST. MARYS BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL MAYNOOTH PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The Committee Members would like to take this opportunity to thank all for their support, in anticipation of the forthcoming social night, Friday 4th March 1994 at the New Students' Union Bar, Maynooth College - it promises to be a great night! Tickets still available.

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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The only item this month is our A.G.M. in the New Arts Block, St. Patrick's College. On Monday, 7th March, at 8.30 p.m. We ask members to please support this very important meeting.

Richard Farrell, P.R.O.

LYREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

This month's notes are dominated by two topics, one a very, very old problem while the other is something very new and totally different.

Ramps

The old problem is that familiar thing called a RAMP and I'm sorry to report that, in the words of John Major, it's 'Back to Basics'. We have been informed by the County Council that there has been one objection to the locating of ramps along the lanes. Despite much persistence they have yet to tell us who has objected or from what area the objection has come but they have said that the objector has suggested an alternative to ramps which, to me at least, would leave the Lane looking very much on the lines of an obstacle course. Maybe this objector is hoping to delay a decision on the ramps until the By-Pass has been completed in the hope that they will be found unnecessary. The experience of our residents in the past is that motorists are passing the no-entry signs even when the Main Street is NOT BUSY and there is no doubt whatsoever that they will continue to do so when the By-Pass is completed. Remember traffic will still be coming from the Dunboyne Road en route to Kilcock and a large number of cars will still be travelling between the Convent School and the Boys/post Primary Schools every morning and afternoon during the School Year. Last month yet again there was a further accident at the old telephone exchange caused by a car coming through the no entry sign at the Carpet Shop. Fortunately there were no serious injuries but is it going to take a fatal accident to make the Gardai and the County Council sit up once and for all and take action to solve the problem. The ramps are a clear case of a serious problem remaining unsolved for YEARS because of RED TAPE. Can we get something done NOW BEFORE SOMEBODY DIES.

Broken Windows

The second problem is of a more local but just as serious nature. Last month several windows in houses in the Green were broken, a number of houses had near misses and a milkman barely escaped serious injury all from GOLF BALLS played from somewhere in the area, but not, I hasten to add, from the Pitch and Putt Course. The understandably angry injured residents contacted the Gardai who visited houses in the area but were unable to locate the offenders. We hope that the guilty party has now had time to consider the seriousness of this action and how close it came to causing serious bodily injury to the milkman or anyone else in the vicinity. It's hard to imagine that in an area which has its own park and is surrounded Continued

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by acres of wide open spaces that any person would be stupid enough to play with what is effectively a highly dangerous weapon in a residential area. Let's hope that the offender/s has/have a conscience and that we do not see a repeat of this insane conduct ever again.

We hope to have happier news to report in the next Newsletter.

MEADOWBROOK NEWS

We would like to welcome all new residents particularly those now arrived in the Close.

At this stage all residents should have paid their subs for 1993. We will shortly be collecting the £10 subscription for 1994.

Development News:

Since June 1993 the committee has been pressing the developer Lark Developments Ltd., to address a long list of problems such as lighting, completion of green areas and landscaping. While we now have roads and lighting we are still anxious to ensure that all remaining work be completed immediately. At present the sorry state of the stream is of great concern for reasons of safety and unsightliness.

Proposed Link Road:

Many residents are still very concerned about the proposed link road. The primary concerns are:

- a) that the road will divide the estate in two,
- b) traffic volume
- c) safety.

The Committee is continuing to pursue this issue.

Planning Permission for Public House:

The committee received confirmation from the County Council that the planning permission for a public house in the estate has not been granted.

Social Events:

As part of our promotion of the social life of our residents and following the success of our barbeque held during the summer, a tablequiz was held in the G.A.A. Club on 18th December at 8 p.m. A great evening was had by all and many thanks to our quiz master Carol Hoare, the G.A.A. Club and all those who supported us. A special word of thanks to the following who so kindly donated our prizes: Billy McCrory Fuel Merchant; Greg Kenny Fuel Merchant; Katies Flowers; Newtown Stores; The Flowerpot; James Smith Butchers; Maynooth Bookshop; Glenkerrin Homes and Helens Hair Affair.

Neighbourhood Watch:

Following our meeting with the Crime Prevention Detective (Naas), local Gardaí and residents on 18th November we now have Neighbourhood Watch up and running.

Our thanks to all concerned.

Features

THE SLIGHTLY "ALTERNATIVE" HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH FROM THE START OF THE WORLD TO ITS END (IN THE DISTANT FUTURE).

20,000 BC Back in the deep dim distant past before job-sharing and equality legislation, God made the world.

19,999 BC In a moment of temporary insanity after a night on the beer God creates Man.

19,998 BC Adam & Eve are cast out of the Garden of Eden into a strange desolate land. They call it Maynooth or in ancient Hebrew Place of Lamentable Roads.

19,994 BC They emigrate after four years on the dole and two SES schemes

10,000 BC A vast meteorite lands on Maynooth killing all dinosaurs although some are preserved for use as Kelloggs cornflakes tokens and agents of the imperialistic U.S. Audio-Visual industry. Councillor Noah who survives, complains about pothole caused by meteor on Celbridge road and flooding caused by meteorite. County Manager promises to look into matter.

9,999 BC A vast flood engulfs the world after a burst watermain on the Celbridge Road. Fortuitously Noah is stranded on the last bus out to Maynooth (the 67A) (with a shower of animals) and the world is saved.

9,998 BC Owing to excessive production of fridges a hole is created in the ozone layer and the water melts away. World returns to normal with the exception of some flooding on the Celbridge road.

9,995 BC County Manager replies to Councillor Noah noting that he is still looking into the matter and promising resolution of the matter soon.

5,000 BC Ditto - Didn't they live long in 'dem days.

1,000 BC Fíonn MacCumhail takes over Kildare football team.

999 BC In a shock result Kildare crash out of the first round of the Leinster Football Championship.

998 BC Ditto

997 BC Ditto

996 BC to 1994 AD - Same

600 BC Fíonn sacked. Seamus Aldridge re-elected as Co. Secretary/Treasurer

599 BC Romans invade Ireland. However the combination of Maynooth roads and weather force them to retreat.

598 BC Romans decide to conquer Europe, Asia, Africa etc instead of Ireland.

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300 BC In a blistering attack the Labour Party accuse Fine Gael of imposing compulsory cattle-raiding by stealth on the people of Maynooth. Fine Gael responds by noting that cattle raids are necessary for the upkeep of the Fianna, Tuatha de Danann and Firbolgs all of whom represent a burden on the state but also an important potential tourist attraction. Fianna Fáil claims we have had enough of invaders over the last 2,000 years. The country can't cope with these invasions and some of them are just going to have to emigrate.

295 BC Buggy Horan arrives at Maynooth having thumbed from Ballina.

294 BC Kavanaghs Mill starts.

250 BC Kildare take on the Fór Mor in the first round of the Leinster Championship. In the infamous battle of Moy Tuna (translated as tunnell from the old Irish) ten thousand of the Kildare team are kicked to death by spears, swords, hatchets etc. Co. Secretary Seamus Aldridge protests to Croke Park who promises an enquiry into the match. 2386 AD inquiry reports suspending all participants for six months.

249 BC to 595 AD Nuthin' happens.

595 AD Poitín invented.

596-599 AD No-one remembers what happened.

600 AD Ghenghis Khan invades Ireland.

Halted by the Maynooth roads and weather the Mongol hordes retreat and lay waste half Europe.

Some survivors set up a branch of the Fine Gael party.

601 AD Seamus Aldridge re-elected Secretary/Treasurer. St. Patrick appointed manager of the Kildare footballteam. He is quoted as saying "After saving Ireland from vice, idolatry and paganism I need a challenge."

602 AD In a shock result Kildare etc. etc.

St. Patrick resigns in favour of the easier task of temperance reform in Ireland.

602 AD to 1013 Nuthin' happens.

1013 Brian Boru takes over Kildare Football team. In an interview he is quoted as saying "After conquering all of Ireland etc. etc. I need a challenge.'

1014 In a shock result ... blah blah blah.

Seamus Aldridge . . . blah blah blah . . . demands an inquiry into the famous tent incident. "They've been ting away with this since the battle of Moy Tuna", he fumes. G.A.A. promises immediate action.

11? After a sex scandal in Westminster involving a chariot and a lay-by Maurice Fitzgerald is exiled to Maynooth. His first words on arrival are "We will improve this bus service." This slogan was later borrowed by Mussolini who swept to power in Italy in the 1920s. This connection between Maynooth and the rise of European fascism is not well known.

GARDA TALK

Opening hours of Maynooth Garda Station

The opening hours of Maynooth Garda Station are as follows: Monday to Saturday 10am - 1pm

Sunday - 12 midday - 2pm

These hours are designed to facilitate the public who need to process documents such as passports, produce their driving licences, insurance etc.

Outside these hours the Gardai are on patrol. Should you need to contact the Gardai you may telephone Naas station at (045) 97333, or in the case of an emergency dial 999. A communication system "The Green Man" is located to the right of the front door of the station. Outside normal hours, you may use the Green Man to contact Naas station.

Junior Warden Patrol:

You may have seen these young men carrying out their duties at the Boys' National School on the Moyglare Road. Their task is to stop traffic, and ensure that younger children cross the road safely. It is an excellent scheme which deserves the goodwill and co-operation of all concerned. If you are a motorist, please obey the signs and be patient. At the Girls' National School the "Lollipop" lady is there with similar duties.

Crime

A sincere thank you to those concerned citizens who take the time to contact the Gardai when they witness acts of crime, vandalism, suspicious vehicles etc. Indeed some of these phone calls resulted in the arrest and conviction of criminals. The old saying "It's not my problem" is long gone. It is a problem for everybody. Surely we all desire less crime, and a better society to live in. Play your part. If you observe a crime tell the Gardai. The confidential freephone number is: 1800 589

Fraud:

Again we remind our readers on how to prevent this type of crime:

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- 3 Be cautious of strangers who are name droppers. e.g. "Fr. O'Brien the P.P. said you would change the cheque for me."
- 4 Be suspicious of customers who are indignant at requests for identification.
- 5 Be wary of cheques drawn on a bank outside this country. Should it turn out to be a dud, there is no easy remedy.
- 6 Be aware of juveniles cashing cheques, they are not legally liable for their debts.
- 7 Do not accept a cheque which shows signs of change..... have the issuer write a fresh cheque.
- 8 Keep in mind that in accepting a cheque which is post dated or cheques over a month old you are taking a chance.
- Don't let the client hurry you in accepting a cheque, take all the time you need, and get answers to all your questions.
- 10 Be aware of cheques presented over bank holiday wee end, or other busy times.
- 11 Stop and think, if somebody asks to cash a cheque for a sum larger than what is required to cover the transaction.
- 12 Have all employees initial cheques cashed by them, and lodge all cheques promptly.

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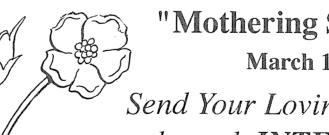
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St. Partick's Day Parade

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Be aware of the pending inconvenience and please obey the Gardai and the Stewards. Above all bring along all the family and enjoy the day.

New Arrival - Garda Austin Cleere

We welcome to Maynooth Garda Austin Cleere who arrived to us from the Garda Training College, Templemore on 18th. February, 1994. A noted intercounty hurler he hails from the famed nursery of this artistic sport, County Kilkenny. On behalf of the Community we extend to him a generous Céad Mîle Fáilte and wish him every success and contentment during his period of service among the people of Maynooth.

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HOMELESS

In the dark dismal porch the rain seems to be aiming to hit the weak, pervious cardboard house. Inside, hoping to find some kind of warmth and shelter, lies a young teenage girl, curled up like a hedgehog. The young girl opens her eyes, trying to adjust to the darkness around her, where the outline of objects are misty and blurred. The wind cuts through the cardboard like a sharp kitchen knife, piercing through her skin and weak bones. Christine grips the sleeves of her thin cotton jumper trying to conserve any body heat she has. She tightens her bones and her back begins to ache. Her teeth are constantly rattling. Christine picks herself up from the wet cardboard which is now lying in a small river of rainwater. The raindrops drip continuously down from the rooftop.

Christine thought she had found a reasonable squat for the night. However, now it was time to move on. Weary of life, she curses the wind which blew the rain in the direction of her small cardboard shelter in a shop porch. Everything in the world seems to be against her, even the forces of nature, which is exposing her weak body to its harsh winter conditions. Wandering slowly, aimlessly down the dark, badly lit Dublin street, rain pelts down on her head. Christine's red hair drips cold water down her back. There is no need to run for shelter, where could she run to? She is already wet and is oblivious to its constant pelting now. Looking up to the clear dark navy sky she watches the stars twinkle.

Tears swell up in Christine's eyes and the stars seem to be blurred. She remembers those unforgettable nights alone looking up into the night sky, wishing she was looking at them from somewhere else, somewhere happier, where maybe she could see them dance beside the full perfect moon. Christine was somewhere else now. But she was not happier, she was trapped, confined to the streets where there seemed to be no way out for anyone like her. Nowhere or no-one to go to, she feels alone and isolated. She has been exposed to the badness the world has to offer and has not seen happy times, wishing to avoid the bright lights of nightclubs, the ramblings of drunk people and couples holding each other closely.

She travels the dark empty streets. Spotting a place that seems to be dry she sits herself down. Shivering uncontrollably she wonders if she will be able to get a reasonable night's sleep. For Christine, dreaming is her only consolation in life. Sleep is the death of each day and with each day she hopes for an escape. Wishing for a world which could be kind to her and she in return would be kind to it. Her breathing is slow and quite relaxed as she seems to doze off. Beautiful thoughts and dreams swirl around her head. A peaceful night for Christine as she escapes reality for just a few hours. In the morning things probably won't be different. Christine has no hope for the future, no-one to help her find hope. Alone in the world sleep is her only comfort. She is not just trapped by the streets, she is in fact trapped in herself and she cannot find any way out.

Georgina Sherlock

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY

Mathematical Olympiad

Morven Duffy continues to progress in the training programme for the International Mathematical Olympiad 1994. Originally over a hundred students were selected on the basis of their grade in Maths in the Junior Certificate 1993. This group has been reduced to 36 and Morven is among them. We wish her well in the next round.

Camogie

Our Junior camogie team were narrowly beaten in the Kildare county final by a good Clane team. The girls contested every ball right up to the final whistle and with a bit of luck on their side the result would have gone the other way. Nonetheless, well done to the team, the parents who supported them and their trainers John Nevin and Maire Mannion.

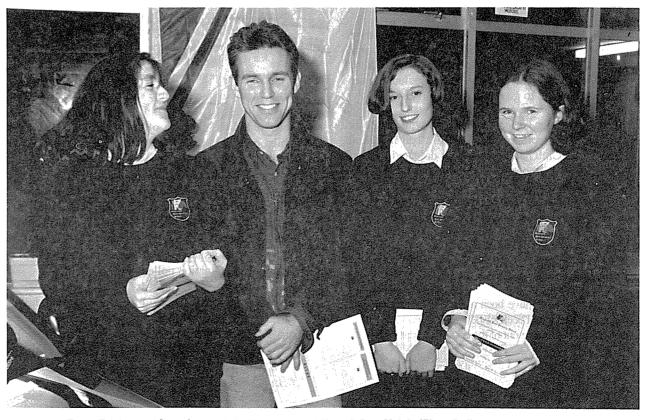
The Monster Draw

The Monster Draw got off to a flying start with a large crowd in attendance in the Gym. It was a very enjoyable

and unusual evening. Ray D'Arcy proved very popular and entertaining as well as the St. Mary's band which kept the audience entertained throughout. Our student Sandra Brady and her father further entertained the crowd with a selection of ballads. After the festivities the parents and friends enjoyed refreshments.

Tickets

Now that the fun is over we have to get down to the business of buying and selling the tickets. Again I appeal to our present parents and students, to all of our past-pupils to rally around us now and support us in this project. Many, many students and parents have had the benefit of the academic and extra curricular programmes offered by this school over the years and we now ask to give something back in return. Your contribution will have a lasting beneficial influence on future groups of students as well as the chance to win substantial prizes. Buy a ticket now and in doing so support your Local Post-Primary School.



• Ray D'Arcy chatting with Finola Griffin, Meadhbh Flood, Lorraine Downey, at the launching of Maynooth Post - Primary Monster Draw.

LOCAL RALLY CHAMPIONS IN TITLE CHASE

As the 1993/94 National Navigation Rally Championship enters its final stages Maynooth rally driver, Ted Gaffney, is just two points behind the series leader with two rounds remaining. Having been runner-up on a number of occasions in the past along with Navigator Don Foley, Ted is hoping this will be his year and is quietly optimistic that he can take his first National title when the Championship ends in March. Don has an uphill struggle in the Navigators section having had to miss the opening round but is determined to fight it out to the end. In the Hella East Coast Championship he is currently lying in second place, three points behind, with three rounds remaining and he is hoping to extend his record of three Championship titles.

LOOKING BACK. THE NEWSLETTER IN '69 and '79

To mark its 200th edition Maynooth went delving into the archives, some time around the writing of the Book of Kells or the Old Testament to find out what was troubling the minds of the writers of the earliest issues.

We found the earliest issues focussed on concerns still held by many today. In April 1969 Maynooth had decided to enter the Tidy Towns Competition. The writer informs us that this involves nothing difficult or drastic. Our response today can only be "Ah bliss was that dawn" when harsh experience had not destroyed innocence.

Sinners of the parish were beginning to tremble for the arrival of the missioners. Fr. Mullaghy and Fr. Clear was imminent. The second Quarterly Draw for the Swimming Pool, Where? What? When? had just occurred and winners included a certain Fr. M. Ledwith soon to go on to greater things.

Maynooth had just been defeated by Dunboyne in the Fr. Michael Cleary Talent competition, indeed a bad month all round for the Youth Club had been heavily defeated by Coill Dubh in a debate. On a more positive note the Table Tennis Club was prospering in Division IV of the Kildare League and in those days of total football the soccer club was fast becoming the Holland of the Leinster Junior League.

November 1979 concentrated mostly on the Pope's visit. The ICA appears to have been a dangerous place at this time for six reporters sent to investigate them had disappeared.

The GAA Club appears to have been a place of interest also. It denied in an article that it had been suspended for two years. "Will some one of yiz get the referee out of the boot of dat car please."

It was a great time to be alive. A holiday in Portugal cost £85, a weekend in New York £135, roughly the cost of a pint of Harp and twenty Major today. Similarly the women in the advertisement for Ryan & Tyrell Datsun Cars were extremely attractive and much more interesting than the car. None of this in today's duller politically correct times!

Thanks are owed to G. McTernan who supplied copies of those earlier Newsletters.

MAYNOOTH 1993 - A PROFILE

This month marks the 200th edition of the Newsletter. During these sixteen years the nature and scale of the Newsletter and the town it serves have changed radically.

What sort of a town is Maynooth? Is it a college town or a dormitory town? Does it have its own identity or is it just becoming part of the Dublin suburban sprawl? To mark its 200th edition the **Newsletter** questioned a cross-section of Maynoothonians to discover what their views were on local and national issues and out of this to evolve some clue as to the identity of the town.

You chose nine issues which you say as being the most important problems affecting your town. These were in order of importance

| importance | |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| 1. Unemployment - | 32% |
| 2. Crime - | 16% |
| 3. Youth Amenities - | 13% |
| 4. Roads - | 13% |
| 5. Drugs - | 10% |
| 6. Local Charges - | 10% |
| 7. Litter - | 4% |
| 8. Town Commission Status - | 1% |
| 9. Historic Town Status - | 1% |
| | |

The results confirm much that is already known, buck some national trends and provide a salutary smack in the face for certain institutions.

Several important themes emerged from this question. Unemployment in the locality, unsurprising given the high rate of unemployment in the town, emerged as the dominant concern.

After unemployment, crime was seen as the second most significant local problem. Significantly a high proportion of those polled cited the question of drugs as another major concern whilst great importance was also placed on the necessity for adequate local facilities for young people.

The numbers who cited roads and litter as major local issues were not as high as expected. Only 10% saw local charges as an important local issue and 13% in the case of roads. Neophyte politicians will also be disappointed. The two most directly political issues, town commission status and tourist/historic town designation polled poorly.

Dominant concerns therefore were socio-economic ones, in particular the effects of unemployment, crime and drugs. The survey also indicates that local concerns are broadly in line with national ones.

Crime

Crime was a major factor in Maynooth life. 49% of those interviewed saw crime as a problem in Maynooth as against 46% who didn't. These fears indicate that the demand for a full-time police presence is justified. Robbery was the greatest fear by 55%, whilst 20% cited the threat of rape. This surely says something about the nature of our town and is also an indictment of the poor standard of public lighting around

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Maynooth. A further 12% feared assault whilst a timorous 2% cited murder as their greatest fear. One also cited the threat of child-abuse.

Despite these fears the Gardai received a resounding vote of confidence, 67% were satisfied with their performance as against 28% dissatisfied. A total of 57% believed they did not receive adequate resources. Interestingly, those who were most dissatisfied with the performances of the Gardai believed the Gardai already possessed sufficient resources.

Thing Must Go

The campaign to get rid of 'the Thing' was also justified by the survey. It is believed Hollywood intend to make a film about this soon. 77% want it to go, a hardy 3% believe it should stay, whilst a puzzled 20% asked, "What is 'the thing'".

Students and Residents Associations

Relations between the town and college students have sometimes been fractious. However in the survey a majority felt that students were not disruptive, 57%, as against 39% who felt they were. Significantly 41% of those surveyed felt that residents' associations were often difficult.

Community Council

The Community Council received a strong vote of confidence although many felt it was irrelevant to their lives. 57% believed the Community Council was relevant to their lives whilst 68% believed it was doing a good job. It is important to note that whilst 38% saw it as irrelevant to their lives only 20% believed it was performing badly. This implies an attitude of benevolent neutrality towards the Council by many who although unaffected by its activities still felt it was doing a good job. Surprisingly few knew the name of the Chairperson.

Kildare Co. Council Gets Order of the Boot.

Kildare Co. Council received a resounding vote of No Confidence, 79% were dissatisfied with its performances, a negative ratio of 6:1 a truly shocking statistic, indicating that the new County Manager and many of his officials would be well advised to reform their attitudes.

Water Charges

As noted, the issue of water-charges is no longer the burning issue that it was. As expected a majority of people are opposed 51%, but a significant minority 36%, supported these charges with 13% indifferent. The response to the question on Unemployment - 68% saw it as a major local problem as against 7% who didn't - also confirms the views expressed in Question 1 in which a substantial majority that unemployment was the most serious local issue.

Drugs/Aids A Problem?

58% of replies saw drugs as a major local problem as opposed to 38% who didn't. Interestingly these figures were reversed on the issue of AID'S. Only 35% saw it as a problem with 53% saying "No". This can be seen as indicating either a dangerous level of complacency or that the AID's scare is over.

A Popular Newsletter!

Finally some good news for the overworked, under-un-paid Newsletter editorial team, always criticised and rarely commended. Whilst 17% of the community, Philistines all, have never read it, 21% do occasionally read it whilst a stunning 43% recognising its innovative brilliance, crusading journalism, etc. etc. read the **Newsletter** regularly. Hurrah! Hurrah!

The survey indicates a town with very definite views and concerns. Although the low interest indicated in Town Commission status may disappoint some, the case for Urban District Council status and the devolution of powers from Kildare County Council to Maynooth is justified by the relative satisfaction felt towards the Community Council and the bankruptcy of the status of Kildare County Council.

The survey found that Maynooth shares many concerns with the rest of Irish society at a local level. The great bete noirs are unemployment, crime and drugs whilst a strong demand exists for improved facilities for the young. It also indicates a town in many ways dissatisfied with the services provided it by central government.

Next month: Maynooth and National Issues.

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MAYNOOTH WINNER IN I.E.S. COMPETITION

Maynooth had a local winner in the I.E.S. Ltd. sponsored essay competition in the Liffey Champion, Jason Newton, aged 11, from 37 Rail Park, Maynooth. Jason is a pupil in St. Mary's Boys' National School and what makes his achievement so poignant is that he was in the 11 to 13 years category, obviously competing with his peers.

Jason's essay was called "The Best Gift" and it was certainly his gift at writing that ensured his success in the competition.

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To facilitate those children who are moving into the new estates in Maynooth and to especially provide for the children who will start primary school next September.

"Right, and what is school about?"

Well first of all the emphasis will be on the children learning through play. They can choose daily between the different play corners, like the shop, the home corner, book and bear bench, sand, dressing up box, cars and building material.

These are places of wonderful imagination.

Of course everything is accessible to the children, which means that it is at their height and it is safe.

The other aspect is that I will observe the children quietly when they work with jigsaws and other educative toys in order to respond to their specific needs. (For example if a boy shows interest in learning and sorting colours, I will make sure that the work he chooses challanges his interest. If a girl shows interest in letters and numbers I will provide her with material that will stimulate her).

We plan our day or even days around one project, which is naturally in tune with the children's interest. So if it snows we will talk, have a story, sing and be creative about snow. It could be the seasons, different professions, a new baby, the dentist, or like here in Rockfield building, diggers etc. Learning about nature will be a very important part. We will sing a little prayer to God every day for creating these things for us so that we may use them well and treat them with respect.

We have band and a piano. Every now and then we might dance or introduce the children to a musical instrument since I believe that children naturally love music.

Pre reading and writing skills are important for children who are preparing for primary school. My goal is not to teach them

how to read and write but to make the children ready. It is like somebody who wants to hang-glide. They will first do all the physical exercises to become familiar with them, building up their confidence through this.

They learn all about the space they are going to fly in and how to master it until they nearly can't wait to make that first jump. Children grow physically, emotionally and intellectually towards the moment that they will read and write letters and words. They also all have their own pace. Many have fun activities can help them:

I might ask the children to go home today and look for an object which starts with the letter B and bring it in the next day. They will all talk to the group on their chosen object.

If you like more information on want to enrol your child into THE LINK UP feel free to phone at 6285603 or to call in.

I finish with emphasising to interested parents that all of these activities will take place in a peaceful, caring and stimulating atmosphere. It is the only way a child can grow to it's full potential. This is why I like to keep in close contact with the parents.

STREET TALK

New Ventures in Maynooth

This month's Street Talk welcomes some new ventures to Maynooth

Maynooth Laundry Shop

Maynooth Laundry Shop (formerly Kleen Jeans) has been taken over by Bernard Doran and Ruth Doran since 1st February 1994. While the shop is under new management, the same staff have been kept on.

Situated at Greenfield Shopping Centre, this business offers a much needed service to the people of the area, with a student discount available on production of a student card (see the advertisement in this issue). The opening hours are 8.00 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Saturday inclusive and while the laundry must be dropped in and collected personally at present, a collection and delivery service is due shortly. Another proposal being put into action is an ironing service which would be a hot favourite for many customers.

We wish the Dorans and their staff the best of luck in their new venture.

Jean's Foodstore

Jean's Foodstore opened on 1st November,1993, at the entrance to Moyglare Village. The proprietor is Jean Leonard and the shop opens at very convenient times: 7.30 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. The shop serves as a Newsagents/Grocers, while also selling fuel and gas. This has the potential to be a successful convenience store and is well located on the outskirts of Maynooth, in an area not previously serviced with these facilities.

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The Mill Wine Cellar

The Mill Wine Cellar opened on 9th December, 1993, in Mill Street, Maynooth, just in time for Christmas. The owner, Michael Tennyson, has arranged a free draw for his customers. This draw is on the last day of every month and to qualify, one must spend a minimum of £5 in the shop. The prize is a choice of the following:- A European Inter-Rail ticket, a weekend for two in London or a purchase to the value of £200 in The Mill Wine Cellar.

Special discounts are offered for large orders, with a sale and return basis for special occasions. For those organising a wine party, free glasses are provided for this occasion (to be returned after use of course).

The opening hours for the Mill Wine Cellar are 10.30 a.m. to 10.30 p.m. Monday to Saturday and pub hours on Sunday until 9.30. We wish Michael Tennyson the best of luck with his new business.

Knits and Bits

Lisa Cullen, a first year student in Maynooth College, got the brainwave to open a shop orientated towards young people's fashions. Aptly named, Knits and Bits it opened at the end of January 1994 and is situated beside Travel Options in Maynooth town. The shop stocks jumpers, jackets, tee-shirts, skirts and tops. For the young at heart there is also a selection of jewellery.

Opening times are at odd hours to suit young people who may be either at school or college. However, it does open till 8.30 each night. The items are keenly priced to suit everybody's pocket.

Good luck to Lisa in her enterprising new venture.

UPROAR IN THE HOUSE

Maynooth has long had the pleasure of the presence of one Joseph Faherty, (since 1954 in fact). Joe is alright apart from a few outbursts of "Connemara Irish" which he occasionally uses to bamboozle the natives. His accent is so pronounced that even people who know some Irish cannot understand him. He even denounced the "local brogue" which he claims he had to learn.

All was going well until recently a discussion on plants arose in a local drinking house, when someone mentioned a Eucalyptus Tree. Well the over enthusiastic Irish speaker embraced this name as an Irish word.

The wise and ever cunning Larry McEvoy knew he had him. Larry said, "Shur thats a Greek word the plural of which is Eucalypti". Well it brought tears to many eyes to hear Larry speak Greek.

Even Donal Finnan nicknamed "The Bomb" was outbombed. There was uproar in the House and only when An Ceann Comhairle Danny Fitzpatrick intervened ten minutes later, did normal drinking resume.

THE O'MUSSOLINI CHRONICLES

Continuing our journey into the surreal world of local politics which the words of that great statesman/orator, Edmund Burke, "the sublime and the ridiculous" most aptly adhere to, it is both our pleasure and our public duty (of course!) to offer you more revelations from what will be in future referred to as "The O' Mussolini M.C.C Chronicles." After reading these are to be placed into a time capsule for use some centuries later when the aliens invade, as one good look into this mentality will convince the most dastardly army of invaders to retreat post-haste.

Dear Albert,

Why do you not write to me anymore? I suppose you have your snot up in the air now what with meeting with various European leaders, how is de Gaulle anyways and that fella Dick Spring whispering Ethics into your ear like Milton's Satan in the Garden of Eden. Ah yes, Eden, what was it now the poet said,

Bliss was that time, when Donie Cassidy would have been assured a Euro nomination

And Ned Brennan the Ministry of Gaeltacht, Arts and Culture

Ah yes the rhyming couplet, first sign of great poetry and often the last.

Ethics, the closest that fella ever came to ethics was athletics.

Well Albert, I know where the skeletons are buried and I know how the dog-food business was started. I might as well tell you I've had offers too. Fine Gael are nosing around me like a dog after. . . . Now lads no sex please, this might appear on RTE.

But anyway I did the business for ye and the moment my hat went into the ring the FG lads gathered back around Bruton like? (here the writing becomes illegible. .) around a hand-kerchief. But as you yourself said, they're not ready for my talents and abilities yet.

Any chance of that old Euro nomination. When is Johnny Logan going to retire anyway? Its not fair. I can dress just as well as some of those Turkish and Norwegian entries. Although still independent I will sell my soul to anyone, and will. You know I love Europe, a land so reminiscent of the old testament Israel, swimming in honey, milk, beef, whoops! sorry! and grants. Ah the sweet melodious timbre of that word no, not word for it goes beyond language into song, music, art.

Speaking of grants, Albert, we are training the brother's dog at the moment. Any chance of a higher education grant? I know its only a dog but shure it's all learning.

Everything is grand down here. They say a rising tide lifts all boats and that's surely time. Economic growth up, unemployment up, crime up, the thirty two pints I had last night... Well look I'd better go now Albert and remember Continued

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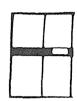
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BETWEEN THE ADS AND THE OSCARS

A VERY SAD STORY

It was not the first mention on the radio that day of the finding of the baby's body in the canal - our canal. My first reaction had been a sinking feeling: "Oh, no, not another one." And then, I had to take in that it had happened here, up the road, within yards, possibly, of my own house. Now coping with that was different. It wasn't at quite so safe a distance, in someone else's community, but right here in my own. I really had to think about this and give it more attention than another, similar event in the national news. And I didn't think I would be able to be as detached as I might be if this infant's body had been found in some other part of the country.

Troubling Questions

What happened? We may never know. The little girl was stillborn. How long before that had she died? For how long did her mother know that her child's spirit had departed, depriving her of the possibility of knowing the little person she had expected to meet face to face at the end of her nine months of pregnancy? Or did she realise this at all? Had it been a secret pregnancy, full of worry, misery or dread, and was the birth just a final horrible episode? Where is this mother now, and how is she?

Concern, not Curiosity

One of the things I decided early on was that I don't need to know who this woman or girl is. In other words, I feel more concerned than curious. But I would dearly like to be reassured that she is getting the care and attention that I as a human being, a woman, a mother, and a member of this community where her daughter's body was found, would want her to have. And I feel confident that I speak for many other people when I say this.

A Community that Copes - most of the time.

I feel this confidence because I know that our community includes many families who have had to deal with problem pregnancies. And, after the initial shock and upset, they have, each in their own way, come to terms with the arrival of their child or grandchild. Because this woman gave birth unassisted, we may assume that she did not believe that that possibility existed for her. She may have been right, at the time, or she may have been mistaken.

The Help that is Available

She must not have known that there was anybody who would listen to and support her. What kind of life does this suggest, irrespective of her pregnancy and the birth and death of her child? What does this tell us about our community, always presuming that this mother was one of its members? These and other questions prompted me to contact some of the people involved in a voluntary or paid capacity in the caring work that goes on in our town and parish. What follows may help to prevent tragedies like this one from happening in the future by letting people know who is willing to help and by encouraging any other individual who is experiencing a crisis to make contact before they get to the point where they feel it is impossible to do so.

How to Respond?

What could any of us do if this woman confided in us? Well, first of all we could be very aware of the trust she placed in us and preserving that trust should be the first priority. She would need to receive understanding and compassion and not judgement. She would need to be heard and not necessarily advised. What information and support she needed would become clear. And we could seek out that information for her or with her, right here, in our own community.

Sources of Help

Norah McDermott thinks it is dreadful that someone went through a birth on her own. She understands that a person can get into a terrible panic, and lose sight of the fact that there are people available who are willing to help. She can understand that a girl might not want to tell her family about a pregnancy. It is important that everybody knows that by simply phoning the Community Council or Citizen's Information Centre (numbers given below) they can get information about organisations and individuals who are available and willing to help. This information can be obtained anonymously. "Nothing is so drastic that somebody can't help," says Norah. It may be that, sometimes, a person's experience makes it hard for them to realise that.

*Norah McDermott, Supervisor/Administrator, Maynooth Community Council. Telephone (01) 628 5922 - office hours.

Frances McCloskey was on holiday when I contacted our local Citizen's Information Centre. I spoke to Noeleen Edmonds who told me that the office is staffed by a rota of volunteers and SES workers between 9.30 am and 4.30 pm on weekdays. This staff of 10 women and 5 men is on hand to provide a completely non-judgemental information service. Again, this help can be obtained by a phone call and callers do not have to identify themselves.

Frances McCloskey, Supervisor, Citizen's Information Centre, Telephone (01) 628 5477 - office hours.

Nurse Kathleen Campbell described a great range of services when I phoned the Health Centre at the Harbour. By phoning the Centre, a person can gain access to all the services provided by the Eastern Health Board: Community Welfare Officers, Social Workers, Psychologists and Public Health Nurse.



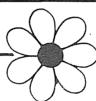
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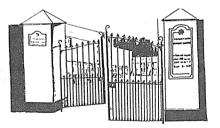
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Nurse Campbell says her first concern now would be for the mother's health. To encourage a person in crisis to make contact sooner rather than later, she would urge people to recognise that when they are in crisis they need to talk to someone who is competent to help. Neither herself nor the other staff at the Centre is likely to be shocked by anyone's predicament. While to the person who is in it, the crisis is new, the experienced helper will have learned a lot that can help to resolve it. The old adage that two heads are better than one is true in this respect, she thinks. Apart from the possibility of gaining new information, describing the problem so that someone else can understand it often leaves the way forward clear.

As for the risk of revealing a situation in all its details, Nurse suggests that, often, a person can start by asking a question rather than telling their whole story. This can feel like a safer way to broach a subject and one that she is happy to co-operate with.

*Nurse Kathleen Campbell, Public Health Nurse, Maynooth Health Centre, The Harbour, Telephone (01) 628 5415

*Eastern Heath Board, Naas, Telephone (045) 76001.

Denis Clohessy, Welfare Officer in the Students' Union, Maynooth College, told me that he thought the student community had been shocked by the finding of the baby's body and what it implied. It shattered people's illusion, probably shared by a lot of us, the people in the Greater Dublin area know about all the support that is available and that they are able to gain access to is. If approached, the Student Welfare Office, which includes a Women's Rights Officer, Aine Corrigan, offers 100% confidentiality, counselling and support and practical help, if necessary.

*Denis Clohessy, Welfare Officer and Aine Corrigan, Women's Rights Officer, Students' Union, Maynooth College, Telephone (01) 628 6035.

Sergeant Canny said his first concern was for the psychological and medical welfare of the mother. These can best be served, he is convinced, by doing all that is possible to allay her anxieties. In tones full of compassion, the Sergeant voiced his conviction that talking to someone who responds sensitively would be an important part of the healing process for the woman who bore the baby.

The gardai have put a procedure in place to respond, if called upon. It is designed to ensure that any caller will find an attentive ear at the station. If the person would prefer to talk to a ban-garda, that will not be a problem. The gardai are ready to make referrals to appropriate helping agencies within or beyond the local community. Again, an anonymous contact will enable the caller to check facts, establish contact and possibly tap into these resources.

*Sergeant Canny, Maynooth Garda Station, Telephone (01) 628 6234

*Free-phone confidential telephone line: 1-800-589-589.

Imelda Delaney representing the local ICA guild says her heart goes out to the mother of the baby. She really feels for her and is confident that any of the guild's members would respond in confidentiality with kindness and understanding, if approached. This non-sectarian, non-political organisation employs a counsellor in Head Office, available daily 9.30 am to 5 pm on week-days.

*Imelda Delaney, President, Maynooth Guild ICA, Telephone (01) 628 6341.

These six individuals were the ones I managed to contact in the time between deciding to write and the copy-date deadline. It is not the complete catalogue.

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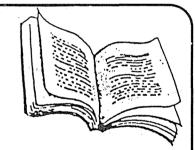
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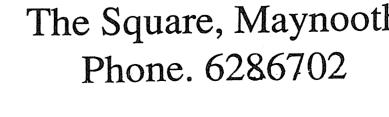




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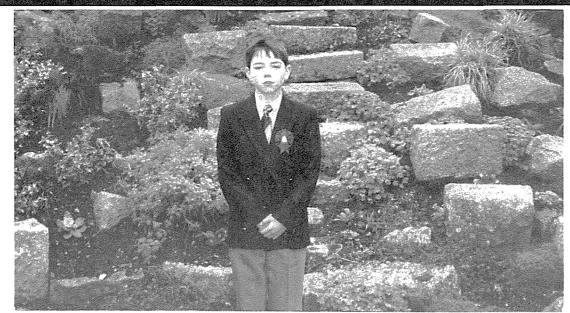
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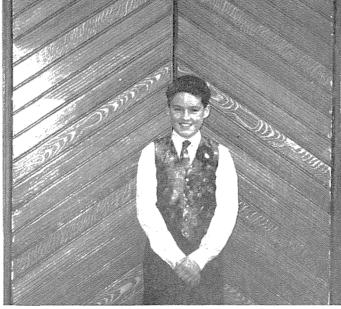


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#### LOVERS BY BRIAN FRIEL

The Roseian Players second production this month was the 'Winners' part of Brian Friel's 'Lovers' which took place on Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th February in the College.

The play holds one of the main themes of much of Friel's work, i.e. the splitting of the Irish family unit and the struggles therein.

Billy McGee did an excellent job of directing his cast and crew. He brought over the strong emotions that Friel had in mind. The two narrators played by Patrick Downey and Ann O'Brien brought over a sense of doom and gloom in their monotone feelingless voices. This had a great impact and contrasted the vibrance and bounce of Emma Colohon who played Mags, and Cormac Quinn who played Joe. Their acting was superb, especially that of Emma Colohon whose mixed emotions came through at all times during the play. Her professionalism could have made the audience laugh or cry through relevant parts of the play. The realism of both Cormac and Emma kept the audience interested.

The College Drama Society have done a great job in their productions this year and this one was no exception. Well done and good luck for the future.

#### **PLAY REVIEWS:**

#### **Conquest Of The South Pole:**

Manfred Karges' play "Conquest Of The South Pole" was produced by The Roscian Players (Maynooth College Drama Society), on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th of February. I sat in my seat to read on the programme cover: "The theatre must start to take its audiences seriously: It must stop telling them stories they can understand "(a quote by Howard Barker). This certainly set the atmosphere for the play which was one of images in short scenes depicting four unemployed men's journey towards their goal, the South Pole, which symbolised a better existence for them.

Carol-Anne McNamara, the director of the play, had a hard task at getting over to the audience the play's cryptic message. In saying this her experience shone through in the way she directed her cast and crew.

Dara Clear, the main character (Slupianik) played a blinder. His experience showed in the way he commanded the slick character who was to control the rest of the characters. The main female role, La Braukmann, played by Ann-Marie Sheridan, was played with great conviction and emotion. She was the only one to stand up to Slupianiks dominating role even though at the end of the play she did end up having a baby by him.

The three other unemployed men, Buscher (Shane Crossan), Seiffert (Padraig Lewis) and Braukmann (Ian O'Malley) did a great job also in their portrayal of the unemployment dilemma. Of these, Ian O'Malley stood out in his gripping approach to his 'dream' scene'.

The other characters also played a great role in bringing across Karges difficult message. A special mention should also go to Eamon Hayes for his portrayal of 'Frankie Boy' who, having very little to say in the play, made his presence felt at all times. At the end of the play this simple-minded character was the only one who achieved his goal.

All in all it, was quite a difficult play to understand and my concentration was needed throughout. Well done to cast and crew! I look forward to your next production.

#### THE PINT HAS TAKEN ANOTHER HIKE! -A Verse.

"The Drinkin Man's Lament"

In the beer you'll see him cryin, 'bout how cheap drink was for buyin, Then along came RICHIE RYAN.

An all them budgets were enacted, And from us more tax extracted, We were under foot compacted.

Next thing the publicans got cute, Why let the state take all the loot, So in they came with the boot.

But as they made our rockets light, Do you think we'd all unite, No we gave up without a fight.

So now we rarely see the pub, Although we've cut back on the grub, And all collection boxes snub.

Sure it's a national disgrace, To think we once set the pace, now can no longer hold our place, As a pint consuming race.

Tommy Campbell, Graiguepottle, Donadea.

#### FILM REVIEWS

#### Cliffhanger (15)

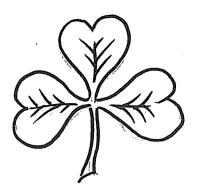
An exciting new release directed by Renny Warlin (who also directed Die Hard 2) Sylvester Stallone is Gae Walker, a mountain rescuer. Forced back onto the deadly peaks as a rescuer, he is up against ruthless criminals and the game is now about rescuing himself and his friends. This film is packed with breathless scenery and spectacular effects. Well worth watching!

#### Passenger 57 (15)

Finally the world's most dangerous hijacker has been captured. Charles Rane (Bruce Payne) is being brought by plane to trial. Confident that he will escape, he finds he has competition from Passenger 57 (John Cutter) on board. A top antiterrorist he Continued

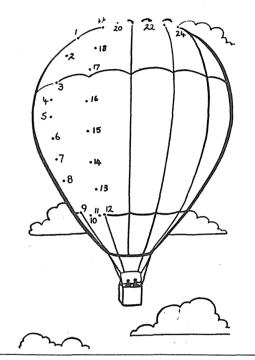


## Children's Corner



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alone can match Rane's intelligence and strength. The two men battle it out in the air and on the ground throughout the film. An action packed film but quite predictable.

#### Alive (15)

A controversal but true story which has intrigued thousands. This film journeys back to an October afternoon 1972. An aeroplane carrying a team of young rugby players crashes in the Andes. The survivors waited hoping in vain to be rescued. The search is called off and the survivors fight to stay alive battling against the sub-zero degrees for weeks. Three brave men leave the wreckage to find help. A wonderful film, full of human determination.

Georgina Sherlock

#### VIDEO REVIEW

It's going to be hard to get your hands on "The Firm" (15), due for release on 25th March. Among the stars are Tom Cruise, Gene Hackman, Ed Harris and Holly Hunter. The Firm based on the novel by John Grisham is very commercial and slick, following Mitch Mc Deere (Tom Cruise) a hot-shot law graduate who turns down offers from top New York law firms to practice in a small New England firm. It turns out these upright solicitors are laundering money for the mob and Mitch, with the F.B.I. leaning on him, has to come up with a plan that will get him out of the web he's caught in and stay alive at the same time. Although the movie has its dull moments with a hefty running time of nearly two and a half hours, it still gets my vote for the best video release for this month.

"Dennis" (PG) release date 18th March, the story of the child menace that will delight younger viewers and adults alike. Other family films worthy of a rental are "The Secret Garden" (U) 25th March, this enchanted drama is very well done and makes for a great Sunday afternoon film for all the family. Also "Champions" (PG) release date 22nd March, is a comedy about the underdogs (being a boys' ice hockey team) trying to get it together under the watchful eye of their new trainer (played by Emilio Estevez).

"Sleepless in Seattle" (PG) March 29th. This film was a huge box-office hit but for the life of me I don't know why?. Although it's a (PG) cert. it's an adult romance story that children just wouldn't be interested in. The movie is a light hearted quaint love story about there being the perfect match for everyone somewhere out there, the trick is finding that someone special. As Sleepless in Seattle is not a bit taxing on the brain it would be ideal after a hard day's work when you want to relax in front of the fire.

#### Hobbies & Interests

#### HOW ABOUT A CARD DRIVE?

Where are all the card players in Maynooth? I can't understand how a country town doesn't have Whist drives and 45 (30,25) Drives running. The only time I get to play a game of cards is when I get home to Wexford where there is some kind of card drive every night of the week in the surrounding vil-

Please..... please, could interested card players come forward and be counted, even if it only starts with house games. You can contact me, John McLoughlin, 55 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.

#### **DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE**

#### **Malted Fruit Loaf**

175g/6 oz soft light brown sugar 175g/6 oz butter, softened 2 tbsp malt extract (see Tips below) 3 eggs, size 3, lightly beaten 75g/3 oz plain flour 75 g/3 oz wholemeal self-raising flour 1 tsp ground cinnamon 225g/8 oz dried mixed fruit 2 tsp caster sugar for dusting Spiced butter to serve (See Tips below)

Method: Pre-heat the oven to 180<sup>C</sup>/350<sup>F</sup>/Gas Mark 4 Grease a 900g/2lb loaf tin and base-line with grease-proof paper.

Put the brown bread, butter and malt extract in a large bowl and beat well until pale and fluffy. Gradually beat in the eggs, 1 tbsp at a time.

Sift together the flours and cinnamon and fold into the creamed mixture (making sure any bran remaining in the sieve from the wholemeal flour is also tipped into the bowl).

Gently fold in the dried fruit and spoon the mixture into the prepared tin.

Bake in the preheated oven for 1 hour 10 minutes until a skewer inserted into the middle of the cake comes out clean. Cover the top of the cake with foil if it browns too quickly.

Leave to cool in the tin for 5 minutes then turn out on to a wire rack and allow to cool completely.

Serve sliced, and spread with spiced butter, if liked.

Makes 12 slices.

**Tips:** Malt extract is a dark syrup available in jars from most health food shops. It gives a moistness and deliciously malty flavour to cakes.

To make spiced butter to serve with the fruit loaf, beat  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp ground mixed spice into 75g/3 oz. butter. Continued

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#### **GARDENING HINTS**

#### MARCH - IN LIKE A LION - OUT LIKE A LAMB.

Spring arrives officially this month, on the 21st, and by then the garden will be well on the way to a new season. Now is the time to take a critical look at your garden and consider perhaps making some changes.

#### The Environment and Garden Design

If you have the time, inclination and the money to consider making major changes, it is worth remembering that the beauty of most gardens can be considerably enhanced by the surrounding shrubs and trees, so it is very important to study these when planning your new garden, or improving your existing one.

In a small garden the amount of planning is necessarily limited: there is generally not space to include all the varying types of trees and shrubs you would like but it is quite possible that a neighbouring garden will already contain many of them. When designing or redesigning your garden, therefore, study the neighbouring trees, plants and shrubs as it is often possible to link these with your own plantings (only visually of course!) so that they appear part of one design. This is a device used by professional designers to make a garden appear more extensive.

In some instances it is also worthwhile recording the general nature of the surrounding countryside. Greater harmony will be achieved by planting chalk-loving plants in a garden if situated in the midst of a chalky area; Heathers, Rhododendrons and other acid-soil-lovers will fit happily into a garden which is surrounded by moorlands.

Next month we will look at the cost of designing or redesigning your garden and ways to reduce same.

In the meantime, back to your existing garden:

#### Flower Garden

Rose pruning will now be in full swing; clematis pruning started last month should be finished by the middle of this one. Evergreens can be planted this month, watered in well at the time of planting and put in when the soil is moist (this should be no problem following all the heavy rain over the last few weeks). If in a windy position give a temporary shelter of sacking, or polythene while they establish, as wind is one of the main causes of browning of foliage, particularly conifers.

Lawns can be given a spring clean, by first raking (provided there is no moss), then topping with *razor-sharp* mower blades, and following with spiking and the first feed. Where there is moss, spring is a good time to treat it with lawn sand, but a more long-lasting remedy is to improve the soil drainage or plant food content, so that the grass always grows strong.

Lots of hardy annuals can be grown out of doors, but do not be tempted too early in the month, and in cold gardens next month will be soon enough. Three or four very warm, sunny days often occur in March, deceiving one into thinking summer is on the way, but are followed by cold wet weather, when seeds rot in the ground.

The corms and tubers started into growth last month in the greenhouse will be ready for potting; dahlias can have cuttings taken from them. Rooted chrysanthemum and carnation cuttings will need potting in 3-in. pots; pelargoniums rooted from autumn cuttings will be growing and may need potting on. All sorts of pot plants can be turned out of their pots, the old compost removed, and replaced with fresh, or if they do not like root disturbance, the top  $1^1/2$  inches can be scraped off and replaced with a topdressing.

#### Vegetable Garden

Parsnip can be sown in early March; it is very hardy and needs a good long season to develop. Most of the rest of the vegetables, summer spinach, broccoli, sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, early carrots, leeks, onions, lettuce, peas and radish can be sown outside early this month. Celery, celeriac, cucumbers, melons and tomatoes can be sown in heat indoors.

#### IRISH WILDBIRD CONSERVANCY

Liffey Valley Branch - Programme for March 1994

#### Tuesday 15th March 1994

Video presentation on the "Birds of Ecuador and the Galapagos", introduced by Bob Strickland, Liffey Valley Branch Secretary, who has recently returned from a bird watching trip to South America.

Venue: Spa Hotel, Lucan, Co. Dublin, Time 8 p.m.

#### Saturday 19th March 1994

Outing to the Phoenix Park, for woodland birds and a visit to Ashtown Castle Visitor's Centre.

Meet at Ashtown Castle Visitor Centre Car Park at 10.30 a.m., walking shoes advisable. Centre signposted off Phoenix Park Main Road.

Note: Car parking is free at Ashtown Castle but there is a charge for entering the centre.

All activities are free and open to the general public. Further information from the Irish Wildbird Conservancy Ruttledge House, 8 Longford Place, Monkstown, Co. Dublin. Tel. 2804322.

#### Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

Its that time of the year again to get back into the garden and do some work. With this in mind, the club have asked Marie Sheehan to come to Maynooth on March 15th, and give a talk on all aspects of gardening. This should be a most enjoyable and interesting evening, as Marie Sheehan is an expert. We expect everyone to be full of ideas and enthusiasm at the end

#### Hobbies & Interests

of the evening. Venue as usual is Divine Word Hostel, Moyglare Road, at 8 p.m. and non-members always most welcome.

On St. Patrick's Day, club members will be busy decorating the reviewing stand for the Parade.

To support and help the fund-raising efforts in the Post Primary School, there is a coffee morning on March 26th, at Felicity Satchwell's house from 10 am.-4pm. Any donations of cakes, jams, plants, flowers, etc., will be most welcome so do come along on the 26th for a coffee and chat, with the opportunity of buying something interesting, or a treat for tea.

Please keep in mind our annual Spring Show, which will take place on April 19th. Full details at the March meeting and in April Newsletter.

Moira Baxter P.R.O.

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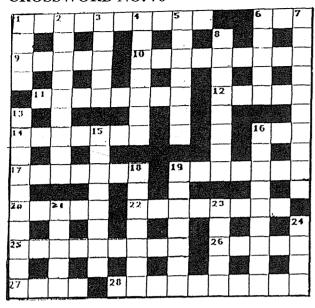
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#### Crosswords

#### **CROSSWORD NO. 76**



Entries before 5.00p.m.18th March 1994

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#### Across

- 1. If you tag on to the octets, we hear, it's mesmeric! (10)
- Discover the examination! (3)
- Phase out the design (5)
- Manages one Social Employment Scheme at the end of 10. the Keyboard (9)
- 11. Changing the puma to a leopard? (8)
- 12. A tee totaller, I see, in the upper room (5)
- Adams partner rose to supervise (7)
- Beverage for a Boston party? (3) 16.
- In France you might see the men in fights with the secret service. (7)
- 19. In Japan a cheerleader has style! (7)
- Lynn gets nothing for the material (5)
- Ginger in the present monarchs cooking (8)
- Veers about in Len's unfeeling state (9)
- 26. To cheat on a university graduate would be rasher (5)
- It would appear that James Bond needs an appointment to do this! (4)
- 28. The kid who victimises social status (5,5)

#### Down

- Out of water it has a chip on its shoulder (4)
- Pointed to the Lough (9)
- Not moving but great gas! (5) 3.
- Silver on your eyes can worry (7) 4.
- English times holds your attention (7) 5.
- A small donkey may make a profit (5)
- In court, I toss a case to colleagues (10)
- Savin' the small particle may cause a battle (8)
- 13. New tin cents on the atlas (10)
- 15. Lambs noises? (8)
- Northern tea in the chalice may become too scientific (9) 16.
- Certainly Lar, its avont garde! (7)
- Can the sins of the fathers be forgiven by them? (7)

- 21. Huge glare! (5)
- 23. Ban Bo from seeing the Indian ruler (5)
- 24. May be the lonely Orbison fan (4)

#### Solution to Crossword No. 75

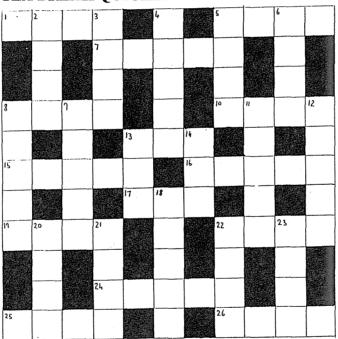
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Down: 1. Iron 2. Preferred 3. Trace 4. Example 5. Courser 6. Hence 7. Everywhere 8. Adverted 13. Specialist 15. Unnerved 16. Stitchers 18. Elation 19. Mourner 21. Taffy 23. Thing 24. It is.

Winner of Crossword No. 75:

Oliver Durack, Carton, Maynooth

#### TEA BREAK QUICKIE



#### Across:

- 1) One of a pair (4)
- 5) Just one time (4)
- 7) Scene of a famous battle (5)
- 8) Unemployed (4)
- 10) Dash (4)
- 13) Old unit of length (3)
- 15) Italian river (5)
- 16) Geriatric berry? (5)
- 17) Mature (3)
- 19) Small stream (4)
- 22) Net (4)
- 24) Musically slowly (5)
- 25) Cart (4)
- 26) Refuse (4)

#### Down:

- 2) Hospital dormitory (4)
- 3) The back of the neck (4)
- 4) Man made waterway (5)
- 5) Exude (4)
- 6) Caribbean island (4)
- 8) Bury (5)
- 9) Defame falsely (5)
- 11) Gatekeeper's house (5)
- 12) Compass point (5)
- 13) Period (3)
- 14) Sheltered side on ship (3)
- 18) Style (5)
- 20) Mister Novello (4)
- 21) Flower (4)
- 22) State of mind (4)
- 23) Rotate (4)

#### Sports News

#### GAA NOTES

#### Ladies' Football

Our Club is starting a Ladies' Football team. We hope to field under 14, under 16, under 18 and Junior this year. Anyone wishing to help out can do so by contacting Mick Gillick or John Nevin. We are holding a training session on Saturday 5th March in Moyglare Road field at 2.00 p.m. To all ladies you are welcome to attend.

#### Referees

Our Club are looking for referees for our under age games. Any players interested please contact our secretary Noel Farrelly, Rail Park, Maynooth.

#### Camogie

Our Club is forming a camogie team this year and all girls interested should contact Robby Molloy or any member of our committee. Further notice in next issue of Newsletter.

#### **Hurling and Football**

Skills training for under age players 8 years to 13 years will be held every Saturday morning from 5th March at the Salesian College playing fields. Hurling 10.15 a.m. to 11.30 a.m., Football 11.30-1.00 p.m. New players welcome, children playing hurling must wear helmets. We also like to welcome older players to come along and help out in training our under age teams. Please meet at Greenfield Shopping Centre (Sean Donovan's shop) for transport to the Salesian College.

Under 14 Football Team Manager - Mick Gillick

Under 16 Football Team Manager - John O'Rourke

Anyone who would like to help out our under 14 and under 16 can do so by contacting any member of our Club.

Lotto Result - 23-1-94 Numbers 1-4-18-19 No Winner Jackpot £800 5x£10 Pauline Kerines, Anthony Byrne, Peter Nevin, Seamus Cummins, Des Mathews.

Lotto Result - 30-1-94 Numbers - 1-8-14 -22 No Winner Jackpot £860 5 x £10 M Corrigan, M. Fitzpatrick, M. Hall, Lorraine Dempsey, Mrs Gilligan.

Lotto Result - 6-2-94 Numbers 5-8-11-23 No Winner Jackpot £920 5x £10 Cha Farrelly, Mona Byrne, Conor Saults, Tommy Hopkins, Harry Flood.

Lotto Result - 13-2-94 Numbers 1-4-8-16 No Winner Jackpot £1,000 5 x £10 Connie Harpur, Seamus Grundy, Dowling family, M.C. Dempsey, Kathleen Nevin.

#### Junior Football Fixtures - 1994

Monday 11th April Maynooth V Leixlip Home 7-15 Monday 18th April Maynooth V Confey Away7-15

Monday 25th April Maynooth V Ellistown Away 7-15

Tuesday 3th May Maynooth V Kilcock Home 7-15 Monday 9th May Maynooth V Ardclough Away 7-15

Monday 16th May Maynooth V Naas Home 8.00

Monday 23rd May Maynooth V Straffan Home 8.00

Monday 30th May Maynooth V Rathcoffey Away 8.00 Tuesday 7th June Maynooth V St Kevins Home 8.00 Monday 13th June Maynooth V Robertstown Home 8.00 Monday 20th June Maynooth V Clogherinkoe Home 8.00 Monday 27th June Maynooth V Caragh Away 8.00 Mondy 4th July Maynooth V Cappagh Away 8.00

#### Senior Football League Div 2 Fixtures 1994

Sunday 6th March Maynooth V Ballymore Home 3.00 p.m. Sunday 20th March Maynooth V Ballyteague Away 3.00 p.m. Sunday 3rd April Maynooth V Rathcoffey Home 3.00 p.m. Tuesday 12th April Maynooth V Straffan Away 7.00 p.m. Sunday 17th April Maynooth V Monastrevin Home 3.00 p.m. Tuesday 26th April Maynooth V Caragh Home 7.00 p.m. Tuesday 10th May Maynooth V Kill Home 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 17th May Maynooth V Athy Home 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 31st May Maynooth V Castledermot Away 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 21st June Maynooth V Milltown Away 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 28th June Maynooth V Grange Away 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 5th July Maynooth V Castlemitchel Away 7.30 p.m. Tuesday 19th July Maynooth V Two-Mile-House Away 7.30 p.m.

#### Minor Football League Fixtures - 1994

Sunday 13th March Maynooth V Moorefield Away 11.30a.m. Sunday 27th March Maynooth V Athy Home 11.30a.m. Sunday 10th April Maynooth V Suncroft Away 11.30a.m. Sunday 24th April Maynooth V Sallins Home 11.30a.m. Sunday 8th May Maynooth V Round Towers Home11.30a.m. Thursday 30th June Maynooth V Na Fianna Away 7.30 p.m. Thursday 14th July Maynooth V Kilcullen Home 7.30 p.m.

#### G.A.A. Club Results

Senior Football Winter League (Play off) Saturday 19th February 1994. Maynooth 3-7, Confey 3-5.

Mick Nevin was Maynooth's hero in this Winter League match play off. Mick playing at centre field had a personal tally of 1 goal and 3 points in the first half. All his scores coming from play. Confey having played with the wind in the first half led at 2-3 to 2-0 at half-time. The second half started with Killian Fagan and Mick Nevin at centre field taking control and giving their forwards plenty of the ball. It was Mick Nevin's goal after 45 mins. that set Maynooth on the road to Victory.

Best for Maynooth: Apart from Mick Nevin (Man of the

K. Fagan, P. Ennis, J. Riordan, B. Killeen, J. Nevin, L. O'Toole, P. Stynes:

Maynooth Scores, M. Nevin 1-3, L.O'Toole 1-1, J. Riordan 1 goal, J.Edwards 2 pts., P.Garvey 1 pt.

#### **Set Dancing Classes**

Take place every Tuesday and Thursday in clubhouse from 9.00 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. Instructor Brendan O'Grady. All welcome.

#### **Aerobic Classes**

Aerobic classes take place every Monday and Wednesday in the Clubhouse from 8.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Instructor Grainne Farrelly. All welcome.

#### Sports News

#### MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Results of Kildare "B" Cross Country Championship on 12/12/93.

**Boys U./9** (3rd) Enda Diggins, (5th) Daniel Adderley, (9th) Gary Connellan, (15th) Fergal Molloy. They were also first team home.

Girls U.11 (1st) Pearl Byrne

Boys U.11 (12th) Cillian Carr

Girls U.13 (7th) Niamh Moriarty

Boys U.15 (1st) Kevin Cunningham

Boys U.17 (1st) Christopher Byrne

#### Kildare Senior

19/12/'93

Ladies (2nd) Majella Geraghty

Mens (2nd) John Campbell, (4th) Liam McNamee, (11th) David Jolley, (14th) Aiden Sinnott. Second team home.

All Ireland Cross Country at Killinaule Co. Tipperary on

Boys U.11 (6th) David Campbell (on County Team 3rd)

Boys U.9 (18th) Philip Campbell, (70th) David Adderley Boys U.12 (26th) Conor Diggins

Boys U.10 (73rd) Cillian Carr, (85th) Sean Moriarty

Girls U.12 (64th) Niamh Moriarty

#### **Over 45 All Ireland Cross Country**

(2nd) Liam McNamee (18th) David Jolley

(Well done to all our athletes.)

#### Indoor Multi Events in Nenagh 15/1/94

Three of our athletes had their first taste of indoor competition and performed very well.

Boys U.13 (2nd) David Campbell, (8th) Conor Diggins, (12th) Karl Ennis.

Training continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 until 8 at G.A.A. football field. (New Members Welcome)

#### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Activities on the playing field have been at a virtual standstill now since last November. The first and second teams have made progress in both the Sheeran and Conway cups with a particularly outstanding display by the second team who defeated last year's winners, St. Vincents.

Full report of all matches in next issue.

We are busy preparing some Cross Channel trips at the moment.

First trip is in early March to see Man. Utd. play Chelsea at Old Trafford.

We have a trip to Anfield in April to see Liverpool v Newcastle Utd. and the third trip is to Parkhead, Glasgow, to see Celtic play. The exact date for this trip has yet to be finalised.

Hopefully the weather will have relented by next issue and we can resume our full match reports.

#### **Maynooth Pitch and Putt Notes**

The Pitch and Putt course is due to reopen on the afternoon of the 17th, March, which should give us just about enough time to clear up after the parade. We are busy at the moment getting the course ready and we are hoping that this coming year will be a better one weather-wise than last year. To start off the new season we are having a special opening day where you can play a round for "one pound". This year should also see more competitions and one day events and we hope to see more local groups making use of the course. Special rates will apply to groups and clubs using the course, if possible they should contact us in advance to make arrangements.

Our prices for this year remain unchanged from last year, details of which are elsewhere in our ad., in the **Newsletter.** We would ask all players to familiarise themselves with the course rules and to obey them at all times as they are there for your safety, and to ensure your game is as enjoyable as possible. We would particularly like to bring to the attention of parents that children under the age of 10 are not covered by insurance to play and we would prefer not to have to refuse youngsters as it embarrasses and offends both parties.

Unfortunately due to the run of weather during the last season much work and development that we had planned for the course was put aside. However this year we hope to be able to get back on track and by the year's end there should be some changes in place.

We wish all our customers a happy St. Patrick's Day and look forward to seeing you all on the day.

Tony Bean.

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Tá muintir Maigh Nuad chun tosaigh maidin le chur chun chinn na Gaeilge. Faoi scéim Comhairle Chontáe Chill Dara in aonacht le Bhord na Gaeilge bhuaigh Joe agus Carmel Buckley duais specialta dá bharr a ainm a bheith i nGaeilge thar a siopa sa phríomsráid agus a niarrachtaí ar son na Gaeilge i measc lucht-gnó Maigh Nuad. Bhuaigh coiste Glór na nGael seic do £250 dá bharr a obair go háitiúil agus chur cabhair leo a obair a neartú as seo amach.

Maynooth's contribution to the promotion of Irish language and culture was recognised at a function organised recently by Kildare County Council and Bord na Gaeilge. Joe and Carmel Buckley won a special prize for their shopfront as Gaeilge and the cúpla focail used by Joe on occasions. Maynooth Committee of Glor na nGael received a prize of £250 in recognition of their work in Maynooth and to help them expand their work in the future. Onór mór do muintir Maigh Nuad agus comhghairdeachas chuig



Carmel and Joe Buckley receiving their prize from Seán Ó Fearáil

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#### Political Party Notes

#### FINE GAEL NOTES

#### **Budgetgrudgery:**

There seems to be an attitude in this government which dictates that any improvement people make in their circumstances should be taken from them in some way or other. It is this attitude which decides that after years of saving and sacrifice people who have provided their own houses should be penalised through a Residential Property Tax. But even that did not satisfy the begrudgers. If you are lucky enough to have a son or daughter or maybe two working and living at home then you should be penalised for that also. The constitutional position of the family as the basic unit of our society, to be protected and nurtured by the government, appears to have been kicked out the windows.

Assurances that the changes in the thresholds are once off must be greeted with a healthy scepticism when one remembers that Fianna Fail abolished Motor Tax in 1977 and replaced it with a Vehicle Registration Tax at a nominal £10 p.a. which has grown to the £150 - £200 + we pay today. The Labour Party's assurances must also be taken with a grain of salt as their 1988 policy document envisaged property tax on all homes valued £25,000 or over. One must also bear in mind the personal assurances given by Mr. Spring before the last election that a government of which he was part would not introduce property tax, or reduce mortgage and VHI allowances.

But the begrudgery did not stop at people with their own homes. It extended to widows on contributory pensions paid for by them and their spouses over the years. The principle that you get what you pay for is, apparently, no longer valid. And in a final act of meanness they took back the fall in the price of petrol just in case motorists would lose the run of themselves.

We can only hope that Christmas presents, Confirmation and Communion money escape their attention.

#### Litter and Footpaths

Following representations made by Bernard Durkan on behalf of the Tidy Towns committee the County Engineer has undertaken to investigate, at the earliest possible date, the need to provide extra staff and litter bins in Maynooth to deal with litter collection and upgrading of the footpath on Main St. It is to be hoped that his investigations will be speedy and result in positive action.

#### **Maynooth Castle**

Bernard Durkan has been informed by the Minister for Arts, Culture and the Gaeltacht that Maynooth Castle had been included on the provisional list of projects to be funded from structural Funds between 1994-1999. While the Minister has indicated that he will be considering a commencement date shortly, his colleague in the Dept. of Finance, Mr Noel Dempsey, would appear to have other ideas. He has informed Bernard Durkin that the Commissioners of Public Works will be undertaking a detailed architectural and archaeological assessment of the Castle in 1994. When this assessment and any necessary archaeological excavation are completed, development options will be formulated and agreed with the Dept. of Arts, Culture and the Gaeltacht. We trust that the restoration of Maynooth Castle does not become a victim of the "Cooperation" displayed by these Depts., in locating and building interpretive centres around the country.

#### Restoration of St Mary's Church of Ireland

Mr Michael D Higgins, Minister for Arts, Culture and the Gaeltacht, has informed Bernard Durkan T.D. that the National Heritage Council will not make funds available to the Church of Ireland Restoration Committee until they have a much greater percentage of its own funding in place. It would appear to be a case of money being available only if you have sufficient already.

#### **Exporting the Problem**

Mr Brian Lenihan's comment some years ago that we couldn't all expect to live on this island, took on a new signifiance recently with the news that FAS are to undertake SES schemes abroad. The first of these schemes is based in France and involves unemployed people from Westmeath. Apparently the hope is that after six to twelve months these people will obtain employment in France' and remain there. From the government's point of view this will have two benefits (a) a reduction in the live register and (b) an increase in "tourist" numbers when these exportees return home for holidays.

Does this development mean, that a year into the life of this government, they have thrown their hat at the job creation programme.

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### Political Party Notes

#### MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

#### Moyglare Village

By the time you are reading this, the topping of the roads in Moyglare Village should have taken place. Cllr. John McGinley is pleased to have been of assistance to the hard working Residents Association.

#### **Bollards in Greenfield**

The County Council were scheduled to hear the views of the objectors in mid February to allow the monthly meeting of the Council to make a final decision at its meeting on the 28th February. We would like to thank the Residents for their patience in this long drawn out matter.

#### Branch A.G.M.

Officers elected for the coming year are:

John McGinley - Chairperson
Gerry Durack
Willie Saults - Secretary
David Moynan
Christina Saults - P.R.O.

#### St. Mary's Church of Ireland

Following representations by Cllr. John McGinley the flood lights at the Church have been repaired.

#### Greenfield Estate

Councillor John McGinley has sought replacement kerbside trees for those that have been vandalised or just died over the years.

#### Phase 3 Greenfield

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., has written to the Council requesting that funds from the Road Block Grants 1994 be made available so that the necessay work to the laneway serving the back entrance to house no's 826 to 837 and the 700's can be carried out without further delay.

Following representations made by Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., regarding the problem of flooding caused by blocked storm drains,the County Engineer has agreed to investigate same at an early date.

#### Traffic at Entrance to Presentation Convent School

Following representations made by Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., to the Garda Superintendent, Naas, the Minister has been assured that the matter is receiving immediate attention and that recommendations have been made to Kildare County Council concerning traffic management in Maynooth and the Minister is presently pursuing the matter with the County Engineer.

#### **Maynooth Post Primary School**

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., is pleased to advise that his colleague the Minister for Education, Niamh Bhreathnach, T.D., has sanctioned funding for the extension required to Maynooth Post Primary School.

The estimated cost of the project is £260,000 covering a floor area of 540 square metres. The extension comprises four additional classrooms, toilet block and utility room.

The Minister's Building and Planning Unit are meeting with the school authorities to consider the position concerning the General Purpose Area which is to be built along with the approved extension and the Minister of State will support the school in this regard.

The long awaited extension will relieve pressure for both the staff and pupils of the school and the Parents' Association and the staff members are to be congratulated.

#### Labour Advice Service

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D. continues to be available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields (Private Meeting Room) and his colleague, Cllr. John McGinley is also available every Thursday at 8.00 p.m. at the same venue.



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#### Birthdays, Congratulations

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy birthday to Simone this month, from Guess Who.

Sean Smyth, 148 Rockfield Gardens, age 28 on January 31st. Love from Daddy and Mammy and from all your friends in Maynooth.

Christopher Hayes, Carton Court, February 14th. Best wishes from Mary Devine and family and friends.

John Hearns, Greenfield, March 23rd. Best wishes, Daddy, Mammy, family and friends. Good luck to John's sister, who goes to England on March 16th. - From her family and friends.

Gerard McTernan, Curraville, Greenfield, 17 on March 4th. Best wishes, Daddy, Mammy, sister Clare, Grannies and Grandad and all your friends.

Lorna and Gráinne Burke, Newtown, 12 on March 2nd.

Jason O'Brien, Highfield, Kilcock, 5 on March 8th.

Nicola O'Brien, Newtown, April 7th.

Joanne O'Brien, Newtown, March 13th.

Mark O'Brien, Newtown, March 22nd.

Sinead Cummins, 12 on March 25th.

Susan O'Brien, Highfield, Kilcock, 10 on March 22nd.

Eddie Quinn, Greenfield, March 19th.

Mrs P. Quinn, Greenfield, March 17th.

Tom Richardson, Mariville, March 14th.

Sharon Halligan, Greenfield, 14 on March 26th.

Happy Birthday to Conor Bean, "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who will celebrate his 3rd birthday on the 4th March - love from his Daddy, Mammy, Aisling and Brian, also his Grandparents.

Ann Marie Burke, Newtown, age 15 on 21st February - best wishes from Daddy, Mammie and brother Shane.

Belated birthday greetings to John Perry who was 10 on the 25th February. Happy birthday to Jessica Perry who will be 7 on the 14th March - with lots of love from Mam and Dad, twins, Bridget, Mary, John and Tina.

The **Newsletter** would like to thank the people who continuously send in their Birthday Wishes, Good Luck Greetings and Congratulations every month. Well done!!

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Michael and Dianne Walshe U.S.A. on the birth of a baby boy. Michael was formerly from The Green, Maynoooth, also congratulations to the Grandparents and all the family - Mr. & Mrs Walshe, The Green, Maynooth.

Patrick and Colette Burke, Newtown who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary, February 19th. A party for family and host of friends was held in the Springfield Hotel and finishing in the early hours in their home to celebrate this happy occasion. A wonderful time was had by all.

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#### Acknowledgements, Sympathies

#### Classified Ads

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

The family of the late Rose Bean wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with us in our recent bereavement and sent flowers, cards and messages of condolence. A special word of thanks to our neighbours who helped and supported us during Rose's illness; to Dr. Cowhey, Nurse Campbell, Bridget, Emer, Mary, Fr. Supple and Fr. Cogan. We would also like to thank Fine Gael and the Old People's committee for the guard of honour and Mrs. McCormack for singing at the funeral Mass. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

The wife and family of the late Louis Lennon, Station House, Maynooth, wish to thank sincerely and profoundly everybody who helped and supported them in any way through Louis' illness and departure. A special word of thanks to the SMA Fathers, who celebrated the funeral Mass and provided a place for family and friends to meet afterwards. Louis' presence in the Maynooth community will be remembered by all..

O'RIORDAN - The parents and sisters of the late Donal O'Riordan, Dangan, Summerhill, Co. Meath, wish to thank most sincerely those who sympathised, sent Mass cards, floral tributes, those who called, telephoned and those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral. A special word of thanks to all the priests who attended, also the teachers and pupils of Maynooth schools. A sincere thanks to all the friends and neighbours who helped in any way. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Dominic Nugent, Barrogstown, Maynooth, would like to thank everybody who sympathised with him recently on the death of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nugent, The Grove, Navan, and late of Ross, Tara.

The Healy family, Rail Park, of the late Thomas Healy, Moyne, Co. Longford, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement; those who attended the removal, sent Mass cards and floral tributes, including friends, neighbours, work colleagues and members of The Middleshop and Brady's, The Clockhouse, tug-o'-war clubs. Your kindness and support is greatly appreciated. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

#### **SYMPATHIES**

Husband, daughters, son, daughter-in-law, grandson, mother, sisters, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Rose Bean, Rye View, Maynooth.

Wife, daughters, sons, mother, brothers, sister, mother-in-law, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, S.M.A. Fathers, relatives and his many friends of Louis Lennon, Station House, Maynooth, and Knock, Co. Mayo.

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#### ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

This month is not a time to relax and take things in your stride. Focus yourself on achieving your personal ambitions this month. Although Aries is the first sign in the zodiac they always tend to put themselves last where loved ones are concerned. Destiny holds the colour red and the number 9.

#### TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 20

This is a month to expect big changes at work and finances are beginning to change for you. This month will be full of promise, not to mention intrigue and romance. However, people are not always what they seem remember there is much to learn.

Wisdom lies in what you've learned.

Destiny leaves single red rose and number 20

#### GEMINI

MAY 21 - JUNE 20

Where the Gemini is concerned it is a good month for sorting out household accounts and bills. And where holidays are on the cards it looks like you are about to share one with your Virgo friend, just what you've been waiting for. So I suggest you get that case out and be ready.

Destiny sees the letter t and 4.

#### CANCER

JUNE 21 - JULY 21

So go with the flow if you're a live seeker be a bit more adventurous. Where money matters are concerned you're in for a treat, maybe your luck has changed. You will hear from someone overseas regarding an invitation of some kind. I suggest you accept and have some fun for a change. You deserve it. Destiny brings you to the sun.

#### LEO

JULY 21 - AUGUST 21

There may be family matters worrying you this month, try not to worry too much, they may sort themselves out.

A loved one is going away. You both know its for the best. Where work's concerned you tend to let others get the better of you, after all they're just doing a job.

Destiny brings you news of promotion, lucky number 10.

#### VIRGO

AUGUST 22 - SEPTEMBER 22

You may be visiting someone in hospital of the opposite sex. Where spending is concerned you need to tighten your belt or you could get in to financial difficulties this month. There may be three letters arriving soon, one good news, one money and the other bad news. The order they arrive in is not clear. lucky number 6

#### ILIIBIRA

SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22

Where friends are concerned be careful what you say, and how you say it, chances are they may push it back in your face. You may be moving house, be cautious where Estate Agents are concerned. It appears you will be making a big decision soon, which may involve making a break with your past. I suggest you don't let your heart rule your head because if you do destiny awaits you.

#### SCORPIO

OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 22

This is a splendid month, your luck is in for a change. You have lots to look forward to, travel wise. Unfortunately avoid going by sea, it may be bumpy. You may have news of a job of some kind but beware of any major upheavels.

A good time for buying a new car. Destiny sees colour red.

#### SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 20

This month holds special meaning for you but it may not be all it seems. But do not dread all the things to come. You need to watch out where health is concerned as you will have no one to blame but yourself.

There is news of a birth, you will be thrilled. Destiny sees blue.

#### CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 21 - JANUARY 19

It looks like your lucky month, Capricorn because nothing can go wrong in that department. Someone sends you a letter waiting for a reply. This month you should wear the colour green as it will reveal your true image. Destiny sees you looking through a window.

#### AQUARIUS

JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18

Go out and treat yourself to cheer away the winter blues, it may spark up a new relationship. You may even be changing your job, if so now is a good time.

Aquarians are fun loving people so this is what you've been waiting for.

If you're waiting on a phone call, it brings good news. Lucky number 1.

#### PISCES

FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 21

Now is not a good time to be on your own, as you need your friends and loved ones around you this month. This is also the time to stay with the new love that you have found in the past eight months. With February out of the way, now is the time to make that complete commitment to the one you love.

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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

#### **Editorial**

#### $\label{eq:maynooth-the-college} \mbox{Maynooth--the College} \ \mbox{and the Village}$

Next year Maynooth College celebrates its bicentenary. Plans are already in place within the College to celebrate its two hundredth birthday in a variety of ways including publications, exhibitions and conferences. The relationship between the College and the village, also going back two centuries, is also worth celebrating and it is to be hoped that the 'powers that be' - the College authorities, the Community Council, the County Council - can find some way to mark the historic links between the College and the local community.

Both College and village have grown rapidly in the last twenty years and many would say that the signs of wear and tear are there for all to be seen as far as the village is concerned. Traffic congestion and broken footpaths enhance neither the image of the College or the village. The by-pass represents a great opportunity for Maynooth to re-establish itself as an attractive and pleasant place in which to live. The Planning and Development Committee of the Community Council have put forward some excellent ideas to the Co. Council as to how the general appearance of the Main St. might be improved. Perhaps, with the backing of the College, the Co. Council might be persuaded to act on these proposals and then both College and village would have something to celebrate in 1995.

#### Thank You

Due to pressure of work, Kay McKeogh, our long-standing Chairperson of the Editorial Board of the Newsletter, has tendered her resignation. The last few years on the Editorial Board have witnessed a high rate of comings and goings and Kay has been the one stalwart in all the change. Only those who have worked on the Editorial with Kay will know the extent of time and effort she contributed in making the Newsletter the successful community publication it is today. Apart from chairing Editorial meetings, Kay was a regular seller of the Newsletter outside the church on Sunday mornings and a prolific contributor of articles. So, thanks Kay. But we still hope to see the occasional missive from Rail Park

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### Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor.

Having noted with interest your snide remarks regarding Kildare G.A.A. in your features column over the last few issues, I must protest in the strongest possible terms the derogatory remarks by an obviously unqualified critic.

The daily press has constantly degraded the **Lillies**, and may be justified in doing so in order to keep a high profile on the Dubs, who have used on-going changes in their attitudes to the game, thus gaining extra press coverage from a biased Dublin based media.

The Maynooth **Newsletter** typifies the thinking of the people of Maynooth as regards the boundary between the Capital and the rest of the country. Come on Maynooth, are ye Dubs or Kildare people?

T. McGovern.

#### Dear Editor.

May I avail of your Newsletter to finally, emphatically and free from interruption (Mr Hendrick please note), describe the origin of the word "barbecue". The word "barbecue" is in fact a derivative of the ancient Irish word "barb-a-cue", the "barbacue" being a weapon used by a tribe of cannibals who resided in an area that became known as Meath (meat hyphen "h" or the area where meat of the human variety was consumed).

The weapon itself was constructed by wrapping several layers of barbed wire around a snooker cue (barbed wire and a crude form of snooker being two of the tribes more laudable inventions).

It is believed that on returning from a particularly successful hunt, a member of the tribe had occasion to leave his weapon rather close to the fire. It was subsequently discovered that the toasted flesh embedded on the weapon was of a succulence far superior to their usual boil-in-the-pot and so the "barbecue" was born. This I am afraid, is the rather gruesome origin of the word "barbeque".

Brendan Togher

#### Dear Editor.

I would just like to say a few words about the up-keep of the Parish Hall. It is a disgrace. There are a lot of clubs who rent out the hall, and some who rent it out during the day. These clubs bring other clubs from all over Dublin and in some cases from other parts of Ireland. It is only natural that they have to use the toilets. They are filthy, never any toilet paper and the sinks and the toilets you just can't use. It is a bad reflection on Maynooth. Through the year nearly all the visitors complain about the dirt of the hall and the smell and the dirt of the toilets. Surely, with the money they (the hall committee) take in they could give someone in this community a part-time cleaning job. Everybody complains about "The Thing" in the Square, the inside is cleaner than the Parish Hall.

Name with Editor.

Billy Mulhern B.Comm. A.C.A.

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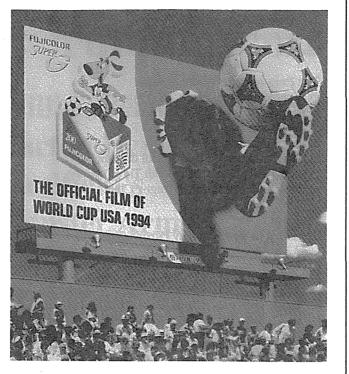
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The Annual General Meeting of Maynooth Community Council will take place on Monday, April 11th at 8.00 p.m. All councillors are urged to attend.

The Community Council would like to extend its gratitude to Kay Mc Keogh who has retired as editor of the **Newsletter**. Kay has been one of those unsung voluntary workers on the **Newsletter** for the past seven years. We hope that it may be possible when the pressure of work declines, that she may be able to return to the editorial board.

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#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 1994

I think that everyone will agree that with 51 different groups taking part, the Parade was a great success. On behalf of the Parade Committee I would like to thank all those who helped us in any way. In particular I would like to thank the following: Our major sponsors: Caulfields, Lee Mallaghan, The Leinster Arms and Willie Kiernan. Also, all the other businesses who contributed to ensure we were not at a financial loss.

- •Mattie Callaghan for providing the reviewing stand.
- •Leo Bean and Ollie Bright for decorating the stand.
- •The Flower Club, Fionan Hardiman and The Flower Pot for their flower decorations.
- •Willie Kiernan for again providing and installing the public address system.
- •Paddy Desmond our Master of Ceremonies.
- •Our 30 Guests on the reviewing stand.
- •Bernard Durkan T.D. for being guest speaker.
- •Mrs Sheila Smith for the power supply for the Public Address.
- •Sergeant Joe Canny and the Gardaí for their co-operation.
- •Emmet Stagg, Minister of State, Department of the Environment for his help in getting the Army Band.
- Maynooth Tae Kwon Do School for their display of the Korean Art of Self Defence.
- •Owen Byrne, our Mayor for leading the Parade, with Charlie O'Neill and his carriage.
- •All the stewards who performed their tasks so professionally.
- •Quinnsworth for the use of the car park.
- •Pat Travers of the Parish Hall Committee for providing the chairs and steps for the reviewing stand.
- •The Leinster Arms for providing tea and sandwiches for our guests.
- •Eddy Sherry for cleaning the Main Street.
- •Patricia Condron and George for the crash barriers.
- •Freda Kelleher and the rest of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee for giving the Maynooth Community something of which to be proud.

- •The participants without whom there would be no Parade and the general public for showing up in such great numbers.
- •The Residents of Greenfield Estate for their continued cooperation.
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- c) Best Band: St. Mary's Brass & Reed
- d) Best Marchers: O.N.E.
- e) Best Costumes: Keeble School of Dancing
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Over the years the staff has given many extra hours of free tuition particularly in the lead up to the Leaving Certificate. We have brought our students hill-walking, day trips and weekend trips around Ireland, we have been abroad with every 5th year group and followed it the year after by organising a Debs Dance. In between 1st year and L.C. year we have trained footballers, debaters, basketballers, golfers, the list is endless. Visits to the Theatres in Dublin have been a feature for every student who attended this school. As a staff we have never counted the cost in terms of time and energy and have always given willingly and freely. Now we ask you as either a pastparent or a past-pupil of the school to invest £100 in the school that served you so well. At the same time you have the opportunity to win one of many valuable prizes on offer. Buy your ticket now by instalment or outright purchase and help us continue to provide for our present and future students.

Thomas Ashe.

#### **BAND BULLETIN**

The month of March has always been one of the busiest for the band and this year was no exception. The St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth and the International Band Festival in Limerick are two of the major dates on the band's calendar.

We were once again given the privilege of leading our hometown parade. There was a larger than usual number of band members fielded for the parade, with many of the younger members taking part in the parade for the first time. We played well during the parade, for which the rain managed to hold off, and won the prize for best band.

On Sunday, 20th March, we made our annual trip to Limerick. There was glorious sunshine throughout the march which made it that much more enjoyable. Although we played very well, we failed to win any prizes this year. After the parade in Limerick, we went to Nenagh for dinner, following a brief stay in a public house. After dinner, we continued to down those bottles of 7-Up (schea, right), while having a singsong, before the bus left for Maynooth.

A thoroughly enjoyable day was had by all.

Watch this space for more news on the band next month.

#### CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

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Friday (Good Friday) 1st April 10.30 a.m. / Morning Prayer
Sunday (Easter Day) 3rd April 10.30 a.m. / Festival Eucharist
Sunday 10th April / Morning Prayer
Sunday 17th April / Morning Prayer

Restoration work is still going on, the new lighting was finished just before Christmas and we are now working towards having the tower repaired and will shortly be having some fund raising events. Our annual flag days will be 13th, 14th and 15th May, and we will look forward to your support. The Church will be open on Sunday afternoons from Sunday 10th April, 2.00 - 5.00 p.m.

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#### **Question**

John is married with two young children. His pay is £270 gross. One of the children has developed severe asthma and needs inhalers/medicines costing £40 per month.

John wonders if he might qualify for help with these expenses.

His rent is £45 and travelling expenses to work are £15.

#### Answer

#### 1. Drugs Refund Scheme

If the drugs are prescribed, John can reclaim costs over £90 for each 3-month period beginning January, April, July and October.

**Note:** If he misses out some months then he might not reach the threshold for the quarter.

The drugs must be for use during that period e.g. if you buy a two-month supply in March, only half of the cost will be allowed in the January - March claim period.

#### 2. Drug Cost Subsidisation Scheme

If the child's condition is chronic, i.e. likely to last at least 12 months - the Health Board will cover the cost of medicine and appliances over £32 per month. An authorisation card will be issued by the Board for the child.

Under this scheme John will still be paying out £96 per month. If he or the other members of the family pay any prescriptions they can include the £86 above in a claim for the Drug Refund Scheme.

#### 3. Tax Relief

John can claim tax relief on the costs of drugs which will not be covered by the Health Board schemes above, less the first £100 for the whole family, or less £50 if he is only claiming for one person i.e. the child's expenses. He will need to fill in the form Med. 1 at the end of the tax year, and send it with receipts to the tax office.

#### MAYNOOTH C.I.C. TABLE QUIZ

The Table Quiz held in Caulfields in March was a great success. Our thanks to all who attended and to Caulfields for providing the premises, to Willie Kiernan for the P.A., to Brendan Tracy, M.C. on the night and to Damien O'Dowd who provided the questions. Our thanks also to the following sponsors - Glenkerrin Homes, Allied Irish Bank, Maynooth, Maynooth Office Supplies, Jim's Shoe Repairs, Maynooth Students' Union, Brady's Pub, The Leinster Arms, The Sports Locker and the Ulster Bank and to the following who provided the Raffle Prizes: - Caulfield's Lounge, Roost Bar, The Mill Wine Cellar, Ann Carey "Cameo" and Keely's Corner. Also, to all who turned out on the night to help.



Enjoying the Quiz: Philip McDermott, Maureen Donnelly, Patricia Condron, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Norah McDermott and Gerry Donnelly

The outright winners were the Royal Canal team of Declan O'Connor, Brian O'Malley, John McGarry and Ben Daly.

Well done to all concerned.

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#### MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

Our president, Imelda Delaney, welcomed all the ladies to the March guild meeting which was held in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 3rd March. Imelda urged the members to try to come to our guild meetings on time.

#### **Easter Card Competition**

Our guild competition for a 'Bi-lingual Easter Card' was very well supported and the standard was very high. In 3rd place was Mary O'Gorman's card and in 2nd place was Rosemary Hanley's entry. The winning card was made by Jo O'Connell and her card will now go forward to County level of this Bórd na Gaeilge and Kildare Federation sponsored competition. We are very grateful to Ms. Janet McLoughlin for coming along to judge this competition.

#### Make and Model

Ladies, you are reminded that the Kildare Make and Model competition will be held in Tougher's Function Rooms, Naas, on Tuesday, 19th April, at 8.00 p.m. Admission is £3 for adults and £1 for children. The Kildare heat of the National Make and Model competition will be held on the same night. So even if you are not participating in the competition, why not come along and give your support to our guild members who are competing. We wish Mary O'Gorman, County Crafts Promoter, who is the organiser of this event, every success.

#### **Children's Competition**

The I.C.A. National Crafts Committee has launched a competition for the children of I.C.A. members and non-members. In the 6-8 years section the child has to make a soft toy and in the 9-12 years section he or she has to make a puppet. Perhaps some children in our local schools may be interested in entering this competition. Closing date is 1st May and further details can be obtained by phoning 6286668.

#### Collections

I.C.A. members collected £150 at the Church Gate on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th February for the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland. Thank you to everyone who supported this collection.

Our members were out again collecting outside Quinnsworth on 25th March for Daffodil Day.

#### **Activities**

Crafts are on as usual in the I.C.A. Hall on Monday nights at 8.00 p.m.

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome to come along to either or both of these activities.

Mary O'Gorman is looking for I.C.A. ladies to help her with a 'Crafts Display' in Naas Library from 17th to 28th May. See Mary for more details.

#### Pitch and Putt

Kildare Federation hopes to organise a four week training programme for those members interested in Pitch and Putt. Anyone interested in attending this Pitch and Putt Union of Ireland training programme should contact May Haren.

#### An Grianán

There are some vacancies (due to cancellations) in An Grianán, from now until the end of the year. See Helen Doyle for more information.

#### **Guest Speaker**

Mr. Tony Adderley, Horticultural Adviser with St. John of God, very kindly attended our March Meeting. He spoke on such topics as lawn care, choice of trees, bedding plants and plants for containers. Many thanks to Tony for such an informative talk

#### **Next Meeting**

Our next guild meeting will take place in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 7th April at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be a Bi-Lingual Quiz. Our guest speaker will be Ms. Caroline Lane, our C.D.A. New members are always welcome to attend our guild meetings.

Connie Harpur, P.R.O.

#### MAYNOOTH ACCORDION BAND

We would like to thank all those who helped out with our float on St. Patrick's Day, Gerard McMyler for the float, Norah Mc Dermott for the use of seats and all who decorated the float in any way. Thanks also to the G.A.A. Club for inviting us to play there in the afternoon and for providing us with refreshments afterwards. To our teacher Mr John Mitchell and our band members for playing so well. Thanks to everyone.

New members welcomed any Wednesday night in the Boys' School starting at 5 o'clock. For info. - contact: Rita - 6289095 or Ann 6289736.

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### Loads of Enthusiasm and Loyal Support at Schools' Table Ouiz

On Friday evening, 25 February, Loftus Hall in Maynooth College was packed with about 160 - 9 to 12-year-old boys and girls, their parents and teachers. They had gathered together after weeks of preparation to participate in the Table Ouiz run by our local Credit Union.

#### A Committee for the Job!

This year the work of organising the Quiz for the Credit Union was done by a committee, consisting of **Michael O'Riordan**, Education Officer, along with John Butler, Betty Costigan, Matt Doran and Ken Loane and meeting on Sunday mornings for a month before the competition took place. The staffs of both the Boys' and Girls' Primary Schools were invited to enter up to 18 teams of four members each from the 3 senior classes.

#### Girls ahead of the Competition

The teachers involved report that having the Quiz as a focus was useful educationally. Eager to compete, the children become enthusiastic and this motivation helps them to learn, and it showed on the night. When all questions had been put by **Quizmaster Betty Costigan**, the two leading teams from each class (fourth, fifth and sixth) were awarded winners and runners-up prizes respectively. The over-all winners and runners-up emerged after a tie-break between the two highest-scoring teams which were four girls from 5th class and four boys from 6th class. The girls won.

#### Winner Alright!

The members of the winning team were: Suzanne Butler, Ciadhra Duignan, Joie Fay and Lorraine Whelan from Mrs Duignan's class in the Girls' Primary School. Congratulations and Good Luck in the next round! The runners-up were David Campbell, Brendan Keogh, Aidan McCarron and Rory McKevitt from Mr Pat O'Connor's class in the Boys' Primary School. Well done, lads!

#### League, Chapter and Local Levels

This Table Quiz was run on a national level by the Irish League of Credit Unions. On the same week-end, in other communities all around the country, similar scenes to the one in Loftus Hall were taking place. Children under 12 were tackling the same questions in the same order. The winners from each of these local competitions will go forward to compete with other teams from the same Credit Union area, or Chapter.

#### On to the Next Round!

Our Credit Union belongs with 21 other local Credit Unions in Chapter 25. This chapter covers the geographical area from Inchicore on the east to Kilcock on the west, and from Blanchardstown on the north to Saggart on the south. The Chapter 25 Final will be held on Thursday, 24 March in Palmerstown National School at 8 pm. It will be all over by the time you read this and we will bring you the results next month.

#### **Credit Union Education**

The Irish League sees the Table Quiz as part of its education programme, making children aware of the existence of the Credit Union and how it works. The League supplied the plaques for the winning school and for the individual members of the winning team. They also provided the holdalls and pencil-cases distributed to the runners-up. The cash prizes for the winners and refreshments for all the children were supplied by our local Credit Union.

#### Thanks All Round

Our thanks go especially to the children for all their hard work and good spirit; then to their teachers who enabled them to participate to the best of their ability; to their parents who were supportive at home and on the night; and to the members of our organising committee. Well done all!

Emer McDermott, P.R.O.



Credit Union overall winners from 5th Class: Suzanne Butler, Ciadhra Duignan, Joie Fay and Lorraine Whelan with their teacher Mrs. Duignan.

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#### ST PATRICK'S DAY

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They hop and shout and hip hooray.
The 17th, it's Paddy's Day.
For some this day means dressing up
For others just an excuse to sup.
For all in all it means charade.
A chance to march in the Parade.



•Rugby player taking part in St. Patrick's Day Parade (15)



•Freda Kelleher, Chairperson St. Patrick's Day Committee, making the final call before the Parade.

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To Maynooth the crowds all tend to flock
From Celbridge, Leixlip, and Kilcock.
People come from far and near
To watch the floats, to wave and cheer.
Once the furore has all died down
The crowd all walk back to the town.
The parade is over, but the day is young,
To all the pubs the people throng.
For the rest of the day it's pints galore
As our Nation's boozers celebrate some more.
The motto for this National Day
Is to celebrate, come what may.



•John McGinley-Secretary Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Matt Callaghan-Tidy Towns, Eoin Byrne-Lord Mayor, Senan Griffin-Chairman Maynooth Community Council, Fionán Hardiman and Richard Farrell-Tidy Towns.

### DAY PARADE



St. Mary's Brass Reed Band (3)



Lord Mayor, Owen Byrne travelling in style (1)



Visitors on the Reviewing Stand (24)

### MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

April 19th is the date for our Spring Show this year. Theme - "The Year of the Family." Venue:- Divine Word Hostel, Moyglare Road.

All levels are catered for in the many classes and we urge flower-arrangers to enter at least one arrangment. Gardeners, there are six classes in plant section. Enquiries/entries to Mrs Joan Reynolds - Phone 8204800 or Mrs Felicity Satchwell - Phone 6286240. Entry fee - 30p per class. Staging 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on the 19th. The judge this year is Mrs Ann Janson. Competitions will be judged in accordance with the N.A.F.A.S. schedule of definitions - Eighth Edition. Show open to public that evening from 7.30 p.m. -9 p.m.

Another important event in the club in April is the Day School, on the 8th. Nuala Hegarty is once again our expert tutor. This year's subject will be Mods, Abstracts and Interpretations. There are a few places left in Day-School. If interested contact Joan or Felicity now.

Moira Baxter P.R.O.

### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our A.G.M. took place on Tuesday, March 1st in the Health Centre. The Chairperson, Josephine Moore opened the meeting with a vote of sympathy to our assistant secretary, Joan Lennon on the death of her husband Louis, and also to the families of the late Lily Coogan and Kathleen Tracey, R.I.P.

In her report she thanked the committee for their hard work and dedication in the past year, and all those who gave such tremendous support, either fiscal or physical, to our committee in all endeavours.

Reflecting on 1993, (European Year of Older People) she hoped the inroads made, and the changing attitudes which occurred would continue to manifest themselves in the years ahead, and discrimination because of age in our society, would eventually fade into the annals of History. She felt 1994 being the 'Year of the Family' would be an excellent opportunity to put into practice the 1993 theme, which was 'Solidarity between Generations'.

The Secretary, Patsy O'Rafferty, in her report gave a comprehensive account of the year's events, with emphasis on the launch of our book "Recollections". This venture, she said proved to be very sucessful.

The Treasurer, Catherine Mulready, in her financial report, produced a satisfactory statement of accounts. The Chairperson took this opportunity to thank Eugene O'Reilly F.C.A., who has been keeping our books in order for many years, for his efficiency and attention to detail in this regard.

The meeting was attended by Mr. John Leech, administrator for the Eastern Health Board, who paid tribute to the committee for our work down through the years, and in particular the back up service given to the recently established Mobile Day Hospital. The committee thanked him for his continued interest in our work, and for his attendance at the meeting.

The elections then took place and the outgoing officers were returned unopposed. The committee for the coming year is as follows:-Josephine Moore (Chairperson), Brigid Tierney (Vice Chairperson), Patsy O'Rafferty (Secretary), Joan Lennon (Assistant Treasurer), Lynne Whittaker, Maurice O'Toole, Lily O'Riordan, Pat Nolan, Betty Moore, Kathleen McAtamney, Georgina Mulready, Ita Loughnane, Aileen Dunne, Helen Doyle, Imelda Delaney and Agnes Boyd.

Our Annual collection took place from March 10th until 13th and realized the grand total £1,207.50. Many thanks to all who contributed, either at the supermarket, at the church or in the pubs. Your generosity is very much appreciated. A special word of thanks to the publicans who allowed us invade their premises and to the customers for their courtesy and tolerance. Thank you also to Mason, Owen and Lyon for their permission to collect at the supermarket and to Ollie Bright for his help and co-operation in this regard.

Our Easter Party will be held in S.V.D. House, Moyglare Road on Sunday April 10th and we look forward to seeing all our friends there, complete with Easter Bonnetts.

Finally, congratulations to the **Newsletter** on their 200th edition. Long may it continue as it provides an important voice for our community. Well done to all concerned.

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Avril will be mounting another exhibition soon on handmade dolls house furniture - from 24th March to 7th April.

We have added many more new titles to stock, in both the childrens and adults section, including many blockbusters and detective novels for the latter!

It's springtime, and the grass is getting greener, lambs are playing, trees are budding, and it's time for the Black Tulips to blossom again. Any child interested in becoming a Black Tulip, please enrol at Maynooth Library. There are only a limited number of places.

More details will be given in next month's issue.

Margaret Walshe Gannon

#### MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Thank you all, for your generosity on our flag days. It was a great success and it shows that the children and parents of Maynooth are still interested in the project. Hopefully in the next issue of the Newsletter, we will feature a short history of the project, especially for all recent new comers to the area.

"Happy Easter!"

P.R.O. Margaret Loane

#### MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK NO-NAME CLUB

On the night of Saturday, the 12th of March, a group of hosts/ hostesses from the Maynooth/Kilcock No-Name Club, accompanied by committee members, travelled to Tullow, Co. Carlow to support one of our hostesses, Jenny Rhattigan, who was competing in the Regional final of the "Host/Hostess of the Year" contest.

Jenny, a fifth year student in Scoil Dara, Kilcock, had qualified in the local and then the Kildare heat of the final. The contest consisted of a private interview, and then on stage, questions, a three minute soap box and a party piece.

Despite a marvellous performance by Jenny, she was unsuccessful in her bid to go forward to the National final, in Waterford, in April. We congratulate Jenny on representing our club so ably, especially as it is the club's first time to participate in such a contest since its recent formation. A disco

ensued, hosted by the Tullow No-Name club and an enjoyable night was had by all.

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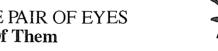
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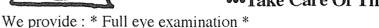
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#### **Works Update**

Work is continuing at a steady pace and work on a new wall to the left of the harbour. Foreman Kevin Breslin tells me that they are still in dire need of building stone so once again I appeal to anyone who may be about to, or already have demolished old walls or buildings to consider giving some of the stone to this worthwhile project. We will arrange collection. If you can help, then please ring the under signed at (01) 6286372. Some tidying up has also been carried out on the banks as well.

#### Thanks

The chairman and committee would like to extend sincere thanks to the Office of Public Works for all their assistance in the past few weeks. It was much appreciated. Indeed we thank them for the unfailing help which they have given down through the years.

#### **Good Wishes**

One of our most staunch members, Mr Gerry McGlinchey has recently come home from hospital after a series of operations. We hope that he will make a good recovery and take this opportunity to extend good wishes to his wife Marion also, who has coped so well during Gerry's illness.

#### A.G.M.

Details of the date and venue for our A.G.M. will be announced in the next issue and we would encourage anyone with an interest in the canal to attend. Members of the new canoe club will also be welcome as will members of the angling club. In fact members of any clubs using this wonderful facility can come along.

#### Congratulations

We congratulate the **Newsletter** management and staff on the publication of their two hundredth edition of their fine publication. While the publication is getting on in years its wonderful office supervisor is still young - at heart anyway!

#### Maynooth Fair

Maynooth Fair will take place at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Sunday 17th April from 11-6 p.m. There will be a number of outside units also. It's a great opportunity for local businesses to market their products and services in a highly populated catchment area at a cost that is less than the average advert.

In common with many other voluntary groups our finances are low. A successful Maynooth Fair will put us on course to complete our projected work. We are very grateful to Fr. Supple and the committee of the Parish Hall for their kind support. Telephone 6286043 for any enquiry about the availability of sale space at the Maynooth Fair.

Bring your old stamped covers and old postcards along for a free valuation. Hopefully we will have an antiques stand but at this stage cannot guarantee this. See you there and remember the date and place.

We have provisionally booked the steam train for the Maynooth - Enfield return run for Sunday 29th May. It's a great experience. Don't miss out or leave it too late. You will be able to buy your tickets at the Maynooth Fair.

The "What's On" column in "The Irish Times" is exhorting people to visit the restored Royal Canal Harbour at Maynooth. Take time off for a quick stroll and see the super work being done by the current S.E.S Staff.

Slán go Foill go Bealtaine Gerry Fitzpatrick. P.R.O.

#### SCOUT NEWS

#### **Beavers**

In our last article we said it was hoped that the Beavers would still be up and running by the time this came to press. Well I am delighted to say that this is the case. We would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who rallied around under the direction of Henry Flynn to ensure that the Beavers are still a very **active** part of the unit.

#### **Scouts**

Last time we put pen to paper we were in the process of organising various activities. The first one came to fruition on Feb. 27. Twenty Scouts/Venturers set forth for Dalkey Quarry for a day's Rock climbing and absailing. This was carried out under the protective eye of John Murphy a Confidence Training Instructor in the Defence Forces and several members of the Glen of Imaal Mountain Rescue Team. A good day was had by everybody and all have vowed to return for another go at a future date: March 17th had a good turnout for the St. Patrick's Day parade (Thank God for sunshine). After the parade parents were invited down to the Scout Den to see thirteen new scouts being invested. Then came the best part, when tea, sandwiches, cakes and biscuits were enjoyed by all. Next on the Agenda is the Regional Campcraft Competition on April 8th to 10th where we will have two teams representing Maynooth. More of that will be in the next issue.

#### Venturers

This being the new section of the unit we think it has finally come of age. On March 17th there were twelve Venturers and three Leaders invested. We understand that the Leaders do not have the best material to work with and we wish them the best of Luck for the future.

Yours in Scouting

Cathal Gaffney ASL

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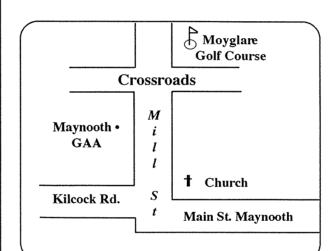
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First of all congratulations to Mattie Callaghan and team who put together the Gerry Mulcahy Butchers - Tidy Towns Float for St. Patrick's Day with the Snooker Theme of Maynooth Potting your litter. This float won the most topical section in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Many thanks to Gerry Mulcahy Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre for his sponsorship and continued support of our Committee.

Our A.G.M. brought changes to the Committee. We welcome Bob Reilly as Chairman and also Theresa Caffrey as Secretary and Brigid Corkery as Assistant Secretary who will liaise with the Schools on Tidy Town matters.

Mary and Richard Farrell as Treasurer and P.R.O. respectively.

Tributes were paid to outgoing Chairman Fionan Hardiman for all his hard work and ideas and encouragement over the last number of years.

Finally, we plan to present the 1993 awards for Maynooth Tidy Estate/Area and Best Shop Fronts at Planning and Development Race Nights in April. Details elsewhere in the **Newsletter**.

See you there.

Richard Farrell

P.R.O. Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee

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### GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

At time of writing we are about to hold our re-convened A.G.M. on the 21st March 1994. The first meeting was not held due to an insufficient quorum being present on the 1st March.

Next month we will have full details of our Committee elected and plans for coming year. Annual subscription of ten pounds with usual concessions to widows, unwaged, will be collected during April/May.

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#### A TINY GRAVE FOR AN UNUSUAL BURIAL

On Thursday 10th March, at about 12.15 p.m., the baby's body which was found in the canal on 9th February, was laid to rest. The tiny white coffin with its brass fittings was lowered into the grave after the prayers led by Fr. Boylan, chaplain to the Post-Primary School.

#### A Handful of Witnesses

There was a handful of people present to witness this event: Sergeant Joe Canny and several if not all of the Gardai from the station; three men in navy who may have been the local ambulance crews; the gravedigger and a young man in a leather jacket who helped him to lower the coffin into the ground; a woman who lives nearby and her 2 year old daughter; and myself and a friend who had come to visit that morning.

#### At Rest - At Last

I was delighted that this infant's mortal remains had drawn so many witnesses to her going into the earth which will hold her now forever. Her spirit is not there, of course. I would like to think that is is with those to whom she belongs, in private. And just as she has been laid to rest in the presence of some members of the community, I hope that her family will be at peace in their anonymity in whatever community they belong to.

#### Does the Community Want to Make a Gesture?

Is there any way in which our community could give concrete expression to its acceptance of this child into its midst? Perhaps we could provide a modest marker for her grave? How would we organise ourselves to do whatever seemed desirable? Think it over and get in touch through the **Newsletter** at the Community Council Offices on the Main Street.

Emer McDermott

#### ALCOHOL ABUSE

I once read a piece of graffiti which I found to be quite profound, it read as follows "Reality is for people who cannot cope with drugs or alcohol".

Unfortunately today with the pressures of living in a competitive world which often lacks compassion many are turning to chemicals as a prop to help them to cope and make sense of their world.

The main drugs of abuse are Alcohol (by far the most abused), Marijuana, Heroin and a variety of opiates and sedatives.

For the purpose of this article I will deal with alcohol abuse. There is no nutritional value in alcohol. We use or abuse alcohol and are attracted to this substance because it is a mind altering drug. We often hear people say "A couple of drinks help me to relax". Alcohol is a depressant. If you like, alcohol puts our emotions into slow motion. We continue to use alcohol because it is satisfying some need, not a physical but a psychological need within us. But remember we are dealing

with a highly addictive and toxic chemical and dependency on (this drug) alcohol is always a danger.

Somebody once wrote into a radio programme with this enquiry "Can alcohol remove stains from paintwork?". Back came the reply "Yes alcohol can remove stains from paintwork, it can also remove your home, your job, your sanity, your peace of mind, your integrity, your liver, your life". Need I say anymore?

The Royal College of Surgeons recommend safe drinking as 1 Unit ( $^{1}/_{2}$  Pint) per hour i.e. half pint per hour, or one glass of wine. Please note a "small one" is equal to  $1^{1}/_{2}$  units so one small one every hour and a half!

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## THE SLIGHTLY ALTERNATIVE HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH AND SOME OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD ... Continued

With the kind permission of the editor, probably the finest example of the species personas gullibleous, me, myself and my underlings within Maynooth's version of the Kama Sutra, the **Newsletter** have been allowed to broaden the remit of our historical researchers beyond the petty and the parochial to broaden more profound national concerns. For that, thank you!

- 11?? This begins the nation's long voyage into the heart of doctrines containing much oppression, slavery, cultural imperialism and 700 years of exploitation.
- Normans try to escape. Hampered by the horrific nature of the roads they are forced to stay and become uncrowned kings of Ireland, terrorise the natives, etc., etc.
- 13?? Bi-centenary of 700 years of oppression, etc., etc., celebrated.
- 1417 First American tourists arrive in Maynooth Céilidh Dances, Bord Fáilte. A great national heritage, happy peasants and Michael D. Higgins invented.
- 14?? The natives disguised as Spanish sailors. After a circuitous and puzzling journey owing to the purchase of a map by the Government Publications Office, subsequent authors of "There is a Better Way" and the National Plan 1994-1999. They discover a new land called America.
- 1500 Willy Healy arrives in Maynooth after ejection from Star Trek Enterprise for disorderly behaviour.
- Roost, Brady's, Leinster Arms, Caulfields and several off-licences established.
- 1535 Kildare win a match in the Leinster Championship.

  A town celebrates but would this be the case of the contents of an old prophecy were known.
- 1535 Literary critic in **Maynooth Newsletter** criticises the poetry of Henry VIII calling it the juvenile drivel of an ego-manical tyrant.
- 1535 Literary critic sacked.
- 1535 Henry VIII declares war.
- 1535 Critic points out correctness of analysis and notes the presence of a whispering campaign against him.
- Locals lynch critic. The end of this pleasant tradition is to be deplored. Many have suggested that it is one of these traditions that should never have been lost and should be revived particularly for Irish Times columnists.
- Garret Og dies of shock at news of Kildare success in first round of Leinster Championship.
- A busy year! Skeffington lands in Ireland with the objective of razing the countryside, massacring the peasants, etc., etc. It is only possible to measure such deplorable bloody scenes in modern terms by imagining the fate of the Kildare football team at the first round of the Leinster Championship in June.

In a brilliant strategic move Silken Thomas retreats behind the impenetrable barrier of potholes on the Celbridge Road. Convinced that these allied to the traffic jam on the Dublin to Galway road has rendered the castle impregnable he abandons himself to a summer of vice and debauchery, the contents of which we will not reveal but retain for our own perusal.

In an equally brilliant tactical move Skeffington secures an EC grant of eight billion...oops!...7.8 billion...er...7.2 ...em, actually...6.5 billion...well more like 2.7 billion but if you multiply it by three it looks and sounds like 8.1 billion... Hold it, who added in all those zeros? Is that 800,000 or 8 billion???

Well, to make a long story short, armed with £87.50 in structural funds a JCB, three lorries of tar, 10 SES workers, seven shovels and 4,000 County Council workers to divert traffic in a long, arduous campaign the potholes are filled. The foreman, a Mr. Flynn, is rewarded with a holiday in Europe and is not heard of again and Skeffington advances on Maynooth.

Peasants take to the hills. In the absence of these many hide in potholes on the Moyglare Road. Some still live there today and are known affectionately as the little people or fairies.

Skeffington attracts garrison. However, as an unfortunate consequence of the government's new policy of bilingualism instead of gunpowder the besiegers receive a delivery of itching powder and stink bombs (c.f. the *Beano* for what these are).

Skeffington bravely continues the attack with these technologically rudimentary weapons. Normally these would suffice to drive the garrison out. However, owing to an unfortunate mishap of history as the garrison consists of a group trip of bachelors to Lisdoonvarna (Club 70-85) the various canisters of itching powder fail to disturb the quality of their lives whilst the stink bombs come in useful as shaving lotion.

In yet another brilliant tactical move Skeffington lobs a television and video into the castle. In a strategy later to be copied by US Intelligence (witty little paradox there) he attaches to this a specially designed TV aerial which allows the defenders to receive specially chosen programmes from RTE 1 and Network 2 and UK Gold.

The morale of the defenders is sapped by a week of highlights from the Mike Murphy Show, Trom Agus Eadtrom, Extra-Extra, the whole collection of Shake-n-Vac ads in 3D and T. na G. Repeats of George and Mildred, Terry and June, a series on the musical highlights of the Bee Gees and the Bay City Rollers further saps morale.

A little-known series, Arthur Murphy, on existentialist poetry (letters welcome) proves particularly gruelling and when the garrison is threatened with two days of wall-to-wall highlights from the RTE comedy "Leave it to Mrs. O'Brien" the dam breaks and the garrison flee howling into the consoling arms of the British troops. They are led away gently to a home for the bewildered. The rebellion of Silken Thomas is over.

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- In a sad epilogue a Newsletter editorial complains about the effect of the Geraldine rebellion (manoeuvres, etc.) on Maynooth's chances of winning the Tidy Towns Competition. The editorial notes: "Why, oh why, don't invading armies clean up after themselves. Maynooth after a battle is an appalling sight. Flowerbeds trampled, arms, legs, heads, etc., scattered all round the place. Will Deputy Skeffington realise that the litter-bins are here to be used?" A letter of protest is sent to the Deputy.
- Very shortly afterwards the Newsletter Editorial Team are beheaded and hung by the heels for lovers of profound literature to scream obscenities at. Perhaps those days weren't so bad after all.
- Contents of an old prophecy revealed Maynooth is to be razed every time Kildare win a football match in the Leinster Championship. The town has flourished since.

#### C.I.E. AIM FOR COMFORT

Improving your comfort on the train is C.I.E.'s aim with their forthcoming new shuttle carriages.

All you Celbridge dwellers can jump in the air if you commute to work, as south-bound trains from Hueston will now be stopping at Hazelhatch. The trains terminating at Maynooth from Connolly will now consist of a two carriage shuttle service bringing more comfort to the commuter (we hope).

According to Mr. Paul Slowey from C.I.E.'s Public Relations Office, these changes are set provisionally for May 16th. I asked him whether services would be increased to which he said no. The reason for this, he explained, is that only one line exists between Clonsilla and Maynooth. Putting down an extra line may take quite a bit of time so increased services look like they'll be a long time coming.

However, the stop at Hazelhatch and the improved comfort on the Maynooth line will be looked forward to by commuters to and from Dublin.

#### EYE, HEAR

#### Gaelic, Games for Life?

During the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth while marching with the G.A.A. section, one Tommy Fay, PRO, gave out stickers which said, "Gaelic; a game for life".

One member of the public studied his sticker and realised that for him his career ended when he was dropped from the Junior B team. However, when he took off after the bould Tommy, trying to get further clarification, he found that Tommy had made a clean getaway.

Later this disgruntled member confronted Tommy saying, "My Gaelic career was stopped in its tracks". "Well", says Tommy, "Your Gaelic career was stopped before it ever started."

#### **GARDA TALK**

#### **Victims of Crime**

Most of you reading this article will at some time in your life have known somebody who has been the victim of crime and who have been particularly distressed by the experience. Victims of serious assaults, burglary, bag snatching and other forms of lawlessness and deviant behaviour suffer high levels of trauma and distress. We the Gardai come face to face with such individuals in the course of our daily duties. However, because of the various commitments of other duties we do not have sufficient time to deal at a person-to-person level with such victims. Compassion, sensitivity and sympathy often compel a Garda to stay and chat to a victim and try and reassure them. However, several other calls and duties are waiting to be attended to by the member.

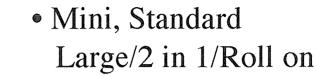
The main function of the Gardai in a crime situation is to try and find out who committed the crime, apprehend the offender and bring him/her to justice. Due to pressure of work and time the Garda assistance to victims of crime is limited. It does not come easy to a member of the Force to rush away from the house of a young mother with a family, which has been burgled. A burglary often means that the Christmas presents are all stolen; a mugging can mean that all the money an elderly person has for a week's food is gone.

In the more recent past officialdom have been taking the cause and plight of crime victims more and more into consideration. There is now in place an Organisation known as the "Irish Association For Victim Support", 29/30 Dame Street, Dublin 2 - Telephone (01) 6798673. This association has a panel of trained volunteers who have undergone an extensive counselling training course and they can assist crime victims in a variety of ways. They can offer advice on insurance claims and compensation applications and further will provide information and answer questions on Garda procedures and court practices. In a nutshell they help to unravel the components of a plethora of legal bureaucratic terminology. More important, however, those counsellors by their attention will greatly assist in healing the psychological damage caused to the victim by reassuring the person and talking them through their experience and listening to them in a patient, caring and humane manner. Accordingly, the victim can share his/her ordeal with someone suitably trained; an adviser who will sit and listen to repeated tellings of what actually happened. This exercise may be conducted over interminable cups of tea as the counsellor patiently offers the appropriate support desirable. Further expansion of this wonderful scheme is ongoing and branches have been opened in several areas. One such office services the Courts at Church Street, Dublin 7 - Telephone: (01) 8722050. Any further information can be obtained from your friendly local Garda station. The service is in place so please avail of it if you are unfortunate to become the victim of a crime. continued

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#### **Annual Garda Dance Dinner**

Our Annual Dance took place on Friday, 4th March again at the Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge. As in former years we again had a full house of almost 350 patrons. Such a large attendance from all sections of the Community surely symbolises the excellent relationship between the Garda Siochana and the people of Maynooth. May it long continue. Music was provided by The Aces 2 and many danced until the small hours of the morning. We express our sincere thanks to all who provided "spots" for the occasion, which greatly contributed to the enjoyment of the night. We look forward to another great night next year: Any suggestions for improving the event would be welcomed.

## **Body of Unidentified Infant**

Despite exhaustive Garda enquiries to date, the mother of the unidentified infant found at the Royal Canal, Maynooth, on the 9th February last has not been identified. The remains were buried at Laraghbryan Cemetery, Maynooth, on Thursday, 10th March, after a religious service performed by Father David Boylan. We again as in previous editions reassure the mother or any confidante on her behalf that any contact will be treated with the strictest sensitivity and compassion Any communication may be made to Maynooth Garda Station, telephone no: (01) 6286234 or the Garda confidential number, 1 800 589589.

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Enjoying the Garda Dance are Freddie & Mary O'Melia with Mairead & Michael Kearney

## **GREYHOUND RACING**

Greyhound racing is an exciting sport of grace and style. We all recall that there were greyhounds around in the time of the legendary Cuchulann. While we cannot say with certainty that Cuchulann ever came to Maynooth, we definitely have our share of legendary greyhound keepers. Men such as Denis O'Sullivan, Ned Noone, Pat Harty, Jim Ryan, Benny Ryan, Serveir Nolan, Paddy Nolan, Mick Scanlon, Paddy Hendricks, Noel and Phil Brady all have a keen interest and life long involvement in the sport.

Kerryman, Denis O'Sullivan, now living in Moyglare is a very astute and successful trainer-owner. His grandfather kept greyhounds going back to the 1850's. Denis now keeps a couple of greyhounds as a hobby and pastime.

#### **Classic Wins**

He has won three classics between 1987 and 1990. He won the Goodward Cup at Waltingston in London in 1987, with Ardent Opinion. This was followed by winning the Produce Stakes in 1990 with Adraville Bridge, (called after his home Townland in Kerry). This same dog won the Kantoher Irish Laurels in Cork, breaking the track record in the final. Adraville Bridge also won the Dundalk International English-Irish Challenge on the 15th August 1990. This is one of the most prestigious stakes in Irish Greyhound racing. This dog was voted No. 1 Supreme Racing Greyhound of 1990. After this Denis took a break from dogs in the following years. This year he has made a come-back by winning the Mullally Cup in Newbridge.

#### **Training**

It takes an awful lot of time and effort to get a dog ready for racing. One must get up at 6 a.m. and take the dogs out for a walk before giving them breakfast. A greyhound needs to be taken out up to five times per day. This involves an average walk of three miles per day. You can take them out for numerous short walks and then for one of around two and a half miles. They have to be galloped every second day. However, Denis doesn't want to give all his secrets away to the local lads.

## Cost Involved

Greyhounds are very delicate animals. They must be kept warm and at the right weight. They consume a high protein diet, comprising of beef and chicken with vitamins A and E. It can cost anything up to £1500 (punts) to get a greyhound ready for racing, from the pup stage until he goes on the track. Then there is the cost of transportation all over Ireland. You can only run a dog once a week.

Paddy Harty has had great success in recent years as the trainer of Noel and Phil Bradys' dogs such as Wishful Highway. He still has some surprises in his kennels waiting to be unleashed. Jim Ryan's dogs are called Matrons and he is also involved in training. Ned Noone won a major stake in Dublin with Dunadee Slave. Denis is certain that this is a mighty greyhound and one to look out for in 1994.

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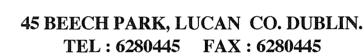
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So forget about Glenroe, Maynooth has its "Dinny", Fr. Supple and the Rector, now all we need is a greyhound called the "Bishop of Kerry" and a bit of skulduggery to go with it.

Willie Healy

## LEIXLIP RESOURCE CENTRE

The Leixlip District Resource Centre for the Unemployed was established in 1989 to serve the needs of those out of gainful employment and their dependants. It began its work in the Public Library building at the top of the Captain's Hill. Later it moved into offices on the Main Street over French Estates where it developed to a point that larger premises were required.

The Local District Support Committee, with the support of the County Board, decided to lease new well-appointed premises at 21 Main Street, which was formally opened on 21st February 1994, by the Minister for State at the Department of Social Welfare, Ms. Joan Burton, T.D. The additional space provided enables the staff to offer a wider range of services at a location in the very centre of Leixlip. It is hoped that the many who use the Centre find it beneficial. It is primarily the users' centre.

The Leixlip Resource centre, with its outreach Clinics in Celbridge and in Maynooth, is part of a network of Resource Centres and Clinics throughout the County Kildare catchment area. It is recognised and supported by I.C.T.U. and FAS. The other Co. Kildare Resource centres include Droichead Nua, Athy and Naas with outreach Clinics in Suncroft, Kilcullen, Clane, Rathangan and Ballylinan.

The main funding for the running of all Centres comes from the F.A.S/I.C.T.U. grant and money given by voluntary contributions, Kildare County Council and V.E.C. Grants, special support functions and local collections, raffles and draws. The staffing of Centres and clinics is done by members on SES Schemes, recruited from among the unemployed themselves.

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The Winning Streak programme from the National Lottery on Saturday February 26th brought joy to Ann Carmel Begley of Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Ann (known as Carmel by most Maynoothians) was at the bingo that night and didn't win a thing, vowing that she'd never go to bingo again. Her husband, Larry, wasn't even watching the programme but was taking a shower when the phone started ringing and ringing. With water dripping all over the place, he had to leave the warmth of the shower to answer it. It was Betty, their daughter, who rang to give the good news.

When Ann Carmel arrived back from her bingo Larry was eagerly awaiting her. She told him she hadn't won a thing and felt her husband was going a bit loopy when he kept on saying that she had won. But eventually when he got round to telling her that she had won £1,000 on the Winning Streak programme she couldn't believe her luck. Ann had sent in the three stars thinking she hadn't a chance of winning, like any of us I suppose. She mentioned, however, that she had put her apron on the wrong way around that day and was about to change it but for Larry's superstitious words: "leave it the way it is, it might bring you luck!" So now you know what to do to win £1,000!!

The phone was on the go all night, even her daughter Nora rang from England with good wishes and congratulations. It's certainly good to see someone we know winning something. Let's hope more people from Maynooth come up trumps in the future. Our best wishes to Ann and Larry - may they spend their thousand well!



Ready to celebrate their big win are Ann Carmel and Larry Begley

## MAYNOOTH A PROFILE 1994

As well as seeking your views on local issues the **Newsletter** sought a broader profile of what the town saw as important national issues. Maynooth is in many ways the Basildon of Irish politics. Its population mix means that it acts as a very important indicator of national trends. The survey cited seven national issues and asked for your views on their importance.

What Maynooth perceives as the dominant National Issues.

- 1) Unemployment 47%
- 2) Peace 40%
- 3) Crime 5%
- 4) Emigration 3%
- 5) Divorce/Abortion 2% each
- 6) Europe 1%

## **Unemployment The Problem**

Interestingly, unlike local issues where after unemployment no one particular issue stood out, two issues dominated the consciousness of the people of the town. Not surprisingly, given the results of the survey on local issues, unemployment was seen as the most important national issue by 47% of correspondents. 17% more than those who saw it as the most important local issue.

#### Sinn Fein: Maynooth Wants Peace

What was both significant and welcoming was the importance placed by the population on peace in the North. A massive 40% of participants saw this as the most important national issue indicating the success of the Joint Declaration in bringing the North of Ireland to the top of the political agenda.

#### **Crime and Emigration**

Given these figures, it is not surprising that none of the rest of the issues cited in the questionnaire scored highly. Surprisingly, given the concern indicated by participants about crime as a local problem only 5% saw it as the most important national issue. This figure is slightly misleading however as over 36% saw it as one of the three most important national issues. Such is also the pattern with emigration which scored poorly in terms of past preferences but heavily in terms of being one of the three most important problems facing Irish society.

## Maynooth Says 'So What'? to Europe

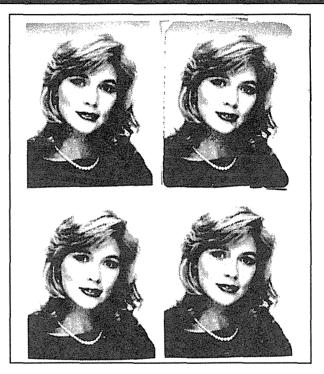
European Union was seen by the least amount of correspondents as an important issue. Only one per cent of the poll saw it as an issue and most nominated it 6th or 7th in their list of concerns.

#### Social Issues

Surprisingly, given its profile, Maynooth did not perceive issues such as divorce and abortion as being of great importance. Only 2% saw either as being 'the issue' of Irish politics. This may be influenced by the belief that these represent issues where the battle has already been won, unlike the North of Ireland and the economy.



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Certainly the town was not conservative on these issues. 60% favoured the provision of a limited form of divorce. Interestingly, the extremes of a liberal divorce regime or no divorce at all commanded an equally low level of support at 13% apiece.

**Divorce and Abortion: Irish Solutions to Irish Problems?** These results indicated that whilst Maynooth is significantly more liberal on this issue than Ireland as a whole, the town would prefer a middle of the road approach to the divorce question.

This is also confirmed by the approach favoured on the abortion question. Again, extremes were repeated with over 70% opposing the unlimited provision of abortion. However, 70% also believed that where the mother's life was in danger, abortion should be allowed. Similarily, 69% believed the Government should legislate to provide information on abortion with only 23% opposing. A strong element of liberalism was also indicated in the town's attitude to Section 31 with 66% supporting the Government's decision to revoke. Significantly, the figure of 20% who opposed this was well below the national average.

Despite the obvious desire for peace in the North, the general consensus was that the Taoiseach was whistling against the wind if he believed this would occur soon. 13% believed that peace could be achieved within a year, 49% cited a decade as representing a more realistic time-frame. Over 28% believed that peace would never occur, a sobering figure, whilst one Sinn Fein supporter cited the progressive view that peace was a possibility if "the Brits were driven into the sea".

#### A Plague On All Your Houses

Maynooth represents dangerous political territory for all the major political parties. A high level of dissatisfaction exists. Only 28% were satisfied with the Government with 54% dissatisfied. This is well above the national average. The discontent of the town is also clear in the level of satisfaction accorded political leaders. Poor John Bruton is even more unpopular than Kildare County Council with a mere 9% satisfaction rating. Dick Spring limps in well behind his national rating with 29% satisfied. Mary Harney's support is satisfactory at 27% as is Prionsias De Rossa (20%). Albert Reynolds, buoyed by the Peace Process, scores best of a dismal lot at 35%. Interestingly, many FF/Labour supporters expressed satisfaction with both leaders indicating that coalition is working at a local level.

#### More Wails From Mount Street

The voting intentions of the local population provide more dismal news for FF and FG. The high level of voter discontent is indicated by the numbers who would not vote if an election was held to-morrow, 35%, and the high level of support indicated for fringe parties.

## Party Support (Revised Figures)

- 1) Labour 34%
- 2) Fianna Fáil 25%
- 3) Fine Gael 12%
- 4) Progressive Democrats 11%
- 5) Sinn Féin/Greens 9% each

Amongst the 65% of the population who indicated a clear voting intention, some trends are immediately obvious. The PDs polled well at 11%. Support for FG is very poor at 12%. This figure may be slightly misleading given the personal vote of Bernard Durkan. Support for FF at 25% is at half the national average. Maynooth's perception as a Labour town and the importance of the Stagg factor is indicated by the high level of support for Labour, over three times the national average. This indicates that should the Boundary Commission change Kildare into two three-seaters, a second Labour seat in North Kildare is on. The Greens also poll exceptionally well at 9% as unfortunately do SF at 9%.

The failure by Democratic Left to achieve even one lst preference despite relative satisfaction with the performance of Prionsias de Rossa is surprising. It may indicate that the Democratic Left still suffers from a recognition defect, and their potential support is probably higher than indicated in this poll.

The poll represents good news for the Government parties with almost 60% electoral support. However, for FG and FF it will cause some serious angst at local level anyway.

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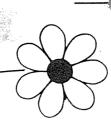
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## PROFILE ON GERRY BRADY'S AUCTIONEERING

Gerry Brady has been operating as an auctioneer in Maynooth since March 1977. Business is booming as property is selling very well despite the winding down of interest relief and the lowering of the ceiling for Property Tax. Gerry feels that these latest developments in taxation will have little effect on the people of Maynooth. There are not a lot of expensive houses in Maynooth though there is great value for money.

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Brady's offers a range of services besides having an Auctioneers. Being agents for Irish Permanent Building Society they can organise mortgages, they do general insurance and they also offer a valuation service.

## The New By-Pass

On the subject of the new By-Pass, Gerry feels that it will make Maynooth a pleasant place to do business in. It should create an increase in the turnover of houses as Maynooth will become a more attractive place to live in. That, combined with improvements in the Main Street, such as footpaths and public lighting should make a big improvement in Maynooth's general appeal.



## **Political History**

On a more personal note, Gerry has a political history to his credit, the highlight of which was undoubtedly getting elected to the Dáil in 1982. While he enjoyed this time immensely, he has no immediate anxiety to go back. He wants to concentrate on his business and his career as a County Councillor for the moment. Gerry's concern at the moment is the re-inforcing of local government which is necessary to provide facilities for local people, particularly in North Kildare where there has been a population explosion.

#### A Local Man

Brady's mainly deal with residential properties old and new while also dealing with commercial businesses. A local man himself, living in Clane, Gerry knows the area well and has built up a very successful business in his seventeen years operating in Maynooth.

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The name 'Barry's' rings a bell for almost everyone in Maynooth as the Newsagents. Seán and Mary Groarke when taking over the business decided to hold onto the trade name for that mere fact.

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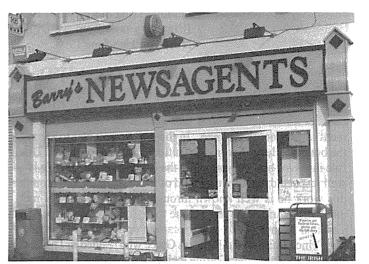
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## MUINTIR MAIGH NUAD



#### MICHAEL RIORDAN

Michael Riordan is a popular local man who needs no introduction to the people of Maynooth. He is better known as the former Station Master of Maynooth Fire Brigade, a post from which he retired on 13th June 1993.

He came to Maynooth in June 1954 from a place called Kildorrery in Co. Cork. He began work in the Catering Depart-

ment of Maynooth College. In those days you had to start at the bottom. He now works as Butler to the resident staff. This role involves him very much in the life of the college. He is a well respected and trusted friend of the college staff. Through this work he is well known throughout Ireland and has met many dignitaries who have come to visit the college. He met Cardinal Montini who later became Pope Paul VI. He also met Prince Rainier and Princess Grace who resided in The Carton Estate for a month. During their stay they attended mass and breakfast in the college.

Michael married local girl, Lilly Dempsey in 1965. They have four daughters Mary, Ann, Trina, and Shelly and a son Joseph and a grandchild Siobhan.

Michael got another calling to serve his community when he joined the local Fire Service in 1969. There wasn't much activity then. The equipment was very basic, an open fire tender with trailer. He became a Fire Brigade driver in 1971.

#### **Tragic Circumstances**

Over the years he has come across some tragic circumstances. Among the most vivid was the fire in Straffan, fifteen years ago, where three lives were lost. Then eight years ago in Kilcock, children perished in a blaze at School Street. This was a harrowing experience for the local and dedicated fire officers. When attending first mass on the following morning he recalls seeing his fellow officers looking tired and exhausted with blackened skin. Another fire in a caravan at Kilcock saw the loss of two young lives. In the early days there used to be hay fires, where damp and improperly stored hay would heat and self combust. This also resulted in the loss of life.

## **Became Stationmaster**

Michael became Station Master in 1983. He oversaw many improvements in the service from then on. Equipment and technical knowledge improved and with his colleagues he began to up-date Maynooth Fire Station. At that time all they had was an Asbestos roofed shed and an office. There were no toilets or showering facilities. It was cold and damp and they often went to fires with condensation hanging out of their clothes. These primitive conditions led to low morale among the firemen.

## The Fightback

Michael and his Sub-Officer, Lenny Murphy attended evening classes in Dublin for two years. Their aim was to continue the

advancement of Maynooth Fire Station. He ended up with a fire Engineering Certificate. This was a big undertaking for a man who hadn't been to school for nearly thirty years. It involved conversion from P.S.I. to the Metric System.

### A Fierce Undertaking

In December 1985, out of sheer desperation, Michael made a submission to the Chief Fire Officer of Kildare County Council. This included his own formula and state of the art proposals for progress. This was a fierce undertaking and they had to fight their corner all the way to keep their facilities at the level they should be at. He had some bruising battles with official-dom. They got negative responses because they were breaking with tradition by creating their own formula. Up to now it was unheard of for employees to have a say in the running of their station. They showed great courage and always knew that their cause was justified and could not be denied. They had a proven record as A1 firemen. Michael is most grateful for the support and reassurance of all the local councillors.

#### **New Station**

Their efforts were fruitful and the building of the New Fire Station commenced in September 1988 and was completed in March 1989. It was officially opened in May 1990. The new building comprised of: three Fire Bays, a Station Master's Office; a Classroom and kitchen; showers and toilet facilities; a Master Bay and first class central heating with insulated twin roofing. they have every facility possible. Among their new equipment was a C.I.V. (Chemical Intervention Vehicle), carrying all the equipment for the Road Traffic Accidents and chemical accidents. This new Fire Station is a monument to Michael's efforts and that of his colleagues and is a great asset to the whole community.

## Own Formula

Since his retirement from the Fire services in June 1993 Michael is busier than ever. He continues to work away in Maynooth College. He has had a life long involvement in the G.A.A. and is presently the Chairman of the Bar and Social Committee of Maynooth G.A.A. Club. This takes up a lot of his spare time and he is also a Director of Maynooth Credit Union. As he socialises with a large circle of friends and his extended family, Michael likes nothing better than a few pints of Guinness and a sing-song. On Sunday nights in the G.A.A. Club the crowds go wild when he gets up to sing "The Banks of my own Lovely Lee". He is a most popular and often requested singer.

Michael has his own formula for living. His philosophy of life is to be kind to everybody. "You have to have the right attitude to people" he added. He claims that you get the most out of life by having a positive attitude. On politics, he believes that politicians genuinely try to do an honest job. He claims that the secret of good health is plenty of hard work. He would like to see more Whist Drives and Poker Classics.

#### Cosmopolitan

As a young man he recalls when Maynooth was just a village. Now it is more cosmopolitan and a more healthier environment to live in. He fondly reminisces about the days when he went dancing in the Leinster Hall, which was located where Billies and the Snooker Club are now. There were dances twice a week between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. You could get in for six shillings which was a lot of money then. Pictures were continued

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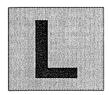


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shown in the Convent Laundry. There were socials in the C.Y.M.S. (Geraldine Hall). For two shilling you could go dancing to Gabriel Flood and his band.

In 1994 he wants to see Maynooth win the Junior A Championship and Kildare to win the Leinster Championship. It would be even more special if Kildare and Cork met in the All-Ireland Final. He is on his way to the U.S.A. to see Ireland win the World Cup. His big year will be 1995 when Maynooth College celebrates it Bicentenary. Then this rare honest and decent man who spans the community, sporting and college life of Maynooth will be in his element. He definitely has the right formula.

## NEW LOOK SERVICE STATION FOR MAYNOOTH

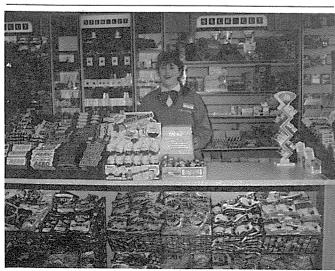
The new look Maxol Service Station opened in Greenfield with its emphasis on service to the public.

The new owner, Peter O'Connor took over the premises on 21st December 1993 which previously was held by Maynooth Autos.

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However, one of the main additions to the station is its Convenience Shop which opened for business on 19th February. And convenience is really an appropriate name judging from their opening hours which are Monday to Friday, 7.30 - 11.00, Saturdays 8.00 - 11.00 and Sunday 8.30 to 10.00. They stock everything from general provisions to newspapers, greeting cards to flowers, ice-creams for those hot days, cigarettes and all your car accessories. But let us not forget their deli counter, which has all your light lunch snacks including sandwiches and rolls made to order.

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## POST PRIMARY PUPILS ASSIST "AISLING HOUSE"

Pupils from Maynooth's Post Primary school have taken a great interest in the work of Aisling house, the resident houses on Greenfield lane for residents from St. Lomans.

A rota system has been set up from a group of the pupils to go horse riding with the residents on Fridays to Greenhills Stud. This assistance from the community is badly needed by the staff as each of the residents, with their various learning difficulties, need a number of helpers to ensure their safety.

I recently took off with them one morning with three of the residents - Louis Carraig, Alan Dowling and Maurice Carey. The workers, David Caroll, Alan Kelly and Berney Sharry were much appreciative of the assistance of Susan Ryan, Niamh Lysaght, Sean Bennett and Ian Conlon from the Post-Primary, who ended up being a great asset. Ian Conlon, with his height was of particular help in positioning the three residents on the horses.

This is just one of the activities offered by the workers of Aisling House to their residents as a means of stimulation.

It's great to see Community Housing schemes being built around the country as an alternative to the institutional type of setting we have been accustomed to in the past. The residents can lead a more fulfilling life in the community, by being able to do simple things like shopping for themselves.

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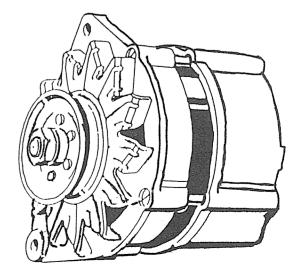
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## **GARDENING HINTS**

The good news is that the traditional sunshine and showers of April, and rising temperature, bring the garden to life with a vengeance; the bad news is that time is at a premium and there is a lot of work to be done!

## Garden Design - The Cost of Making a Garden

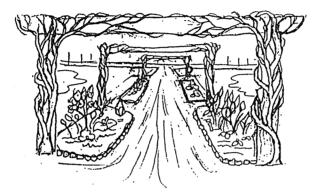
Last month we discussed redesigning your garden, taking into account nearby shrubs, trees and plants in neighbouring gardens and the surrounding countryside. This month we will look at the next important item in Garden Design is estimating the cost of the whole operation.

How much a garden will cost to make depends on many factors, but its size, its nature, whether it is being made from scratch or redesigned from an existing one and how much work you are prepared to do yourself, are probably the principal points. If, for example, you cast your own paving stones in concrete and raise plants from seeds or from cuttings given by friends instead of buying them already established, you could cut down the expense considerably. There are many gardens which have been cultivated in this way with great success - hydrangea, skimmia, ivy (Hedera helix 'Goldheart'), honeysuckle, scrambled egg plant (limnanthes) and lavetera are just some of the plants that can be grown successfully from cuttings.



Flower Garden

At last there is some life and colour to the garden with a really blazing display being given by the bulbs, which have been growing away below the soil surface all through the winter and will have poked through in some places, and now burst out of their protective sheaths to unfold in a rainbow of colour. A garden in



spring without daffodils is unthinkable - those shining yellow trumpets really do lift the spirits. If you do not have sufficient colour in your garden, make a mental note from what is seen in gardens that you admire, to order in time for planting in autumn; one of the arts of good gardening is to think ahead for next year.

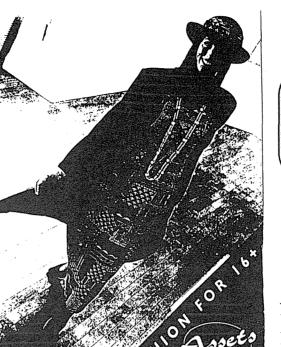
All the annuals can be sown out of doors this month, and those that are best sown now and not earlier, can go in, nasturiums, aster and zinnia, border plants can still be put out, pansies, sweet peas, gladioli and antirrhimums can be put in their flowering positions, and annuals pricked out last month in the greenhouse can be put out and gradually hardened off.

Weed control is a priority, either by hoeing, forking and hand removal, mulching or chemical treatment - although the use of chemicals in the garden is something to be avoided as much as possible, having regard to the environment, birds and animals.

## Vegetable Garden

The vegetable seeds sown last month in heat, such as celery, cucumber, marrow, aubergine and peppers, will need pricking out or potting, Runner beans can be sown inside for May planting out of doors and cropping in very early July, the dwarf runners can be cloched and brought on for June cropping. Outdoor vegetable sowing can safely include autumn cabbage, maincrop carrots, lettuce, Brussels sprouts, peas, radish, savoy, spinach beet, beetroot, broccoli, cauliflower, globe artichoke and all the herbs, including parsley at the end of the month, unless it is warmer than usual (here's hoping!).

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• Keable School in the Patrick's Day Parade. (22)



• Something to smile about in the Patrick's Day Parade (6)

# DAY PARADE



• Freda Kelleher presenting Matt Callaghan with his prize for the most topical float.

Also in the picture Senan Griffin, Norah Mc Dermott, Margaret Nolan, Bernard Durkan and Richard Farrell



• Little People eagerly await the Parade. (8)



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## Hobbies & Interests

# DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE



## **Mushroom Fried Rice**

Preparation: 20 minutes; cooking: 20-25 minutes

275g/10 oz easy-cook long grain rice 1 tbsp oil

2 tsp sesame oil

1 Garlic Clove, peeled and crushed 1 onion, peeled and finely chopped

1 red pepper, seeded and thinly sliced 100g/4oz. mushrooms, wiped and halved 100g/4oz. shiitake mushrooms, wiped and halved

1 egg, size 3, beaten Chopped spring onion to garnish Chilli sauce to serve (optional)

### Method

- 1. Cook the rice in a large pan of boiling salted water for 10 minutes until just tender. Drain well.
- 2. Heat both oils in a wok or frying pan until sizzling and stir-fry the garlic and onion for 2-3 minutes. Add the red pepper and the mushrooms and stir-fry for 2-3 minutes.
- 3 .Stir in the rice then quickly stir in the beaten egg. Stir-fry for 5 minutes until the rice is piping hot and the egg is cooked. Season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper, garnish with chopped spring onion and serve with chilli sauce, if liked.

Serves Four Cal per serving 347

Fips You can use any combination of vegetables for this dish. Try spring onion, carrots and broccoli, or celery with canned bamboo shoots and water chestnuts.

### LEMON SOUFFLE

Packet lemon jelly

/4 pint boiling water

ozs castor sugar

Juice and rind of one lemon

1 large tin of evaporated milk (14.5 oz or 410 grammes) previously chilled in fridge

#### Method

- **1.** Dissolve jelly in boiling water in a large bowl.
- 2. Add sugar, lemon juice and finely grated rind of lemon. Leave until just beginning to set.
- **3.** Pour chilled evaporated milk into a cold bowl.
- **4.** Whip until soft peaks form.
- **5.** Fold the milk (whipped) into jelly mixture or beat together with a beater.
- 6. Decorate with whipped cream, if desired. (May also be used to fill pastrycases or sponge flan cases)

## Avocado with Tangy Bacon and Mushroom Cream

## Serves 4 3 rashers streaky bacon, finely sliced,

15 ml (1 tablespoon) Wallnut Oil
25g (1oz) baby button mushrooms, sliced
1 slice brown bread, crusts removed and
cut into tiny cubes
1 small can evaporated milk chilled
overnight
Grated rind of 1 lemon
30ml (2 tablespoons) White Wine
Vinnegar
Salt and Black pepper

2 ripe avocados.

# To serve: Crisp lettuce and lemon wedges.

Fry bacon until crisp, add walnut oil and mushrooms and stir fry for 2 mins. Lift from the oil. Cool on kitchen paper. Add bread cubes to remaining oil and cook until golden. Drain. Turn cream into a small bowl, pour off the whey. Fold in lemon rind, vinegar and most of the bacon mixture. Season. Halve avodcadoes, remove stones. Spoon cream mixture into the four hollows. Serve immediately on lettuce, sprinkled with the croutons and remaining bacon mixture, accompanied with lemon wedges.

#### ICED CHOCOLATE CAKE

Serves 8 Prep: 20 mins Cook: 30-35 mins

This delicious moist cake is even better if cooked the day before.

## **Sponge**

6 oz/175 g butter 4 oz/125 g castor sugar 2 tbsp/30 ml golden syrup <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>pt/150 ml milk 6 oz/175 g plain flour 2 oz/50 gr cocoa powder 1 tsp/5 ml baking powder 1 tsp/5 ml bicarbonate of soda

## **Icing**

8 oz/225 g caster sugar
3 oz/75 g butter
6 oz/170 g can condensed milk
1 oz/25 g plain choclate
2 oz/50 g cocoa powder
2 x 7 in/18 cm round sandwich tins

• Preheat the oven to Mark 4/350°F/ 180°C.

Grease the sandwich tins. Melt butter, sugar and syrup together in a pan over a gentle heat and stir until dissolved. Add milk to pan, stir then leave to cool slightly. Sieve the flour, cocoa, bicarbonate of soda and baking power into the pan and beat well

- Pour mixture into tins and bake in centre of oven for 30-35 minutes.
  Remove the two halves of the cake from the tins and leave them to cool.
- For icing, place all ingredients in apan with 3 tbsp/45 ml of water. Heat gently until sugar dissolves. Bring to the boil and simmer for two minutes, stirring occasionally. Leave to cool for about 30 minutes to thicken.
- Sandwich cake halves together with half the icing. Spread remaining icing over top and sides of the cake with palette knife. Leave the iced cake to set.

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## Tuesday 19th April

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Venue: Spa Hotel, Lucan, Co. Dublin

8 p.m. Time:

## Saturday 23rd April

Tour of Dublin Zoo led by Zoo Bird Keeper

Meet: Dublin Zoo Main Entrance, Phoenix Park.

(Note: Zoo entrance fee will be payable)

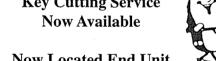
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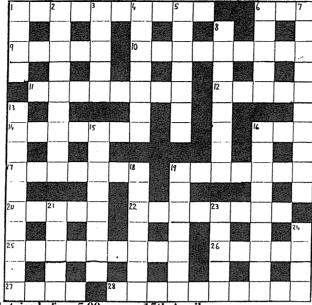
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## Crossword 77



Entries before 5.00 pm on 15th April

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#### Clues Across:

- 1. Resolves to put off the explosives(10)
- 6. Electrical unit perhaps, used by the meteorologist (3)
- 9. Rotary piece of music (5)
- 10. The new steel iris is used to disinfect (9)
- 11. Trap lice, maybe, with a very small fragment (8)
- 12. The rest around the south may have a lock of hair (5)
- 14. E.T. is a Virgo?.... He must be afraid of these! (7)
- 16. The ship loses it's stern and becomes reptilian (3)
- 17. See in the month/See,...What a cynic! (7)
- 19. Crosby takes in the tree; He's involved in the punch-up (7)
- 20. Grab the note, maybe, to see the vessel (5)
- 22. Ape, perhaps, the birds birds (8)
- 25. An invitation from the social golfer, we hear (4,2,3)
- 26. 'E' gets a Rolls Royce; or is it all just a mistake (5)
- 27. Two parties in a row?.... This bird is dead! (4)
- 28. Gives out the usual excuses about the plated suit (10)

#### **Clues Down:**

- 1. Short lived Traditionalist turns to the train (4)
- 2. Latin seat could tease one ! (9)
- 3. OO! The street where Cassidy drinks? (5)
- 4. Members in religious orders may be pests (7)
- 5. Always a mountainous establishment (7)
- 6. The puzzle sounds corny (5)
- 7. Mobs of reporters who take you on board (5,5)
- 8. The girl becomes a victim of motorway pressure (8)
- 13. War criminal with Miss Peep in the card is vital for this game!(5,5)
- 15. Smack the girl as well, we see, up to the present (8)
- 16. The queen inside fluttered her eyelashes in a narrow minded fashion (9)

## Crossword 77

## 18. Karl gets his main whites right! (7)

- 19. The answer is obviously cheeky!! (7)
- 21. Crazy male duck gathered the grass (5)
- 23 Open the cricket period before tea (5)
- 24. Sir, I turned into a flower (4)

#### Solutions to Crossword No 76

Across: 1.Fascinates 6.Aha 9. Shape 10.Organises 11. Spotting 12. Attic 14. Oversee 16. Tea 17. Tussles 19. Panache 20. Nylon 22. Reigning 25. Nerveless 26. Bacon 27. Seem 28. Class bully Down: 1.Fish 2. Sharpness 3. Inert 4. Agonise 5. Engages 6. Asset 7. Associates 8. Invasion 13. Continents 15. Silences 16. Technical 18. Surreal 19. Priests 21. Large 23. Nabob 24. Only.

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## G.A.A. NOTES

Sports News

Lotto Result - 20/2/94 - Numbers: 3-7-14-18, No Winner Jackpot £1060 - 5 x £10. Liam Leacy, Mary Flanagan, Patricia Bermingham, Aiden Killoran, Bernie Leacy.

Lotto Result - 27/2/94 - Numbers: 8-18-21-24, No Winner Jackpot £1120 - 5 x £10. Frank Buckley, Mick O'Riordan, Patricia Conroy, Tom Murray, 6289729 c/o PJ.

Lotto Result - 6/3/94 - Numbers: 6-11-21-24, No Winner Jackpot £1200 - 5 x £10. Agnes Gallagher, Frank Bannon, Sam Feeney, Mary Bresnan, Sean Darcy.

Lotto Result - 13/3/94 - Numbers: 1-9-22-24, No Winner Jackpot £1260 - 5 x £10. Danny Casey(Jnr), Patsy Treacy, Jim Gilton, Jimmy Dempsey, Sandra Moore.

Set Dancing Classes take place every Tuesday nights from 9.00 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. with Instructor Brendan O'Grady. All welcome to attend.

Aerobic Classes take place every Monday and Wednesday nights from 8.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. with Instructor Grainne Farrelly. All welcome to attend.

Camogie All girls interested in playing Camogie should contact any of the following: Teresa Mc Dermot, Patricia Mc Cann, Margaret Dowd.

Ladies Gaelic Football. All girls interested in playing should contact Mick Gillick, John Nevin. Training has started on Saturdays in Moyglare Road field.

Senior Football League Div. 2. On Sunday 3rd April we have a local darby match v Rathcoffey. Hope you all can come out and support us.

We would like to welcome our new Irish Officer Colm O'Cearuil to our club.

## **Ist Team**

With training in full swing since February 1st and challenge games against Celbridge and St. Mary's, Granard together with the Winter League Play-off against Confey under their belts the 1st Team look forward, with relish, to a very demanding League campaign. This campaign, which kicks off against 1993 Senior Championship Semi-Finalist Ballyteague, promises to be every bit as competitive and drama-filled (remember the nail-biting finishes to the Monasterevan and St. Kevin's games) as last season's, featuring, as it does, fixtures against Senior teams Athy and Monasterevan and Intermediate sides Ballymore, Grange, Kill, Castlemitchell, Castledermot, Rathcoffey and Caragh. When you throw in outings against very tough Junior opposition in Milltown, Two Mile House and Straffan it will be obvious that points will be very difficult to secure. This is Maynooth's third year in Division 2 however - they were somewhat unlucky not to gain promotion to Division 1 last year - and the valuable experience gained should ensure that they again give a very good account of themselves.

## Sports News

#### 1994 Results to date

- 1) Celbridge 2.12 Maynooth 1.8
- 2) Maynooth 3.7 Confey 3.5
- 3) Maynooth 1.10 St. Mary's, Granard 1.10

This game deserves special mention being St. Mary's first fixture against the Home side in recent times. An absorbing tussle it turned out to be with both sides overcoming a "pudding" of a pitch to serve up an entertaining hour's football. Maynooth had the better of the 1st Half exchanges with David Mahony, Joey Riordan and Johnny Nevin particularly prominent and seemed set for victory. St. Mary's gradually forced their way back into the game however and spurred on by a dynamic performance by centre half forward Mc Govern they deservedly gained a share of the spoils.

Apart from Mahony, Riordan and Johnny Nevin Maynooth's best players were Noone, Kelly, Stynes and Ennis.

**Scorers** - Riordan 4 pts; Molloy 1 goal; Johnny Nevin 2 pts; Ennis, L O'Toole, Edwards and Derek Fleming 1 pt each.

Leading Scorers - (after 3 Games)

- (1) Liam O'Toole 2.3 (9)
- (2) Joey Riordan 1.4 (7)
- (3) Mick Nevin 1.3 (6)

#### U/11 and U/13 Football A division

Round 1 - 28/3/94

Maynooth v Carbury Leixlip v Naas

Celbridge v Kilcock

Round 2 - 18/4/94

Celbridge v Maynooth Naas v Carbury Kilcock v Leixlip

Round 3 - 2/5/94

Naas v Celbridge Maynooth v Kilcock Carbury v Leixlip

Round 4 - 16/5/94

Kilcock v Carbury Leixlip v Celbridge Maynooth v Naas

Round 5 - 6/6/94

Carbury v Celbridge Naas v Kilcock Leixlip v Maynooth

### Senior Football League Div.2

Ballyteague 3-9 v Maynooth 0-8

Maynooth started this game in a very determined mood and completely dominated the first 15 minutes, but had only one point to show - their forwards failing badly to take their scores.

After this Ballyteague took control and lead at half time by 1-6 to 2 pts. The second half started good again for Maynooth and there scored a couple of points but Ballyteague finished the better. Maynooth gave away a couple of soft goals' in this game. Only for this the game would have been a lot closer.

Maynooth Scores: Paul Garvey 4 points; Killian Fagan 2 points; Mick Nevin 1 point; Sean Molloy 1 point. Also to play well Pascal Ennis, Joe Conway, David Mahoney and Joey Nevin.

Maynooths next game in senior league is on Easter Sunday with a home fixture with Rathcoffey. A game not to be missed.

We would like to Thank Pat Nevin, Mick Caden and Tommy Fay for making our St. Patrick's Day float look the best. Also, all the Hurlers, footballers for walking with float.

## MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Training continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays in G.A.A. field from 7p.m. until 8p.m. Indoor competition in Nenagh on March 12th and 13th for Seniors and Vets. and on March 26th and 27th for juveniles. Good luck to all our athletes. Results in next month's edition.

### MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

I would like to congratulate the third mix team for making it to the play-offs. They did their best on the night the opposition won out. But not to worry there is always next year. I would like to wish everyone in the club a Happy Easter and the best of luck for the Tallaght League.

Phil McLoughlin Secretary

## MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY NOTES

The above Society had their 1st outing of 1994 to Athy Golf Club on 19th March. The outing generously sponsored by Noel Brady Clock House Bar and Lounge, Main Street was played in ideal conditions on a superb course as the scores below indicate.

#### **Outing Results**

Venue: Athy Golf Club Date: Saturday March 19th

1st Overall - W. Moore 44 pts.

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## Sports News

### Class 1

1st - R. Delemere 36 pts. 2nd - M. Dempsey 34 (Back 9) 3rd - G. Mc Ternan 34 pts.

#### Class 2

1st - D. Nyland 41 pts. 2nd - B. Carthy 39 pts. 3rd - B. Dempsey 37 (Back 6)

#### Class 3

1st - P. Dunne 38 pts. 2nd - N. Brady 37(Back 9) 3rd - O. Byrne 37 pts.

Front 9 - L. Farrelly 20 (Back 6) Back 9 - K. O'Brien 20 pts. Visitors - B. Mc Mahon 36 pts.

### Maynooth golf society 1994 fixtures

#### Venue

Athy.19th March 9.00 11.30 - Noel Brady, Clock House Tullamore 16th April 10.30-12.30 Maynooth Bookshop Middleton 27th-28th May Weekend - Jerrimac, Christy Kenny, Memorial Trophy.

Athlone 2nd July 11.30 - 1.30 - Shay Moore Memorial Cup Castlecomer 13th August 10.00 - 12.00.- Willie Moore, Captain's Prize.

Edenderry 24th Sept 11.00 - 1.00 John Carey President's Prize Killeen 29th Oct. 11.00 - 12.30 Pat Dunne.

### MAYNOOTH PITCH & PUTT

With the exception of one line I was tempted to put the notes from the March Issue back into the current **Newsletter**. As you will have gathered we did not open on the 17th as promised. I could go on about the weather causing the delay but I have sworn not to mention the weather again this year unless we get a heat wave. If anybody has any influence over the weather, could they please use it to rid us of this incessant rain.

By the time you are reading this article the pitch and putt should be open for play. We intend to re-open on the Friday of the Easter weekend and we will run the special offer of a round of pitch and putt on opening day for a pound (£1).

We are looking forward to seeing many of our customers during the early days of April.

Tony Bean.

## MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Once again we had very many participants, 39 in all taking part in the St. Patrick's Day parade. All the costumes were excellent and a credit to the parents and children who were so well behaved on the day.

Our sincere thanks to our sponsors Barton's, also a big thank you to Antoinette Crosbie, Colm Nelson and Martin McInerney who were forced into acting judges on the day and their choice of winners were as follows:

£10 prize winners: "Irish Shamrock" Niamh Byrne. "St. Patrick" Kathy Kelleher. "Moving House" Aine Flatley.

£5 prize winners: "Leprechaun" Barry Keenan. "Mummies Boy" Thomas Flatley. "St. Patrick's Mummy" Sarah Baxter. "Computer" Jennifer Dooley.

Our third term continues until Saturday April 23rd. There will be no swim on Easter Saturday, April 2nd. There will be a family swim on Saturday April 9th for junior members only, no buses will be provided on that day.

Our A.G.M. will be coming up soon, remember its in your children's interest that at least one parent from each family attends this meeting, as the club can only survive with the help of as many parents as possible. We need your continued support. We, the committee wish all our members a very happy Easter.

Claire O'Rourke Margaret O'Neill P.R.O.

### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Some Match Results to date

Conway Cup Maynooth Town 4 / St. Vincents 2

Maynooth caused the shock of the round by eliminating last year's winners St. Vincents.

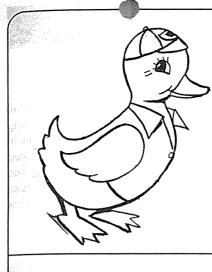
A very workmanlike Maynooth side took control early in the game and were good value for their win.

St. Vincents kept fighting to the end in an effort to hold onto their crown but Maynooth would not be denied and put on a very brave performance to deny the holders.

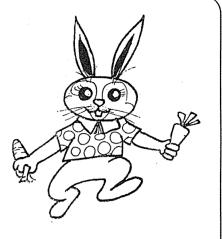
Killian Fagan with two goals and further goals by Michael Kelly and Barry Farrell contributed to an excellent win. A solid all round performance in which everyone played a big part.

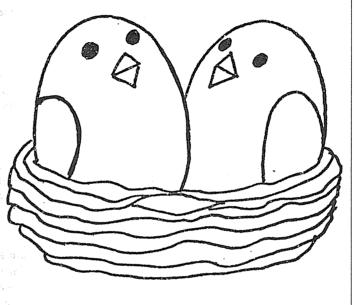
Conway Cup
Maynooth Town 4 / Cuffe Celtic 2 (After extra time)

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# Children's Corner





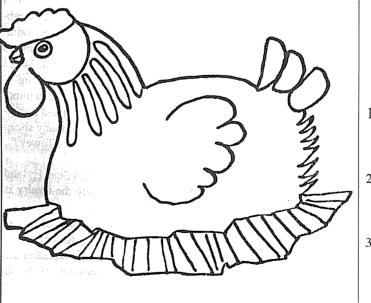




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2nd Seán McAllister 186 Kingsbry Maynooth

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2nd LorraineBambrick 42 Maynooth Park Maynooth

3rd

Debbie McGovern 820 Greenfield Maynooth

## **Sports News**

Maynooth looked to be dead and buried when trailing by two goals with six minutes remaining. A Robert Thompson penalty following a push on Killian Fagan with six minutes to go gave Maynooth a chance to pull the game out of the fire. It seemed too little too late with time running out and the supporters heading home with time almost up when Michael Murphy crossed home for Killian Fagan to head home a dramatic equaliser.

John Murray put Maynooth in front in the first period of extra time and Killian Fagan made sure of our passage to the next round with his second goal of the game before the end. An excellent result in which Killian Fagan took the honours closely followed by Johnny Thompson

## **Division 3 Private Grounds.** St. Vincents 0 / Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth proved that the cup result against St . Vincents was no fluke by travelling to Cabra to beard the lion in his own den. Maynooth adapted to the heavy conditions much better than Vincents and a goal in each half proved decisive. Michael Murphy proved the star with both goals of contrasting style. The first was a fierce ground shot from the angle of the penalty area following a good midfield move in which Mickey Kelly provided the final telling pass.

The telling factor came in the second half when Michael Murphy saw the keeper off his line and accurately beat him with a shot of total accuracy which took the pressure off Maynooth who went on to play delightful football without scoring any more goals. David Faherty was excellent in goal with Mick Faherty lending good support.

## Div. 3 - Private Grounds. Maynooth Town 2 / Ballymun 1

Maynooth made hard work of taking both points in this hard uncompromising game which had plenty of endeavour but little good football due to a gale force wind. A Robert Thompson penalty and a second goal by Killian Fagan cancelled out a lone Ballymun goal. David Cusker and Derek Dolan were best for Maynooth.

## U/15 Schoolboys League Maynooth Town 1 / Drogheda Boys 0

Eamon Gallagher got the all important goal in this hard fought game in which Drogheda put up a hard fight before succumbing to a strong Maynooth team who still retain thoughts of the league title.

## U/15 League Maynooth Town 3 / Tymon Bawn 3

In a game totally dominated by the strong wind Maynooth did well to come back from a three goal deficit at half-time to snatch a share of the points. Three second half goals (by Fran Larkin 1, and Eamon Gallagher 2 )were enough to keep us on course for a qualifying place in the Paul McGrath Cup.

## U/10 Paisley Deering Cup Maynooth Town 0 / St. Marks 2

In a tight cup game St. Marks shaded the issue in a rip roaring game. The greater inexperience of St. Marks was the telling factor in a game where Maynooth matched their opponents in every other aspect of the game. Michael Geraghty performed heroics in goal and had good support from Dean Conway and Simon Fagan. Our U/12 and U/15 teams have yet to make their reappearance following the recent bad spell of weather but hopefully will be in action soon.

A sincere word of thanks to Noel Brady, Clock House for his generous donation towards our schoolboys group for the recent trip to Old Trafford.

Late Flash! Congratulations to the organisers of the Club Float which took Best Club entrant in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Thanks also to Arthur Guinness for providing the float which helped us take our first prize in the parade.

More credits in the next issue.

### TUG - O - WAR REPORT

This is the time of year when young men's hearts turn to thoughts of love of tug-o-war. Already lads are rummaging in closets looking for their old steel-capped boots. They will polish them up and have them ready for the commencement of training any day now. Sean Hyland will be testing the ground and watching the sky to see if the omens are good. This will start the build-up to the summer festival.

Already there is talk that George Gallagher and his men will be held up because his sheep, who have not yet finished lambing, still occupy his training shed. Sean Hyland, the Godfather of tug-o-war, who leads the opposing team, speaking in Corleone tones, said, "Shur you couldn't put those little lambs out into the cold, just to make way for a herd of buffalo tug-owar men!! He denied that he had any ulterior motive in mind. Nicholas Donovan, the Lion, is to be seen stamping and stomping every time the topic is raised. He said "How many sheep would you have to put out to make way for Jimmy Towey?".

George Gallagher in response said "What would Sean Hyland know about the mechanics of sheep?" Already the rivalry is under way.

Willie Healy

## Political Party Notes

## DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

## Leixlip Candidates Named

Democratic Left will have three candidates in the elections to Leixlip Town Commission, scheduled for next June. Outgoing Commissioners Sean Purcell and Councillor Catherine Murphy will be joined on the ticket by Gerry McDonagh, an electrician from River Forest estate. Gerry is Public Relations Officer for River Forest Residents Association and is deeply involved in the affairs of Leixlip United F.C.

Both Sean Purcell and Catherine Murphy were elected on the first count in the inaugural elections to Leixlip Town Commission in 1988 and have consolidated their support bases through a record of dedicated and effective work. Democratic Left are confident that Gerry McDonagh will build on this base and secure a third seat for the party in June.

## **Toll Road Threat**

There is now a very real possibility that tolls will be levied on the new Maynooth By-Pass road when it is opened in 1995. The recently published National Development Plan, covering the period 1994-99, provides for up to £100 millions being raised from toll charges. As tolls can only be effectively collected on motorway-standard roads, and as there are so few of these in the country anyway, it seems certain that the Maynooth By Pass will be targetted.

Attempts to impose tolls in the Dublin area were stymied by political opposition from Dublin County Council. However, in yet another blow to local democracy in Ireland, responsibility for main national roads were transferred from local authorities to the National Road Authority at the beginning of this year. It is this unaccountable body which will have responsibility for levying tolls, as stated in the National Plan.

Tolls on urban motorways are an inequitable and inefficient imposition on motorists who already pay among the highest taxes on cars and petrol in Europe, and for which they get moonscape-style "roads" in return. Toll charges are the same for the driver of the Mini and the Rolls Royce. When levied in urban areas, they encourage commuters to stick to the existing inadequate roads, thus maintaining congestion and environmental degradation.

The government department responsible for tolls is the Department of the Environment. The Minister of State in that department, Emmet Stagg, is already on record as saying that the minimum annual charge to commuters using the Maynooth By-Pass will be £300 when tolls are introduced. How many will be prepared to pay this when there are free alternatives

We in Maynooth have been looking forward for a decade to the profound improvement in our local environment which we believed the by-pass would bring. Democratic Left will do all in its power to ensure that this dream will be finally realised.

## By-pass Access Road

Speaking of the By-Pass, Councillor Catherine Murphy has been informed by the County Engineer that it is "envisaged" that work on upgrading the Straffan Road link will begin next "Summer" and that it will take 15 months to complete. However, the same letter acknowledges that the documents in question have yet to receive the approval of the aforementioned National Roads Authority, and tenders have not yet been sought for the work.

We know from long experience that such official projections are always over-optimistic, so we can take it that no work will begin at least until the Autumn. This means that it will be completed, at the earliest, in the Spring of 1996 - a year after the by-pass itself is scheduled to open. This is a wonderful example of Planning and Co-ordination, "Irish-style". The County Council and the Department of the Environment have had over ten years to prepare this project, yet they could not even come near getting these two phases of the project finished at the same time.

The results can be easily visualised. The huge - and growing - volume of pedestrians which use the Straffan Road will have to contend with a massive increase in vehicular traffic, particularly heavy vehicles, on totally inadequate footpaths with atrocious public lighting. Meanwhile, the whole place will be a mess of mud, rubble and heavy machinery. It is quite clear that a chaotic and highly dangerous situation is inevitable. Catherine Murphy will continue to press for the earliest possible start to the work, but no matter how soon it starts now, it will already be too late.



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## LABOUR PARTY NOTES

#### **Greenfield Bollards**

The views of any objectors to the closing off of Greenfield Lane were scheduled to be heard in mid March and a decision on the matter was scheduled for the Council meeting of 28th March. So, by the time you are reading this, the matter should be finally resolved.

#### Rockfield Lodge

Cllr. John McGinley has advised that the builder has applied for Planning Permission to have the pedestrian link between site numbers 63 and 134 closed off in line with the wishes of the Residents of the area.

#### Natural Gas For Maynooth & Celbridge

Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have been advised that the question of the provision of Natural Gas for Maynooth & Celbridge is still under active consideration. A major investment is involved and Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley will continue to press Bórd Gais on this matter.

## Motorway/ Straffan Road / The Square

Cllr. McGinley has been advised that the Motorway is due to open in Spring'95.

However work on the Straffan Road will not be completed until Autūmn '95. The major reasons for the delay was difficulties with C.I.E. over Mullen Bridge which resulted in a High Court case.

The contractor will be starting in June of this year and it is the contractors duty to schedule the work. Cllr. McGinley will be encouraging the contractor to start in the Square with the demolition of the Thing.

#### **Maynooth Employment Office**

Arising from representations by Minister Stagg concerning the delay in processing claims at Maynooth Employment Exchange, Minister of State Joan Bruton has advised that the Parent office of Maynooth Exchange will be transferred within the next two months from Gardiner Street to Ballyfermot. It is expected that this will alleviate the problem of delay currently experienced by claimants at Maynooth. We will keep this matter under review.



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Birthday Greetings: Ted Connolly, Greenfield, April 14th. Gearóid MacTeighernain, Sráid Parson, April 18th. Eric Quinn, Greenfield, April 19th. Mary Traynor, Greenfield, April 19th. Pat Burke, Newtown, April 14th. Mrs. L. McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock, April 6th. Declan Leigh, Meadowbrook, April 16th. Patsy Leahy, Greenfield, March 17th. Eilish Ferguson, Cedar Park, Leixlip, March 19th.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Johnny and Betty Kelly on their 40th Anniversary. Best wishes from all the Kelly family.

Congratulations to Claire McTernan on getting such a good exam result. Claire will be starting as a student Doctor in St. James's Hospital, Dublin, in May. Good Luck from Nannie, Granddad, parents and brother, Gerard.

Congratulations to Aiveen Lennon on the occasion of her 21st Birthday on Saturday, March 19th. From Claire McTernan.

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#### Boys' National School Parents' Committee

Would like to thank all those who supported our recent fund raising night.

P.R.O.

## SYMPATHY

We wish to extend sympathy to the brother, relatives and friends of Elizabeth (Lily) Coogan, O'Neill Park, Maynooth.

To the daughter, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Catherine Tracey, Main Street, Maynooth.

To the husband, son, daughter, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends of Ellen (Nellie) Nolan, Maynooth.

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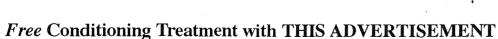
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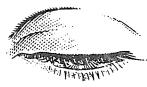
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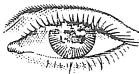
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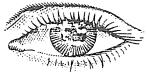
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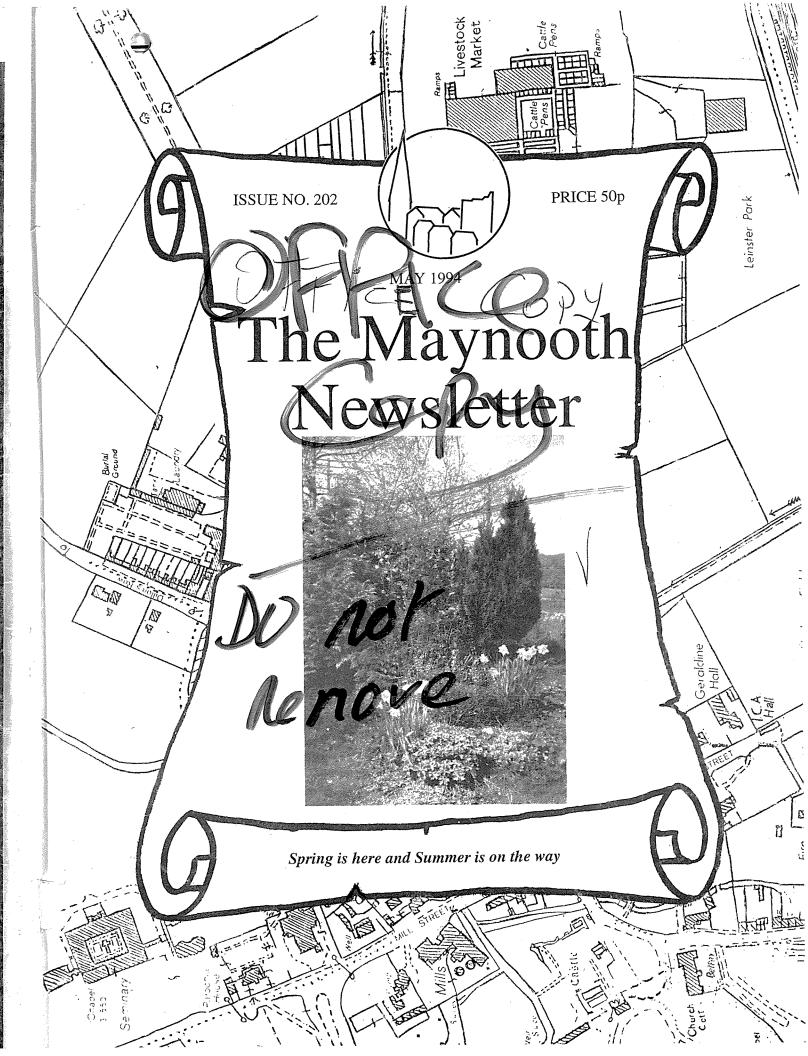
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

## **Editorial**

In this issue we carry an article on the Planning and Development Committee. It makes for sombre reading. As a society, too often we expect everything to be done for us. The Government, the Department, the EC should do it. That is not good. Communities must take responsibility for themselves. Otherwise they decline.

That is the importance of groups such as the Community Council, the Planning and Development Committee, the Castle Committee; they give us a voice in deciding the future of our town, what services are provided and how it looks. They empower, they allow people to shape the direction of their lives and the lives of the community.

This is why the **Newsletter** urges people to support the Planning and Development Committee. We are a town of stark contrasts. There are many dedicated people heavily committed to the development of the town, the silent majority. However, there is also another attitude which is prevalent. This can be called the "This is Maynooth and nothing can be done" theory. This is to be deplored. What the town needs is less of this negativism and more of the American "Can Do" philosophy. We believe the latter to be closest to the true nature of Maynooth people and urge you to support the various committees of the Community Council.

Finally, on a brighter note, the **Newsletter** applauds the efforts of the Post Primary School to build a Resources Room. This is a valuable investment in the future of our young and we urge all readers to support it.

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## Letters to the Editor

#### Dear Sirs,

I write to you on behalf of the residents of Woodlands, Maynooth, County Kildare. As you are aware there is a footpath leading from the Railway Station at Maynooth up to Bond Bridge along the Royal Canal. This pathway is used extensively by our residents at present and by the residents of Beaufield, Cluain Aoibhinn, College Green, Newtown and Meadowbrook. Given the number of pedestrians who use this footpath daily we cannot understand why this footpath is not maintained at all. During winter it resembles a bog and wellington boots are the only acceptable form of footwear capable of traversing the footpath. Furthermore to enable pedestrians to see where they are going when they alight from the evening trains a flashlight is a necessity as there is no standard lighting on the path. As you can imagine this makes the business of reaching Bond Bridge as hazardous as attempting an Army Assault Course.

We would request that you would urgently take steps to rectify this situation before someone suffers serious injury or before someone accidently slips into the Canal. (Note there are no lifebuoys along this stretch of the Canal). There is also the possibility of assaults on pedestrians to be considered as this footpath is an open invitation to muggers.

We hope you will give this matter your immediate attention and we look forward to hearing from you with your proposals to rectify this problem. Yours faithfully,

Des Matthews Hon. Chairman Woodlands Residents Association

#### Dear Editor.

On behalf of the out-going Parents Association of the Presentation Primary School, we would like to clarify a statement made in the April issue by Willie Healy;

Quote "On the 15th October 1993 the greyhound owners of Maynooth ran a very successful fund-raising event in Harold's Cross for the Girl's Primary School in Maynooth. Overall they raised £4,500 (punts) for the upkeep of the school" Unquote. We wish to state "It was not the greyhound owners of Maynooth who raised this money; it was due to the hard work of the Parents Association and willing helpers who organised this event", and without the generosity of the following sponsors, i.e. The G.A.A. Club, Brady's Public House, The Leinster Arms Public House, Bruce's Betting Office, Maynooth, Dennis O'Sullivan, Frank Walsh, Glenkerrin Homes, Jim Hoare, Joe Mulligan, Colm Feeney, Paddy Mooney & Seamus Porter, Des & Jerry Cahill, this event would not have taken place. Our thanks also to local business firms for their advertisements, people who nominated dogs & the many people who bought tickets outside Quinnsworth Stores and through the school. We were shocked and dismayed by the misrepresentation made on behalf of the greyhound owners in Maynooth. As the Parents Association has no affiliation with the greyhound breeders other than Dennis O'Sullivan & Phil Brady who sponsored a race each, we feel this was a wrong statement to make and we want it made clear who raised this money.

Lila Flynn Outgoing Chairperson 92-93

#### Dear Editor.

In your March Edition two errors were printed. Brian Connaughton's shop in Newtown is exactly that - in Newtown - and not on Greenfield Lane. Greenfield Lane ends at the bridge outside Michael Riordan's gate. Also the Eastern Health Board houses, "Aisling House" are also in Newtown, not on Greenfield Lane.

We wish to draw your readers' attention to these errors of fact. Maps can be supplied if required.

Yours sincerely, Manus McCarron Chairman

#### Dear Sir

Can you confirm the appointment of Eamon Dunphy as your Political Correspondent'?

Having read the biased report of the fictional survey "Maynooth a Profile" (lack of information on survey sample, anti Sinn Féin, Comparison of Maynooth with Basildon) I can only conclude that your 'Political Guru' is a graduate of the 'Walter Mitty School of Journalism'!

Perhaps this person's 'writing talents' could be better employed describing the pot-holes on the Straffan Road rather than 'sniping' at certain political parties. Do try in future to keep your 'Political Hound Dog on a tight leash or better still have him neutered.

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> Senan Griffin Chairperson

Patricia Condron Vice Chairperson

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin Secretary

> Dominic Nyland Treasurer

Margaret Clince P.R.O.

The St. Patrick's Day Committee would like to apologize to Katies Flowers for omitting to thank her from the reviewing stand during the Parade and in the April edition of the Newsletter. We are most grateful for your wonderful flowers and decoration of the reviewing stand and we hope we can rely on your support in future years.

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## BAND BULLETIN

To begin with this month I would like to thank my stand-in scribe for Last month's BULLETIN "Deputy Doc" Carroll, who stepped in to make sure that the results from the Maynooth and Limerick Parades were properly recorded in the Newsletter. Does this mean I will now be able to take the odd month off in future?

April has been a month of preparation for our "Summer" Programme which we hope this year will be accompanied by real old-fashioned SUMMER WEATHER, the kind we used to have in the nineteen 'when's'! Sure now that the rainy season is over maybe we really will get our wish.

We had an unexpected trip to the races last month when the Curragh management asked us to play at their first meeting of the season on 10th April. This was a direct result of our appearance at the Moyglare Stud Stakes meeting last year and we were really 'chuffed' to be invited back to play. The Gods were on our side and we were blessed with the warmest day this year. The crowd was great, the music was good and we were really appreciated. The only losers on the day were those who backed Peter Brazils tips. His "sure things" could still be seen cantering across the Curragh as we left for home. The good news is that the Curragh committee hope to have us back for a few meetings during the year.

Finally we would make our usual plea at this time each year. If you need the Band for a function could you please write, in plenty of time, to our Secretary Elaine Bean, Ryeview, Maynooth. Our diary is already filling up and we can only accept engagements on a first come basis.

We will be giving a full list of our recitals in our next BULLETIN. See you then.

## GRANGEWILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

At the last meeting of the above Committee it was arranged that Cemetery Sunday at Grangewilliam will be on 29th May 1994 at 3 p.m.

Also discussed at the meeting was the continued maintenance of the graveyard. We are appealing for the support of voluntary workers and we would also welcome any donations towards the ongoing expenses of weedkiller and equipment to carry out the work.

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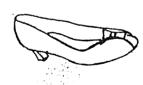
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Brendan Murphy P.R.O.

## JAMES CONNOLLY MEMORIAL INITIATIVE

The James Connolly Memorial Initiative was established in 1992 to bring about the erection of a suitable memorial to James Connolly (1868-1916), in Dublin where he worked, fought and died for the Irish Labour and National Independence Movements.

Memorials to Connolly exist in Edinburgh, his birthplace, in Troy, New York and Belfast, where he worked as a trade unionist and political organiser. A prominent memorial in Dublin is long overdue.

Those involved in the initiative include trade unionists, artists, unemployed people and members of the Connolly family.

I attach herewith a news release which announces details of the winning entry of our competition for artists which was run off over the last year : -

An open competition for proposals for a memorial to James Connolly has been won by Dublin-based sculptor Eamonn O'Doherty. The competition, inititated by the James Connolly Memorial Initiative and sponsored by SIPTU, attracted entries from both parts of Ireland and from Britain. It was judged by a panel of seven assessors, including representatives of the Association of Artists in Ireland, the Sculptors' Society, the Arts Council and SIPTU.

The winning proposal is for a bronze statue of James Connolly, slightly larger than life size, standing before a billowing Starry Plough flag, also made in metal. Planning permission will now be sought to place the memorial in Beresford Place, on the pavement skirting the western railings of the Custom House. In this position, the statue of Connolly would face across Beresford Place to Liberty Hall, headquarters of the union of which James Connolly was an early leader. It was also from Beresford Place that Connolly led a detachment of the Citizen Army to join the Easter Rising rebels in the G.P.O.

Announcing the result of the competition, Tom Garry, General Secretary, SIPTU, said: "SIPTU is very proud to be associated with the erection of a memorial to James Connolly, trade unionist and political activist, whose contribution to Irish freedom is a significant one. It is wholly appropriate that Irish men and women should share a permanent and fitting memorial in the country's capital city to remind them both of the man and his achievements."

A campaign to raise funds to erect the memorial will start immediately within the labour movement and among the general public. It is intended that the memorial will be erected in 1994, the centenary year of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, in which James Connolly played an important role.

Eamonn O'Doherty, whose design won the open competition, has been responsible for 10 major public sculptures in Ireland, among them works in O'Connell Street, Dublin, Central Bank Plaza, Dublin and Eyre Square, Galway, and in Derry.

For further information contact, Mike Fitzgerald, SIPTU, tel; 01 8749731; or Michael Quinn, James Connolly Memorial Initiative, tel, 01 6285258.

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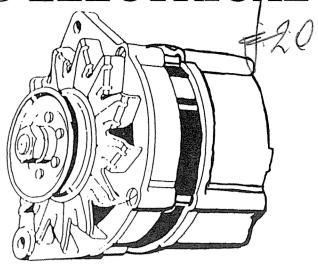
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## KILCOCK/MAYNOOTH NO NAME CLUB

On Saturday morning the 9th April our Hosts and Hostesses, accompanied by Adult Club Leaders travelled to New Ross, whose No Name Club played host to thirty four other clubs for the weekend. We stopped for lunch in Kilkenny.

The reason for this get-together of seven hundred people, was the National Variety Competition Finals in New Ross on Saturday, and the National Youth Awards on Saturday night in Jury's Hotel, Waterford, which was compered by Ray D'Arcy. This was followed by dinner and a disco.

We left New Ross on Sunday morning after Mass in the Youth Centre, where a sleepless night had been spent, as the sleeping bags were used to sit on not sleep in, because the craic and chat, tea and sandwich making went on all night. We had lunch at the Pike, and visited Palmerstown for an hour of bowling, and finally arrived at Maynooth tired but happy after an enjoyable and action packed two days.

We look forward to seeing you all at our May Disco, and don't forget parents, our monthly Discos are for over fifteens strictly.

Mary Carroll P.R.O.

## MAYNOOTH BOY SCOUTS

The past month has seen very little activities due to the weather conditions. Two patrols have been training for the camp craft competition. This competition was scheduled for weekend of 9th-10th April but was cancelled due to very bad weather. A new date has to be decided. For their help and advice the Scouts thank Ger McGlinchey, Garreth Galligan, Dervilla McDermott and Lynda Haren. All are ex members of successful patrols but are now too old and senile to compete.

For your continued support during 'Bob a Job' week we would like to thank you, the people of Maynooth.

Finally we wish every success to the people who are setting up the Youth Club.

Tony Muldowney, Unit Leader.

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Yes, in your case you will be eligible for the Free Telephone Rental from July. When the details of the proposed changes were announced in January, the intention was that pensioners aged 75 or over who had lost the Free Telephone rental because they were no longer living alone, would regain it even if they were no longer living alone. As you never had this allowance, this change would not be of any benefit to you.

However, it has now been decided that eligible pensioners aged 75 or over will qualify for the Free Telephone Rental from July where only one other non-qualified person lives in the household. This means that a qualified pensioner aged 75 or over who goes to live in another household will be eligible provided only one other non-qualified person lives in that household. The telephone account will have to be changed into the name of the pensioner entitled to the allowance.

## Note:

- (1) Some pensioners who enquired into their position at the time of the Budget announcements may have been told that they would not benefit. In case they may be due to benefit from this further change pensioners aged 75 should apply in July.
- (2) Widows between the age of 60 and 65 whose late husbands had entitlement to the Free Schemes will, from July, retain entitlement to them. This does not apply to Free Travel. The Dept. of Social Welfare are doing a review of the last 5 years for people who were aged 60 at the time of the husband's death. Widows in this situation who haven't heard from the Department by June should send in completed claim
- (3) Up to now a pensioner being cared for by a recipient of a Carer's Allowance would not have satisfied the living alone condition. From July they will retain eligibility or may qualify.

#### **Ouestion:**

Can you tell me who is entitled to a Home Help and how do you apply for this Service?

#### Answer:

Home Helps are provided on the basis of need, and medical, family and income factors are taken into account when the assessment is being made. The three categories of people for whom the service is meant are families in stress, the aged and disabled. A Home Help may be provided in the following cases:

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Each situation is individually assessed by the Home Help/ Care Organiser to determine the needs.

These may include:

- · Assistance with washing, dressing, undressing, exercise.
- · Assisting a family member with the care of a disabled or handicapped parent, relative or child.
- · Preparation of meals, fires etc.
- · Shopping, collecting pensions, prescriptions, budgeting, paying bills etc.
- Helping with essential household chores.

Application can be made through the family doctor, public health nurse, social worker or directly to your local health centre. In cases where Home Helps are employed by voluntary organisations application can also be made through the organisation.

The assessment is made on the basis of need and people will be asked to make a financial contribution based on a means test, if they are deemed by the Health Board to have sufficient means to do so.

Decisions as to who get the Home Help Service are usually taken by the Home Help Organiser in the local health centre.

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

## **Apology**

The Editorial Board would like to apologise for some biased remarks that appeared in a features column in the April issue of the Newsletter. These remarks inadvertently slipped through our normally scrupulous proof reading.

## MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

#### Chess

Maynooth were fielding a team for the first time and also had a youthful team, with two players in fifth class at primary school. They put up a commendable fight, but lack of practice showed in the end and their last player, Donal Smith, was eventually cornered in the 26th move.

## Community Games Chess (Under - 16): Kildare County Semi-Final:

At Straffan April 16, 1994, Straffan beat Maynooth 5.0. Eamonn O'Molloy (Straffan) beat Fergal Nangle (Maynooth). Maurice Hanafin (Straffan) beat Mark Quigley (Maynooth). Alan Pyne (Straffan) beat Philip O'Shea (Maynooth), Colm D'Rosario (Straffan) beat Donal Smith (Maynooth), Paul Dempsey (Straffan) beat Jennifer Fagan (Maynooth).

## **Community Games Art Results** Girls Under 8

- 1. Nora McGlinchey 28.11.87
- 2. Jessica Perry 14.3.87
- 3. Ciara Ennis

## **Boys Under 8**

- 1. Cian Byrne 30.12.86
- 2. Ronan O'Connell 23.8.86
- 3. Matthew O'Gorman

#### Girls Under 10

- 1. Ruth Hallinan 7.6.85
- 2. Triona Cahill 7.4.85
- 3. Emma Higgins 5.4.85

#### **Boys Under 10**

- 1. Mark Cummins 27.2.86
- 2. Mark Dunne 9.8.84
- 3. Sean Kennedy 1.5.86

#### Girls Under 12

- 1. Lvn Brennan
- 2. Sharon Cummins 30.12.82
- 3. Orlaith Tobin 14.7.84

#### **Boys Under 12**

- 1. Brian McLoughlin
- 2. Conor McGlinchey 18.1.93
- 3. John Perry 25.2.84

#### Girls Under 14

- 1. Claire Hogan 15.6.82
- 2. Therese McInerney 25.2.82
- 3. Sharon McLoughlin

### **Boys Under 16**

John O'Gorman 15.10.79

## continued

## Clubs, Organisations, Societies

## **Community Games Modelling Results**

**Boys Under 10** 

Matthew O'Gorman, 7.4.88.

### Boys under 14

Finbarr O'Gorman, 10.11.83.

## Girls Under 14

- 1. Geraldine O'Gorman, 29.4.81
- 2. Bríd Ann O'Shea
- 3. Sharon McLoughlin.

#### **Community Games Dates**

Swimming: 28th May - Stewarts Hospital 4 - 6 p.m.

Athletics: 29th May - G.A.A.

## MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION LIMITED

## **Bold New Departure**

How do you find out for sure which office opening hours best suit Credit Union members? Well, you can do some research, such as our questionnaire of last November, which was reported here in February. As you may remember, that didn't yield a very clear result. People expressed some dissatisfaction with our present limited opening hours, but gave no definite leads as to what would suit better.

## **Daily Opening**

Well, not to be daunted, the Directors have decided to take a bold initiative in order to settle the question. For a trial period, from Tuesday 3rd May until Saturday 30th July, our office will be open for an additional 20 hours each week. Details are set out in a table below.

## **Our New Opening Hours**

Morning Afternoon Evening (Office closed on Bank Holidays)

Monday 10 - 12 2 - 4 p.m. Tuesday 10 - 12 2 - 4 p.m. Wednesday 10 - 12 2 - 4 p.m.

Thursday 10 - 12 2 - 4 p.m. 7 - 8.30 p.m.

Friday All Day, from 10 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. including lunch-time

Saturday 10 - 12.30

At the end of the three months, the needs of members should be clear and some of the changes being tried out will most likely become permanent.

## Steady Growth

I was delighted to hear that new members are joining our Credit Union at the rate of about 30 per month, or an average of one a day. So, to encourage this growth to continue, it seems only natural to be making it easier for YOU to do business with US!

Why not come down and talk to our volunteer staff about becoming part of that growth?

## The Schools Table Ouiz, Chapter Final

Well done to the girls on our fifth class team for their gallant effort in a tough contest in Palmerstown on 24 March. I believe that a mixed team from a school in Celbridge won on the night and we wish them all the best in the next competi-

#### Good Luck in the Exams!

This is the last opportunity we will have to offer our best wishes for success in their exams to all the students who will be taking Junior and Leaving Certificate and College and Entrance examinations in the weeks ahead. Keep as calm as you can, do your best, skip the post mortems and reward yourselves for your efforts.

Emer McDermott PRO

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## MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The Club would like to say 'Thanks' to "Katies Flowers" for sponsoring some of the flowers used to decorate the reviewing stand for St. Patrick's Day. Remainder was supplied by Flower Club and arranged by Felicity Satchwell and Mary Doyle.

On May 17th, we welcome Mr. Fergus Hemmingway from Wexford to demonstrate at our Monthly Meeting. He is a Teagasc Officer and has great interest in plants and flowers. Mr. Hemmingway has won many prizes in Ireland and U.K. for his flower arrangements and we look forward to a most interesting evening on the 17th. Venue usual Devine Word Hostel on Moyglare Road at 8.00 p.m. Remember all welcome.

June 25th is the date for our outing. There are a limited number of seats available for this trip to two fascinating gardens in Wicklow and Wexford. The day will end in "The Lord Bagnal" in Loughlinbridge with a beautiful meal on our return to Maynooth. More details from Club or from Organiser Maureen Stephens - 6287461.

The results of the Spring Show will be given in June Newsletter.

Moira Baxter P.R.O.

## MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The April meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. took place in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday, 7th April. Our president, Imelda Delaney, welcomed all the ladies to the meeting. As I was unable to attend this meeting, I am very grateful to Rosemary for supplying me with the necessary details.

## Daffodil Day

Our ladies and some of their friends were out and about on March 25th Daffodil Day, collecting for the Irish Cancer Society. The total collected was £830.00. Thanks to all who supported this worthy cause.

**Craft Display** 

There will be an I.C.A. Craft Display in Naas Library from 17-21 May. Mary O'Gorman, County Crafts Promoter, is organising this display and it should be well worth a visit.

### Make and Model

Mary O'Gorman has been very busy recently, as she also organised the Kildare Make and Model Competition, which took place in Toghers, Naas, on 19th April. Maynooth Guild was well represented at this competition and the results will be in next month's **Newsletter**.

### **Healthy Eating Competition**

Ursula Forde has submitted an entry to this competition. Ursula had to devise a recipe for a meal for a family of four for less than £5.00. We wish her every success in this competition.

## Activities

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall as usual on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting at 10.45 a.m. There will be a Federation Badminton Competition in Rathmore Hall on 4th May. Good luck to our ladies.

Crafts are on in the I.C.A. Hall each Monday night starting at 8 pm.

#### Night Out

There is a night out to Clontarf Castle on the 19th of May. See Rosemary for details.

## Competition and Raffle

The competition at the April meeting was a Bi-Lingual Quiz. Great fun was had by all. M. Haren's team came first with R. Hanley's team in second place and B. Duffy's third.

The raffle results were as follows: 1st - M. Halton, 2nd - C. Higgins and 3rd - M. O'Gorman.

#### **Guest Speaker**

Ms. Caroline Lane, C.D.A. attended our April meeting. She gave a very interesting talk on what the I.C.A. means to her.

#### **Federation Meeting**

The Kildare Federation Meeting was held in Rathmore Hall on Thursday, 24th March. Mrs. Nellie Dillon, President of Kildare Federation, advised the ladies of the benefits of breast screening in the fight against breast cancer. Nellie said the I.C.A. would be campaigning for improved screening facilities. Some members of the I.C.A. will be running in the minimarathon in June to raise money for breast screen facilities.

The Federation AGM will be held on the 26th of May in Sallins at  $8\ p.m.$ 

#### Next Meeting

Our AGM will be on Thursday, 5th May, at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall. We look forward to a large attendance at this meeting.

Connie Harpur, PRO.



## MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 1994

## **Provisional Programme**

## FRIDAY 10TH JUNE

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## **SATURDAY 11TH JUNE**

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## SUNDAY 12TH JUNE FIELD DAY

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#### **MONDAY 13TH JUNE**

Mr. & Mrs. Competition - Prizes

## **TUESDAY 14TH JUNE**

Car Trials
Old People's Committee Cabaret
Al Brady's Guinness Music Night

## **WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE**

Guinness Table Quiz Prize Money - £175

## THURSDAY 16TH JUNE

Irish Dancing Accordian Band Folk Dancing Set Dancing

## FRIDAY 17TH JUNE

Guinness - Bachelor of the Year G.A.A

## **SATURDAY 18TH JUNE**

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Fire Brigade Display

Guinness - Karaoke

## SUNDAY 19TH JUNE

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## MAYNOOTH ANNUAL SHOW

This year the 23rd Maynooth Annual Show will take place in the Maynooth Post Primary School on 15th-16th July. The show is run under the auspices of Maynooth I.C.A.

This show offers the people of the locality the opportunity to display their talents in such areas as - flower arranging, arts and crafts, fruit, flower and vegetable growing, home baking and photography. There is a garden competition for gardens within a four mile radius of Maynooth. The teenagers and children are not forgotten either, with many classes to cater for their various talents.

Each year we depend to a great extent on local people and business for their support, through either class sponsorship or donations without this financial support the show could not take place.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have contributed so generously to Maynooth Show in the past and we appeal to you for your support again this year.

Anyone who would like further information should contact me at 6286787. Next month's **Newsletter** will have details of where and when Show Schedules will be available.

Connie Harpur Show Secretary

## MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The Postponed Annual 156th General Meeting of the Society was held at the Registered Office on Sunday 6th March, 1994. There was a small attendance of members due to the inclement weather.

Mr. Owen Byrne presided, Mr. Paddy Nolan read the balance sheet as prepared by Frank Donnelly F.C.A. Hon. Auditor, and this showed that the society was still in a strong financial position. The Balance Sheet was unanimously adopted.

Get well wishes were extended to our Chairman, G. McTiernan and Kevin Murphy, Assistant Secretary, who unfortunately were in hospital at the time of our A.G.M.

The following committee were elected:

President: Jim Nolan
Vice President: Phil Brady
Chairman: G. McTiernan
Vice Chairman: Owen Byrne
Secretary: P. Nolan
Assistant Secretary: Kevin Murphy

Joint Treasurers: Leo Bean, Jim Brady
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Committee: L.O' Brien; Tom Flanagan; Sean Fay & P. Malone; Jimmy Mee; Mrs. K. Reilly; Tom Malone (Leixlip); Robby Savage (Leixlip); Terry Byrne (Kilcock)

A vote of Thanks was extended to the following for voluntary services to the society during the year:

John Saults, Gerry Brady, M.C.C., Damien Maguire (Solicitor),

Mrs. Bernie Hatton, Patricia Nyland, Mrs. Kathleen O'Neill. Maynooth Newsletter, Ian Stuart (Leinster Leader), Phil Brady, Sean Reilly (Undertaker).

A special word of thanks to the Editorial staff of the Maynooth Newsletter.

Reilly's Undertakers were retained as undertakers to the Society for the coming year.

P. Nolan, Secretary.



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# MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Sunday, April 10th, saw us through another successful Easter Party, which we held in S.V.D. House. I take this opportunity to thank Fr. Phelim Jordan for his hospitality in this regard and Fr. O'Driscoll who saved the day by coming to celebrate our Mass at such short notice.

Our guests for the evening were a group of friends from Leixlip "Golden Years Club" who brought along their usual array of talent.

We held a raffle on the day, the proceeds of which go to Maynooth Post Primary school, the first prize of a £100 ticket for the school draw, was won by Kevin McGovern. The second prize of a bottle of whiskey was won by Peggy Edwards, who seems to be on a winning streak at the moment and Aileen Dunne won the third prize of a bottle of sherry.

The main event of the evening was our Easter Bonnet competition. Well done to all who took part and went to so much trouble to enter into the spirit of Easter. Congratulations to all the winners in both the competition and the raffle and indeed the various spot prizes won throughout the evening. A special word of thanks to Karen from the Newsletter office who did an excellent job in judging the Bonnets and to Harry who took the photographs.

Our next party will take place on Sunday May 15th in the Post Primary School at 3.30p.m. The Tony Smith memorial walk will also take place on that day, starting at the Post Primary school at 3p.m. This event is organised by the local branch of the Labour Party, the proceeds of which go into the coffers of our fuel and social fund.

Finally, our annual outing this year will be on Saturday June 11th so shake the moth balls out of the summer gear! Who knows? We might even get a fine day!!!

#### Apology

Due to a typographical error arising during the production of the April **Maynooth Newsletter**, some names were omitted from the report on the Maynooth Old People's Committee. We apologise to all concerned.

The complete list of names is as follows:

The elections then took place and the outgoing officers were returned unopposed. The committee for the coming year is as follows; Josephine Moore (Chairperson), Brigid Tierney (Vice Chairperson), Patsy O'Rafferty (Secretary), Joan

Lennon (Assistant Secretary), Catherine Mulready (Treasurer), Patricia Cusker (Assistant Treasurer), Lynne Whittaker, Marie O'Toole, Lily O'Riordan, Pat Nolan, Betty Moore, Kathleen McAtamney, Georgina Mulready, Ita Loughnane, Aileen Dunne, Helen Doyle, Imelda Delaney and Agnes Boyd".



Three lovely lassies enjoying the Easter Party

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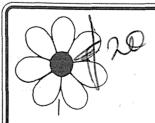
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## MAYNOOTH PARISH HALL

The last edition of Newsletter carried a 'Letter to Editor' which was scathingly critical of the manner of up-keep of the Parish Hall. It could even be suggested that this letter was insulting to the Parish Hall Committee comprised of Fr. Supple, Peter Finnan and Pat Travers. In conjunction with one of the offended parties namely Peter Finnan, this article seeks to provide some insight into the role and usage of the Hall.

The Parish hall was built in the 60's as an amenity for the people of Maynooth. It is situated on the Moyglare Rd., adjacent to the Boys National School. Initially it was used for dances and discos for the youth. This ceased when attendances dwindled away. More recently it has been the venue for Plays and Dramatic Society events which have always been well attended.

At present it is home to many clubs such as Gymnastics on Mondays. The I.C.A. ladies meet there on Tuesday at 10.30a.m. The same day there are Junior Badminton between 2-4p.m. and Senior Badminton between 7.30p.m. and 11 p.m. Wednesday is Bingo night. On Thursday there is the I.C.A. Ladies in the morning while in the evening Senior Badminton holds court. On Friday evening there is Tae Kwon Do, while on Saturday morning there is Speech and Drama, followed by Junior Badminton in the evening Sundays are mostly free except for the occasional Cake Sale, Trade Fair or Parish

As stated above the Hall is run by a Committee and Peter Finnan is acknowledged as it's main caretaker. He has been looking after the Hall for about thirteen years, free of charge, to keep the premises usable by clubs and the wider community. So it is not surprising that he was disappointed and upset at the aforementioned letter.

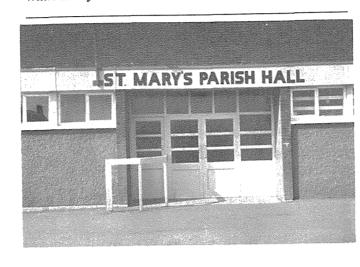
Speaking to the Newsletter he said, "They have opened a can of worms and I intend to put the lid on it". He added, "Of late the Hall has been abused by people to the extent of milk cartons, mineral bottles and Tayto bags being thrown about". He also sees footprints on sinks where youngsters stand up to look out the windows. Peter doesn't want to spoil childrens enjoyment but he feels that they should be better supervised. He continued, "Some people leave hundreds of cigarette butts on the stage and leave footprints on chairs that people have to sit on". He admitted that he had been wondering how this matter could be sorted out.

Peter feels particularly annoyed with these things and suggested that if the complainant had approached any member of the committee their problems could have been aired. Due to his commitment he deserved, at least this much. He said, "I honestly put around twenty hours a week into the Hall, that might not be necessary if people left it as they got it".

According to Peter outgoings of the Hall far exceed its income. Insurance alone costs £1,150 while heating works out at around £800 per annum. Looking ahead he said, "what I'd like to see in the Hall are the facilities for a public bar and some big events being held which might provide an income of around £4,000; then we could be talking about employing a caretaker". As it stands at present anyone wanting to run a big function would want to get a temporary bar licence, provided the Parish Hall Committee is satisfied with the arrangements. In 1995 he feels the committee may consider drawing up a code of practice for clubs using the Hall. As well as doing light repairs and maintenance Peter also helps out new clubs, which would be taking up the Hall on special days.

There is no doubt Peter and his fellow committee members deserve the full appreciation of our community for their loyal and quiet service. Like so many other low profile community activists they get little thanks. Certainly, our town would not he the same without them.

Willie Healy.





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There have been some new exciting and enlightening additions to the bookstock. In the non fiction area, the following titles are available:

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Charles Higham - Audrey (Hepburn)

W. H. Bates - Better Eyesight Without Glasses

Dr. David Haslam - Travelling with Children

N. H. Leland - Lets Go London 1994

D. Watts - Times Guide to Japan

D. Hutton - Vogue Futures

D. Emery (ed) - Bobby Moore

A. Sebba - Laura Ashley: A Life by Design

P. Westcott - Alternative Health Care for Women

S. Litvinoff &

M. Velmans - Working Mother

E. Kubler-Ross - Aids: the Ultimate Challenge

B. Kennelly - Breathing Spaces

L. A. Jones - Naomi

H. Palmer - The Enneagram

G. Sheehy - The Silent Passage

Some very comprehensive files on various subjects have been compiled and are available for reference. Subjects covered include countries - such as Japan, India, Great Britain among others - drugs information, careers and health are also included.

An anthology of writing from the participants in the series of Writers Workshops held in the library will soon be available - credit is due to Sheila O'Hagan, who led the group and provided constructive criticism and encouragement.

The BLACK Tulips will bloom in May - the first session is scheduled for Tuesday 3rd May - at 3.30 p.m. in the library.

Avril O'Gorman, who recently exhibited some fine examples of lace and crochet work, and whose display of doll's house furniture is currently on display, has kindly agreed to give a demonstration on how to make these delightful pieces, sometime during the summer. We would appreciate if people could donate empty matchboxes, scraps of material etc. for this demonstration.

Anyone interested in a further series of writers workshops, please leave your name and number, as a new series will be organised if the interest is there.

Margaret Walshe Gannon

## ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP MAYNOOTH BRANCH

#### **Maynooth Fair**

The Maynooth Fair which took place on Sunday 17th April 1994 was a great success. Members of the public were able to avail of all the services provided and visit the many sale stands. The good weather was a considerable bonus and brought the people out. The committee would like to thank all those who helped to organise the event, all who took part, and Rev. Fr. Supple and the hall committee for the use of the parish hall. The proceeds will of course be put to good use in the continued restoration of this wonderful amenity. Anyone who has not visited the harbour recently should do so to see the fine improvements which have been carried out. I am confident that anyone who does will notice the changes which have taken place.

#### Water Levels

Water levels have now returned to near normal with the completion of work on a land sluice at the tenth lock in Leixlip. The committee once again apologises to the Angling fraternity and canoe enthusiasts for any inconvenience caused during this work. The work was carried out by the Office of Public Works (waterways section) with all haste and in their usual highly efficient manner to ensure minimal disruption.

## Works Up-Date

Work is continuing at a steady pace with the wall on the Fire Station side of the Harbour completed. The huge unsightly bank which separated the Harbour from the Harbour field has been removed and landscaping will ensue in this area. This bank was a source of danger for children playing in the area. The Foreman has asked us to appeal to anyone who may be renovating or demolishing old buildings or walls to let us know as building stone is urgently required for the continuing building in the Harbour. Anyone who has stone/rubble to offer, can contact the undersigned at 01/6286372. On the subject of the work, the Foreman also tells us that there are a number of vacancies for workers. Anyone wishing to start on the scheme can contact the Foreman at the Harbour.

### **Angling Club**

A new Angling Club has been set up in association with the Royal Canal Amenity Group and interested persons can contact any committee member.

## Committee

Your Royal Canal Amenity Committee appeals to any interested parties who wish to join the Committee, to contact the undersigned at the above telephone number. In recent times committee numbers have dwindled due to circumstances beyond our control. Some members have moved from the area and other members were forced to retire due to pressure of other commitments. This wonderful amenity is there for the people of Maynooth and should be preserved and refurbished. If you have a couple of hours a month on your hands and are interested, then why not join us.

## Clubs, Organisations, Societies

#### **Steam Train**

We are delighted to confirm that the Steam Train, which has proved so popular in the last couple of years, will run again this year. Keep an eye on this column for further details.

Gerry Fitzpatrick P.R.O.



Sitting on the wall they built at the canal, scheme workers with Supervisor Kevin Breslin, looking quite happy

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## MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

At time of reading, our entry for the 1994 Bord Failte Tidy Towns Competition will have been sent by our secretary Katherine Cafferty.

Katherine would like to hear from you, please write to Katherine c/o Maynooth Community Council office. We also need more helpers for an hour or two to complement the excellent work being done by the S.E.S. team. Our thanks to those who visited our stand at The Royal Canal Trade Fair in the Parish Hall on the 17th April.

May we also thank Bob Reilly our Chairman for putting together the video on Maynooth.

- •Ultravision Ltd., Maynooth Shopping Centre for lending us
- •Ray O'Connor Midland East Tourism for Bord Failte video.
- •E.N.F.O. For all the environmental literature and posters,

Until next month,

Please make an effort to keep Maynooth tidy.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION OF PRESENTATION PRIMARY **SCHOOL**

The table quiz which was held on April the 14th in the G.A.A. Hall was a resounding success. Thirty tables of four took part in the quiz. Seamus Kelly had set very original questions on a great variety of subjects and led the evening in a professional manner. There was a lovely atmosphere and a most enjoyable night for all present.

We want to thank everybody who has supported this event which will enable the school to sponsor two girls for the Irish College in August.

The following businesses donated prizes for the raffle for which we are very grateful:

Newtown Stores, Tinkerbells, Helen's Hair Affair, Maynooth Book Shop, The Mill Wine Cellar, Maxol Garage Greenfield, Carton Estate, Maynooth Photo Centre, Leixlip D.I.Y.

Also thanks to the G.A.A. for providing the premises on the evening.

## Residents' Association

## GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our re-convened A.G.M. resulted in the following Commit-

tee being elected:

Chairman: Mattie Callaghan Secretary: Ann Connellan Treasurer: Mary Farrell P.R.O.: Richard Farrell

#### **Roads Representatives**

Lawrence Avenue: Michael Quinn, Pat McManus Maynooth Park: Noel Lysaght, Dermot Nangle Greenfield Drive: John McGinley, Richard Farrell Straffan Way: Michael Quinn, Marie Gleeson, Orla Keane.

#### **Future Policy**

The following items will be addressed by the Association during the next year:

- Grass Cutting
- 2. The quality of lighting
- 3. State of footpaths
- 4. Speeding
- 5. Straffan Road, Link road
- 6. Social Functions
- 7. Subscriptions/Fund Raising

If anyone wishes to have any item discussed by the committee please write to our secretary, Ann Connellan, 20 Straffan Way.

Finally, our collectors are presently collecting the annual subscription that goes towards the upkeep of the estate, grass cutting, insurance, care of equipment.

## St. Patricks' Day

The R.A. greatly apreciate the kind words from the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee regarding the help and cooperation of the residents of our estate on St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

## RAILPARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NOTES

The attendance at Railpark Residents' Association Annual General Meeting on 24th March was the largest in recent years, with standing room only. Nevertheless, everyone participated in the discussion and a number of issues were raised which will be passed on to the appropriate authorities for urgent action.

Chairperson Frank McCarrick welcomed residents, and reviewed progress since the last AGM. The main function of the Association is to keep the grass on the public greens cut, and to organise the annual clean up day and the Mid-Summer Barbecue. It has proved difficult to collect subscriptions from the occupants or owners of rented houses, and this reduces the amount of funds available to do anything other than

pay the contractor for grass cutting, and for hire of a skip on clean up day. The fee will remain at £12 for this year, however efforts will be made to encourage absentee landlords and amnesiac residents to pay up.

As some activities are taking place on the other side of the Atlantic around the usual time for the Mid-Summer barbecue, and certain key barbecuers will be attending these events, the Clean Up Day and Mid-Summer Barbecue will take place earlier than usual - on Saturday 11th June this year. All residents are welcome to attend this very popular occasion. No entry fee, just bring your own T-Bone steaks and sausages.

Among the concerns expressed at the meeting were the slow progress in upgrading the Straffan Road. As tenders had not even been advertised at the time of writing it looks like chaos will be the order of the day when the Motorway opens for business. Eddie Tobin and Proinnsias Breathnach represent Railpark on the Straffan Road Committee which is monitoring developments. Some information has been received from the engineer - contact Frank McCarrick for further details.

The appalling state of the footpaths was once again condemned - it's only a matter of time before someone breaks their neck. The bus stop on the Celbridge Road has still to find a permanent home. At the moment it is planted in the middle of the green area, which is now a quagmire. Efforts will be made to persuade Dublin Bus to move this stop closer to Rockfield, and to have a proper shelter and waiting area constructed.

Last year's officers were returned unopposed, though all offered to allow anyone else the opportunity to step in. Frank McCarrick continues in his role as Chairperson, Kay MacKeogh is still secretary, and Eamonn MacKeogh makes sure the accounts don't dip into the red. Committee members elected unopposed and unanimously include Tom Killeen, Mick Higgins, Aine Hearns Kennedy, Brid Keenan, Mercedes O'Rourke, Eddie Tobin, and Finola McManus. Residents can expect a visit from committee members in the near future.





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## Tea Break Quickie



#### **Clues Across:**

- 1. Plenty at the religious gathering. (4)
- 5. An extra amount. (4)
- 7. 10 South East could be stretched. (5)
- 8. A much mixed up friend. (4)
- 10. Haul, Carry. (4)
- 13. The favourite in the class. (3)
- 15. This snake could be good at totting up. (5)
- 16. Make or become rotten or muddled. (5)
- 17. Sphere. (3)
- 19. A place to sell livestock. (4)
- 22. Victim. (4)
- 24. Queen towards stern of Ship, was not before. (5)
- 25. This is tied when you get wed. (4)
- 26. Throw up in the air. (4)

## Clues Down:

- 2. Round shaped entrance. (4)
- 3. Stalk. (4)
- 4. Earns to catch. (5)
- 5. Flesh of animal for eating. (4)
- 6. Source, origin. (4)
- 8. Last month mixed up could delight you. (5)
- 9. Below. (5)
- 11. Book in advance. (5)
- 12. Always yes for each and all. (5)
- 13. A short sized professional. (3)
- 14. Label. (3)
- 18. Rebellious Battles. (5)
- 20. Name turned into the end of a prayer.(4)
- 21. Donning the hat after tea could give you the particular thing meant.(4)
- 22. Trap turned to give a portion. (4)
- 23. The tide does this. (4)

## **Features**

## ALTERNATIVE HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH

1538 - 1792 Nothing happens

- 1792 Wolfe Tone founds Fianna Fail
- 1793 Fianna Fail founds Wolfe Tones, Country and Western Music, Joe Dolan, P.J. Mara, beer-bellies and political U Turns. God plays a significant role in all of this for these are creatures beyond the abilities of men to create or understand.
- F.G. and the Ulster Unionist party formed . . . . . simply to begrudge F.F.
- Maynooth College opens. There is absolutely no, we repeat, absolutely **no** connection between this and the events of 1792-4.
- 1796 Chocolate marsh-mallows; Coke, Fanta, blackshoes and umbrellas invented. The Roost builds first snug in Ireland.
- Rebellion strikes Ireland. The sword of liberty flowers brightly. Pitched battles, heroism manoeuvres and slaughter abound. In an impressive display of collective intelligence the peasants of Maynooth take to the hills and hide. Many shelter in the pot-holes of the Celbridge Road, their little faces looking up from the dismal depths within promoting a world-wide response of pity and a Bennetton advertising campaign.
- Famine strikes Maynooth in its non grip as a barge full of Guinness sinks on the canal. Willie Healy takes to writing poetry.
- 1848 Rebellion sweeps through Europe. Everywhere the fires of liberty blaze. All Ireland is aflame with the words of Mitchell, Davis, Davitt. In an impressive display of collective intelligence the peasants of Maynooth (cf 1798).

The Chairman of Maynooth Community Council writes to Lord John Russell about the question of Town Commission Status for Maynooth, litter bins for the town centre and the status of the Thing. Unfortunately in those more humane times he is (sigh) merely deported to a life of slave labour in the colonies.

In a rare moment of political lucidity England offers Ireland independence. Fianna Fail, however, oppose this vehemently demanding that divorce, abortion information and equality legislation be included in the package. The leader also criticises the concept of irredentist nationalism and the increasingly exploitative attitude towards Britain and Europe, calling for self-reliance and national responsibility. Puzzled by these big words the grass-roots vote overwhelmingly to retain the union. Later it is discovered that a pooka called



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Dessie had spirited away the leader of the party, replacing it with a changeling infected by post-modernist attitudes to out-dated beliefs and value systems. After a harrowing exorcism from which the concepts of the Ard-fheis and policy documents are born the old leader is restored and things return to normal as such.

1798 French troops land in Killala. Fianna Fail, Fianna Gael, Labour and the PDs criticise the level of European aid. The Europeans promise to review the situation and in 1916 further supplies are sent by Germany.

1890-1910 The rise of the Gaelic League, the poetry and literature of Yeats, Synge, etc. etc., sees Ireland in the grip of a cultural renewal from which we have fortunately escaped. With the devious cunning of a people long oppressed Maynooth evades this and provides the Irish representatives for the European Song Contest for 20 years running. Other cultural activities in this time of national renewal include the devising of all RTE comedy to 1994. This writer is puzzled that these cultural triumph have been forgotten though local lore suggests The Thing in the Square may have been built to celebrate the brilliance of these anonymous artistes. It is indeed an apt memorial.

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## **BIG QUEUES FOR J1 VISAS**

Five hundred extra J1 Working Visas for America went on offer on Wednesday 6th April. This caused chaos all over Ireland, with supply and demand being the obvious difficulty. Maynooth was no exception to this with people queuing outside Travel Options from Tuesday night equipped with their flasks and blankets. I don't know whether you remember Tuesday 5th ...... what was it they said? "It was the coldest Easter in living memory!"

A lot of students came out from Dublin as queues in the city had become unbearably long. Around 50 students braved the icy night while a further 38 arrived the next morning bright and early. I spoke to some of these night owls with their icy complexions and sunken eyes who seemed to have kept up their spirits as they were joking away.

When the doors finally opened on Wednesday morning, there were chants and cheers from the crowd according to Michele Dempsey, Manager of Travel Options. She said they were not expecting as many in the queue and got quite a shock. The number of visas allocated to different offices was undefined. However they managed to secure 48 on the day, with the final 40 pending until the following Friday.

So 40 students were left waiting tentatively for that phone call from USIT'S head office on Aston Quay. That very word came through on Friday evening with good news for those 40 students confirming their visas allowing them to set sail for America in Summer '94.

I'm sure I'd be safe in saying a very "warm" thank you to Travel Options for their efficiency from all the students concerned.



Still smiling after a long night, students queuing at Travel Options in Maynooth for J1 visas



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People may think we don't get many entries for children's competitions in our Newsletter...., Not so folks!!

One family who continually send entries in for our colouring competition is the McGovern family from 820 Old Greenfield.

It came to our attention recently that it's not just our competition they enter when We saw Stacey McGovern's name in the Liffey Champion for winning a colouring competition therein.

Stacey and her sisters Karina, Michelle, Debbie and Regina all enjoy colouring but Stacey was the lucky winner this time. Their contributions are much appreciated by the Newsletter team and we wish them every success in future competitions.

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## EYE HEAR

## Maynooth a Cycling Disaster Zone

With the advent of spring there has been an upsurge in physical activity by our residents; from walking to running or cycling. Many locals walk the canal banks which is an excellent amenity to the area. However there is a dark cloud hanging over our town and that is the dangerous conditions of the roads for cycling. Road edging and hard shoulders around Maynooth are very poor with everything from rough surfacing to pot holes. We can only live in hope that no one will be seriously injured as a result. This traditional healthy and environmentally friendly mode of transport should be encouraged.

## GLÓR NA nGAEL

#### Maigh Nuad

D'irigh thar bharr le Limeachtaí Lá Fhéile Phádraig agus is mian leis an choiste a mbuíochas a ghabháil chuig gach éinne a bhí páirteach sa lá mór Gaelach seo. Comhghairdeachas chuig Comhairle Phobail Maigh Nuad dá bharr an paráid mór, don Chumann Lúthchleas Gael dá bharr na cluichí iontach agus do Cumann Uí Ghranhnaigh dá bharr an oíche ceol breá in áras an Chumann Lútchleas Gael. Tá daoine fós ag caint faoi an taitneamh a bhaineadar as an tAifreann Gaeilge a bhí a cheillúradh ag an tAth. Cogan.

Tá sraith ranganna nua beartaithe againn do mhí Aibreáin agus Bealtaine, is iad seo a leanas sonraí an úr-chúrsa.

The Maynooth choiste of Glór na nGael wish to thank all who helped in making 'Lá Fhéile Pádraig' a memorable day in Maynooth. To Fr. B. Supple and Fr. B. Cogan, for the celebration of Mass 'as Gaeilge' on the feast day of our national Patron Saint.

Congratulations to Maynooth Community Council for a splendid parade, to Maynooth G.A.A., for providing great sporting entertainment during the afternoon and to 'Maynooth Traditional Music Society', St. Patrick's College for providing a great evening of traditional music in the G.A.A. social centre.

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## **MARKING BABY'S GRAVE**

I am writing this month to let readers know about the responses there have been to what I wrote last month about the baby that was buried in Laraghbryan on 10th March. There have been three separate responses that I know of, two from groups and one from an individual reader, all wanting to ensure that the baby's grave is not neglected or forgotten. I have played my part by sharing with each one all the information I have. And these notes will keep readers in general informed.

## **Groups and Individuals**

One woman has offered to contribute a specific amount of money towards a marker for the baby's grave. Garda Martin Keane, who is involved with the No Name Club, has the initial marking in hand and the members of Maynooth Mortality Society have offered to help with the cost of the final

## A Blending of Young and Old

I am struck by a certain representative quality in these responses. They combine younger and more senior groups: the No Name Club not only consisting of young people but also being one of the newest groups to be formed in the community; and the Mortality Society being one of the oldest; and these are accompanied by a woman's response.

#### The Official Yields to the Informal

The task of seeing to the burial fell to the gardai, as readers already know, and to Sergeant Joe Canny in particular, supported by his team. Now that the formal requirements have been seen to, Garda Martin Keane and some of his colleagues are keen to follow through.

#### A Cross Bearing an Inscription

Garda Keane has arranged with Walsh Monumental Works to have a simple wooden cross placed at the head of the grave. They had to decide how to inscribe it, and, remembering that the baby's body was found in February, it was suggested that Brigid or Bridget might serve for a name for now, accompanied by the date and place of finding.

### A More Permanent Marker

When this first marker is in place, Garda Keane and some of his colleagues from the Station will spread some topsoil on the grave and level the surface and leave it looking well. The idea is that later, say in about a year's time, a more permanent outline might be added, along with some marble chips and an inscribed plaque.

#### Standing In for the Family

My impression of people's reasons for wanting to mark the grave clearly - and these may be shared by readers - is the thought that some day, the people to whom this baby belongs - and especially her mother - may want to know where her body was laid. At the same time, it is important not to put our stamp too strongly on whatever is used to mark her grave, because in other circumstances, the choosing would be rightly theirs and not ours.

## **Keeping Readers Informed**

I will continue to report on progress and circulate information until this matter of marking the baby's grave is taken care of. This is my contribution to the community's reaction, channelled mainly through the responses described above.

Emer McDermott

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## MAYNOOTH STUDENT HAS HISTORIC VICTORY

Ronan Barry, an inhabitant of Maynooth and a student in St. Patrick's College, recently was elected as Student Union Vice-President by the student body. This was an historic victory for Ronan as it was the first time ever that a candidate got in on the first count exceeding the quota by a big margin. It also was historical in that he is the first local student to be elected to a sabbatical position.

Ronan is the youngest son of James and Anna Barry who formerly had a newsagents on Maynooth's Main Street for many years, the Barry name being held onto by the new owners as it had become such a landmark in the town.

I asked Ronan some questions about his feelings on taking up this post which will commence on July 1st.

- **Q:** How do you feel about getting in on the first count and what do you think contributed to this?
- A: I felt great. I was involved in student groups who raised monies for charities and in other clubs and societies in the college and therefore my profile was very strong. One big factor which I feel contributed to my suitability for the position was that I was the first Student Union treasurer in four years to balance the accounts (..... shop work could be a major factor ...... blame it on the Father!!).
- **Q**: Being a local and a student, do you feel students conduct themselves in an orderly manner in Maynooth?
- **A:** The vast majority of students do, but within any community of people there will be problems.
- **Q**: What approach would you take to break down barriers between residents and students in Maynooth?
- A: By integrating clubs and societies in the college into activities of the Community e.g. Guides and Scouts, Environmental Groups linked to the Tidy Towns Committee, and for Friends of the Travellers to work with people interested in developing skills towards a more progressive way of working with travellers in our community. Also, by being a representative on Maynooth's Community Council I feel that progress can be made. I would also gladly accept invitations from residents' associations for student involvement.
- **Q**: What issues do you feel are top priority to be dealt with in your Students' Union.
- A: In my manifesto I have stated that there are many important issues for students to be dealt with. I believe that the aims I stand for are practical and not pie in the sky. The main issues I will be dealing with are:
- a) Welfare of Students regarding accommodation problems, delays in grants, ensuring better health facilities and bringing up the issue of student dole for holiday periods with an aim to reviewing it.
- b) Education: To continue improvements for all students regarding second-hand bookshop, appeal system, study groups, liaison with faculties etc.

- c) Rights:- Introduction of Equality/Rights officer to ensure fair dealing with all minority groups in the college. To move towards improving lighting on and off the campus. To revitalise S.C.A.R.E.D. which is a group who escort girls home from the Union. This, I feel, is very important as many girls have been attacked in the past.
- d) Jobs:- Helping students find work to help meet their college costs.
- e) Under Union, Clubs and Societies, my main aim would be the training of all representatives to ensure better operation.
- **Q:** Would you be interested in pursuing a career in politics?
- **A:** No. The area I would like to get into is Youth and Community development work.

Ronan certainly has his work cut out for him next year but from speaking to him I'm sure, with his motivation, he will aim to do all he possibly can to improve student life.

John McLoughlin



Ronan Barry,
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## Leonard Murphy

Leonard Murphy, commonly known as Lenny, is a true blue Maynooth man. He is sub-station officer of the Local Fire Brigade and is one of the main driving forces behind Maynooth Town A.F.C. He was born on 1st march 1943 and was reared at Lough House in Laraghbryan. His father Joe was from Maynooth and his mother came from Enfield.

Lenny's education began in the Convent School before going to the B.N.S. After leaving Primary School Lenny worked in jobs for short periods here and there. At that time there was no shortage of work. He became an Apprentice Barman in Kiely's of Donnybrook. Among his clientele were writers Myles Na Gopaleen and Patrick Kayanagh.

Around this time in 1964 Lenny married his wife Lilly, a native of Carlow in Donnybrook Church. They have a family of six, including, Anita, Fiona, twins Leonard and Orla, Eilizabeth, Michael and two grand children Daryl and Lauren.

In 1965, Lenny and Lilly returned to Maynooth and he began working in the old Corner House (now the Roost). He later worked in the Leaf Chewing Gum Factory in Kilcock before being made redundant in 1978.

#### Joined Fire Service

Lenny became a part-time fireman in 1979 where he had the unusual distinction of working alongside his father Joseph for six years. Joseph retired aged 64 after giving twenty seven years to the Maynooth Fire Service. In those days firemen were summoned by a siren placed on the top of a pole. There were also bells in houses before the present bleeper system was initiated. As a fireman he always remembers the tragic events, but there were also good days when they performed their job well minimising damage, helping to save lives or rescuing people from traffic accidents. Ever involved in the development of Maynooth Fire Service, Lenny attained a certificate in Fire Engineering. This was a mammoth achievement considering that a lot of aspects of this course were not part of his former education; such as science, mechanics and hydraulics. He had to study very hard.

He is now sub-station officer, which involved taking charge of certain situations, making initial decisions as to how incidents may be handled. To him the Fire Brigade means being involved in a local service where at times he has to deal with some very dangerous situations.

## **Worrying Times**

Presently in Maynooth, all the Fire Officers are married men. When they get a call-out during the day or night their families also experience and share in their worries for their safety and well being while performing their duties.

#### Love of Soccer

Lenny had a great love of soccer; while he is also a fan of the native game of Hurling. In the late late 1950's he was involved in the formation of a soccer club in Maynooth which was based at the rear of what is now Leinster Park. He had the pleasure as a minor of playing against Shelbourne Minor Tony Dunne who later won a European Cup Medal with Manchester Utd. in 1968 and was capped by Republic of Ireland. Lenny regrets that he didn't reach these dizzy heights, but feels that if he had, he might have missed out on so many happy memories that he has experienced. He played at Junior Level with a number of clubs such as Beechill Utd; where he played at right half back.

He received a bad shoulder injury which curtailed his involvement in football at a serious level. To keep in touch with the game he sat for the Referees Exam in Dublin which he passed. He retired from refereeing league matches in 1990 as this post prevented him from being a member of a club. He had earlier become involved in coaching the School Boys team in 1982. He later became involved with the Senior team and is now club PRO.

#### 25th Anniversary

This year along with his colleagues he will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the club as it is presently constituted. Their target is to own their own grounds eventually, if land becomes available at the right price. Every day of his week is taken up by some aspect of the game. (For a number of years he was chairman of the North Kildare Guinness Darts League). Manchester Utd. is his favourite team and he generally makes a point of travelling to Old Trafford at least once a year.

## **World Cup**

He feels that if we qualify for the play-off stages of the World Cup, it will be a great achievement as many of our players are nearing the end of their international careers. He expects that the hype and glamour created by the Americans will uplift and boost his beloved sport.

#### **Musical Interests**

Lenny played the Clarinet with the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band from his 'teens to his early twenties. He enjoys military music and light opera of the Gilbert and Sullivan mould.

## **Early Memories**

Nowadays the students of the College mix freely with local people. Lenny remembers a time when students were taken out for supervised walks by clerical staff. He also recalls that Ordination Day was a big event in Maynooth, when young and old gathered at the 'College Gates' to get a blessing from the newly ordained priests.

His philosophy in life is that if you make a decision, stick to it. He finds it easier to say why he did something than to explain why he didn't.

His community spiritedness stems from the influence of his late father, Joseph, who was a great friend and adviser to him. He derives a soft spot for the Royal County from his mother. He is a committed local man who does Maynooth proud.

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### Conascadh Náisiúnta Na nOg

### **Variety Show Finals 1994**

The National Youth Federation Variety Show Final '94 was held in the Aula Maxima, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Co. Kildare on February the 26th.

I'll give everyone the benefit of the doubt for knowing where Kildare is, where Maynooth is and where St. Patrick's College and the Aula Maxima is . . . I will explain what the National Youth Federation is.

The National Youth Federation is the co-ordinating and representative body for independent voluntary local youth services in Ireland. It is Ireland's largest youth work organisation.

**Their Vision:** "Local Communities throughout Ireland promoting the personal development and social education of young adults by providing them with opportunities for full and active participation in the life of the locality." (Sounds like a would-be FAS scheme!)"

Their Mission: "To promote Comprehensive Community-based youth services throughout the country to support their member youth services in developing youth work practice, by, with and for young people and to provide a focus for the work".

So with all this in mind I stroll into the Aula Maxima on Saturday the 26th of February . . . the air is electric. Youth leaders, stage hands, officials, the paparazzi and of course the participants, their handlers and their fans have all descended on Maynooth in what portends to a tremendous night.

Most of these clubs have fought from local level, to regional level and through the National level for a place in this final.

Youth Clubs from Limerick, Donegal, Wexford, Kerry, Louth and Clare are represented (not a Kildare **being** in sight save for ghosts of glories unconnected with the N.Y.F. held in times past in the Aula).

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**Drama:** The award for Drama (and this group also won the award for Best Original item) went to Torc Youth Club, Kerry, their piece on Aids was rightly recognised.

Dance: "Northside Link Limerick for Mr Vain".

**Duais Na Gaeilge:** (Bronnta ag Bord Na Gaeilge) was won by Aine Cronin from Moyrane Youth Club in Kerry for two beautiful songs as Gaeilge.

Solo Instrumental: There was a flautist from Ferns Youth Club - she won the solo instrumental and Ferns also won the Group Instrumental (Talented lot these Ferns ones!)

Solo Singing: Caherdavin Youth Club, Limerick.

**Group Singing:** The award here went to Ballyduff Youth Club, Kerry.

Michaél O'Muireathuirtigh presented the prizes. There were loud cheers of joy (what am I saying?) they cracked what was left of the walls as each group realised that their club had won a particular category, the joy of collecting your prize in front of your friends on the stage of the Aula Maxima is a rare and splendid thing.

....[All along I kept thinking is there one of these organisations in Kildare? surely with the huge population of young people in Maynooth . . . surely there must be?]

I asked one of the organisers about the National Youth Federation and these are some of the things I found out.

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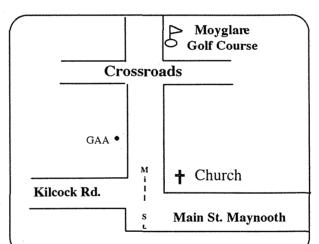
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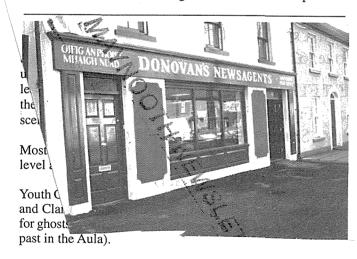
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# NEW LOCATION FOR MAYNOOTH POST OFFICE

Maynooth Post office moved to its new premises on Monday 28th March. Situated at the rear of Donovan's Newsagents also newly opened on the same date. The post office has more space and a better set up for the postmen. After 8 years in the shopping centre, the post office has returned to the Main Street and the Postmaster, Eugene Donovan, feels that the new premises is a step up in the right direction. There is more secure parking for vans out the back and room for development as the town grows.

Moving to the Main Street will show a loss in some areas and a gain in others. Whereas people from outside Maynooth would have previously used the post office when shopping in the shopping centre, now the locals who did not avail of it will find it a lot more accessible. At one time An Post saw the idea of post offices in shopping centres as a viable option but having done a survey on the local area it was discovered that the present location of the post office was half a mile nearer to the locals and while in keeping with the development of the town it is also in keeping with tradition.

The best of luck to Maynooth Post Office in their new location and also to Donovan's Newsagents on their new enterprise.



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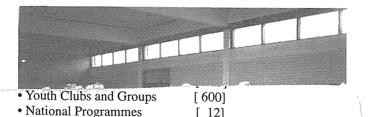
# OLD PEOPLE'S EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

The Divine Word was the location for the Old People's Easter Bonnet Competition. The event started with a mass for the club members and after a leisurely repast the music got under way. The entertainment was provided by Josie Moore and Kevin Mc Govern, who sang some lovely songs while playing the guitar. There appeared to be few contestants for the competition at first but as the music progressed they appeared from every corner of the room. The standard was very high indeed and one must appreciate the hard work these people put into making their bonnets. The thought came to mind that it's a pity the young people don't continue this tradition also as the fun and delight that the older generation get from this occasion cannot go unnoticed.

The competition was judged and prizes awarded for different categories, i.e. most Easterly bonnet, most colour co-ordinated bonnet and even most alluring bonnet.

There were tickets given out for spot prizes and also tickets sold for a raffle for the first prize of a £100 ticket for the Post-Primary School draw where cars, money or even TVs can be won. The winner of this ticket was Kevin Mc Govern and hopefully it will lead to even greater things for him in the big draw.

The evening appeared to be very successful and the committee, who organised this event should be proud of a job well done.

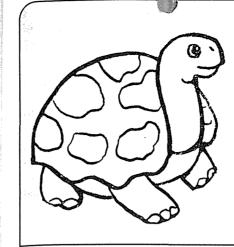


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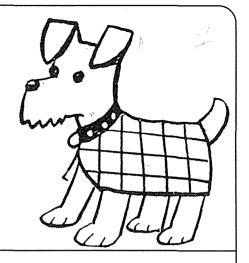
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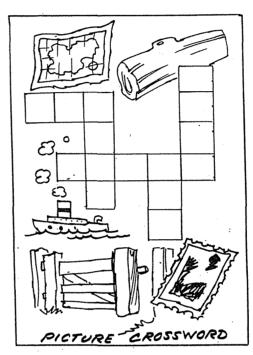
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- 3rd Thomas McGovern 833 Greenfield, Maynooth

# POST PRIMARY SCHOOL MONSTER DRAW

The draw for the 5 day trip for two to the U.S.A. to see Ireland play Norway in the World Cup will be held on Tuesday 10th May 1994 at 9.00 p.m. in the gym of the Post Primary School - (This prize includes flights, hotel accommodation and match tickets).

Only tickets fully paid on or before that night will be eligible for this Early Bird prize and all are welcome to attend. A special appeal is being made to anybody with tickets who wish to be included for this special prize to hand in their ticket and money as soon as possible in order that it can be included.

The other prizes of car, videos, tvs, camcorder and £25,000 in cash will be given away on 30th June and the rest of the prize fund of two cars, videos, t.v., camcorders and approximately £25,000 will be raffled on 30th November next. There is still time to purchase tickets - so get your money and ticket in as soon as possible to ensure you qualify.

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The Parent Teacher Association Committee of Maynooth Post Primary School in session.

# THE MISSING PEOPLE OF MAYNOOTH

The Planning and Development Committee was set up as a response to the significant growth of the Town and surrounding areas. Its basic role was to involve itself with plans for the town and to see how they would impact on the character of the town and to provide a central body through which all people of Maynooth town could have an input into how they would see their town develop. The Planning and Development committee have no powers to implement or prevent changes but it was envisaged that through the combined awareness of all representative bodies within the Planning and Development committee our wishes could be made known with a very strong voice.

We would seek to have positive change and are active in a number of areas towards this end. There is a F.A.S scheme

working for us in conjunction with the Tidy Town's Committee. This scheme has already undertaken some very good basic work and will provide a strong basis on which to build a pleasant, neat town in which to live. We have made submissions to the County Council in relation to the Draft Development Plan for the Town. These set out our views on how we felt the town should be best developed to enhance its historical features, its potential for tourism, its role as a university town and as a residential town for over six thousand people, amongst many other items addressed in the document. This Development is under review currently and we are pleased to see that our views have been taken into consideration in the County Development Plan. Currently there are ongoing communications to secure the Geraldine Hall and Harbour field as community facilities under the management of the Planning and Development committee.

All of the above and many other lesser items have been on the agenda of the Planning and Development since its formation. Every one of these items relate to the Town of Maynooth and seek to improve the environment and facilities of the town for the people of the town. Our committee is voluntary and geared towards the best intentions of Maynooth without vested interest of any kind. The Planning and Development is supposed to be made up from representatives from all sections of the community so as to provide a forum for all opinions on all matters of concern to those parties. Sadly as it stands today this committee cannot claim to fulfil this objective. There is not sufficient interest, representation, support or input being given to the committee in order that it can meet its goals.

It is disappointing after the work that has been done to date to find such apathy from the community at large. It is obvious that there are a lot of people prepared to leave a small number of people to do all the work of the community and to use them as the fallguys for all that is wrong in Maynooth.

Maynooth belongs to no one person, group, committee, or body, it belongs to us all and if nothing happens in the town then it is everybody who is to blame not just those trying and failing in their endeavours to move forward. I find it hard to balance the lack of interest in the town as an indication that Maynooth is doing very nicely, thank you!! Our committee and all the other groups etc. in the town are there for you and they need support through your ideas, energy and time on the many issues that face our expanding town. We cannot serve your requirements if we do not know what they are and we cannot know your requirements if we do not know you.

I would ask for a greater interest and input into our committee and an opportunity arises at our AGM on the 28th April at 8 p.m. to become involved in having a say in how Maynooth should be, as we head into the 21st century.

Tony Bean, Chairperson P & D Committee



# MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY MONSTER DRAW



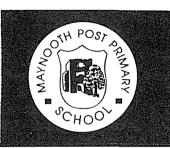
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# **GARDA TALK**

# **CHILD PROTECTION:**

Recent incidents of attempted child abductions reported in the public press have generated a degree of anxiety and concern among parents. From the outset its important to stress that the practise is minimum and not wide spread and the subject needs to be viewed in perspective, calmly and objectively.

Outlined hereunder are a few simple guide lines for parents:

- 1. Anyone calling to your home fully check out their identity.
- Ask for Identification.
- 3. Any bona fida-Health Board/Public Official will have no difficulty co-operating with parents requirements regarding clarification of identification.
- 4. Such public Officials as Health Nurses, Social Workers etc. who supply their names and addresses and I.D. should then be asked to wait (if they are not known to you) until the parent checks back with the appropriate authority as to the correctness of the names etc. supplied.
- 5. Do not at any stage leave your child alone with such callers.
- 6. Apply common sense combined with prudence, alertness and vigilance at all times.

## Young Children attending School:

Many parents arrange to leave very young children directly to the school; where school bus transport is availed of its advisable that a parent or responsible adult see such young children onto the bus and similarly meet such child from the bus on their return journey from school. Any slackness in this regard could be exploited by would be deviant opportunists. Otherwise alert the relevant school authorities of any other variable arrangements.

On the general subject of Child Protection we have obtained from the Garda Siochana Community Relations Section, Garda Headquarters an informative list of procedures relative to this most sensitive matter which are set out hereunder in writing and diagram form.

## THE GARDA'S ROLE

The Garda Siochana accepts a responsibility for protecting all our citizens, and makes a special effort in those cases where the person is particularly vulnerable.

We are especially concerned to ensure that children should be safe, and free from all forms of criminal abuse. In achieving our goals it is vital that adults appreciate this concern, and that children understand that we are here to help.

# **INVESTIGATION**

If cases are not reported, then one of the main deterrents to future offending is absent. Reporting is often the first step towards ending these crimes. It may also help the child realise their 'innocence' and the 'guilt' of the other party.

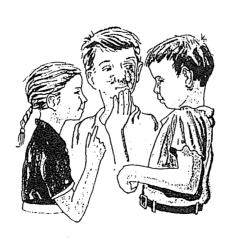
In any circumstance where abuse is suspected, we would urge that all information is given to the Garda Siochana, as soon as possible.

These matters will be dealt with discreetly, and sensitively.

## CHILDREN AT PLAY

When children are at play, they are generally beyond your immediate supervision. Here are some points which you should raise with them, and which they should remember.

- 1. They are always safer playing in groups, than alone.
- 2. They should not play in secluded, or dark places.
- They should always tell you where they are playing, and play only in that place.
- They should not involve unknown adults in their games.



# GARDA TALK

# CHILDREN WITH ADULT

While we often talk of the dangers of strangers, many abusers are actually known to their victims. Before entrusting children into the care of adults, assure yourself that they are trustworthy, and reliable.

- 1. Use recommended babysitters whenever possible.
- 2. Be alert to danger signs, for example, if your child exhibits strange or reluctant behaviour in the presence of a particlar adult.
- Warn children against talking to adults they do not know.
- Children should be cautioned against going off with adults without their parents permission, even when they are known.



# SIGNS OF ABUSE

There are very many signs which may indicate abuse. They are not conclussive in themselves, but should give grounds for suspicion. some of the main indicators are listed below:

- The child has injuries which it cannot explain, or explains inappropriately.
- The child exhibits fear in the presence of certain individuals, and does not want to be in their company.
- The child appears withdrawn, or exhibits abnormal behaviour, which is markedly out of character.
- The child appears to be underdeveloped, constantly sickly, ill-kept or malnourished.

# APPRECIATE DIFFICULTIES

Sometimes, it can be difficult for a child to know who to go to for help and assistance. Parents should always provide a 'listening ear' for their children. Children should know that the right thing to do always is to tell a parent what has happened. They should not fear criticism for being foolish, or disobeying your previous instructions. Of course, it should be made clear, that under no circumstances are they to be blamed.



# PROTECTING CHILDLREN

Please let your children know that they can always go to any member of the Garda Siochana if they need help. The Gardai can be contacted 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

Let them know that THE GARDA IS A FRIEND



# Art and Music

# COLLEGE WINS PRIZE IN DRAMA FESTIVAL

You may remember a review of the play 'LOVERS' by Brian Friel, which was performed by THE ROSCIAN PLAYERS (MAYNOOTH COLLEGE DRAMA SOCIETY), in the March issue of **The Newsletter**.

I had said that it was an excellent production and this excellence paid off in the Irish Student Drama Association's (I.S.D.A.) festival in Galway recently where Emma Colohon, who played the part of Mags, picked up the award for Best Actress. I was not a bit surprised at this result, except for the fact that I.S.D.A. has a very high standard and Maynooth's performances in the past have had a tough time gaining recognition. However, in saying this, they did give 'Lovers' its just reward.

The play was also nominated for best production and best direction which was a great feat for the college.

With standards like this I often wonder why more local people don't go to see some of the productions in the College. So all you drama buffs out there, keep an eye out for the future production posters (which probably will not be until October due to exams) and make sure not to miss their very high standard productions.

Once again, well done to Emma. I really feel she will be a name to look out for in the future if her performance in 'Lovers' is anything to go by.



Emma Colohon pictured here with Billy McGee, director of 'Lovers' by Brian Friel after their success at I.S.D.A.

## Maynooth Parish Folk Group

Once again Maynooth Parish Folk Group appeals for new members from all you singers and musicians out there.

Feedback from the congregation suggests that you continue to come to 9.45 am Sunday Mass because you enjoy participating in this particular form of celebration.

Apart from attendence at this Mass, the only other commitment you would be asked to make is on Wednesday evenings

at 8 O'Clock in the Convent Primary School for selection and practice of material.

We look forward to a big response at either Mass or practice in the near future.

Patricia Harkin Maynooth Folk Group

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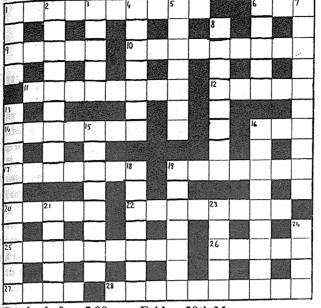
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# Crossword

# **CROSSWORD NO. 78**



Entries before 5.00 p.m. Friday, 20th May.

## Name:

#### Address:

#### Across:

- Fig. Prisoners on the bus service took a chance at the end to solve the person's mind. (10)
- 6. Mr. McGuire had a stronger drink than tea out of this. (3)
- 9. Sat or turned to the rosters. (5)
- 10. Last months first gotcha. (5,4)
- 11. Scores in rugby? (8)
- 12. Choose carefully for someone working for your rights. (5)
- 14. Great! So the provisions are here (7)
- 16. The blackbirds are in this! (3)
- 17. Taint national school for its quick answer. (7)
- 19. See lass 'e's mixed up his social groupings. (7)
- 20. Lately, out the east, I keep the score. (5)
- 22. The clock doesn't tick, never I say! (2,2,4)
- 25. Ciss ran to us all mixed up about the flower. (9)
- 26. Thorn turned away from south. (5)
- 27. With the oddness knocked out of him he ended up on the level, (4)
- 28. E's smartest for doing these medical examinations. (5,5)

## Down

- 1. Sounds like truck turned abrupt. (4)
- 2. In the end small particles may need symbols, not at the beginning! (9)
- 3. In India, this part of society sound like they're in a play. (5)
- 4. Doing the test first the learner in the physical education class was illustrating the general rule. (7)
- 5. The corporal on the Social Employment Scheme brought out dead bodies. (7)
- 6. Strangle someone in the car. (5)
- 7. Sounds like the pretty parrot studied many gods. (10)
- 8. Praise the lord! (8)

- 13. Giving help to the donkey who is light brown at the end of the fence.(10)
- 15. Slain, say, for your part in the separation of the thing into its elements. (8)
- 16. Blotches on the letters could ensure they get there. (4,5)
- 18. Held ransom after tea under the lintel. (7)
- 19. Stan can play this game with two packs. (7)
- 21. Big mixed up glare! (5)
- 23. Back to front belief? (5)
- 24. This way the doctor throws his theology at us. (4)

#### Solutions to Crossword No. 77:

#### Across:

1. Determines, 6. Map, 9. Rondo, 10. Sterilise, 11. Particle, 12. Tress, 14. Heights, 16. Boa, 17. Septic, 19. Bashing, 20. Barge, 22. Peacocks, 25. Asks to tea, 26. Error, 27. Dodo, 28. Platitudes.

#### Down:

1. Dart, 2. Tantalise, 3. Roost, 4. Insects, 5. Everest, 6. Maize, 7. Press Gangs, 8. Mistress, 13. Chess Boards, 15. Hitherto, 16. Blinkered, 18. Capital, 19. Blatant, 21. Raked, 23. Overt, 24. Iris.

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# Hobbies & Interests

# **DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE**

# **Spicy Cod Steaks**

Serves: 4 Prep: 5 mins Cook: 10 mins Cals per portion: 162

These spicy cod steaks are a delicious healthy meal to prepare and cook when you're in a hurry.

#### **Ingredients**

2 tsp/10 ml black peppercorns

1 tsp/5 ml allspice berries

1 tsp/5 ml paprika

2 cloves garlic, crushed

2 cod steaks

2 tbsp/30 ml sunflower oil

2 oz/50 g unsalted butter

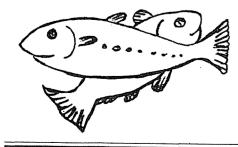
Juice of 1 lime

Garnish Fresh parsley Lemon wedges

#### Method

- •Crush the black peppercorns and allspice berries either in a food processor or using a pestle and mortar. Mix in the paprika and crushed garlic and rub each side of the cod steaks with this mixture.
- •Heat the sunflower oil and butter together in a frying pan until it starts to go foamy.
- •Add the cod steaks and cook over a moderate heat for about 5 minutes on each side, pressing down firmly with a fish slice. The fish flesh will turn white when it is cooked.
- •Add the lime juice to the pan. Transfer the fish to a serving plate and garnish with fresh parsley and lemon wedges.

Serve the Spicy Cod Steaks with new potatoes and steamed green beans, broccoli or a green vegetable of your choice.





# **English Pot Roast**

Serves 6
Prep: 20 mins
Cook: 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> - 2 hours
Cals per portion: 421

This delicious pot roast is made using one of the most economical cuts of beef you can buy.

#### Ingredients

2 tbsp/30 ml oil

2 lb/900 g rolled brisket

4 oz/125 g large mushrooms sliced

3 carrots sliced

3 potatoes cut into chunks

1 bay leaf

1/2 pt/300 ml beef stock

1 tbsp/15 ml tomato purée

3 drops Tabasco sauce.

#### Method

- •Preheat the oven to Mark 4/350°F/180°C. Heat the oil in a roasting pan on top of the cooker and brown the brisket all over. Remove and place in a casserole dish.
- •Arrange the mushrooms, carrots and potatoes around the meat in the dish.
- •Add the bay leaf, then pour the stock, purée and Tabasco sauce over the meat.
- •Place in the oven and cook for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  2 hours. To check the meat is cooked, insert a skewer into the joint. If the juices run clear, it is cooked. Serve sliced with jacket potatoes and seasonal vegetables.

# Tips

To make a thicker gravy, blend 1 tbsp/15 ml cornflour with 3 tbsp/45 ml water. Stir this into the gravy after the meat is cooked. Bring mixture to the boil and simmer for 2 minutes.

# Hobbies & Interests



# GARDENING HINTS

# **Busy Month**

May is one of the busiest months in the garden and also one of the most enjoyable. The warmth and wet of the last two months will, one hopes, have brought outdoor plants on fast, and flowering will really get under way. This year's spring bedding will need clearing away and spring-flowering bulbs can be lifted to make way for summer bedding. They are heeled in, that is, laid at an angle in a shallow trench, with the leaves exposed, but the bulbs covered with soil to finish ripening, so that the embryo flower can form, ready for the next season. Sweet pea supporting and training, if grown as cordons, should start.

# **Container Planting**

For those whose gardening may be confined to window boxes, tubs or other containers on a roof garden or patio, half-hardy annuals are probably the best bet. These can be planted out as young plants in May and will soon start to flower. Suitable half-hardy annuals for growing in containers are antirrhinum, petunia, fragrant stocks, annual chrysanthemum, cherry pie (heliotrope), lobelia, Phlox drummondii, African and French marigolds and other showy plants.

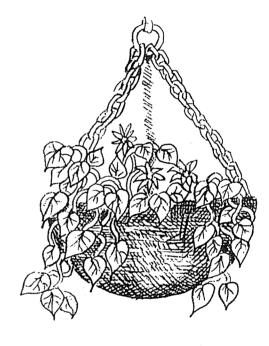
Hanging baskets are also most decorative when filled with heliotrope, trailing lobelia, free-flowering nasturtium, petunia and other summer-flowering plants.

Many shops and nurseries now stock hanging basket kits which reduce the initial work when planning your basket. Remember that the site of the basket is important - it will not thrive in a windy position and will need the sun and a certain amount of feeding, not to mention watering, if it is to do well.



# The Lawn

Grass cutting should continue at five-day intervals, and a combined feed and weed application will do much if applied now, when weeds are at their highest rate of growth. Lawns sown from seed last month will need topping this month.



# **Keeping Plants Healthy**

Nowadays there are two types of insecticides: systemic insecticides, which enter the sap by absorption through the foliage and are used against sap-sucking insects, and contact insecticides, which destroy leaf- and bud-caters by direct contact with them. Systemics are of no value against the latter, because they do not imbibe sufficient sap to poison them. The systemics are effective for about one month after spraying, whereas the contact types must be applied whenever the insects appear. A number of proprietary insecticides are mixtures of both. Warning: Do not spray roses, for example, too soon because the larvae of ladybirds, hover flies, lace wing-flies and braconid wasps, which are the natural enemies of greenflies, appear at about the the same time as the caterpillars. It is better to hand pick the latter and destroy them rather than spray them.

# Vegetable Garden

Cucumbers, marrows, celery and melons brought on and potted last month, can go out at the end of the month, into rich, well-prepared soils, though cucumbers and melons can also be grown in the greenhouse, and may do better there in cool seasons. They will need strong supports in that case, and regular training and tying in with removal of unneeded sideshoots.

Vegetable seed sowing can continue, of beetroot, ridge cucumbers, lettuce, radish, spinach, turnip, peas, runner beans and French beans.

# G.A.A. NOTES

## 1st Team Results since April Issue

#### 1. Ballivor 1.12 Maynooth 1.9 (Challenge)

**Scorers:** Paul Garvey 8 points, Joey Edwards 1 goal and Johnny Nevin 1 point.

**Best for Maynooth:** Joe Conway, Paul Garvey, Noel Reilly, Johnny Nevin and Killian Fagan.

# 2. Maynooth 13 points Straffan 1.9 (League)

**Scorers:** Paul Garvey 10 points, Liam O'Toole 2 points and Joey Riordan 1 point.

**Best:** Paul Garvey, Ken Killoran, Liam O'Toole, Joe Conway, Johnny Nevin, Paul Stynes and David Mahony.

The Ballivor Intermediate team provided a stiff test for the local squad at the Arts Block pitch and showing a greater appetite for the battle and a wonderful awareness of where the posts were they emerged deserving winners. Maynooth failed to cope with the difficult underfoot conditions as well as their opponents and struggled all through to contain them. Nevertheless it was a useful work-out in preparation for the more important fixtures coming up.

The performance against Straffan was more pleasing as the team, despite being short a number of key players, came from behind to win against a big, strong, determined Straffan outfit. Straffan although playing against a stiff breeze in the 1st half dominated the exchanges to lead by 2 points at the break. Maynooth reserved their best efforts for the 2nd half however, and with each member of the team stepping up a gear, held on for a narrow but encouraging win. A feature of the game was the pinpoint accuracy displayed by corner forward Paul Garvey who slotted over 10 excellent points. There were also very important contributions made by Ken Killoran, Liam O'Toole, Joe Conway, Johnny Nevin, Paul Stynes and David Mahony.

#### **Leading Scorers after 6 Games**

- (1) Paul Garvey 25 points
- (2) Liam O'Toole 2.5 (11 points)
- (3) Joey Edwards 1.5 (8 points) Joey Riordan 1.5 (8 points)

# **Important Date to Note**

The team are fixed to play Sallins in the first round of the Junior 'A' Championship on May 1st. The game will be played in Newbridge and your support is earnestly requested.

We would like to thank Frank Regan and Brian Cleary of Regan, Cleary, Estate Agents, Maynooth House, Maynooth, for their kind sponsorship of our Junior 'A' Football team. More information in June issue of *Newsletter*.

# North Kildare League

U - 13

# Maynooth 4.5 Carbury 5.6

First game in the League. Maynooth found themselves down 1.3 to 1 point after ten minutes. However good play by Diggins and O'Sullivan and two goals from N. Healy left it

2.4 each at half time. The second half was even with Carbury getting a vital goal near the end. This was a good performance from Maynooth and with a bit of luck could at least have got a draw.

#### Scorers:

N. Healy 3 goals, S. Lennon 1 goal, D. Campbell 3 points, A. McCarron 1 point, K. Ennis 1 point.

Best: P. King, A. McCarron, P. O'Sullivan, N. Healy, C. Diggins, K. Ennis, D. Campbell, D. Carr.

#### U - 11

# Maynooth 1.4 Carbury 2.1

Played in a near gale both teams played good football, Maynooth leading 3 points to nil at half-time. However Carbury got two second-half goals and Maynooth had to pull out all the stops to score 1.1 against the wind, a very good team performance.

**Best scorers:** P. Campbell, S. Healy, A. Baxter M. Sweeney, G. Quinn, D. Adderley, P. Ennis.

#### Lotto Result 13.3.94

Numbers 1, 9, 22, 24. No winner. Jackpot £1260. 5 x £10, D. Casey (Jun.), P. Tracey, J. Gilton, J. Dempsey, Sandra Moore.

#### Lotto Result 20.3.94

Numbers 5, 10, 12, 22. No winner. Jackpot £1350. 5 x £10, Catherine Mulready, Frank Buckley, Denise Geoghegan, Eddie Dunne, Donal Downes.

#### Lotto Result 27.3.94

Numbers 1, 5, 6, 13. No winner. Jackpot £1400. 5 x £10, Michael Kelly, Sonny Kearns, Margaret Gillick, Danny Casey (Sen.), M. Stynes.

## Lotto Result 3.4.94

Numbers 1, 3, 7, 20. No winner. Jackpot £1470. 5 x £10, Gerry Whelan, John Flatley, Ann Walsh, Michelle Farrell, P. McAvinue.

#### Lotto Result 10.4.94.

Numbers, 3, 5, 10, 15. No winner. Jackpot £1560. 5 x £10 Ann O'Riordan, Ken Killoran, Peggy Edwards, Ken O'Brien, Brendan Payne.

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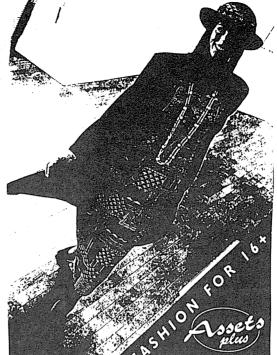
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## MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Maynooth club were well represented in the indoor championship in Nenagh and took home 12 medals with pride of place going to John Campbell with 3 gold medals in the (O.35's).

Results as follows:-

(O.35's) John Campbell (1st)(200)(800)(2000)m.

(O.45) David Jolley (3rd)(800)(1500)m.

(U.13) Karl Ennis (1st) walk.

(U.13) Conor Diggins (2nd)(300)m.

(U.13) (4 x 250 relay) C. Diggins, K. Ennis, P. King and D. Campbell (2nd)

(U15) Michelle Gillick (3rd) walk

Finalists (U13) Patrick King, David Campbell

High Jump, Long Jump and Hurdles

(U15) Declan O'Rourke (60m) (300m)

(Junior) Martin Cunningham and Christopher Byrne (1500m)

Road Walks - All Ireland

(U11) 1st Philip Campbell

(U13)1st Karl Ennis (2nd) David Campbell

(U15) (1st) Michelle Gillick who beat the two girls who were 1st and 2nd in indoor.

Bohermeen Cross Country

(0.35) 2nd John Campbell

Lusk Road Races

(U10) (1st) Philip Campbell (U14) 2nd David Campbell

(6th) Conor Diggins

Kildare Primary Schools Cross Country

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John Cambell enjoying a very successful comeback with Maynooth Athletic Club

#### MAYNOOTH GLIDING

Maynooth glider pilot Michael O'Reilly, of Dublin Gliding Club, has been active lately. In spite of the rain-sodden conditions which have not favoured flying in recent months, he squeezed out the year's first bit of soaring in January with a fifty minute flight from his club's airfield near Naas. And with two other Kildare-based pilots, Ciaran Sinclair of Straffan and John Finnan of Athy, he has bought an IS-28 Glider, a metal two-seater of which great things are expected this season.

This is just one of a number of new aircraft. The club has recently added an extra two-seater training glider to its fleet, to cope with the steady interest of new members from all over Leinster. The Dublin Gliding Club is the most active gliding outfit in Ireland. In spite of its name it caters for members from all over Ireland, some of them coming from as far afield as Limerick for instance. The club has a long association with this area. It started at Weston over forty years ago, before moving to Baldonnel, and then to its present home at Gowran Grange next to Punchestown, where it has been for nearly fifteen years.

Anyone from the age of 14 can start learning to glide—and there's no upper age limit! Why not visit the club some weekend, and perhaps take a trial flight with an instructor? Better still, the club will be offering week-long courses this summer in mid-July and early August—and ideal way to experience the delight and challenge of controlling an aircraft in silent flight. For further information, contact Peter Denman at Leinster Park (01-6285464) or ring the airfield at (045-97681, weekends or Wednesday evenings).

Peter Denman

## MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

The second outing of the year was to Tullamore Golf Club on the 16th April. The outing generously sponsored by Maynooth Bookshop (John Byrne) was played in ideal conditions on another fine course as the scores below indicate. The total turnout of 39 players included all the local big names, Declan "Boom Boom" Dooley, John "Seve" Nolan. Tommy "Left/Right Hand" Sheehan, to name but a few. A most enjoyable day/night was had by all.

Next outing is the week-end trip to Midleton on 27th to 29th May. Names to any committee member before 20th May.

V. Par

Tullamore Results 16.04.1994 Sponsors : Maynooth Bookshop

1st Overall Terry Moore 44 pts.

CLASS 1:

st G. McTernan 39 pts.

2nd R. Delemere 38 pts.

3rd J. McKeown 34 pts.

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# Sports News

CLASS 2:

1st G. Coulton 41 pts.

nd D. Nyland 39 pts.

d L. Farrelly 38 pts.

CLASS 3:

st P. Dunne 42 pts. (Back 9)

2nd W. Moore 42 pts.

3rd J. Nolan 41 pts

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## MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT NOTES

Well it looks as if somebody somewhere does have influence over the weather in spite of all the pessimism about the rain never stopping. The course opened as promised on Good Friday with the usual sprinkling of rain. However since then there has been a tremendous improvement in ground conditions. Signs on it players have been at last able to take advantage of the longer evenings to get in a round of Pitch & Putt.

If there are any groups or clubs who want details of special rates please contact me at the phone number below for details. Our next notes should contain the results of those competition mentioned and some details of special one day offers.

During the coming weeks we will return to running the competitions much enjoyed by all last year. This time round we will run some competitions specifically for junior and senior players. Notice of these competitions will be placed in the clubhouse well in advance of each event.

Tony Bean, 6285233

#### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

At long last the terrible weather which we had been experiencing has relented and we are now beginning to reduce our enormous number of back matches at all levels.

Our first team had a recent game against Ballyoulster Utd which could be classed as a local derby with no quarter given or asked.

Our second team have also been in action but unfortunately went out of the Conway Cup in the quarter final.

Our schoolboys teams have also got back into action with progress being made at all grades.

#### **Match Reports**

Conway Cup Quarter Final Maynooth Town 0 Sandyhill F.C. 0 (A.E.T.) Sandyhill won 5 - 4 on penalties.

The disappointment of defeat was somewhat cushioned by the excellent all round display in a gallant effort to stay in the cup. Several reputations were enhanced in this performance with pride of place going to Barry Farrell, Johnny Thompson and the ever improving Derek Dolan. Both defences were on top through the game and the respective forward lines were given a torrid time. The ninety minutes of normal time failed to produce a goal and it was hoped that the extra time would provide an outright winner. This was not to be and it was left to a penalty shootout to decide the tie.

Successful strikes by Michael Murphy, Mickey Kelly, John Murray and Robert Thompson were not enough to save the day.

#### **Division 3 Private Grounds.**

Ranelagh Celtic 1 Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth recovered from the disappointment of the recent cup defeat to register a good morale boosting win at Herbert Park. The concession of an early goal failed to unsettle Maynooth who took control and could have won by a much wider margin. Two goals by Michael Murphy helps to keep Maynooth on the heels of the front runners in the league.

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# **Division I Sunday**

Ballyoulster Utd. 2 Maynooth Town 2

This was probably Maynooth's best display of the season when they dealt a severe blow to the title hopes of near neighbours Ballyoulster Utd. Maynooth took the lead twice but were unable to press home their advantage against a resolute home side who battled away to the end.

Maynooth had a number of top performers in keeper Mark Murray, John O'Neil, Paul Byrne and Joey Dempsey.

A first half goal by Martin McTernan and a second following a wonderful five man move by Joey Dempsey gave us a deserved share of the spoils.

We are very pleased to announce the selection of two under 15 players selected to travel with the Kildare team to Kentucky U.S.A. for tournament in July. The two players to receive this honour are Darren Naughton and Eamon Gallagher. Congratulations to both for bringing such honour to themselves their proud families and the club.

Profiles of both players plus schoolboy match reports in next issue.

# MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C. TRIP TO LLANDUDNO.

Our club trip to see Manchester United play Chelsea at Old Trafford was the highlight of our season so far. The match result, a rare defeat for United, did very little to dampen the spirit of our party and a great weekend was had by all. Our party left Dún Laoghaire on Friday, 4th March, for Holyhead and right from the start it looked like a torrid time was in store with high winds and rough seas, with the ship getting a fierce buffeting right from departure. Our party of ten adults and sixteen boys made every effort to settle in but not everyone was able to withstand the rocking and rolling of the ship. Many drinks were bought but not all were consumed. With the drinks imitating Torville and Dean demonstrations by skating over the glazed table tops a lot more time was spent catching the drinks rather than consuming them. With so many green faces in evidence our party looked more like Republic of Ireland supporters than Manchester United followers. After the initial trauma our group settled down and made themselves comfortable as possible for the remainder of the voyage. Our courier Michail Dempsey kept a watchful eye over everything and ensured that everyone was well catered for. The usual card games were often interrupted by toppling glasses and the game was up from an early stage.

Despite the poor weather conditions we arrived at Holyhead on time to be greeted by weather similar to our own, wet and windy. On our coach trip to Llandudno we savoured the beautiful scenery of the Welsh countryside which strongly resembled many similar beautiful areas of Ireland. One striking feature of this road journey was the total lack of potholes. A beautiful smooth road journey which would be difficult to find in Ireland and especially in Kildare.

On arrival in Llandudno we were met by our host at the Craig-Ard Hotel who allotted the various rooms to our party. After

changing we went shopping in Llanduduo where the usual presents were purchased for the mams and dads at home who had provided the expenses for their offspring. After the arduous journey it did not take long for the boys to settle down for the night. It was then that the more nocturnal members of our party went into action and took delight in experiencing the various items of entertainment on offer.

The next morning and after a hearty breakfast we set out for Manchester and the high point of our weekend the visit to the Theatre of Dreams, Old Trafford, home of the great Manchester United. Pre-match shopping was done at the massive Arndale Centre which is one of the biggest in Europe. While some had their pre match meal in the inevitable McDonalds the more hardened warriors had liquid lunch in the Nearby Crown and Anchor. We made the short trip to the ground at 1.15 where we were met by a cacaphony of noise and massive crowds despite being well ahead of kick-off time. The usual souvenirs were purchased from the great array of traders scattered along the approach to the stadium.

Everything was now ready for entry inside the ground and the excitement on the faces of our young party made all the hard work worthwhile.

This was a scene which would leave an indelible imprint on their memory forever. Our seating could hardly have been better, being in the front row of the Lower North Stand with the world famous Stretford End to our right with the scoreboard choir to our left with Peter Schmeichel giving his Malcolm Sargent conductor demonstation during stoppages in the game. Even the less fervent members of our party had to admit that there were scenes which would hardly be evident in any other football stadium in the World. We were in good company as the now world famous "Davy Keogh says Hello" tricolour was prominently displayed in front of our row of seats. The mastermind behind the banner, Davy himself, was in good voice throughout the game and kept the spirits up after the Chelsea goal was scored.

The final whistle brought no relief with United failing to save the game in the dying minutes. The trip back to Llandudno was as good humoured as earlier despite the disappointed lads who were slowly recovering. Late dinner was eaten and various card schools were littered about the hotel. An early night was being had because of our planned game against Abergele United from the Welsh Schoolboys League next day.

The following morning saw us depart from Llandudno on our way back to Holyhead, taking in Abergele for the schoolboys' match. Despite the hectic schedule of the previous few days our boys put on a magnificent performance to defeat the local side by seven goals to one. There were many stars on the team which has become known as "Gerry Folan's Blue and White Army" but the eventual man of the match award went to the diminutive Charles Gallagher. Half-time entertainment was provided by a number of our senior party who shall remain nameless to protect the innocent. Playing Gaelic football with a soccer ball on a rugby pitch defies description and has to be seen to be believed. After sampling the hospitality of the local club after the game we set off once more for Llandudno on the final part of our road journey. After ensuring that everyone was present we boarded our ship for the sea journey home to Dún Laoghaire. continued

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Rousing sea shanties made for a party type atmosphere with various individuals displaying their individual voice talents. The journey did not seem as long and we arrived at Dún Laoghaire by our convoy of vehicles for our short trip to Maynooth. On arrival home at The Square everyone made their way home to their own abodes to relate their own stories and experiences of a most enjoyable weekend.

Our next club outing takes place in April to Anfield to see Liverpool play Newcastle United who have such a strong Anfield connection through their Manager Kevin Keegan.

#### More about that anon.



Maynooth Boys under 12 Soccer team outside the Craig Ard Hotel, Llandudno before their departure to Old Trafford to see Manchester United play a recent league game.

## TUG O' WAR REPORT

Sometimes I feel very lonely wondering if anybody reads this report. Then I wonder if they think that its all old rope. I wonder do the higher social classes ever discuss it over dinner; are young ladies enchanted by our exploits? Do people gather in houses to hear extracts read out?.........Wishful thinking I suppose! I'll be lucky if I get a mention in Brady's. I can reveal that our annual festive Tug O'War tournament will be one of the star attractions of the Field Day on Sunday 12th June at 3 p.m.

Three training camps are up and running.

**TAGHADOE** is home to Brady's The Clock House team on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8.30 p.m.

*MAYNOOTH HARBOUR FIELD* is base of The Maynooth Harbour Team on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 p.m.

**CONFEY** (Five miles further up the canal) is home to the Middle Shop Team. Training takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 p.m. New members are sought by all teams.

Fogra! Left sided steel-capped boot size 12 wanted in good condition. Also eight one-legged strap-on milking stools required to keep team up off the ground. (Old stools used for Papal visit might do)

Willie Healy

# Political Party Notes

# **DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES**

#### **Pothole Misery To Continue**

North Kildare has one of the busiest networks of local roads in the country. This is due not only to the growth of the residential population, but to the amount of through traffic bypassing west Dublin. The volume of traffic passing through Maynooth grew by no less than 40% between 1988 and 1992 alone. How many times have readers encountered big trucks on local roads which were never designed to take them? Is it any wonder that the local roads around Maynooth are falling into a state of disintegration? Of course, matters have been made worse by the awful and prolonged winter we have just suffered through.

What has been Kildare County Council's response to this deteriorating situation? Well, believe it or not, spending on local roads in North Kildare is to be reduced by 25 per cent in 1994 - from £314,000 in 1993 to just £233,000 this year. This is to cover Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip. This figure is supposed to cover footpaths and street lighting as well as road repairs. So it is clear that anyone who hoped for some decent footpaths in Maynooth's Main Street can just forget about it.

It is clear that the Government has no idea how much suffering is being generated throughout the country due to the collapse of the local road system. Public anger at the neglect of this key element of everyday life is palpably growing. Those who thought that having a local Minister in the Department of the Environment might lead to an improvement in the situation have had their hopes dashed. Road repairs provide lots of employment and use mostly native material. It is high time the government reversed its priorities on this issue.

#### Service charges: More Broken Promises

In their 1987 General Election campaign, Fianna Fail promised to abolish service charges if elected. They were duly elected (remember their slogan: "There is a better way") but of course reneged on virtually every promise they made in their campaign, including the abolition of service charges.

In 1991, the Labour Party circulated a strongly worded leaflet around Maynooth, attacking Fianna Fail for going back on this promise, and committing Labour to abolishing service charges when returned to power. Now both Labour and Fianna Fail are in power together. Emmet Stagg, who used opposition to service charges to launch his political career, is a Minister in the government department responsible for levying service charges. So what has happened? Well, instead of abolishing service charges, they have been extended to the new Dublin county councils.

Is it any wonder people are becoming increasingly disenchanted with the so-called "democratic process" in this country, when even the most loudly-proclaimed promises are quickly discarded once the chaffeur-driven Ministerial Mercedes has been delivered to the door.



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#### **Welcome Back To The Post Office**

We extend a hearty welcome back to the Main Street to Maynooth Post Office! When it was moved a few years ago there was a major local outcry. Thousands of signatures were obtained for a petition organised by Maynooth Community Council and the issue received much national media attention. We believe that the Post Office is a vital ingredient in the Main Street of any town. Its new location makes it much more accessible for many people such as pensioners and mothers with young children who found the footpath-less walk and the chaotic traffic situation around the shopping centre a daunting prospect. Some people are experiencing parking problems with the new location, but the new car park to be created in Doctor's Lane should help solve that problem. On balance, we believe the move is a good one, and we wish the new Post Office a prosperous future.

# MAYNOOTH COLLEGE DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

The A.G.M. of the Maynooth College branch of Democratic Left was held on the 28th April. Party members, supporters and friends reviewed a successful year. From once a recruiting and information stand was launched last October, the party has found itself in the position of being the only actively organised political party branch in the college. The party leader. Mr. De Rossa, first visited the campus last November - to speak at an SU organised seminar on unemployment and social exclusion. During December, ironically on the very day the UK government announced the go-ahead of Sellafield Thorp 2, John Bowler of Greenpeace spoke at a public debate organised by the DL branch on the issue. Deputy Liz McManus was the main speaker at a debate organised for the SU's Women's Week. Deputy Pat Rabbitte was the guest speaker at an open discussion organised by the branch on industrial and economic policy. Des Geraghty MEP also visited the college, to speak at a discussion on the European Union held by the branch. The Maynooth contingent contributed successfully to the DL Youth Conference in February, an event which we hope to stage in Maynooth next year. Deputy Eamonn Gilmore took up our concerns on various educational and welfare matters and raised them with the Minister for Education. Some progress has accordingly been achieved on the implementation of an NUI Exam appeals system, better conditions for H.Dip students and the reviewing of some cutbacks. The branch have continued to be involved with the party's youth executive and has worked with Cllr. Catherine Murphy at Kildare Constituency Council level to place the concerns and welfare of Maynooth Students on the local political agenda. The branch recently organised a letter-writing campaign to TDs from all over the country on the Sellafield issue. We are awaiting the replies with interest. Throughout the year our members have been to the forefront in promoting the Peacetrain organisation within the college. The branch is pleased that many of our ideas, concerns and policies have been taken up. We look forward to continued co-operation from individual students who recognise the need to tackle the inequalities, injustices and inconsistencies we have highlighted. Following the election of officers at our

A.G.M., the party leader Mr. De Rossa spoke to a large gathering about the future for Northern Ireland. The fact that ours is the only party in the Dáil to be organised and represented on both sides of the border gives us a more informed outlook on this issue. Our branch is confident that time and patience will prove to be the ingredients for the growth of Democratic Left, which is only two years old as a political entity. With such high unemployment, social exclusion and inequality evident in Irish society there is a need more than ever for a political movement that can represent the marginalised and press for change and campaign for a fairer society. It is likely that electoral successes for Pat Rabbitte and Eric Byrne this summer will prove to be pertinent indications that the public look to, and recognise, the appeal of Democratic Left.

Fiachra O Ceilleachain

# MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

#### No Toll Road Threat

We see that the Maynooth Branch of Democratic Left have now taken upon themselves to speak on behalf of Minister of State Emmet Stagg, T.D., by indicating in last months issue that he said that the minimum annual charge to commuters using the Maynooth By-pass will be £300 when Tolls are introduced.

The use of the word when is very interesting as the Minister has never said that Tolls would be introduced on the By-Pass and Democratic Left can be rest assured that Minister Stagg's position of opposition to Tolls will have considerably more influence than their's.

Reading the Democratic Left notes it seems that Tolls are certain on the Maynooth By-Pass. To put the matter in context the National Roads Authority must consult Kildare County Council on the matter, they also must give public notice prior to submission to the Minister. The Minister is obliged to hold a public local inquiry where there are objections. The Minister has the final decision but will take due regard to the diversion of traffic likely to be caused by Tolling. This will take cognisance of the types of traffic likely to be diverted, the probable impact on adjacent residential areas and the expected additional road construction/maintenance cost arising from the diversion.

Taking the above and Minister Stagg's position of opposition the residents of Maynooth can be assured that public roads will not be tolled with the support of the Labour Party.

#### 67A Bus Stop, Celbridge Road, Maynooth

Following representations by Cllr. John McGinley, Dublin Bus have agreed to erect a shelter and a hard stand in this location. Dublin Bus advise that the work will be done within the next few months. Thankfully, Dublin Bus customers will no longer have to stand in the mud.

#### **Kingsbry Estate**

Cllr. John McGinley was advised by the County Secretary at the Council's meeting on the 11th March that despite two reminders the Insurance Corporation of Ireland, who are the continued



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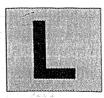
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bond holders, have failed to respond. The next stage is for the Council to institute legal procedures to call in the bond.

#### **Road Block Grants**

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- d. The Avenue Entrance £5,000 Bitmac Overlay.
- e. Kilmaccreddock £20,000 strengthening.
- f. O'Neill Park £15,000 Footpaths and Road.
- g. Greenfields £6,000 Footpaths.

#### Maynooth Employment Office.

Minister of State Joan Burton has further advised Minister Stagg that practical arrangements are now in place whereby applicants for unemployment payments no longer need to have recourse to Supplementary Welfare Allowances while awaiting decisions on their claims.

The transfer of the parent functions for Maynooth Office from Gardiner Street Office to the Ballyfermot Office is designed specifically to introduce these procedures for customers in the Maynooth catchment area and will eliminate any unnecessary delays in dealing with cases.

The procedures facilitate the payment of unemployment assistance and unemployment benefit by the first pay-day, in 60% of cases. The average time for processing 90% of cases is now 1.14 weeks for unemployment assistance cases and 0.60 weeks for unemployment benefit cases. The only cases delayed are those which need more thorough examination and/or customer co-operation.

The transfer of functions to Ballyfermot requires the upgrading of technology in the unemployment payments computerised system at that office and this is hoped to be completed by the end of April.

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# Birthdays

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To Gemma on May 8th., lots of love, Dad, Mam, Lynda and Paul.

Happy 7th., Birthday to Morgan on May 31st., from Peadar, May, Gemma, Linda and Paul.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mary Nolan, 7 Castlebridge, Maynooth and Leon Casey, Leixlip on their engagement April 6th. Best wishes from Mammy, Daddy, sisters Colette, Janet and Margaret.

Belated congratulations to Joe and Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield, who celebrated their 45th., wedding anniversary (April 18th). Best wishes from all your family and friends. Also to Jim and Patsy Leavey, Greenfield, who celebrated their Silver Wedding (March 17th). A double for Patsy as it was also her birthday. With very good wishes from your family and friends.

Belated congratulations to Helen, Danny and staff on the first anniversary of the opening of Helen's Hair Affair Studio. Well done from Mam, Dad and all the family.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The Family of the late Mary Kavanagh, Collon, Moone, Athy, wish to thank all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement Also those who sent Mass Cards and floral tributes. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

# **SYMPATHIES**

Sincere sympathy to Raymond and Deirdre Kavanagh, relatives and friends on the recent death of their son, Patrick Thomas William.

Sincere sympathy to the wife and family, relatives and friends of the late Gerard O'Sullivan, Innishmaan Rd., Whitehall and late of O'Neill Park, Maynooth.

Sympathy to Sr. Aquinas, Presentation Convent, Maynooth, on the death of her father, Patrick Gannon from Dublin. Also sympathy to his two sons, daughter-in-laws, grandchildren, relatives and friends.

The entire community was saddened at the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Donovan, from 356 Old Greenfield on Thursday 17th March. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing sons, John and Gerard and their families. Also her brothers, Laurence, Patrick and her sister Sarah; relativies and friends. She was a very unassuming neighbourly and kind person to all who knew her. She was a devoted wife to her husband Patrick and loved to cycle around Maynooth on her trusty bicycle. She will be best remembered for her smile. May she rest in peace.

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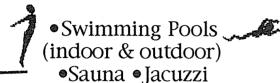
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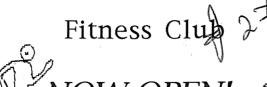


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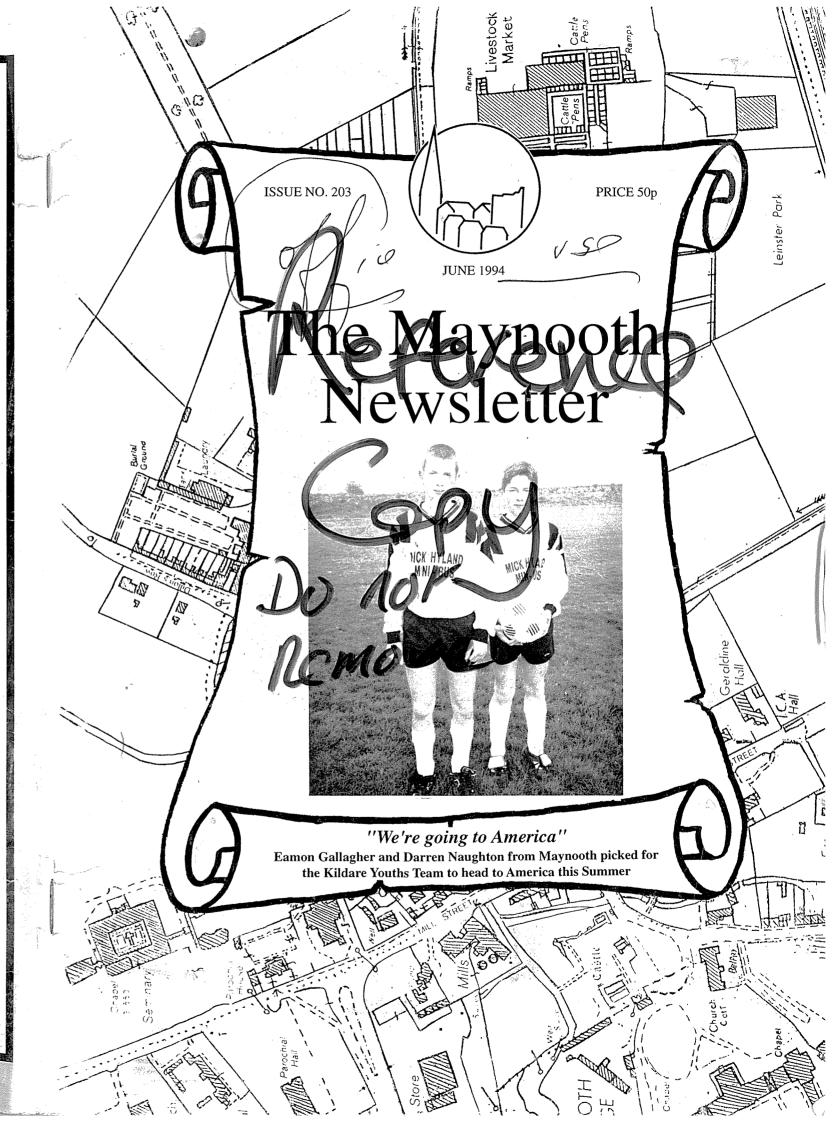
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Yours sincerely

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

# **Editorial**

This month's issue of the Newsletter has quite extensive coverage of activity in Maynooth Post-Primary school - what with its Monster Draw, sporting activities and the impending examination season. The school's reputation is one of which it can be justifiably proud and the high esteem in which it is held locally is reflected in the great success of the fund raising draw currently being held. Early June is a nervous time for examination students and for those of us who have gone through the mill swatting for the Junior and Leaving Certs, it is not an experience we would want to repeat. So, Good Luck to all students in Maynooth facing into exams in the next couple of weeks. This year, examination fever-will overlap with World Cup fever. If 1990 was anything to go by half of Maynooth's population will be crowded into the local hostelries cheering on Jack's Army. Add in the range of events being held during the Maynooth Festival (again, congratulations to the Festival Committee) and it's clear we're facing into a lively few weeks in Maynooth!

This month sees the publication of a new business Directory. The dedication of the staff and the executive of the Community Council in producing this is to be commended. We are also grateful to all those who advertised in it. The financial support of the business community represents the life-blood of the Community Council and its' activities. We are glad to recognise this contribution. The publication of a local history of Maynooth is also imminent. It is to be hoped that this will serve to raise awareness of the heritage of the town, the community, and the issues discussed above.

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# Letter to the Editor

#### **Dear Editor**

I read recently that the Co. Manager expects the population of Maynooth to increase dramatically by the year 2000. In view of this I think now is the time to restart the Swimming Pool Project.

At the moment we have a large population of young people who would benefit from having a Swimming Pool in Maynooth. If all the Clubs, Associations etc. were to get together with the backing of our local T.D.s., Councillors, I am sure the money could be raised. We might even get a grant or some funding from the Lottery.

Regarding the money collected in the 60's I believe it is in the bank and credit must be given to the collectors on the original committee many of whom are since dead, R.I.P. They gave of their time each week, so perhaps if those among us who sit wondering and doubting about where the money went, got up and did something we would not have to send the children and the money out of the Town.

#### B. O'Brien

# **Dear Editor**

This is a letter from a male about mail.

It has come to my attention that my post seems to be arriving later and later as the days go by. I have complained to the Post Office stating that one evening my post arrived at 6.30 p.m. while another (believe it or not) this time extended to 7.30 p.m. They said that this had been a problem and that they had put on an extra postman which should mean that my post would arrive between 3.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. Living in Cluain Aoibhinn seems to be a disadvantage as I was informed that this is one of the last stop off points.

I don't know whether anyone else in the community has the same problem but when you're waiting on important mail this can be quite off-putting.

Please God something will be done about this.....it's even slower than Postman Pat.

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# Community Council Notes

#### **Disturbances on Main Street**

There was discussion of the problems which are ongoing on the main street regarding the buses which drop people off after late night discos and it was agreed to approach the Gardaí again about the matter.

#### **Student Summer Job Scheme**

It was agreed that the Council would become a sponsor for this Job Scheme and that accordingly four students would be offered twelve weeks' work in conjunction with the present schemes.

#### **Schemes and Funding**

Correspondence was received from FAS announcing the change from Social Employment to Community Employment Schemes. Sponsors will be notified by FAS of upcoming meetings which will give information on the new opportunities and regulations. The funding of schemes has become a burden for sub-committees and there will be further discussion on the question of central Council funding.

#### Citizen's Information Centre

There were two reports presented by the Executive on the closure of the CIC in April, one from the Executive and another from the National Social Services Board. The Social Employment Scheme ended due to lack of funding but the Centre is open on a voluntary basis again. The NSSB have organised a steering committee to reorganise the Centre.

## **Community Festival**

The Festival Programme is complete including all the usual events. The Tidy Towns committee wish to inform people that they will be holding a fundraising event at some time during the Festival. Watch out for posters for individual events.

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# Clubs, Organisations, Societies

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The highlight of last month was the invitation from the Church of Ireland to play at their family day held in the college grounds. We were delighted to join with them in what must have been a 'first' for the college. The second band taking part in the occasion was the Steadfast Brass Band from Dublin, one of the leading brass bands in the country.

As we mentioned last month we are now right in the middle of our busiest time of the year and already pencilled in are visits to Glasnevin, Fairview, Blackrock, Dun Laoghaire, Rathfarnham, Donnybrook and Limerick. We are also paying a return visit to the Curragh Race Course in July as well as taking part in our own Community Festival in Maynooth on Sunday 12th June.

Finally just to repeat my message of last month that if you are looking for the band for any occasion or event please write to our secretary Elaine Bean at Ryeview, Maynooth, as soon as possible as free dates are getting scarcer by the day.

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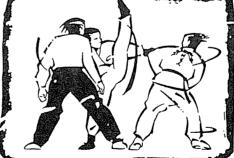
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# I.C.A. NOTES

This year's A.G.M. of Maynooth ICA took place in the ICA Hall on Thursday, 5th May. Our President, Imelda Delaney, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Imelda extended her sympathy to all members who have been bereaved during the last twelve months. The death of one of our members, Margaret Gee, last October, was a shock to us all and a great loss to our Guild.

#### **New Committee**

Imelda in her Presidential address thanked the outgoing committee for their help and said she was looking forward to working closely with the new committee. This committee is made up as follows:-

President - Imelda Delaney
Vice-President and Sports Officer - Marion Souhan
Secretary - Madeleine Stynes
Treasurer - Irene Matthews
Crafts Promoter - Mary O'Gorman
Timire and Assistant Secretary - Veva Kearns
International Officer and An Grianan - Helen Doyle
Contest Secretary and Hostess - Teresa Mooney
Arts Promoter - Pattie Lavin
Produce Officer and Kitchen - Mairead Scanlon
P.R.O. and Assistant Treasurer - Connie Harpur

#### **Keys of ICA Hall**

Madeleine Stynes, Moneycooley, Maynooth is now the 'key holder' for our hall. Any group or person wishing to book the hall should contact Madeleine at the above address or phone her at 6286443.

#### Make and Model

Maynooth guild did extremely well in the Kildare Make and Model competition held recently, winning two of the thirteen sections. Mary Halton won the crochet section and Kay, Veva and the girls won the novelty section, which was "Off to America".

A very talented Ardclough lady, Bella Burke, won the Kildare section of the National Make and Model competition, held on the same night. Bella was later chosen at the National Final to appear on Live at Three as one of the last eight finalists.

## Navan Carpets "Designer 94"

Jo O'Connell has received a special merit award from Navan Carpets for her entry in their competition. Congratulations to Jo on her achievement in this national competition.

#### **Waltzing Competition**

At the Kildare heat of the Waltzing competition our President, Imelda and her partner Betty Farrell did us proud and were chosen to compete in the national final in Newcastlewest. Sad to say the ladies will be unable to attend this event.

#### **Guild Competition**

The overall winner for 93/94 monthly competitions was Rosemary Hanley. She will have her membership fee for 94/95 paid,

as her prize. In second place was Imelda Delaney and in third place was Mary Flynn.

#### Sales Person of the Year

Ms. Breda Donovan has kindly agreed to be our representative in this competition. We wish Breda every success this year.

#### Field Day

The Community Council Field Day will be held in the Harbour Field on Sunday 12th June. The ladies of our guild will be selling teas in our hall on that day from 2.00 p.m.

#### Activities

Craft nights are on as usual on Mondays at 8.00 p.m. Badminton is on in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting at 10.45 a.m. The badminton ladies were very successful at a recent competition in Rathmore. Marion and Clare won the mixed section and Geraldine and Margaret won the intermediate section.

#### An Grianan

Bernadette Duffy reported very enthusiastically on her trip last month to An Grianan. Bernadette said that in her opinion the facilities and food in An Grianan are far superior to what is available in many of our hotels. She said that £104 for four nights full board plus tuition, represented excellent value for money.

#### Fee

Ladies, you are reminded that your annual fee, which this year is £18, is now due. You have no insurance cover for guild activities unless your fee is paid.

#### **Next Meeting**

Our next meeting will take place in the ICA hall on Thursday 2nd June at 8.00 p.m. Anyone interested in joining our very active guild can do so by coming along on that night. Our Guest speaker on the 2nd will be Noreen Starr, Beauty Therapist. The competition on that night will be an "on the spot".

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As well as making lodgments, it is possible for members to drop in a completed loan application or to collect a loan cheque if it is ready.

#### **New Members**

The Credit Union has welcomed new members on a daily basis in the first weeks of daily opening. Eighteen people joined in the first two weeks of May. This represents a greater rate of growth than we experienced in April, when 26 people joined ten of them on the last day of the month. As well as welcoming these new members, we have had the pleasure of seeing again some existing members who had got out of the Credit Union habit.

#### **VHI Group Scheme**

People who join the VHI can get a 10% discount on the cost of their annual membership fees by joining a group scheme. Maynooth Credit Union Limited can now offer this benefit to Members. As we found out while doing our survey last November, some of our Members who are already in the VHI do belong to a Group Scheme, very often a work-related one. However, now it is possible for Members who are joining VHI or renewing their membership to use the Maynooth Credit Union Group Scheme, if they wish.

#### **Sponsoring Maynooth Community Games**

Maynooth Credit Union Limited has become one of the main sponsors of Maynooth Community Games. This step on our part is in keeping with the policy of the Irish League of Credit Unions which sponsors the National Community Games. It is also part of our commitment to support local community projects and particularly those which benefit our youth.

So the young people who run the races, do the paintings and participate in all the other activities can know that the local Credit Union is doing its bit to support their efforts. So enjoy yourselves agus beirigi bua!

Emer McDermott P.R.O.

# MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Results of Spring Show are:-

#### Flower Arranging:-

Class 1 - First - Carmel O'Leary

Class 2 - First - Dolores O'Leary

Class 3 - First - Mary Doyle

Class 4 - First - Felicity Satchwell

Class 5 - First - Noleen O'Brien

Class 6 - First - Susan Mulvihill

Class 7 - First - Mary Doyle

Class 8 - First - Felicity Satchwell

#### Plant Section:-

One Stem of Flowering Shrub - 1st Mary Temple One Daffodil or Narcissus - 1st Sarah Angel Vase of Garden Flowers - 1st Mary Doyle Collection of Polyanthus - 1st Carmel O'Leary Three Tulips - 1st Mary Ryan Four Sticks of Rhubarb - 1st Mary Doyle.

### Cup Winners:-

Ulster Bank Perpetual for best exhibit in show.

Winner:-Felicity Satchwell.

Bradshaw Perpetual Cup for best exhibit in plant section.

Winner:- Mary Temple.

Satchwell Perpetual Cup for best exhibit in classes 1 and 2.

Winner:- Carmel O'Leary. Flower Pot Perpetual Cup. Winner:- Mary Doyle. A.O.I.F.E. Perpetual Cup. Winner:- Noleen O'Brien

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We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our committee and sponsors for donating prizes for classes and raffle. Sponsors:- Katie's Flowers - two vouchers; Flower Pot Florists - Voucher; Garden World - Plant; Orchard Nurseries -

Without such a great venue as the hall in the Divine Word our show would not have such a large amount of entries. At shows it is vital to have space, so all exhibits can be viewed properly. Thanks to Divine Word Order for use of hall.

On June 21st we welcome Marie O'Leary to Maynooth. She is an expert in the "Continental Design", so expect a full house to see and hear about this aspect of flower arranging.

It is time again for the Annual Outing on 25th. This year we are going to the sunny south-east - Wexford. Maureen Stephens has a most interesting day planned with a visit to two fascinating gardens, Berkeley and Kilmakea Gardens. Dinner will be in the Lord Bagenal's Inn, Loughlinbridge, and back in Maynooth 10 p.m. approximately. Bookings and enquiries from Maureen. Tel: 6287461 or from Club.

June is a very busy month for the Club with members involved with two "Flower Festivals": 11th & 12th June: - Festival in Trim Castle and on 25th & 26th our friends and neighbours in Dunboyne have a Flower Festival in the Parish Church. We ask for your support for both events, which should be a most interesting and enjoyable way of spending a few hours either week-end.

Moira Baxter

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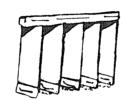
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# MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our May party was held on Sunday 15th in the Post Primary School. Mass was celebrated by Fr. Dunne S.M.A. House and followed by the usual tea and entertainment.

As this was our final party of the season I take this opportunity to thank Fr. O'Driscoll and Fr. Dunne from S.M.A. House and Fr. Jordan S.V.D. for their co-operation, kindness and hospitality during the past year. A special word of thanks to Tom Ashe and Liam Mooney for preparing the school for all our functions. Each time we use the school there is a certain amount of disruption to classrooms a fact which staff and pupils seem to take in their stride. For such tolerance we are very grateful. It is therefore with great expectation we await the new extension, which will be of enormous benefit to our community as so many of us use the facility of the school at present.

The "Tony Smith Memorial Walk", organised by the Labour Party in association with our committee, also took place on Sunday 15th May. Well done to all who walked, despite the rain. The fruits of your efforts will be revealed on Tuesday June 14th, when the cheque will be presented to us in Caulfields during our Cabaret. This night is our contribution to the Community Festival. Music on the night will be provided by Kevin & Joe with special guest Noel Brady, and we look forward to seeing all our friends and supporters there. We will have a full report on the walk and cabaret in the July issue.

Our annual outing will take place on Saturday June 11th. All names should be in by June 4th.

Our club closes for the Summer recess on June 30th and will re-open on September 6th P.G.

A word now about "Active Age Week" or should I say its absence! This concentration on one week of activity each year over the past seven years was created to highlight the positive contribution that older people can make in their community and to encourage them to remain active within that community, all of which culminated in 1993 with our celebration of "European Year of Older People". So following on from there, as part of "Age and Opportunities" an on-going campaign to challenge negative thinking of older people, it is recommended that we spread our activity over the full year. In 1994 and future years the new programme comprises of a different theme every couple of months. For example, in March and April the focus was on the Arts, May and June on Physical Activity and after the summer break we will be focusing on education. All these of course are guidelines. The message is to remain active. It is only by continuing to play an active roll in society that we will change the attitudes that exist towards ageing. The changing face of Europe involves all its people without exception or discrimination. In a just society we are accepted on merit, regardless of colour, religion, gender or age. Such labels and barriers must be removed if we are to experience true freedom, whatever our age.

Finally good luck to the organisers of Community Week. We wish you every success with the task in hand.



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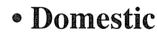
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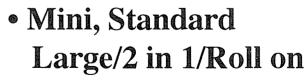


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# MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

As reported in last month's Newsletter our Bord Failte Tidy Towns entry was submitted on time prepared by our secretary Kathleen Cafferty. We have also written to Kildare County Council looking for more and better quality litter bins.

We extend our Deepest Sympathy to our Chairman Bob Reilly on the death of his sister Catherine McGarry and to Committee member Mattie Callaghan on the death of his father Bernard.

Our annual door to door collection will take place over ten days starting third week of June. We again ask for people who have an hour or two to spare at the weekend to contact us c/o Community Council Office.

We have a stall on Harbour Day during Community Week. So come along and talk to us.

Finally Best Shop/Best Estate Competition - judging will take place over the summer starting around Community Week to the end of August.

Information on the judging criteria can be obtained from the Community Council Office.

Once again lets all try to keep Maynooth tidy.

Richard Farell P.R.O. Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee

#### SCOUT NEWS BY 'VINNY'

Have you heard about the two scout leaders who had being going out together for years? No? Well, they finally tied the knot!! Ah yes, scout humour, there's nothing like it. Yes folks, the wanderer has returned, kill the fatted calf. This month's article is proudly brought to you by your one-time regular correspondent, and with a bit of luck, I hope to become your regular reporter again, on all the goings on in the best unit in the best association in the known universe.

Well that's enough shameless flattery for one article, so let's get down to the serious end of things.

This is the section that makes up through noise pollution, what it lacks in height. Anyway, last Saturday saw the unit's "anklebiters" head off to Lucan Castle along with other beavers in the region. A good time was had by all and it shouldn't take too much E.E.C. structural funding to rebuild it. Also, we the leadership in the unit would like to take this opportunity to thank the several parents who have been coming down to help out in the colony over the last few months - your reward will be great in heaven!!!

#### **Cubs:**

By the time this comes to print, the Annual Cub Football League should be completed. Maynooth, true to the strong G.A.A. tradition in the town, up to the time of me writing this article had been beating anything that came near them. So by the next article, I should be able to tell you if we have any silverware to put into the cabinet, in which case, I'll be looking for a cheap second hand trophy cabinet! Anyway we'll keep you posted.

#### **Scouts:**

This time of year is usually busy for us, and this year is no exception. Plans are well under way for our annual camp which this year sees us off to sunny (we hope) Boyle-sur-mer or surlake or sur-pothole filled with rain water or something along those lines. Held during the first week in July, we hope to be bringing most of the troop on what should be a good time for all.

#### **Ventures:**

These intrepid lads and lassies in our "geriatric" section have been keeping a rather low profile in recent weeks. Like us in the scout section, they have been planning their own summer camp. I don't actually have all the details at the moment (actually I don't have any!), but a little bird tells me that it's going to be good.

Well that's it for this month. Until next month then, when I should be able to tell you how the Annual Cub Camp went, a bit of information which has just occurred to me, I have forgotten to tell you about. Basically, it involves an activity filled weekend in Ballyfin College demesne (fancy word which means estate or grounds). The date of this great expedition is the weekend of the 17th, 18th and 19th of June - yes I know it clashes with the world cup match between Ireland and Italy, but we have already lined up a telly etc. for is not our motto "be prepared"? Anyway until next month then,

Bí Ullamh, "Vinny"

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| SATURDAY 11TH JUNE Children's Treasure Hunt - U/14 Town Centre Mall           | 2.00 pm                       | FRIDAY 17TH JUNE  Harp Lager Bachelor of the Year.                                                                         |           |
| SUNDAY 12TH JUNE Field Day - Harbour Field                                    |                               | G.A.A. Eugene again                                                                                                        | 9.00 pm   |
| Stalls Athletic Club Fun Races non members welcome Maynooth Brass & Reed Band | 2.30 pm<br>2.30-5pm           | SATURDAY 18TH JUNE Talent Competition - under 18 No Bands - Parish Hall                                                    | 5.00 pm   |
| Tug-O-War (Men & Women) Fancy Dress - Judging Baby Show - Judging             | 3.00 pm<br>3.30 pm<br>4.00 pm | Boys Soccer U/11<br>Maynooth Garda Perpetual Cup Final<br>Maynooth V Esker Celtic                                          |           |
| Fire Brigade - Harbour Field Car Treasure Hunt Town Court - M. II             | 4.30 pm                       | Harbour Field                                                                                                              | 6.30 pm   |
| Town Centre Mall  Harp Lager Talent Competition The Roost (Over 18 Years)     | 5.00 pm                       | SUNDAY 19TH JUNE Gaelic Final - Conway Memorial Final                                                                      |           |
| Eugene. (Me                                                                   | 9-11.30 pm                    | Harbour Field  Battle of the Bands                                                                                         | 2.00 pm   |
| Mr. & Mrs Competition                                                         | J                             | Students Union                                                                                                             | 2.30 pm   |
| Caulfields - Prizes                                                           | 9.00 pm                       | Hurling Final Garda Perpetual Trophy<br>Harbour Field                                                                      | 2.45 pm   |
| TUESDAY 14TH JUNE Car Trials - Doyle's Mart Old People's Committee            | 7-10.00 pm                    | Donovans Cup Finals of Men's Soccer<br>Harbour field<br>Trophies sponsored by Guinness                                     | 4.00 pm   |
| Cabaret Caulfields                                                            | 8.30 pm                       | Presentation in Roost                                                                                                      | 6.00 pm   |
| Smithwick's Music Night<br>Leinster Arms (Al Brady)                           | 9-11.00pm                     | Barperson of the Year<br>Presentation in Roost                                                                             | 7.00 pm   |
| WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE                                                           |                               | Sing-along in the Roost                                                                                                    | 9.30-11pm |
| Smithwick's Table Quiz Caulfields-Prize Money £175                            | 9.00 pm                       | Harp Lager<br>Karaoke - Leinster Arms                                                                                      | 9.00-11pm |

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# GARDEN COMPETITION

Is your garden within a four mile radius of The Square, Maynooth?

Do you have a prize winning lawn or a gem of a rose garden or even a delightful display of container plants?

Well then here is your opportunity to enter your garden, no matter how big or small, in **The Maynooth Show's Garden Competition.** The Show is run under the auspices of Maynooth I.C.A. and this year the Garden Section has been revamped and extended. There are now ten categories, which are:-

- 1. Best Overall Garden
- 2. Best Novice Garden
- 3. Best Lawn
- 4. Best Rose Garden
- 5. Best Summer Bedding
- Best Container Display
- 7 Best Water Garden (Pond)
- 8. Best Vegetable Garden
- Best Alpine/Rock Garden
- 10. Best Cut Flower Garden

Prizes include Perpetual Cups, cash prizes and garden centre vouchers.

ENTRY FEE - £2.00 per category.

Entries for this competition must be with Mary Flynn, Derrinstown Stud, on or before Saturday, 2nd July. For further information call Mary at 6289342.

# MAYNOOTH ANNUAL SHOW

This year the 23rd Annual Show, held under the auspices of Maynooth ICA, promises to be bigger and better than ever.

It will take place on the 15th and 16th July, in the Post Primary School, Moyglare Rd., Maynooth. Entries will be accepted at that venue on Friday 15th July from 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. No late entries will be accepted. Judging in the 113 classes will take place on Saturday morning 16th July and the show will be open to the public at 3.00 p.m.

Show schedules are available now from the following:-Donovans Newsagents in Quinnsworth Shopping Centre, Donovans in Greenfield Shopping Centre, Newtown Stores and the Maxol Service Station, Maynooth. I would ask entrants to please read this year's schedule carefully, as it contains some changes from last year's schedule.

The organising committee has made sure no one will be left out with classes for adults, teenagers and children. In the adult section we have classes for: - vegetables, fruit, flowers, flower arranging, jam and chutney making, baking, knitting, arts and crafts, painting and photography. In the children's section we have classes for:- wild flowers, summer flowers, knitting, sewing, crochet, crafts, baking, handwriting and art as well as the ever popular "miniature garden". There are twelve classes in all in the teenager's section to cater for their various talents.

We would be delighted if parents and teachers would make the children, of Maynooth and the surrounding towns and villages, aware of the show. It costs only 15p for children to enter each class. There are 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes (at judge's discretion) in each class. There are also Perpetual Cups for the best baking exhibit and the best art exhibit.

This year there will be twenty two cups and tropies, most of which are perpetual, awarded at the Show. These are in addition to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes which will be awarded (at judge's discretion) in each class. The entry fee for adults and teenagers is 30p per class. So, it is well worth your while entering.

As well as the 113 classes in the show, there is also a Garden Competition. This competition has been extended from three sections last year to a total of ten sections this year. See Garden Competition note elsewhere in **Newsletter**. Please note that this Garden Competition is only open to gardens within a four mile radius of The Square, Maynooth, whereas the rest of the show is open to everyone.

Anyone who would like further information on the Annual Show can contact me at 6286787 or call our assistant secretary, Jo, at 6285062.

Connie Harpur, Show Secretary

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Congratulations also to those boys who made their First Holy Communion in May. We would like to thank both Ms. Elaine Buckley for her work with the First Holy Communion class and Mr. Patrick O'Connor with the Confirmation Class. Lastly, to the headmaster Mr. Pierce O'Connell and school secretary Ms. Ann Walsh for their co-operation during the year and all parents who sent in subscriptions, the Association would like to say Thank You.

We take this opportunity to wish all pupils, teachers and parents a happy and enjoyable summer.

P.R.O. May 1994

## MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

This years Summer Project is about to start. During the past months all of our committee have spent a lot of time and thought organising this year's programme of events and we hope everyone will enjoy the fun and excitement.

For the parents and children who may be new to the project this year, and also for those who may have forgotten, Maynooth Summer Project began in 1983/84, when a group of interested parents involved themselves in organising the first Summer Project. For these people it was very encouraging to see so many children enjoy four weeks of fun and excitement. The efforts of past committees, adults and youth leaders, helpers and parents kept the project going year after year. Over the years there have been so many people involved with the Project that it would be impossible to name them all but each and every one deserves a pat on the back for their involvement.

Each year the Project needs new helpers, who may later become involved as committee members, to ensure that it continues year after year. Maynooth Summer Project runs for four weeks and provides activities such as competitions, games, arts and crafts, discos, films, bowling, swimming, outings, day trips and evening events for teenagers. All of these events require supervision to protect and safeguard all the children. Any parents who would like to offer to help, even for only one day, are most welcome, just contact any committee member. The Project is open to all children in the Maynooth area, starting from seven years old to teenagers. Younger children are only accepted if accompanied by a parent at all times.

Summer Project starts with Registration Day and a registration fee is payable for each child taking part in the Project. Every child must be registered. A programme of events will be available and all outings, day trips, etc., must be booked and paid for on Registration Day. Finally:

1. All committee members and helpers are volunteers.

- 2. All monies collected from our Flag days, Christmas fairs and registration fees subsidise the trips, keeping the cost down.
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Although presently situated in Connaught Street, Kilcock, the school will be moving next September to the refurbished C.B.S. school in "The Square" Kilcock.

#### Cairde Scoil Uí Riada

During May "Cairde Scoil Uí Riada", the parents association hosted a fund raising race night, and held a flag day collection in Maynooth. Both these events were generously supported by the business community and people of Maynooth. The Cairde committee wish to THANK YOU all most sincerely, your support is greatly appreciated.

Should you require any information about the school you may contact: Príomhoide na Scoile, Fón 6287906

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We thank the estate for the courtesy and co-operation given to our Committee members collecting the annual subscriptions. If we missed you please give your subscription to your roads representative or to our Treasurer at 11 Greenfield Drive. We plan to have an early Summer Estate Clean Up - Details in next circular.

Richard Farrell, P.R.O.

# KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The annual collection of subscriptions towards the cost of cutting the greens continues. It is very heartening to see the willingness of residents to dig deep and makes the onerous job of knocking on doors much easier.

We will be nominating a date this month (June) as a clean up day and will be organising a skip. Further details will be delivered to all houses, if not already done, giving ample time to find those shovels and shears etc. If everybody does a little nobody need do a lot!

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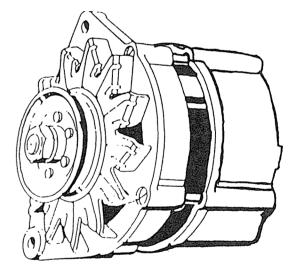
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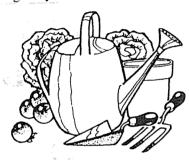
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# **Hobbies & Interests**

One can now relax that the first spring rush is over and take time to wander round the garden, mark the gaps and note the plants doing badly, and decide on new ones to fill them in or replace them.

It is very important, this wandering round; it looks aimless, but in fact, the more one can do it the better. In the process a good gardener observes his plants and their reactions to his treatment and draws conclusions which result in better plants and even more attractive interlocking of their habits of growth, colour, leaf shapes and flowering, He sees the beginning of pest and disease attack, the onset of weed infestation, the need for water, the appearance of deadheads and the over-luxuriant growth that wants pruning away.



#### The Flower Garden

Jobs to do, if one must, are staking border plants, pruning, early summer flowering shrubs, tying or ringing sweet peas, liquid feeding of annuals and bedding plants, mowing the lawn, spraying for rose mildew, blackspot, greenfly and caterpillars. The last of the bedding plants should be out at the beginning of the month, together with dahlias and chrysanthemums.

Biennials can still be sown this month for next season's spring flowering. Watering is likely to be necessary constantly, particularly the lawn. The quick growing hedges can be given their first cut in early June, privet, blackthorn, hawthorn and gorse.

Sweet peas may flower later this month, but in any case will be growing fast. They flower more prolifically if trained up supports, tied in, and their tendrils removed. Water copiously in hot weather as bed drop occurs when the soil is dry (and if they are growing on hallow soil); liquid feeding each week will help flower production.

# The Greenhouse

The greenhouse will be almost too hot, but cacti will be well suited, and so will the pelargoniums. Tomatoes which were sown in heat in February will be ripening this month under glass, and can be allowed to carry at least eight trusses before stopping, that is, breaking off the growing tip of the main stem just above a leaf. This prevents any more upward growth. Sideshooting and overhead damping should continue. Cucumbers and melons will need further control of the excess sideshoots.

# GARDENING HINTS

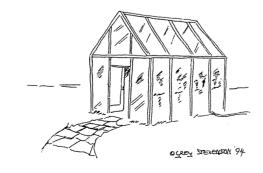
# The Vegetable Garden

Marrows can still be planted out at the beginning of this month, also outdoor tomatoes, celery, leeks, cauliflower, savoy cabbages, sprouts, broccoli, and autumn-winter cabbages. Peppers and aubergines can be planted out in a sunny frame, or potting on the greenhouse at least once, using a rich planting medium in both cases. Asparagus cutting should finish by mid June, early potatoes can be dug and maincrops will be earthing up. Vegetable seeds sown outside last month will need thinning, and more seed such as peas, lettuce, parsley, radish, summer spinach, beet and shorthorn carrots can be sown outside.

#### **Summer Fruits**

The soft fruit season will start in about the middle of the month, and will continue for six weeks or so, with the earliest strawberries coming in at the end of June. Raspberries will be in full flower and should be sprayed ten days after flowering starts, as raspberry maggot is likely to be a problem. The first gooseberries may be ready at the end of the month. Blackcurrants may just be ready for picking in the last week.

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# Hobbies & Interests

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#### Tuna Fish Bites

Serves: 4

Time to prepare: 15 minutes Time to cook: 30 minutes Cals per portion: 750

2 x 14 oz. (397g) cans tuna in brine, drained 1 small onion, very finely chopped

1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>(40g) fresh breadcrumbs

2 eggs, lightly beaten

5 tbsp (75ml) olive oil

3 tbsp (45ml) fresh chopped parsley

1 tsp (5ml) freeze-dried oregano

4 oz. (100g) plain flour

4 tbsp (60ml) lemon juice

#### Sauce

1 tbsp (15ml) olive oil

1 onion chopped

1 clove of garlic, crushed

14 oz (397g) can chopped tomatoes

Pinch of sugar

2 tbsp (30ml) fresh chopped parsley

#### Method

- 1. Mix together the tuna, onion, bread-crumbs, eggs, 2 tbsp (30ml) of oil, parsley, oregano and freshly ground black
- 2. Shape mixture into 12 balls. Roll in flour, dip in lemon juice then roll in flour again.
- 3. Heat the remaining oil in a shallow frying pan and fry the fish balls, turning until golden all over. Drain on kitchen paper.
- 4. Heat oil for sauce and fry onion and garlic for 3 mins to soften. Add tomatoes, sugar and parsley, then season with freshly ground black pepper and add a pinch of salt. Simmer for 15 mins to thicken sauce slightly. Either stir the tuna bites into tomato sauce or serve on top of sauce.

#### **Pear Charlotte**

Preparation: 25 minutes Cooking: 45-50 minutes

175g/6oz butter, melted

100g/4oz caster sugar

12 slices thickly sliced white bread, crusts removed, cut in half lengthways

900g/2lb ripe dessert pears, peeled, cored and thickly sliced 2tbsp comflour

1 tsp ground cinnamon

100g/4oz raspberries, thawed and if frozen

Icing Sugar for Dusting

Crème fraîche to serve

Serves 6

Cost per serving: 50p Cals per serving: 589

#### Method

- Preheat oven to 200C/400F/ Gas Mark 6. Use some of the melted butter to grease a 20 cm/8in round, loose-based, nonstick cake tin at least 7.5-9cm/3-31/2 deep and line the base with baking parchment.
- Sprinkle the inside of the tin with 25g/1oz. of the caster
- Reserve approx 3 slices of bread for the base of the 3. charlotte. Quickly dip the remaining slices in the butter and use to line the base and sides of the tin, overlapping the pieces so as not to leave any gaps.
- In a bowl, mix the pears with the cornflour, cinnamon, remaining sugar and raspberries. Spoon into the breadlined tin. Dip reserved bread in butter and use to cover the pear mixture completely.
- Bake for 45-50 minutes until bread is crisp and golden. Cool in the tin for 5 minutes, then remove and invert on to a serving plate. Dust with icing sugar and serve warm with creme fraîche.

#### Tips

• For a posh dinner party alternative, try making individual charlottes in ramekins or metal timbale moulds.

#### **Oriental Fruit Salad**

Preparation: 15 mins

Cooking: 5 mins

For 4 people

65g (21/2 oz) caster sugar

Juice of 1 lemon

60 ml (4 tbsp) stem ginger syrup

1 large orange

1 small cantaloupe melon, halved and de-seeded

1 large red apple

225g (8oz) lychees, peeled

2 passion fruit

1 banana, peeled

2 pieces stem ginger, chopped.

- •Heat together the sugar and 200ml (7 fl oz) water in a saucepan, stirring occasionally until the sugar dissolves. Bring to the boil and boil rapidly for 2 mins. Remove from the heat and leave to cool. Stir in the lemon juice and ginger syrup.
- •Using a serrated knife, peel and segment the orange; cube the melon flesh; thinly slice the apple and stone the lychees. Scoop the seeds out from the passion fruit and slice the banana.
- •Add the fruit to the syrup with the chopped stem ginger; cover and chill. Serve with fresh single cream.

\*This sweet is delicious served with Chinese tea, which has a floral smell and flavour that complements fruit salad perfectly.

#### Best tip

• Stem ginger is usually sold in supermarkets next to the jams and preserves. In this recipe it gives the fruit a delicious, oriental flavour.

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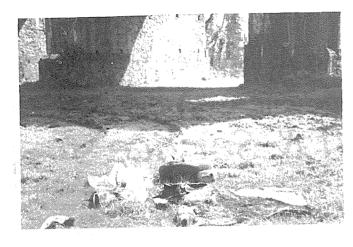
# A FAILURE OF COMMITMENT

A recent survey by the Maynooth Newsletter illustrated that 66% of Maynooth people have no confidence in Kildare Co. Council. This month we show you the reasons why.

Maynooth possesses the potential to become a beautiful town. Yet its resources are treated scandalously by Departments of State and by some of its own inhabitants. One example of this is Conolly's Folly. The following photograph represents an indictment of the indifference of the OPW towards the upkeep of this monument they have taken charge of:

structural stability of the monument. Perhaps the OPW should pay it a visit! ...if they can beat their way through the pot-holes and brambles.

The importance of the town's Planning & Development Committee in fostering awareness and action on these issues cannot be under estimated. The state of Conolly's Folly and many of the back roads indicate the importance of its SES Scheme and the necessity that it be supported morally and financially.





The graffiti sprayed across the historic stone arches are of course not solely the responsibility of the OPW. It is also our responsibility. It is our responsibility if we tolerate this level of neglect, if we do not tweak the ear of the OPW at first gently but more sharply if they fail to respond. Some are more directly responsible for this and the litter scattered around the place. Some of the newspaper pages blowing around this monument are from The Sunday Times. We would assume that yobs do not read The Sunday Times. To the quasi-intellectuals who littered this historic site we can only inform them that as life forms they do not rate much higher than yobs.

What is not our responsibility is the level of decrepitude of the surrounding roads and hedgerows. How can we promote the heritage and culture of Maynooth if its roads are rendered impassable by pot-holes. The indifference of Kildare Co. Council is indicated by the presence of a burnt out car at the entrance to the Obelisk for almost two months. We would be ashamed to bring visitors to this place rather than proud.

More seriously we note that part of the column near the entry to the obelisk, which has been locked to prevent further vandalism, has been torn away by vandals trying to break in. Apart from the aesthetic damage caused by this, such destruction also causes a serious danger to health and endangers the The above photograph is a testament to the indiscipline and sloppy indifference which characterises an all too prevalent attitude to the upkeep of the town. It indicates just how completely the potential of this town has been neglected by the public authorities and some elements of the community.

Is this the picture of Maynooth we wish to present, something redolent of a bandit town. The road photographed above possesses the potential to become a beautiful scenic walk not only for tourists but more importantly the townspeople. Running parallel to Carton Walk we see its over-hanging trees and peaceful solitude destroyed by burnt-out cars and discarded washing machines where the rats scurry across pot-hole ridden tracks just hundreds of yards away from where our children play soccer.

Maynooth is a historic town. Site of the Geraldine capital, close to the famous Conolly's location of Carton House and a world renowned seminary, it is time this was recognised by the relevant authorities. However, it is also time we recognised our own responsibilities, in the conservation of our heritage and the enhancement of our town. Maynooth is not blessed with scenic valleys or mountains. However, many areas in it possess a quiet beauty which should be protected both for visitor and native, not discarded in this wanton fashion.



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# MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Maynooth Post Primary School Must Expand

The continuing demand for places in Maynooth Post Primary School in the past led to the building of an extension which was completed in 1983. Since then, our numbers have grown even more, so that the present building does not provide adequate space for our present student numbers. The 1983 extension was pllanned for a total of 500 students. Our present number stands at 673 and all information to date indicates that this will increase even more in the years to come.

The proposed extension will include six classrooms, an art and craft centre, offices, toilet facilities and a general purpose room or assembly hall. Such a room would clearly have many advantages. It could be used for examinations, concerts or parent teacher meetings and would also be available to the community for a variety of local activities. Because of the expense involved, it is necessary for us to organise a fund raising campaign in order to assist in the cost.

Maynooth Post Primary School is both co-educational and multi-denominational. We feel that this environment is most suitable for the intellectual, social and moral development of our students, in a modern world which is fast approaching the 21st century. In addition to providing a wide range of subject options to Leaving Certificate Higher Level, we provide many extra cultural activities which contribute to social development. Every effort is made to ensure that equal opportunity is given to all students irrespective of gender or religious persuasion.

Our enrolment policy is quite straighforward. We accept all students from our catchment area irrespective of ability, gender or religious persuasion. These students are then assessed in order to establish the educational programme best suited to their needs. We are concerned not only with academic achievement but also with social and personal development. Our curriculum has been devised in order to achieve all of these aims.

A wide range of recreational sports are provided which cater equally for boys and girls. Some of these include gaelic football, soccer, camogie, basketball, tennis, golf, athletics and cross country running. We are indebted to many teachers who freely give up their spare time to assist with sporting activities. Public debating is also catered for by the teachers of English, in addition to visits to the theatre. Our record to date in debating competitions is quite impressive. In addition to a school tour, students are brought to places of educational interest such as the Armagh Planetarium. Our best students of mathematics are entered for the International Mathematical Olympiad and our past record in this field of endeavour has been one of considerable success. This is a very prestigious annual competition for mathematically gifted teams of pre-university students who represent their countries and it is indeed a tribute to Maynooth Post Primary School that we have entered our students in the competition with such a high degree of success. Another important feature of the School is the Aer Lingus Young Scientists Exhibition. Here, we compete with the very best of Irish Schools north and south of the border and our past record in this exhibition has also been highly successful. This exhibition has important educational advantages as it gives students a basic training in methods of conducting research and in handling topics which are not covered in school text books. The experience of being interviewed by judges is also a valuable training.

Over the years, the Religion department has provided opportunities for students to come in contact with the issues of the day. This is done in the classroom by providing time, information and space for reflection. It allows the students to explore their own attitudes and experiences and appreciate what they have to offer in today's world. Outside the classroom, there are a number of fund raising activities such as raffles, cake sales, discos, a sponsored fast and an appeal for non-perishable food. These activities are run by the students themselves and this year alone have raised over £1,200.

This money has been used to support such charities as the Bosnian Refugee Fund and the local St. Vincent de Paul. Apart from helping charities, this training develops the spirit of giving and helping the less well off, which is a very important part of the Christian ethic. In order to encourage this generosity, our students are addressed by invited guest speakers from various agencies, representing some of the disadvantaged sectors of the local and world community. Retreats are provided for both senior and junior students along with social events such as ice-skating, bowling, football matches and of course the inevitable burger and chips at McDonalds.

The French department are running a book writing competition among 1st, 2nd and 3rd years. A number of students from Maynooth Post Primary School won prizes for their literary efforts in a national competition two years ago. It is therefore expected that the standards will be high. We also won first prize in Ireland for having organised the best language day. During the past three years, the German department has developed close links with Gustav-Heinemann Gesauitschule in Hulheim, Germany. Starting off with penpal schemes, students get to know each other before they partake in a group exchange. They stay with their partners' families and share school and leisure time. Project work, outings and social events round off the programme. Our last exchange in September '93 was partly funded by Lingua to ensure that finance was not a major problem. On a tandem exchange, a number of our 5th year students spend four weeks in Germany. Following this, their respective German students attend our school in Maynooth and stay with Irish families. During the two months that the partners spend together, they work in tandem on specially designed language exercises in both languages. Our students in the past have found this exchange very helpful in terms of language learning and personal development.

It is a tribute to the popularity and success of Maynooth Post Primary School in the

past, that this new extension is now required. Applications for places often come from outside our catchment area due to the success and fame of the School. However, because of professional ethics, we do not normally take students from other catchment areas where they are catered for by other schools except in very special circumstances and in consultation with the schools concerned. An exception to this rule is the area of Dunboyne which does not have a Post Primary School of its own and whose students have difficulty getting into other schools. This extension is required so that we can give the very best training to the students of our own catchment area in Maynooth.

At present, we are studying the question of a transition year and planning the most suitable programme for such a year. It is essential that we get extra space in order to implement it. At the moment, space is at a premium as the 1983 extension was never intended for the numbers which we now cater for. We now request your help in making an even better school for the future generations of Maynooth.

#### **Tennis**

Congratulations to our Girls Tennis Team on their great wins over the girls of Muckross College and Sacred Heart School, Tullamore. They now go on to the final of the Leinster Plate in Templeogue. Team members are - Lorraine Downey, Claire Duke, Maedbh Flood, Rebecca Healy, Michelle Gillick and Aoibheen O'Sullivan. The Boys U.16 Junior Tennis Team were narrowly beaten in all of their matches by St. Gerards of Bray and Castleknock College. Team Members are - Mark O'Reilly, Michael O'Malley, David Coughlan, Fiachra Kirwan, Declan Buckley, Eamonn Hodge and Noel Regan. On both counts they ended up on the wrong side of 2-1 on tie breakers.

#### Football

The boys Senior Football Team has ended the season on a high note by adding another trophy to the one already won by the girls Football Team when they beat St. Pauls of Monasterevin 3.4 to 0.10 in the Kildare Post Primary Schools final. In a closely contested game the pair of goals by Jamie Lawlor finished off the opposition. This was a very gratifying win as it was the last game of a team that was carefully nurtured and trained for several years and most of the members sit for the Leaving Certificate this year. Well done team and trainers.

While on that note, Bon Chance to all our examination candidates.

## Theatre

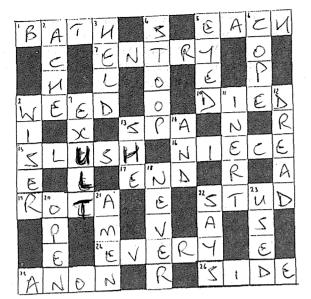
Over 70 Leaving Certificate students and their teachers attended Juno & The Paycock in the Gaiety on Ascension Thursday. Such a brilliant production was timely and useful for all as it forms a major part of their English Drama Section in the Leaving Certificate.

Thomas Ashe



• Pictured above are the sixth class boys from Maynooth Boys' Primary School who sponsored Maura Lyons (pictured also) one of the cyclists from the 'Maynooth Students for Charity'. The class raised £64 in sponsorship for Maura who participated in the annual Galway cycle. The students themselves raised £9,500 for Childline.

# Tea Break Quickie



## ACROSS:

- 1. Habit I got out of, sinking in the tub.(4)
- 5. Taken separately. (4)
- 7. When there's none of this, guard dogs may be present. (5)
- 8. We edit the unwanted plant in the garden. (4)
- 10. Left this life. (4)
- 13. Pa's in the Spring. (3)
- 15. Muck and. . . . (5)
- 16. Nice in the East for your relation. (5)
- 17. Finish (3)
- 19. List. (4)
- 22. A place where horses are found. (4)
- 24. Always positive for all. (5)
- 25. See a non-smoker soon. (4)
- 26. One of the parties in a political election. (4)

#### DOWN:

- 2. Each get a pain. (4)
- 3. In the hand or in the hall it was on. (4)
- 4. Oops, tea spilt so I bend down to clean it. (5)
- 5. Glanced carefully at someone. (4)
- 6. Manage. (4)
- 8. He had more wisdom not to get wires crossed. (5)
- 9. Rejoice. (5)
- 11. A gas may be this. (5)
- 12. He dared to be frightened. (5)
- 13. He's a woman. (3)
- 14. Dan turned into also. (3)
- 18. Veer North, not to get there at all.(5)
- 20. Nope, it's not closed. (4)
- 21. A man in the plural finished the prayer. (4)
- 22. Utters (4)
- 23. This car might work out cheaper. (4)

# Features

# LEAVING CERT BLUES

School books, papers, pens and pencils lie scattered on wooden tables,

Young buried heads and writing pens are engrossing information.

The summers here and the days draw near,

Can you picture the atmosphere?

#### Leonie Carruthers

Leonie Carruthers a leaving certificate student, has a positive attitude which will enable her to cope well for the forthcoming exams. Naturally she will feel nervous but she is a continuous worker. Leonie believes that there is a hype connected with the leaving cert. People are pressurised unintentionally by peers. The atmosphere is quite tense and there is pressure on students to do well. However the school does not pressurise students unnecessarily. The points system causes anxiety for many students as some of their careers are depending on their grades. Leonie hopes to study science in Maynooth College, needing 320 points, which she considers quite reasonable for the degree. After attending Maynooth College's open day she was happily surprised to find Maynooth was the college she wished to attend, commenting that the science labs and collage facilities were "unbelievable". So Leonie hopes to remain in Maynooth, as do her parents because they want the best for her - of course, Maynooth College!! So good luck to Leonie "a local lassie" and enjoy your summer. She hopes to go to Féile and socialise during the summer months. She adds a short message for the fifth years "don't waste time in fifth year - do a little".

## Maurice MacCarthy

Maurice MacCarthy is another leaving cert student. He is not feeling too positive because he believes a lot depends on the leaving cert saying "It is the most important exam you will ever sit". It determines the further education a person wishes to pursue. Maurice is determined to study History and political science in Trinity. He visited the college once and was impressed. The points are high and as Maurice has his heart set on this course - he is feeling pressurised. He feels the influence of the media adds to the pressure.

Maurice will be relieved when the exams are over and is looking forward to an enjoyable summer. However he will miss his school days in Maynooth Post Primary, his friends and the atmosphere. He considers himself lucky to have been a part of Maynooth Post Primary. So good luck to Maurice and I hope you are as happy in the future as you are in school.

(The sixth years in Maynooth Post Primary)

Best of luck to everyone in Maynooth Post Primary, Leaving Cert and Junior Cert students. Always remember life goes on!



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John O'Rourke, Manager of the Roost, very ably pulling a pint.

John O'Rourke from 1984. He and his staff of Sean Henry, David Flynn, Alan Stafford, Pat Curran, Tom Fay, Tom Blanche, and last but not least Mel Farrell, who is the longest serving staff member and was noted "Barman of the Year" in Maynooth Community Festival 1993, take care of your needs in a very capable, professional manner. I asked John a few

questions which he willingly answered:

- Q: Where did you work before you came to Maynooth?
- A: I worked in Naas and Dublin.
- Q: What's the funniest event that occurred in your many years of work in the Roost?
- A: I think that would be the night we held "The worst singer in town Contest" around two years ago in connection with Maynooth Community Festival.....What a night!!!
- Q: The big question all punters want to know is: When is drink going up again?
- A: Hopefully not for about three years.
- Q: What would you say about the Roost in order to attract custom?
- A: We give top quality service and a good pint. Also we serve a wide variety of customers, meaning that you could meet up with anyone and have a good conversation.
- Q: Would you still work here if you won the Lotto?
- A: Absolutely, nothing would make up for the fun I have here.
- Q: If you had a choice of any job other than bar manager in the morning what would you like to be?
- A: Something like a psychiatrist looking into the heads of all my customers.

Cassidy's Roost is definitely an interesting place to drink, one of the focal features being the Main Lounge with its statues and pillars. This idea came from Anne Cassidy and has been a talking point in many established journals. This established journal just wishes well the owners, management and staff of Cassidy's Roost - Long may the drink flow!

#### EYE HEAR

## Theft of Vehicles

Local man Tom Cassidy of Rail Park was the victim of car theft recently when his car was removed from the Leinster Arms' car park. Also Jim Carthy of Laraghbryan recently suffered the loss of his van which was stolen from the Square. This vehicle was later recovered in an extremely damaged state. Both these men suffered considerable loss and inconvenience. It is a despicable crime to experience as very often the robbers just destroy the vehicles for no good reason or use them for parts. That these two hardworking men should be put through this kind of unnecessary hassle is of regret to everyone. Unfortunately this kind of crime is becoming far too common in Maynooth in recent times.

#### Words and Music!

Playschool teacher Marie Carr had to sort out two young pupils who became obstreperous over the words of a song. Young four year old Stephen O'Toole claimed the words of the Yellow JCB belonged to his father Brendan. However little Gerard Healy claimed they belonged to his daddy. Each sang numerous verses to prove their point. The real proof of the pudding will be when Brendan goes on stage at the G.A.A. Club.

#### **Holy Smoke**

Recently when a jogger completed his training in the Harbour Field, he was amazed to find that his favourite pipe, some to-bacco and a lighter, had been stolen from under his nose. A dog has been ruled out of his enquiries as he would not know how to use the lighter. While this gives rise to speculation that a Secret Health Promotion Agent may be on the loose, it does show that nothing is safe around this town anymore. Looking on the brighter side the victim said, "Even though I was going pretty slow at least they didn't manage to steal the runners off my feet, I'll make sure the laces are well tied in future".

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#### **GARDA NEWS**

#### Junior Warden Patrol:

The National Safety Council is very proud of its Junior School Warden Scheme which involves over 100 schools nationwide and helps greatly in reducing road accidents in the vicinity of schools. Furthermore the scheme imbues in students a healthy respect and attitude towards road safety from an early age.

The project consists of teams of six children in the 11/12 age group who operate outside the school providing a safe road crossing for the other pupils. There is a separate team for each day of the week normally consisting of children in the 6th class. Full co-operation and support is given by the Local Authority, the Gardaí, Teachers, Parents, Board of Management, the National Safety Council and of course the children. The initiative also impacts on other road users and gives a daily reminder and example to all of the necessity for care, courtesy, consideration and common sense in respect of our road behaviour. Maynooth Boys National School enthusiastically operates the scheme on the Moyglare Road each school day. Their task is to stop traffic and ensure that younger children cross the busy thoroughfare safely. The Gardaí appeal to all road users to be vigilant and alert to those young Wardens and obey their signals and be patient. All the participating boys were recently presented with certificates as a recognition of their contribution and commitment to this excellent scheme during the past twelve months. Kildare County Council Chairman, John O'Neill and the Council's Road Safety Officer J. P. Holligan attended and made the presentations to 29 boys from the school's 6th class. School Principal Pierce O'Connell and teacher Pat O'Connor, the man who instructed the boys on the road safety procedures were also present. Sergeant J. Canny represented the local Gardaí and thanked the teachers and all concerned for their contribution to making the scheme such a wonderful success.



Maynooth Junior School Wardens From left: Conor O'Sheen, Alan Geoghegan, Gareth Mehan, Trevor Laktan, Daniel McCourt, Mark Quigley.

#### Crime:

Maynooth as a satellite town of Dublin is very vulnerable to attacks and robberies from city gangs and criminals. We ask all business people to exercise extreme caution when carrying large sums of money to the bank. Attacks unfortunately are on the increase. Business premises should have appropriate security devices installed to make them less accessible to criminals who are now moving out to the suburbs in pursuit of easier prey. We advise people to contact the local Garda station and the services of the local Crime Prevention Officer will be made available.

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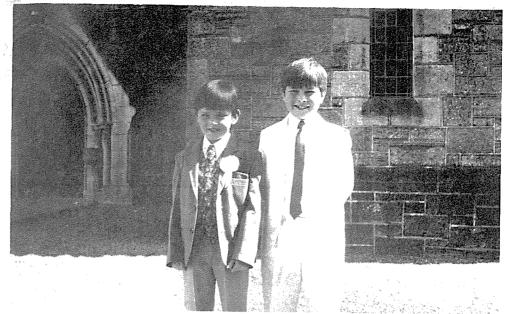
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Patrons of the G.A.A. Social Centre were amazed to see the high standard of céili dancing in Maynooth as displayed on the dance-floor last Saturday night. Many Maynooth ceilí dancers from 'way back to the time of Noones', now Billies Boutique, were seen on the floor brushing up on old skills and showing the basic steps to the newcomers who once they overcame their ritual shyness could not be kept off the floor. The music was provided by Mare Ryan and his band which included accordion, key-board, drums, flute and violin. The band varied the tempo with some waltzes in between to allow time for oxygen reviving. One of the highlights of the night was a display of set dancing by Brendan O'Grady's set-dancers who meet every Tuesday night in the club at 8.00 p.m.

The night would not have been possible without the kind sponsorship of: St. Mary's G.A.A., Gerry Scally, Centra Supermarket, Michael Tennyson, The Mill Tavern Off Licence, Jean & Ken Leonard, Jean's Newsagents, Moyglare.

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#### KEYHOLDER OF THE CASTLE



The new keyholder of Maynooth Castle is Mrs. Bridget Saults of 9 Parson Street, Maynooth. Mrs. Saults was engaged as the keyholder on 18th February having been chosen by Mr. Dalton the Bursar of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. She is very proud to have been asked to undertake this duty and we wish her the very best in doing so.

Bridget Saults, the new Keyholder of the Castle

The Castle grounds are open from 10.00 a.m. until 5.30 p.m. at present for those who have an interest in local history.

# LOCAL HOOLIGANS SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

Saturday nights (or should I say Sunday mornings) have become very noisy for the residents of the Main Street, in Maynooth. This noise is being created by young people coming home from Discos at 2.00 and 3.00 o'clock in the morning on mini buses which leave their passengers off on the Main Street. The noise reached its peak on Saturday 7th May where there was a lot of reckless damage done. Ua Buachalla's and Kiernans suffered the most with the former having their pumps so badly damaged that they had to be taken down and the latter having their window broken.

I spoke to the Gardaí about these incidents of which they had stepped up patrolling at weekends, being more visible at 2.00 and 3.00 a.m. when these events occur.

A lot of complaints were made to MCL cabs who provide the transport for these rowdy disco goers. However, they said they didn't see anything and it had nothing to do with them anyway.

One thing which bugs one resident on the Main Street, who works quite late and sees more of what goes on, is the fact that these young people urinate wherever they like. Seemingly this isn't an offence anymore even though I thought it was myself. It just makes life more difficult for residents in the area who continually have to step over puddles of urine on their paths.

Other residents find that even though the Gardaí have stepped up their patrols there is still the same amount of vandalism as the perpetrators move to the side streets behind Ua Buachalla's side of the Main Street, to create noise and dispose of their beer cans down there. It would be fair to say however that the Gardaí do their best and can't be everywhere at the one time.

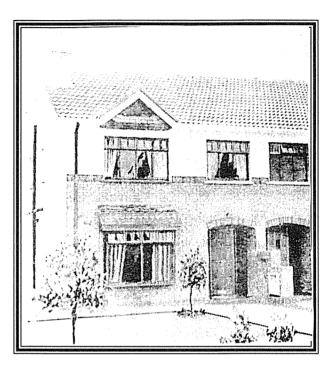
What is to be done, I ask you, when work done by Community Council Schemes like that of the green are being vandalised; or when hanging baskets are being knocked down; or when posters are being ripped down; or when people's property is being vandalised ??????? Your guess is as good as mine folks..... or maybe your guess might be better !!!!!!!!

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# LOCAL TRAVELLERS' PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

On Saturday 23rd April the Travellers from the halting site on the Dublin Road went on a pilgrimage to Knock. This trip was organized by a group of students in the College called "Friends of the Travellers".

All the families on the site were represented with around 30 in all turning out on the day. The kids provided great entertainment on the journey with their singing while there were breaks from entertainment every now and again to facilitate the recitation of the rosary.

Mass was celebrated in Knock by an ex-student of the seminary in Maynooth, Fr. Michael Quinn, with readings read by Christy and Teresa Laurence and prayers of the faithful read by Ger and James Laurence. Music was ably organized by Elenor Laurence. Stations of the Cross were also done to add to the prayerful atmosphere of the day. Free time was had by all to browse around the shops of Knock in order to get souvenirs for friends and family.

The day was a great success even though the heavens broke now and again with heavy rain showers.

The Friends of the Travellers have been in existence for a number of years now and their work to improve relations between settled and Travelling people in the community has been much valued. May their work strengthen and continue to include this great ethnic minority in community life, always recognizing their customs and traditions.



Some of the Travellers enjoying their trip to Knock

#### MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

The 1994 Maynooth Community Festival will be launched on Thursday 2nd June in Caulfields. The festival is being sponsored by Guinness Ireland, the sponsorship having been organised by P. J. McCallister, Marketing Manager for Guinness.

The festival itself begins on Friday 10th June with the Guinness Jazz Band in the Roost at 9 p.m. There are plenty of musical occasions during the festival week, including the Battle of the Bands on Sunday 19th June in the Students Union. All bands can enter this competition with application forms being available from Freda Kelleher in the Community Council Offices.

A great event for the family will be the Field Day in the Harbour Field on Sunday 12th June. There will be stalls, tug 'o' war, fancy dress, a baby show, fun races and lots more.

Another great family outing will be the Car Treasure Hunt which is on a Sunday this year, having been on a Saturday in previous years. Sunday 12th June at 5 p.m. is the date and time and the starting venue is the Town Centre Mall. This promises to be a fun evening with cash prizes of £50 for 1st prize and £25 for 2nd prize. Remember all the family are welcome so don't miss out on this great event.

For the talented folk of the town there is a Talent contest for the under 18's on Saturday 18th June. However, bands are not permitted to enter this particular competition.

Our Bachelor of Maynooth will be held on 17th June in the G.A.A. This promises to be a great night if last year is anything to go by. It will provide an opportunity for the women to survey the eligible males of Maynooth. No doubt the G.A.A. will be packed out.

Throughout the festival there will be ongoing inter-area soccer and details of this and all other festival events will be available in the Festival Brochure which will be distributed to every house in Maynooth.

Last but not least we must not forget our Bar Person of the Year. Sponsorship forms will be available in your local, so whoever it is that has been giving you efficient, friendly service, in whatever pub you frequent, make sure to show your appreciation by sponsoring them during the 1994 Community Festival.

There will be prizes galore throughout Festival Week and all the trophies have been sponsored by Guinness. This is a time for the community to get together in a festive atmosphere and the more who partake, the more fun there will be. So get your skates on people of Maynooth and get ready for a week of fun.

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Peter was a Post-graduate student in Information Technology at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. He intended to pursue a career in teaching and had secured teacher-training hours in a Dublin School, in preparation for his H.Dip, before his untimely death.

To those who had the pleasure of knowing him, he was always polite and cheerful with a good sense of humour. Ever honest and reliable, Peter O'Toole, he was a very competent and hard working young man, who never spoke ill of anyone. May he rest in peace.

#### Thanks

The O'Toole family wish to express a sincere word of thanks to all those who offered their support, prayers and masses. Special thanks to neighbours, friends, the local Gardai, the local Clergy, the Priests and staff of St. Patrick's College and other institutions, class-mates and the Students' Union for their support, comfort and help at this time of deep loss.

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# PRESS RELEASE BY DEPUTY SEAN POWER (11th May, 1994)

Welcoming the news that a number of sites in County Kildare will be used to film Mel Gibson's new film, "Brave Heart", Seán Power said that the decision to shoot in Maynooth, Carbury and The Curragh, will provide a major boost to the local economy.

The Fianna Fáil Deputy added that shooting will take place over a ten to twelve week period and up to 300 people will be involved. The securing of up to 1,600 Defence Force Personnel for the film was a vital factor in deciding to locate here.

Deputy Power said in addition to the boost to the Kildare Economy, it will also have a huge spin off benefit for tourism in the years ahead.

# STUDENTS SUMMER JOBS SCHEME

Maynooth Community Council have applied to sponsor four students in the Students Summer Jobs Scheme 1994. This scheme was introduced in 1993 and was an outstanding success with over 9,000 jobs being offered by the voluntary, community and public sectors.

The weekly rate for the participating students has been increased from £40 to £45 for 16 hours work and the duration of the Scheme has been extended from 10 to 12 weeks. The Scheme will operate from the beginning of June to the end of September and will enable those participating to earn up to £540 during the holiday period.

The scheme is available to full-time third level Students aged 18 years or over who satisfy a means test similar to that for Unemployment Assistance of £15 a week or more. Students may apply to see if they qualify for the scheme by completing an Application Form (ST 1) which is available from the Social Welfare Office in the Town Centre Mall in Maynooth. Eligible students will be provided with a Students Job Certificate and should then contact Maynooth Community Council Offices to arrange an interview at 6285922.

## WORLD CUP EXCLUSIVE

While other publications are filled with previews of Ireland's prospects in the World Cup, the *Newsletter* is giving its readers an exclusive - a report on the Republic's three first round matches. Well you might ask how we acquired this world exclusive. Suffice to say that one night last week I met this character in Brady's who said he was from the future. Prove it says I. Right says he and there and then he gave me a full report on Ireland's progress in the World Cup Finals. Not only that. He even gave me a lift home - on his camel. Now some sceptical readers might claim that your intrepid reporter was the worse for drink on the night. Not a bit of it. I was at least as sober as any other customer in the pub. And just to prove it here is my report:

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#### June 18th, New Jersey Ireland 0 Italy 1

Ireland's World Cup prospects suffered a severe setback last night when a late goal by Roberto Baggio gave Italy victory in a tight contest. For 83 minutes the Republic's defence held out against the might of the Italians when Terry Phelan took down Signori five yards outside the box. Baggio flighted a beautiful free kick to the top left corner of the net with Bonner left stranded. Even Ireland's most passionate supporters can hardly complain about the result. Babb, Keane and McGrath fought a brilliant rearguard action throughout but the teams' attacking weaknesses were cruelly exposed. A 20 yards drive from Irwin after 10 minutes was the only occasion when the Italian goal was seriously threatened. Tommy Coyne ploughed a lone furrow up front and such was the level of Italian dominance in midfield that the Irish midfield seldom featured in attack. Ireland must now win one of its two remaining matches but based on tonight's performance it's not clear where the goals the fashion that win might come from.

**Ireland**: Bonner, Phelan, Irwin, Keane, McGrath, Babb, Townsend, Houghton (Whelan), Coyne (Cascarino), Sheridan, Staunton

#### June 24th, Orlando Ireland 0 Mexico 0

Remember the Ireland v Egypt match in the last World Cup well this was almost an exact replica. Jack Charlton again used the five man midfield and again the team never really looked like threatening the opponents goal. The game turned on two incidents - first when Mexico had a claim for a penalty turned down after 25 minutes and second when Ray Houghton appeared to be bundled over in the penalty area with just 3 minutes remaining. Television replays suggest that the referee ruled correctly on both occasions and that Houghton probably fell over from exhaustion rather than being the victim of an unfair challenge. Phelan and Kelly (a second half replacement for Staunton) displayed remarkable energy raiding down the wings but too often their crosses arrived in the box populated only by Mexican defenders. Babb underlined his growing reputation as one of the outstanding defenders in the competition but it is Charlton's attacking strategies that demand attention before Ireland's crucial match against Norway. The five man midfield has proved effective as a defensive strategy but now Ireland must win if the World Cup dream is to continue. The speculation is that Aldridge and Cascarino will form a twin striking partnership when Ireland face Norway next Wednesday afternoon.

**Ireland**: Bonner, Phelan, Irwin, Keane, McGrath, Babb, Townsend, Houghton (Whelan), Cascarino, Sheridan, Staunton (Kelly)

# June 29th New Jersey Ireland 2 Norway 1

In the most dramatic circumstances imaginable, Ireland squeezed through to the next round of the World Cup thanks to an Andy Townsend goal just four minutes from full time. This was a match packed with excitement which more than

compensated from the dull draw against Mexico. The Republic started in whirlwind fashion and suceeded in unsettling the Norwegian defence several times in the opening ten minutes. A Denis Irwin free kick from twenty yards rattled the crossbar and Roy Keane had a powerful header cleared off the line before Paul McGrath opened Ireland's World Cup account by forcing the ball home from a corner in the fifteenth minute. It was no more than Ireland deserved as the Norwegians were thrown back on defence from the outset. Kelly and Irwin supplied a string of dangerous crosses to Cascarino and Aldridge and Keane and Townsend continually broke through from midfield to threaten Thorstvedt's goal. However, on the stroke of half time disaster struck. A harmless backpass by McGrath was not controlled properly by Bonner and in a desperate effort to clear he send the ball directly to Jostein Flo who promptly dispatched it to the Irish net. So after dominating much of the first half Ireland went in knowing they still had a mountain to climb.

In the second half tired Irish legs struggled to build any attacks which might yield a score. However, the introduction of John Sheridan after 65 minutes swung the midfield battle in Ireland's direction as he distributed the ball with an accuracy and economy which had been lacking. Ireland's increasing desperation in the last 15 minutes saw the defence exposed on several occasions but the pace of Babb and McGrath proved equal to the task. And then, with four minutes remaining, Sheridan sprung the offside trap and released Townsend on a surging run from midfield. With only the keeper to beat Townsend showed remarkable composure to squeeze the ball under Thorsvedt's diving body. The familiar Ole Ole Ole Ole rang around the stadium as the Irish fans celebrated an outstanding victory.

**Ireland:** Bonner, Kelly, Irwin, Keane, McGrath, Babb, Townsend, Aldridge (Kelly D.), Cascarino, Whelan (Sheridan), Staunton.



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Entries before: 5 p.m. Friday 17th June.

#### ACROSS:

- 1. Swindle the hotel group?, the magician performs. (8)
- 5. The vehicle turned mart over. (4)
- 9. Your civil wrong turned into severe pain. (7)
- 10. In the Northern talks he was a true being! (5)
- 11. Pure Country. (4)
- 12. Wild gaiety after the short entertainment brought in the new competitor. (7)
- 14. Scientific bread is on the parchment. (6)
- 16. Lo the person in 5 across is going to die! (6)
- 19. Piff gong into the gap. (7)
- 21. Deed standing out. (4)
- 24. A dunderhead in the upper room. (5)
- 25. The austerity of this person!!!(7)
- 26. Play things in the pigs circular home. (4)
- 27. Start of act draws attention.(8)

# DOWN:

- 1. See, I note the quote. (4)
- 2. Never. . . . he's got some neck! (5)
- 3. Tom Jones said it's not! (7)
- 4. Not odd in the odd number. (6)
- 6. A piece of the male sheep may help with the defence. (7)
- 7. Untimely, but its precise. (8)
- 8. Don the head gear after tea demonstrates whatever. . . (4)
- 13. Think of a rhyme for the Donkey that stood on the small insect? (8)
- 15. Ne'er to try going back into space. (7)
- 17. A gentleman's companion? (7)
- 18. Hast Silver Been Overcome with horror (6)
- 20. Making the garden grow in measures. (4)
- 22. Creativity I see on the lorry. (5)
- 23. Paul performs! (4)

# SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO. 78

ACROSS: 1. Conscience, 6. Cup, 9. Rotas, 10. April Fool, 11. Attempts, 12. Elect, 14. Storage, 16. Pie, 17. Instant, 19. Classes, 20. Tally, 22. At no time, 25. Narcissus, 26. North, 27. Even, 28. Smear Tests.

**DOWN:** 1. Curt, 2. Notations, 3. Caste, 4. Example, 5. Corpses, 6. Choke, 7. Polytheism, 8. Alleluia, 13. Assistance, 15. Analysis, 16 Postmarks, 18. Transom, 19. Canasta, 21 Large, 23. Tenet, 24. Thus

Winner of Crossword No. 78:

Ms Kathleen Hanley, 83 Rail Park, Maynooth.

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# MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Results from Open Sports Day in San Palo, Celbridge on 2.5.04

Declan O'Rourke (2nd) 80m. Hurdles (3rd) 100m.

Patrick King (3rd) 100m.

David Campbell (3rd) 80m. Hurdles.

Conor Diggins (5th) 800m. (After a bad fall).

Mary O'Sullivan (4th) 100m; (8th) 800m.

Laura Bruton (5th) 100m; (5th) 80m. Hurdles.

Sarah Commane (4th) 100m. (Heat).

Aoife McTernan (4th) 100m. (Heat).

Philip Campbell (6th) 100m. (Heat).

Niamh Moriarty (10th) 800m.

Martin Cunningham (8th) 1500m.

# MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

The Badminton Club season comes to an end in May. But we will be running a summer club starting the first week in June. It will run until the last week in August. Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.30 - 11.00 o'clock. Fees: members £1.00; non-members £2.00. Everyone is welcome. I would like to congratulate the Ladies' Team. They got through to the semi-finals which will be played on the 19th May. Good luck to Phil McLoughlin, Ann Kinsella, Carol Hoare and Roseanne Grehan. Any questions about the summer club or to join the badminton please contact Phil McLoughlin 6286630.

Phil McLoughlin Secretary



Frank Regan & Brian Cleary presenting a set of jerseys to Maynooth G.A.A.

#### MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

#### Maynooth G.A.A. Sponsors:-

Regan & Cleary Insurance and Estate Agents are the new sponsors of Maynooth G.A.A. At a recent presentation are: Left to Right-Frank Regan (Sponsor Mick Nevin Junior 'A' Captain, Mick Gillick (Chairman), Fergus Devereux Junior 'B' Captain) and Brian Cleary (sponsor).

Maynooth's Gaelic Footballers have acquired a three year sponsorship deal with the local firm of Auctioneers & Insurance Regan & Cleary, Main St., Maynooth. The club will receive five sets of jerseys in the next three seasons. The first of these sets was formally handed over by the Auctioneers Frank Regan and Brian Cleary to Club Chairman Mick Gillick at a reception in our club's function rooms. The jerseys in the traditional Maynooth colours of black with white sash tastefully carry the sponsoring company's logo beneath the Crom Abú crest. The jerseys were worn for the first time on Sunday 17th April in our home game against Monasterevin.

Chairman, Mick Gillick told the gathering of players, officials and supporters that he hopes the new logo on our jerseys would be worn successfully in junior 'A' and junior 'B' championship later this year and he called on the club supporters to support Frank Regan & Brian Cleary. In reply Frank Regan said that he had been asked initially about sponsorship one day about a year ago on the Main Street. He said that himself and Brian are glad to be part of your club: and that the two of us are G.A.A. men of old. It is nice to be involved in sport and anything we can do for you we will help. So please support our sponsors, Frank Regan, Brian Cleary of Regan Cleary, Insurance and Estate Agents. Main St., Maynooth.

#### **Result of Our Outing To Edenderry Golf Club:**

Overall Winner: - Matt Doran - 42 pts.

Class 1 Winner: - Peter Gaynor - 38 pts Class 1 Second: - R. Conroy -36 pts

Class 2 Winner: - Tom Flatley - 32 pts Class 2 Second: - Brendan Farrell - 30 pts

B :- Joey Edwards - 32 pts B :- Killian Fagan - 26 pts

Next Outing will be to Kilcock Golf club on Saturday 23rd July. Tee Times:- 10.00 a.m - 11.30 a.m. Presentation of Prizes in G.A.A. club at 10.30 p.m.

Junior Football League: Maynooth 1.10 v Confey 1.5

Junior Football League: Maynooth 2.7 v Ellistown 1.6

Junior Football League: Maynooth 3.9 v Ardclough 1.5

Lotto Result 17/4/94: - Numbers: 1-8-15-21 No Winner Jackpot £1650: - 5 x £10. R. Hanley, Marion Keegan, Jimmy Dempsey, Michael Caden, Nicholas Donovan.

**Lotto Result 24/4/94:** - Numbers: 11-12-18-21 Won by Michael Stynes, Moneycooley, Maynooth Jackpot £1,750.

Lotto Result: 1/5/94: - Back to 3 numbers from this week Numbers: 18-23-27 Jackpot £200. No winner 5 x £10. Denise Conway, Dermot O'Brien, Ann White, Noel Kerins, Mick Gillick.

Lotto Result 8/5/94: - Numbers: 2-9-20. No Winner Jackpot £260. 5 x £10. Cathy Carr, Liley O'Riordan, Noel Farrelly, Deirdre Faherty, Brian Curtis.

Lotto Result 15/5/94: - Numbers: 10-18-21 No Winner Jackpot £310. 5 x £10. Liley O'Riordan, Aiden O'Rourke, Patrick Hanley, Dan Troy, Seamus Nevin.

#### **Under 9 Hurling**

Maynooth's young hurlers got the season off to a great start at the under 9 blitz held in Leixlip in April. The first match against Confey was a low scoring affair with the spoils being shared at 1-0 each. The second match resulted in an easy win over an under-strength Leixlip side (4-4 to 0-0). The final match gave Maynooth a narrow win over Celbridge (1-1 to 1-0). Confey also beat Celbridge and Leixlip leaving them sharing the honours on the day with Maynooth. There were good displays by all players, in particular Mark Cummins, Feargal Molloy, James Hoare and Ciarain Walsh.

The second blitz organised by the North Kildare Board was held in Celbridge on 14 May. Outstanding displays by all players led to convincing victories for Maynooth over Celbridge, Leixlip and Confey. A brilliant display of skills from Mark Cummins was accompanied by a prolific scoring spree from Ciarain Walsh (8-1 over the three games) and the expected solid performances from Feargal Molloy, James Hoare, Gerard McCarthy and Enda Diggins. Of particular satisfaction was fine displays from newcomers Finbar O'Gorman, David Prendergast and our youngest player Gerald Hoare. Brendan Gaffney, Tadgh O'Corchra, Paddy and Paul Broughan also gave fine performances on the day. Results:- Maynooth 5-1 Celbridge 0-0; Maynooth 3-1 Leixlip 1-1; Maynooth 5-0 Confey 2-0.

#### 1st Team

#### (1) Senior League V Monasterevin (Home)

Maynooth 1.11 Monasterevin 1.10

Scorers: M. Nevin 1.1; Joey Nevin 3pts; P Garvey 3pts; J. Riordan, L. O'Toole, K. Fagan and Johnny Nevin 1pt each. Best for Maynooth: Sheeran, Killoran, Reilly, Conway, Stynes, Fagan, Joey Nevin, Johnny Nevin and Mick Nevin.

#### (2) Senior League V Rathcoffey (Home)

Maynooth 2.10 Rathcoffey 1.5

Scorers: J. Gilligan and L. O'Toole 1.1 each; M. Nevin 3pts; D. Mahony 2pts; P. Garvey 3pts.

Best: K. Killoran, N. Reilly, J. Conway, P. Stynes, M. Kelly, K. Fagan, D. Mahony, J. Gilligan and M. Nevin.

#### (3) Senior League V Caragh (Home)

Caragh 10pts Maynooth 8pts

Scorers: Garvey 4pts; Molloy 2pts; Ennis and Mahony 1pt each.

Best: Sheeran, Reilly, Killoran, Conway and Molloy.

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ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK OF ENTRANTS.

This category of the colouring competition is for 4 - 12 year olds. Closing Date for receipt of entries is Friday 17th. June 1994 by 5pm

#### (4) Senior League V Ballymore (Home)

Ballymore 3.7 Maynooth 2.8

Scorers: Fagan 1.1; Molloy 1 goal; Riordan 3pts; Ennis 2pts, Joey Nevin and Garvey 1pt each.

Best: Conway, Stynes, Joey Nevin, Fagan, Riordan and Ennis.

#### (5) Junior A Championship, 1st round

Maynooth 2.7 Sallins 1.3

Scorers: Garvey 2.4; Joey Nevin 2pts; Ennis 1pt.

Best: Sheeran, Killoran, M. Nevin, Conway, Stynes, Mahony, Joey Nevin, Johnny Nevin, Riordan, Ennis and Garvey.

Maynooth broke through the psychological barrier which has dogged them for the last few years when they deservedly triumphed over Sallins in appalling conditions at Allenwood. The victory was all the more praiseworthy as it was achieved with 14 men - Killian Fagan having been sent off in the 2nd half. It was at this stage that the character, spirit and fitness of the side were tested to the full but every member of the side responded magnificently. Sheeran was soundness personified between the posts, tidying up to great effect; he can blame the conditions for the goal that beat him. Noone, Killoran and Nevin were rock-solid in front of him as was Stynes at centreback. Conway and Mahony both benefited from a switch of wings and really thundered into the game when they were most needed. Fagan and Joey Nevin had been completely dominant at midfield until Fagan's dismissal and thereafter Ennis did great foraging and covering work when moved to the area. Johnny Nevin, Riordan, Molloy and Edwards had their moments and kept their opposite numbers on their toes all through. Star of the attacking sextet however was undoubtedly Garvey who bagged a personal tally of 2.4 and was a constant thorn in the Sallins defence.

Having got over this difficult hurdle the team must now knuckle down to some serious work for what will undoubtedly be a very testing outing against Ardclough a side who always raise their game against Maynooth.

**Team:** (1) E. Sheeran, (2) M. Noone, (3) K. Killoran, (4) M. Nevin (captain), (5) J. Conway, (6) P. Stynes, (7) D. Mahony, (8) K. Fagan, (9) Joey Nevin, (10) Johnny Nevin, (11) J. Riordan, (12) P. Ennis, (13) P. Garvey, (14) S. Molloy, (15) J. Edwards.

#### MAYNOOTH PITCH & PUTT

It looks like the next two months are going to be very busy with competitions. Already there is a Match play competition taking place and the draw for that should provide some very interesting games. During June there will be the Pitch and Putt event as part of the Maynooth Community Festival. This event is one that generates a good deal of interest and provides some laughs and later on some serious play. We hope to see the players back for the Maynooth qualifier round for the Community Games. From this particular competition there are players who will go forward to represent Maynooth at the County Finals later in the year. Pitch and Putt was a very popular item in last year's Summer Project. We look forward to this event again this year during the weeks of July.

By the time you have read this article you will have received our "Promotional Flyer". We are offering you £1 off a round of Pitch and Putt on production of this voucher. We promise you that if you do visit us you will be pleased with our course, challenged by our course, and welcome on our course.

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#### MAYNOOTH TAE KWON DO SCHOOL

Maynooth Tae Kwon Do School was visited at the beginning of April by 6th Dan Black-Belt, Mr. Anthony Phelan who put the members through a refresher course and a grading examination.

The examination was taken by 20 of the school's students for promotion to higher grades. The most outstanding student on the night was Geraldine O'Gorman, who received a special award for her success.

Well done Geraldine!!!!!

The next item on the calendar is a tournament in Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford for all the members to compete. Hopefully, they will do Maynooth proud!!!

Anyone at all who is interested in taking up this fine Martial Art, is very welcome to drop by and view a class in progress, any Monday night in the Parish Hall. The class starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 8 p.m. Beginners actually start on Wednesdays in the Post-Primary School Hall, at 7p.m. (Strictly over 12's.)

At a recent colour-belt tournament held in Ballyfermot, three of Maynooth's lady members took home prizes.

Free Sparring: Gold - Emma Kilduff Silver - Irene Kearney

Patterns:

Silver - Eloise MacAnAirchinnigh

(Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School is a member of the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association and all Black Belts are I.T.F. registered)

Gerard Mc Clelland, 3rd. Dan, Instructor. (Tel: 6280868)



L to R: Ann Burns, Joanne Smith, Emma Kilduff, Eloise Mac An Airchinnigh





#### **DUBLIN - MAYNOOTH - MULLINGAR**

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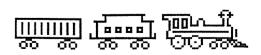
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#### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

We are very pleased to announce the selection of two of our under 15 Schoolboys to play for Kildare Youths Team to represent Ireland at an International Soccer Tournament to be held in Louisville Kentucky U.S.A. from 26th - 30th July 1994. Over 2000 teams from 111 countries world-wide have been invited to participate. The selection of two boys Darren Naughton and Eamon Gallagher is a great honour for themselves, their parents, their club and for the people of Maynooth. To enable the boys take up this once in a lifetime opportunity and represent their community, the club is running a race night to raise the necessary funds for the trip. We earnestly enlist your support in this matter which you can do in the following manner.

Sponsor a Race - £50 Buy a horse - £10 or make a donation of amount of your choice.

The Race Night takes place on Friday 10th June, 1994 and should be an enjoyable evening's entertainment. Your attendance on the night will also add to the atmosphere and create a buzz around the Parade Ring. This is a big undertaking for the club but we feel sure that the two boys selected will acquit themselves well and will be perfect ambassadors for the community.

This honour for the club takes pride of place and we are devoting our space in this month's issue to Darren Naughton and Eamon Gallagher, the two boys selected for this honour. We provide a profile of both players in honour of their achievement and the club's part in helping them in their career to date. The lads can now rightly coin the phrase "We're going to America" in their own right.

#### **Profile of Darren Naughton**

Born: 14th Feb, 1980 to parents Michael and Bridget Naughton.

He has one brother and two sisters and the family live at Old Greenfield. His early education was received at Maynooth Boys National School from where he progressed to Maynooth Post Primary School where he now states that French is the subject he loves to hate. Centre back is his normal position and he likes to fashion his style on that of Steve Bruce. Probably the strongest features of Darren's style of play is his ability to use both feet. Although naturally right footed he can always revert to his left foot to get himself out of difficult situations.

During his career to date he has found time to notch about ten goals from his defensive role, the first being against Kingswood Boys as an under twelve in season 1990/91. He boasts of his ability to prevent goals rather than score them. Darren was selected as player of the year in season 1990/91 and repeated the feat the following season 1991/92. Darren has played a big part in the progress of the present Under 15 team since their formation in season 1990/91 as Under12 when they finished third in the league and were beaten in the Semi-final of the Cup. The following year 1991/92 he was a member of the Maynooth team which were league runners-up. As an Under 14 he was a vital part of the team which became league champions in Season 1992/93. Being knocked out of the cup in the Semi-Final after extra time was a let down.

Winning the league, coupled with his selection to represent Kildare are the high points of his career to date. Darren's

favourite food is Burger and Chips and he enjoys this repast best when listening to his favourite group East Seventeen or watching his favourite actor Bruce Willis. Watching Match of the Day is his favourite leisure and he enjoys it even more when his favourite team Manchester United are featured and he can marvel at the aggression and never say die attitude of his favourite player Roy Keane.

Darren like most boys on his team has been fortunate to visit a number of cross-channel grounds namely Old Trafford, Maine Road and most recently Parkhead. His favourite ground is undoubtedly Old Trafford, home of league and cup winners Manchester United. The most memorable visit was the game against Blackburn Rovers last season when his heroes received the Premiership Trophy. This he says will be an occasion to savour forever. Darren has had many reasons to be happy in his football career to date but his biggest disappointment was the death of former manager Patsy Byrne who had a major influence on him. Patsy worked along with Michael Murphy in honing his football skills at an early age and he feels indebted to both for the dedication given to him and the other members of the team. Frank McCarrick has now taken over Patsy's place and is continuing to foster and improve his ability along with Michael Murphy and he will always be dedicated to his game and club whilst getting the encouragement and tuition of his mentors. His parents have also been a big influence on him and he is appreciative of their support in helping him to reach this high pinnacle of his career.

Indeed his mother Bridget says football keeps him out of the kitchen where he hates washing up. Rumour has it that he would never make a goalkeeper because his father Michael says he drops everything while washing up. Perhaps its his way of saying "don't ask me to wash up". Darren's other favourite sport is Gaelic Football where he is a member of Maynooth Under 14 team and he also plays on the school team. A game of snooker is one of his means of relaxation when he takes a break from his football activity. If Darren won the Lotto he would take a holiday with his family in the Canaries and buy an executive box at Old Trafford for all home games. He looks forward to the U.S.A. trip immensely to view for himself such a vast land and to have the honour of playing against teams from other countries.

He also states that he is grateful to all who are helping to make this dream become possible and assures us he will give 100% in his efforts to do himself and the club proud. The club wish him well and we are sure that we echo the wishes of the whole community.

#### **Profile of Eamon Gallagher**

Born 17th October 1979 to parents Eamon and Ann Gallagher. He has three brothers and two sisters and the family lives at Greenfield Drive. He received his early education at Maynooth Boys National School and is presently a pupil at Maynooth Post Primary School. His pet hate at school is Maths which he states probably accounts for not being sure of how many goals he scores in a season. He reckons his average is 24 goals per season. His tally so far this season is 14 goals but he assures us the reason for this is because he's making them for others. With averages like that it is not hard to guess that Eamon's position is centre-forward of the bustling type who never stops harassing defenders.

Like Darren Naughton he began as an Under 12 player in 1990/ 91 when the team finished 3rd in the league and were beaten Continued Tel. 6286202

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in the Cup Semi-Final. Progress was made in the following season with runners-up spot the prize. Being beaten in the Cup Semi-Final in 1992/93 was amply compensated for with the winning of the league title which Eamon says was the highlight of his career at that point of his career Eamon remembers his first goal vividly which he scored against Greenfort United and he doubled his tally in the same game with a second goal.

Like most lads his age Eamon relishes burgers and chips when eating. Having eaten, Eamon's taste in music is a large helping of his favourite group House of Pain. His favourite T.V. programme is "Only Fools And Horses" and on a more serious note he likes nothing better than to watch a Kevin Costner film

Eamon is one of the rare Everton supporters in Maynooth but lists John Aldridge among his favourite players because of his goal scoring exploits with Tranmere Rovers and the Republic of Ireland. He would like to meet and chat with Roy Keane whose style of play is similar to his own. He is very grateful to his parents who have been most supportive and encouraged him through a bad spell last season when a serious knee injury sidelined him for six months. Their support was a great spur to him to carry on when players of lesser endurance would have given up. Eamon has the highest praise for his present team managers Michael Murphy and Frank McCarrick for their dedication to the team of which he is a valued member. He remembers with sadness the great part played in his early tuition by the late Patsy Byrne who gave him great advice during his learning process.

Earnon would like to play professional football for any team that could afford him and secure his future.

Like other members of the team Eamon has also been to Old Trafford, Maine Road and Parkhead with Old Trafford his favourite. He hasn't been to see Everton play at Goodison Park yet as he does not like watching football on his own.

The best football experience he has had was also at Old Trafford when Manchester United received the Premiership trophy last season. Making his bed is a chore Eamon would rather not have to do but as his father Eamon would say "It gives him no bother to sleep in it." His mother Ann makes sure he gets up early for his games by threatening to play Daniel O'Donnell records in his bedroom.

Eamon's other sporting love is Gaelic Football where he is a member of Maynooth's U/15 and U/16 teams.

If he won the Lotto he would take a cruise around the world. There has been no mention of an executive box at Goodison Park though.

Eamon feels very honoured to be selected for the trip to America and is extremely grateful to all who have made it possible to make this trip of a lifetime and represent Kildare at such a high level. If Eamon shows his usual form in America defences are in for a torrid time.

The club would once again like to remind you of our Race Night on Friday 10th June. Your support in some form would be greatly appreciated. No matter how little your contribution to the night you will have played a major part in helping to fund our two players who will ensure that Maynooth have two players in the U.S.A. '94.

#### Late Flash

Foot Note: At time of going to press our U/15 have become joint leaders in their league with two games to play.

Irrespective of how the other joint leaders perform in their last game, Maynooth can put the issue beyond doubt by taking three points out of four.

#### **TUG-O-WAR REPORT**

Re: Festival Tournament on Sunday June 12th at 4 p.m. in Harbour Field.

The veils of grey dawn will play across that patch of earth which will become the arena of contest in the Harbour Field. The quiet corner will rest in silence until the people gather to give it an electrifying power surge of all the life's energy Maynooth can render. What proves to be a day of sportsmanship will erupt into a crescendo of local tribalism in this Tugo-War Tournament.

Faces that earlier will have looked pious in church or smiled over a pint will then be wretched in agony; veins bulging in necks, as the participants try to fend off defeat. Their groans will go unheard in the ringside din. Referee P. J. Bennett will keep proceedings moving smoothly.

This tournament is made possible by the generosity of Brady's the Clock House, The Leinster Arms, The GAA Club, Caulfields and the Roost.

There are three sections:

A. Untrained for Men (Closed) generally aimed "at people who have not trained and have little or no experience of tug-owar". Teams will have to be scrutinised and the stewards decision is final. Kevin Donovan is rallying his friends into battle.

B. Women's Section Helen Finnan and her team of reigning champions will be going for the three in a row. It is also her 21st Birthday, so "Happy Birthday to you . . ."

C. Senior Section (Men's Open) This year we should see the return of the Larry McEvoy selection, locally known as Dad's Army. They will be well opposed by George Gallagher's Bradys Team, holders of the Hitchin' Post Cup. Will George stop their gallop? Sean Hyland's Middle shop team will spare no effort to win the honours. The Harbour Team, with newcomers Raymond Leavey and Frank Bannon, will put up a good resistance. These teams will do their best to put up a good display but they have been hampered by bad weather and poor attendance at training.

Finally we expect to see all the tug-of-war contestants and fans whom we know, and hope you all enjoy a good day and night.

O restless be the night for those who meet their foes Near the canal, their grip is broken; hands are burst They fall and are dragged writhing in tortuous throes To rise again with cheering in their ears and a mighty thirst.

Willie Healy

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| 5       | 1499 | Shane Glynn, Killeaney              |
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| 7       | 1288 | Sandra Moore, O'Neill Park          |
| 8       | 57   | Pat Brennan, Kingsbry               |
| 9       |      | Kim Barrett, Dowdstown              |
| 10      | 318  | Margaret Moriarty, c/o Post-Primary |



• 1 to r Suzie Healy, representing the winning syndicate, Owen Byrne, Thomas Ashe, Celine McLoughlin

### Political Party Notes

#### **DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES**

#### **Toll Road Threat Continued**

In the Labour Party Notes in the May issue of the Newsletter, it is stated that Emmet Stagg "never said that tolls would be introduced on the (Maynooth) By-Pass". In a Labour Party leaflet circulated before the last local elections in 1991, and on which Emmet Stagg's name appears quite prominently, it is stated quite clearly that the "government intend to place tolls on the bypass of Leixlip, Maynooth and Kilcock". Another leaflet circulated around the same time has the banner headline "Stagg Accuses Government Over Toll Roads".

The Labour Party Notes go on to refer to "Minister Stagg's position of opposition to tolls". Yet the National Development Plan published by the Government in which Emmet Stagg is a Minister makes specific provision (on page 100) for raising up to £100 million from toll roads. The Notes continue: "Public roads will not be tolled with the support of the Labour Party". Does this mean that the Labour Party does not agree with its own policy?

The Labour Notes say that the National Roads Authority must consult with the local authority and hold a public enquiry before a decision to introduce tolls is made. However, the Authority does not have to abide by local opinion in making its decision, and even where the local authority objects, it can be directed by the Authority to introduce the tolls, or alternatively, the Authority can by-pass (pardon the expression) the local Authority and implement the tolls itself.

It is no wonder that Emmet Stagg, as reported in the Leinster Leader in June 1991, quite correctly described the Roads Authority as "an unelected, unaccountable body over which the public has no influence". Despite this, Mr. Stagg - along with the rest of the Labour Party - voted to set up the Authority after they entered government.

There is a clear lack of compatibility between what the Labour Party is saying for local consumption and what they are actually doing in Government. There is also a direct conflict between Emmet Stagg's attitude to the National Roads Authority before and after he became a Government Minister. Democratic Left therefore calls on Emmet Stagg to come clean on the toll roads issue, and to state unequivocally whether he supports the Government's stated position on this issue.

#### LABOUR PARTY NOTES

#### **Kingsbry Estate**

Cllr. John McGinley was advised by the Assistant County Manager at the Area Meeting on the 16th May that the process of giving the Council the £20,000 Bond has been put in place by the Insurance Corporation of Ireland. When the Council get this money they will then seek tenders for the completion of the estate. Hopefully this long running saga will be completed by the Autumn - some five years later.

#### **Bollard at Greenfield**

It is expected that a decision will be made by the Councillors at the monthly meeting on 30th May. This follows the private hearing of supporters and objectors in Maynooth Library on the 12th May.

#### O'Neill Park

After a long hard battle the Branch is very pleased to see that

the crescent has been resurfaced. Much thanks is due to Kevin Murphy for his persistence.

#### Maynooth Castle

The Office of Public Works has assigned £1 million for the first phase of the historical renovation. We would like to congratulate the Maynooth Castle Committee on this major achievement.

#### **Election to European Parliament**

We urge all our supporters to vote No.1 Bell, Michael, and No. 2 Pattison, Seamus.

#### **Maynooth Community Festival**

We wish the Community Council every success and hopefully good weather for the festival.

#### **Blacklion Road**

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., is pleased to announce the allocation of £300,000 for the Blacklion and Barberstown Roads.

Part of this money will be used to upgrade the Blacklion Road to Regional Status. This will mean its realignment with the Dublin Road. Traffic to and from Dunboyne will be directed to this road and this will result in the Convent Road/Dunboyne Road being assigned County Status. Both Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are happy to have met the residents wishes in removing heavy traffic from Convent Road.

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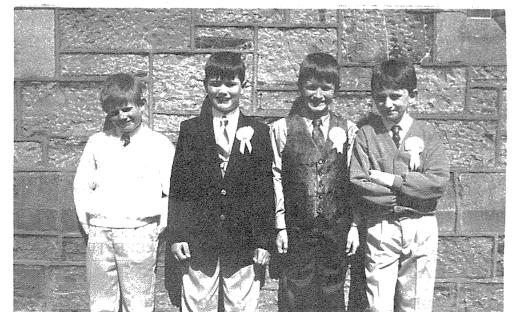
# **Communion Day**



The Ennis Family at Muire's First Communion



Mrs. Boylan's First Communion Class



Left to Right Norman Dunne, Dwayne Cawley Lorcan Maher, John Kelleher

# **Communion Day**

Teachers Mrs. Boylan and Ms. Kennedy

Left to Right: Rebekah Holmes, Gemma Hawthorne, Joan Whelan, Amy O'Connor, Caroline Hayes



The Howard-Williams Family at Emma's First Communion



Left to Right
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Aisling Folan

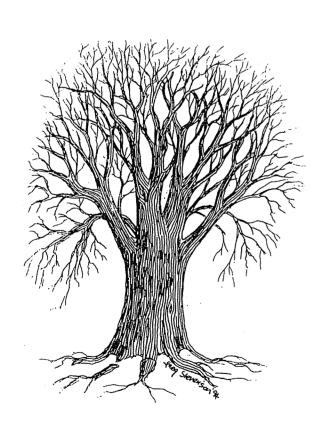


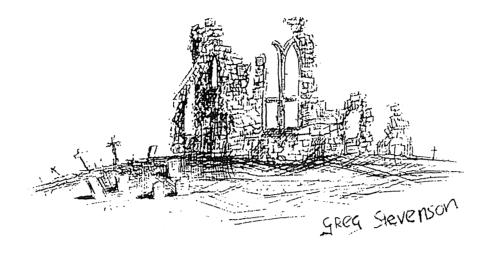
### Poetry

#### FIRST BLOOD

They are always found, black hoods hide the faces, the faces are like poems. The dying expression creates a mood that has been conveyed by the victim. But without words their words are their death. That's why they put the hoods over their heads. Another waste of life like paper thrown into the bin. Another notch on the handle of a gun Mother's tears stain their coffins as these dead poets are laid to rest just like a pen is after the poem is written.

Mark O Rourke (Winter 93)





#### THE COB

The large cob spread his white wings wide,
And took off from the waterside
And in his mouth he carried weeds,
Grasses, and some little reeds.
Next he landed by the pen,
The building of the nest began
Very soon the nest was made,
The pen sat down and eggs were laid.

Lyn Brennan, Age 11, 5th class Taghadoe, Maynooth.

#### **SEASONALTREE**

Emerald cloak stripped away fret not, your spongy armour is there to stay

Desolate, bare, shaking in the breeze, don't despair, it soon will ease.

New life is blooming everywhere, your fingertips are growing, and so is your foliage hair.

In the dazzling sunlight, you glisten and gleam, your crowning glory is now redeemed.

J. S. (1993)



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### THE RABBIT WHO LOST HIS FRONT TEETH

Once upon a time not long ago, there lived in our town a little girl called Emer. She was beautiful, with long thick blonde hair, bright blue eyes and a face any mother would love. One day while she was out playing in the fields behind her house Emer heard a noise coming from the bushes. It sounded like someone or something was in pain. Running over, and on further inspection, she saw a little rabbit with its head caught in a trap. Emer reached out with both hands, one to hold the rabbit and the other to free it. On taking the trap from its head Emer noticed that the rabbit's two front teeth were missing.



"Oh you poor thing!" she said. "I'll look after you until you're better."

'Thank you," said the rabbit.

Emer was stunned. She couldn't believe her ears.

"Rabbits don't talk," she said.

"Who told you that? asked the rabbit.

Emer jumped back with shock. She thought she was hearing and seeing things.

"It's true," said the rabbit. "In fact all of us rabbits can talk, but we don't as a rule. I knew I would have to talk to you if I was going to live."

"Sshh," said Emer. "I'm sure it's painful for you to talk so stay quiet and lie still. I'll look after you. I'll bring you home with me, nurse you and feed you till you're better."

"No, no you don't understand," said the rabbit.

Making her way home with the rabbit cradled in her arms it wasn't long before Emer was at the door. She could not open it because she had the rabbit in her arms, so she gently tapped it with her foot. She bade someone come to the door. The tapping had barely stopped when the door opened. There stood Emer's Mammy.

"What have you got in your arms, Emer?"

"It's a rabbit Mammy, and it's hurt. It has no front teeth and it's bleeding."

"You're not bringing him in here to get blood all over my floor"

At this Emer began to cry.

"Please, please Mammy, can I look after it? We won't be in your way, I promise. Please."

"Okay," said her Mammy, who could not stand to see her little girl cry, "but you must look after it and feed it too."

"I will. You won't even see it, I promise."

Emer brought the rabbit to her room and, putting some newspaper and an old blanket in a box, she laid the rabbit gently into it and moved the lot closer to the heater.

"Emer." cried the rabbit.

Emer bent down.

"Even if I was to get well it would be to no avail because I have no front teeth and I wouldn't be able to eat carrots, and if I'm not able to eat I will die."

Emer started to cry. "No, I won't let you die, even if I have to give you my own teeth."

"I only wish," said the rabbit, and he fell fast asleep beside the warm heater.

Emer spoke to her mother about what the rabbit had said.

"Well, if you really want to save its life there's only one way, both of you must hold each other and make a wish to the tooth fairy for two new front teeth for the rabbit."

Emer's heart was gladdened and a sparkle came to her eyes.

"Brilliant," she said, "we'll try it tonight just before I go to bed".



### Storytime

After tea Emer rushed to her room to tell the rabbit. He was delighted, so holding hands and paws, they both made a wish for two new front teeth for the rabbit. They both opened their eyes together. Emer looked at the rabbit's mouth but there was no sign of the teeth.

"Damn, blast and damn," said Emer.

"Now" said the rabbit, "there's no need for that sort of language.

"Sorry," said Emer, "but Mammy said it would work."

"Don't worry about it," said the rabbit. 'Sometimes people say things and they don't know what they are saying, but they mean well. Now don't worry about me. Go to bed, you have to go to school tomorrow."

So Emer, with tears in her eyes and sobbing, laid her head on the pillow, now and then keeping a watchful eye on the rabbit. Soon tiredness overcame her and she fell into a deep sleep.

Next morning Emer woke to the sound of her mother calling her.

"Emer, get up and get ready for school."

Rubbing her eyes and yawning she jumped out of bed. Just then she noticed that her two front teeth were missing. She felt with her tongue and looked in the mirror and sure enough, they were gone, but on closer inspection she saw two tiny little white teeth just appearing out of her gums. Quickly she looked down at the rabbit. There he was eating away, gnawing on a carrot.

"Give me a look at your mouth," said Emer.

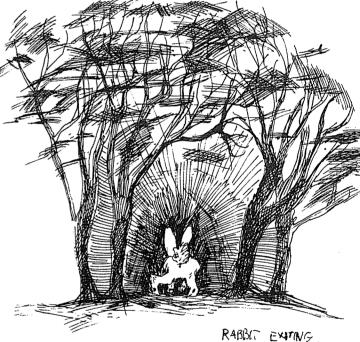
The rabbit turned. There, right in the middle of his gums were two shiny white choppers.

'They're my teeth," said Emer.

"Yes," said the rabbit, "the tooth fairy came during the night and waited for your front teeth to fall out. When they did he gave them to me. These are your milk teeth that I have and as I can see your second teeth are just coming through."

Running down to the kitchen to tell her mother she said, "Mammy, the rabbit got new teeth and they're my old ones."

"There, I told you, no need to worry, no sooner said than mended."



Running back into the bedroom Emer shouted, "He's gone." Then she saw her window open and across the field she could see a white tail bobbing up and down in the distance. 'Well," she said to herself, "he belonged to the wild anyway."

Just then she saw two golden pennies left on the pillow by the tooth fairy, one for each tooth. She felt good for having helped the rabbit.

The End

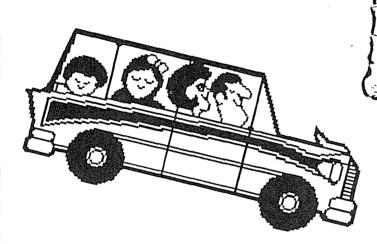
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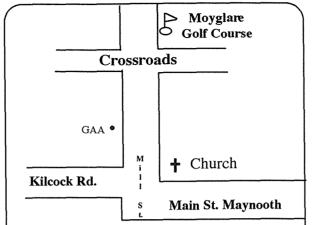








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### Birthdays

## Sympathies

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To Norman Happy Birthday love Elizabeth & Margaret.

To Auntie Margaret Happy Birthday love Andrew (your best Ace Reporter).

To Margaret, Happy Birthday love Mammy.

To Norman, Happy Birthday love from your wife Ann & son Andrew.

To Margaret Happy Birthday love Anne & Norman.

To Norman Happy Birthday love Maire.

Happy Birthday to Sean McTiernan, Moyglare Village, age 6 on June 24th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, sisters, Aoife, Aileen and Grannie and Grandad.

Birthday wishes on June 24th to Mrs. M. McTiernan, Lawrence Avenue, from Martin and Rikki.

Birthday wishes to Joan O'Brien, Newtown, age 14 on June 1st; to her sister Mrs. A. Kiernan, Celbridge on June 2nd; her cousin Stephen Cummins, Kilcock, age 3 on June 4th.

Birthday wishes to Martin Traynor, Greenfield on June 17th.

Happy Birthday to Tony McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip on June 7th.

To Jenny thanks for coming to East 17 with me your friend forever Lizzy

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations and best wishes to Anita (nee Murphy) and John Corcoran of Meadowbrook Crescent on the birth of their twins on 19th May. A brother and sister for Daryl. Love from the Murphy family in Greenfield and Corcoran family in Ballyfermot.

Congratulations to Susan (nee O'Reilly) and Dave Brown, Wandoan, Queensland, Australia, on the birth of their daughter - Maggie. Susan is the daughter of the late Eugene and Rita O'Reilly, Main Street.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The Husband and Family of the late Catherine McGarry (nee O'keilly) of Blackrock, Co. Dublin and formerly of Mariaville, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement.

The family of the late Paddy Tobin, would like to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us, in our recent bereavement. A special word of thanks to our neighbours in the Main Street, our neighbours in Cluain Aoibhinn and Newtown and Dr. Michael Hanlon for all his help and support. Also, the priest of the parish, Father Supple, Father Cogan and Father Boylan and also Father Liam Holmes.

To the staff of the E.S.B., Leixlip, the staff of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, the staff of Quinnsworth, Maynooth, all our relatives and friends.

Also a special word of thanks to all who catered on the day and the G.A.A. club for the use of their premises.

Thanks also to those who called to our home personally, sent floral tributes, mass cards, attended the removal, Mass and funeral. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.

#### **SYMPATHIES**

#### The Late Bernard Callaghan.

Many people in Maynooth were saddened to learn of the death of Bernard Callaghan, Coolnagun, Lismacaffrey, Mullingar, aged 90 years on the 29th April, at St. Mary's Hospital, Mullingar.

Mr. Callaghan, father of the prominent local community activist, Mattie Callaghan, was a frequent visitor to Maynooth and he enjoyed enormously the St. Patrick's Day Parades, visiting Maynooth College and especially watching his grandson Matthew playing underage hurling for Maynooth G.A.A. Representatives of Greenfield Estate Residents' Association

were present at the Funeral Mass in Boherquill and colleagues of Mattie's on the Tidy Towns Committee and Community Council joined with the many neighbours and friends of the Callaghan family in expressing their sincere condolences. Joining in the Mass concelebration was Maynooth priest Fr. David Boylan, Chaplain of the Post Primary School.

Sympathy to Mrs. Hand and family, Main Street, Maynooth, on the death of her brother, Charlie Moore from Dublin, who died recently.

Sympathy to the wife, family, mother, relatives and friends of the late Paddy Tobin, Main Street, Maynooth.

Sympathy to the brothers, relatives and friends of Maria Sullivan, wife of the late Mick, mother of Leta, Desmond, Martin, Colm and the late Barry. Maria was late of Main Street, Maynooth.

Sympathy to the mother, brothers, sisters, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of the late Mary Alice McCourt, Carton, Maynooth.

Sympathy to Mrs Joe Horan, Greenfield, on the death of her brother in Cooldrinagh, Leixlip.

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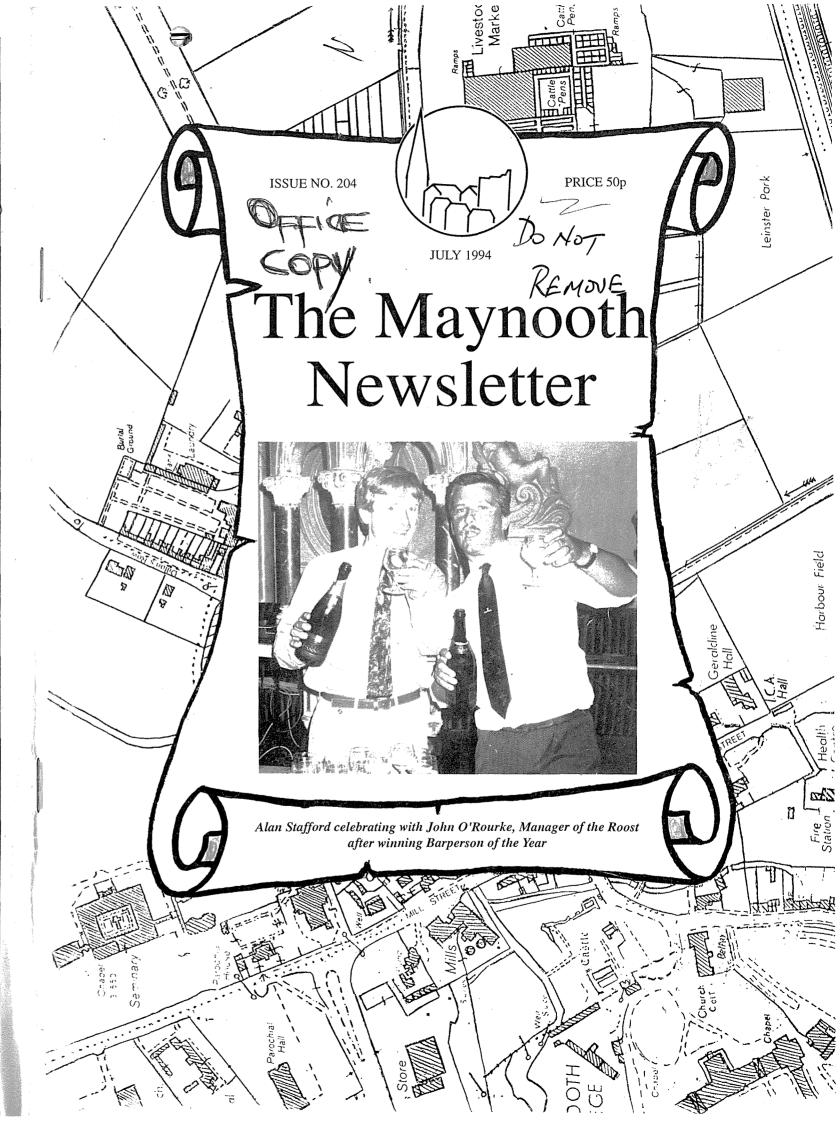
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### Editorial

#### **EUROPEAN ELECTIONS '94**

It appeared to be an ordinary election campaign. All the signs were there: the leaflets, the posters, the interviews, the media speculation, etc. However, on the morning of June 9th it became obvious that the election was missing one vital ingredient — the voters.

At first, observers predicted that there would be a last-minute dash to the polls but this never happened. In our own constituency of Leinster only 43% of the electorate exercised their vote. In the other constituencies of Munster, Northern Ireland, Connaught/Ulster and Dublin the turnout was 49%, 49%, 48% and 37% respectively. Such apathy has never before been witnessed in an election in Ireland.

There is no great mystery surrounding the poor turnout for the European election. We, the general public, know very little about what goes on in Europe and we care even less. How can we be expected to elect representatives when we have no idea what we are electing them for? Our politicians are well aware of this information deficiency but they have done nothing to clarify the issue. The entire election campaign was instead based on the "Parrot Principle".

The thinking behind this strategy is that if you repeat something often enough, people will eventually begin to believe it. Rather than adopting a stance on vital national issues, the candidates adopted catchy slogans. These catch-phrases were splashed across every leaflet, poster and advertisement produced for the candidates. One claimed to be "Simply the Best" while another professed to being "A Head and Shoulders Above the Rest". Issues were not an issue of this election.

Do our politicians really believe that the Irish public is too stupid to comprehend the workings of Euro politics? Do they really feel so intellectually superior to us? They seem to believe that the electorate has the memory span of the average goldfish. They presume that all their misdeeds will be forgotten about by the the next election. The results of the European election show very clearly that the voters have not forgotten and will not forgive the established parties for their roles in recent fiascos.

The last General Election saw a significant portion of the electorate voting for the Labour Party as a protest against Fianna Fáil. They wished for change, they voted for change, but they got more of the same. The Labour Party is now perceived by many as indistinguishable from their traditional rivals, Fianna Fáil, and disenchanted voters are now looking for a new champion. The European election saw a considerable swing towards the Green Party and the onus is now on them to prove themselves to be a viable alternative to the established parties.

What does the future hold for Irish politics? Will the voters return to their old voting habits in the next general election or will they continue the trend of protest voting? At the very least the European elections can be seen as a warning sign to the established parties that there are no certainties in politics anymore.

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### Letter to Editor

The parents of Eamonn Gallagher and Darren Naughton would like to thank the Maynooth Soccer Club for the Race Night they held to enable Darren and Eamonn to travel to America with the Kildare Team. We would also like to thank everyone who supported the night and made it such a success. Thanks again.

Anne and Eamonn Gallagher Biddy and Michael Naughton



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#### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS NOTES

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We welcomed the opportunity to discuss our plans and to meet people who wished to help us.

If we missed you and you wish to contribute to our collection, there is a collection box in Maynooth Community Council Office. Finally, Maynooth is now being judged for the Annual Tidy Towns Competition.

Please Keep Maynooth Tidy Richard Farrell P.R.O.

#### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT NOTES

At a well attended meeting of the Planning & Development Committee, the news of the allocation of £1 million of European Heritage funds for the development of the castle and surrounding areas was revealed. The progressive nature of this development was enhanced by the news that the O.P.W. are anxious to secure the agreement of the community on the nature and scale of any future development. Ideas are now welcome.

The progress of the development plan for Maynooth was also varied. The response of the college to the community's attempt to develop the town particularly given the forthcoming bi-centennial celebrations was the subject of much criticism. However, it was agreed that one final attempt be made to secure college co-operation. It was suggested that some funds could be made available for this purpose and it would be a shame to let the opportunity go to develop the town to the fullest.

The appalling state of Laraghbryan cemetery was also discussed. Here it appears that Kildare County Council has ......again..... abdicated its responsibilities in this area. The present scandalous state of affairs cannot be continued and it was suggested that an S.E.S. scheme be set up to remedy this.

The continuing need to provide facilities for the rapidly growing towns of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip was also discussed. At the present rate of growth, there is a danger that the North Kildare region will become a second Tallaght if we do not remain aware of the need to provide these facilities.

Other issues discussed included, the necessity to up-grade the Blacklion Road (in last month's Newsletter) and possible problems the bypass will cause there, the litter problem, the question of the trustee-ship of the Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field, the unfortunate decision of the E.S.B. to continue its policy of overhead rather than cable wiring in the main street and the continued unsatisfactory nature of the lighting situation in the town particularly near the station.

Carton Avenue now looks much better after the hard work of the team of SES workers under Anne Cotter. These are now engaged with the less glamorous but just as important work of maintenance around the town.

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This years 8th Annual Community Festival has proved to be a great success. The Festival Committee of ten combined with local clubs and organisations to ensure that there were plenty of activities for young and old.

The Festival ran from June 10th to the 19th and thanks to good weather all events were well attended.

The Festival was launched in Caulfields Lounge on Thursday June 2nd, at a reception for 200 people who enjoyed a great night, thanks to **Guinness Ireland**, the main sponsors of the Festival.

The **Guinness Jazz Band** played to a capacity crowd in the Roost on Friday June 10th.

The Childrens' Treasure Hunt U/14, began at 2pm in the Town Centre Mall on Saturday 11th June. It was a great success but, there was room for more participants - winners were 1st team Patrick McDonald, Gerard McMahon. 2nd team Gearoid Higgins, Chris Arthurs. 3rd team Ronan McBride, Anthony, Kierán, and Declan Rooney.

A Field Day took place on Sunday June 12th. The Maynooth Brass and Reed Band played throughout the afternoon with music to suit all tastes. There were fun races thanks to Mick Gleeson and the Athletic Club. The local scout troop also ran a very interesting display on their building and bar-b-que skills. Thanks to the I.C.A. ladies for providing the delicious tea and cakes for the afternoon. This treat was enjoyed by many.

The Fire Brigade Display was put on by the local station much to the delight of all the children. Many thanks to the Fire Brigade lads.

The Baby Show was an outstanding success U/1 winner was Anna King of 69 Moyglare Village; 2nd Emer Long of 30 College Green and 3rd Aoife Jennings of 20 Rockfield. U/3 winner was Ciara Crehan Reilly, Kilcock; 2nd Craig Connolly of 57 Kingsbry and 3rd Clovis O'Donohoe of Tudor Court, Coill Dubh. Four sets of twins took part, the choice was very difficult but the winners were Sandra and Sarah Bell of Meadowbrook Cresent, Maynooth.

The Fancy Dress Competition was won by Jessica Whelan of 11 Rail Park; 2nd Conor Bean of Nuada, Dunboyne Road and 3rd Emma Flemming of 63 Maynooth Park. Most topical prize went to Christopher Hartnett of 15 Beaufield Avenue.

Tug-o-War There was a feast of Tug-o-War which was well attended with 130 contestants battling for a share of the 81 prizes sponsored by all the *local pubs* and the *GAA Club*. (See write up in Sports Section). This event would not have taken place but for the organising ability of Willie Healy.

The Car Treasure Hunt was more successful this year as it was held on a Sunday. John McGinley and team won with his good knowledge of the local terrain; 2nd Mary Horn and team and joint 3rd Eamonn MacKeogh and team and Noel McDermott and team. Thanks to Kay MacKeogh and Proinnsias Breathnach for organising the Treasure Hunt and to L.S. Autos for sponsorship.

The Harp Larger Talent competition was held in the Roost which was greatly enjoyed by all. First prize went to Eugene Fitzpatrick with his popular new song about the World Cup, and 2nd Catherine McNamara, 3rd Bernie Byrne. Music on the night was by David Jolley and was ably compered by Maisie Cornigan and was judged by Hugh Crawford and Jude McCarthy. Thanks to all concerned, for their time and expertise.

The Mr and Mrs competition was held in Caulfields Lounge on Monday 13th. The winners were Barry and Phil Connolly of 57 Kingsbry. The most entertaining couple were Leo and Eileen McGlynn of Greenfield. When Eileen was asked what was the best thing you ever did for your husband she replied "well I married him, didn't I!! Tom McMullon was the compere for the night, and music was performed by Gerry Fitzpatrick, Philip McDermott and Christy Dempsey.

Car Trials took place on Tuesday 14th June in Doyles Mart. This very popular event was well attended by all local car enthusiasts. Many thanks to Don Foley for organising this event and to the participants from throughout the country.

The Old Peoples' Committee Cabaret took place in Caulfields. A great night was had by all and thanks to Jo and Kevin and the guest musician Noel Brady. While the older people enjoyed themselves in Caulfields, Al Brady and his band played for the younger set in the Leinster Arms.

Wednesday night once again saw us in Caulfields for our Annual Smithwick's Table Quiz and 31 teams took part. Finally Tony Clintons team which included John Nangle, Noel Morgan and Tom Bolger won having being runners up for the past two years. In 2nd place were Paul Daly, Ben Daly, Brian O'Malley and Declan O'Connor and in 3rd place were Michael Quinn, Sean Farrell, Ronan McGolderick and P. Farrell. Many thanks to Brendan Tracey - Quizmaster for the night and to Caulfields for their co-operation on the night.

### Community Council Notes

#### **FESTIVAL REPORT 1994 CONTINUED**

**Poetry** - On Thursday 16th June Bloomsday was marked in the library with a very enjoyable evening of poetry and music sponsored by Maynooth Community Council. Readers were entertained by local writers Clairr O'Connor, Stuart Lane, Cathy Conlon and Gerard McMahon. Poetry was punctuated with classical guitar from local guitarist, Brendan Tyrrell. Thanks to all the library staff for all their assistance.

Irish Night - An evening of music and dancing took place in the G.A.A. Centre. The Maher School of Dancing gave a wonderful display of Irish Dancing. The Maynooth Accordian Band once again kept everyones feet tapping with their usual medley of music, under the guidance of Rita O'Reilly. This wonderful evening of music and dancing was rounded off by a display of folk dancing and set dancing. Many thanks to Marie Gleeson for organising the night and to the G.A.A. for the use of their premises.

The G.A.A. again provided the venue on Friday night 17th June for the **Harp Lager Bachelor of the Year**. Maisie Corrigan did a splendid job compering the show. The music was provided by John Cunningham and the judges were Margaret Delaney, Sallins and Margaret Sexton - Nurney. Once again Eugene Fitzpatrick outshone all the rest to emerge as winner for the second year in succession.

Childrens' Talent - Saturday 18th June saw us in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m. for the Childrens' Talent. A disappointingly small entry resulted in a very short contest but in spite of this the children that took part enjoyed themselves. The winner was Clara Monaghan and in 2nd place was Rachael Cunninghan and Clara Monaghan in a duet. Third place went to Lisa Finan and 4th place to Rachael Cunningham, 5th place Julie Comerford, 6th place Peter Finan and 7th place Linda McCourt. Well done to all the children who took part. Thanks to judges Orla Fortune, Sharon Murphy, Caroline Corbett.

On Sunday 19th June the football finals took place in the Harbour Field. Many thanks to John McGinley, Willie Saults and Lenny Murphy for organising this **Guinness** Inter-Area Soccer Competition. (see sports section for report). Also thanks to the G.A.A. for staging their finals on Sunday. Presentations of soccer trophies, sponsored by Guinness took place in the Roost. **Mr. Greg Cunniam Guinness Representative** presented the winners and runners up with tankards. *Bar Person of the Year* was also nominated in the Roost. From the four establishments taking part Alan Stafford of the Roost emerged the outstanding winner. Congratulations to all.

The night of the festival ended with a sing-a-long in the Roost. Music and singing by Gerry Fitzpatrick, Christy Dempsey and Maisie Corrigan and a Karaoke in the Leinster Arms where many people took part in the fun.

#### Maynooth Community Festival Pitch & Putt Tournament

The 2nd Community Festival Pitch & Putt tournament attracted an entry of over 30 people, young and not so young. This year we decided to have matchplay competition for individuals and this format resulted in the younger entrants turning on the style with some magnificent pitch & putt being played.

The eventual winner, following a play off on the 19th hole, was the impeccable Trevor Cassidy - a worthy champion. Could he be Maynooth's answer to "Sevy"?

The runner up was Johnathan Flynn who also played magnificently, just loosing out on the 19th.

This year we had a special prize for best card and the winner was John Bowe with a 60.

The trophies were presented by Senan Griffin, Chairman of the Community Council, Mattie Callaghan, organiser, paid special tribute to Tony and Mary Bean for the excellent condition of the course which must now rank as the premier leisure facility in Maynooth.

We would like to extend our thanks to *Hudsons Carnival* for providing entertainment and amusement for the local children during the festival. They have been coming to Maynooth for the past 28 years and have been a great source of fun for the youngsters of our town.

The Festival Committee would like to thank **Guinness** for their generous sponsorship also the Roost, Caulfields, Leinster Arms and the G.A.A. Club for their sponsorship and the use of their premises. Thanks also to Willie Kiernan, who was always at hand to make sure we had no PA problems.

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#### **BAND BULLETIN**

Last month saw the beginning of our busiest time of the year, it used to be called our "Summer Season" but of course by now everyone knows That SUMMER is a word you only find in the dictionary just as the word SUN is almost as dead as the Dodo. However we carry on with our programme hoping that we at least can bring a little musical sunshine to our audiences.

We believe we did bring some of the aforementioned sunshine to the crowds at the Field Day on the 12th June in the Harbour during community Week. It was a perfect day, warm and calm and an ideal day for the recital. The only thing to disturb us was the mouth watering smell of barbequed burgers and onions wafting across our noses from the scouts stand beside us. Only a musician can appreciate how hard it is to blow with a watering mouth but we carried on bravely. It was a pleasant surprise to be complimented on our playing whether it be good or bad.

Sunday 19th June brought us to the heart of Dublin when we played a recital in Fairview Park, one of the nicest Parks in the city. Our forces were a little depleted due to a combination of Cemetery Sunday, Examinations and Holidays but thanks to the present high numbers in the Band we were able to produce quite a respectable number of players. The one event which did not affect our Band was Ireland's win against Italy the night before. The members who were not otherwise commited gallantly turned up in Fairview Park accompanied by a sizeable supplies of Asprin (to deaden the pain), Cotton Wool (to deaden the sound) and Alka-Seltzer (to prepare for the next assault on the body) and they all received medals for gallantry from the Bandmaster at the end of the performance. Well done lads and lasses, now that you've "acclimatised" I presume you'll all be available for the rest of our recitals during USA 94.

At the time of writing our next engagement has yet to happen but it will be a real test of both will and staying power. We leave Maynooth for our annual trip to the Feile na Gael National Under age Hurling Finals in Limerick at 6.30am, Yes, I mean HALF PAST SIX IN THE BLEEDING MORNING on Sunday, 26th June. If we have a full Band for that morning they really will deserve their medals but I know we can count on them but we are still making arrangements for sleeping accommodation on the bus for those where the SPIRIT is willing but the flesh may be weak, very weak. I'll bring you all the gory details on this trip next month.

June 1994 brought a little bit of Band History when Patricia Penny (formerly Patricia Dempsey) became a Mammy and her father became - Yes you've got it - a GRANDFATHER (there'll be no living' with him now). This is the first time that a female member of the band has had a baby and we are all absolutely thrilled for her. There was a time not too long ago when the fairer sex were not even allowed to join the Band but now that Patricia has re-written the records we hope that more ladies will try their hand at 'enlisting' new Band members for us now. Congratulations to Patricia, her husband "Spanner" and the new arrival Brian (will he be a mechanic?).

We have a busy time between now and the end of September and I will update you on all those events next month.

Before I close I must tell you about the advertisment seen in a Supermarket in Dublin. For Sale full Set encyclopaedias Brittanica. Never opened Never Used Wife knows everything.

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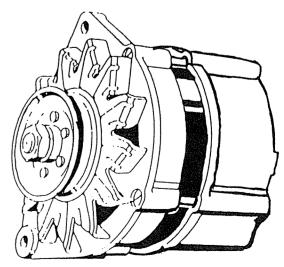
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#### **Maynooth Community Games**

We are delighted to have been a part of the success of the Maynooth Community Games. One of our former PROs, May Haren, was on hand to present medals to some of the winners. Congratulations to all who took home medals and, especially to those whose effort was its own reward, this time out. We look forward to continuing to lend a very practical measure of support to this worthwhile and enjoyable annual event. Good luck to those who will be participating in Kildare and National Community Games

#### Calling all Scribes!

Sooner than expected, the time has come for me to pass the baton. In the Autumn, I will be going overseas for two years with my family. So we need another member to volunteer to write these notes. I would like to encourage anyone who might feel inclined to help out. I have found that a chat with some of the Directors - sometimes while I'm doing my stint as teller will keep me informed about what needs to be reported. Or, one of the Directors will phone to inform me about what is going on. They have also helped me not to overlook the deadline which is the copy-date for the Newsletter.

In fact, my only difficulty has been remembering the copydate. I have been inclined to think that each time the Newsletter appears, I have a month to get the next Notes ready, instead of two weeks. Anyone who would like to have a go can contact me through the Credit Union, phone 628 6471. Just give your name and phone number and I will contact you. We could collaborate on the notes for August and September, and make it easier to hand over.

Emer McDermott PRO

#### MAYNOOTH-KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Our Award night was held on Friday night the 3rd June, our last No-Name Disco until September. The ceremony began with a speech by Maynooth Sergeant, Joe Canny, in which he expressed his delight at the success of the club and gratitude to Monsignor Ledwith and Maynooth College authorities for allowing the Students Union to be used by the Club. He then presented awards to the following:- Susan Shorthouse for designing the Club's posters, Kathryn Walsh for designing the T-Shirt logos, Elaine Fleming and Jenny Rhattigan for being schools' representatives, Jenny Rhattigan and Michael Reilly as hostess and host of the year, and John Lamb, Head of Security in Maynooth College for his invaluable help during all the club events.

Then it was the hosts' and hostesses' time to show their appreciation by presenting the committee with a box of biscuits. and presenting Chairman Martin Caine and Secretary Melanie Oliver with an inscribed plaque each. Forty seven hosts and hostesses were awarded their No-Name certificates in Leadership and Self-Development and the night ended with a lively disco which was enjoyed by young and old alike.

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Monday 13th June 1994 at which the progress of the club since its last meeting was discussed and future developments were planned. The following officers were then elected:- Chairman - Martin Caine, Vice-Chairman - Fred O'Melia, Secretary - Melanie Oliver, Treasurer - May Haren, Assistant Treasurer - Rose Dillane. Assistant Secretary - Beatrice Mallon, P.R.O. - Mary Carroll, Assistant P.R.O. - Ignatius Leonard, Entertainments Officer -Leslie Byrne, and Trustee Auditor - John Lamb.

Gratitude was expressed to the following for their generosity and sponsorship:- Tommy McDonald - The Sports Locker, Joe Wall - Cardinal Press, Allied Irish Bank, Sean Groarke, The Lions Club, Dick McMahon - Dry Cleaners, Martin Brady -Leinster Arms, Noel Brady, John Caulfield, Mick Gillick -G.A.A., Ann Carey - Cameo, Credit Union, Pat Brennan -Reliable Transport, Sean Donovan, Aiden Hoey - Coca Cola, the Gardai, John Lamb, Mark Power, Joe and Dennis, the clerical students and all who helped at the discos, Vinnie O'Sullivan, our popular disc jockey and Monsignor Ledwith and the College authorities.

Congratulations was extended to John Mangan, Kilcock, on winning two gold, two silver and one bronze medal at the New York State Games for the Physically Challenged, a wonderful achievement. John often attends our discos and his mother, Mary Mangan is a committee member.

Mary Carroll P.R.O.

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#### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Another successful season has drawn to a close. Our outing on June 11th was very enjoyable indeed. For the first time in many years there was a touch of summer in the air. We set off at 2 p.m., taking the scenic route to Santry, where we stopped for refreshments and a spot of shopping. The afternoon was spent in the tranquillity and splendour of the "Botanic Gardens". Tired and hungry we arrived back at the Springfield Hotel, where a most beautiful meal awaited us. I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Hannigan and his wonderful staff for their attentiveness, and culinary expertise. Many thanks also to Mr. Pat Barton for the free use of his coaches, and to his drivers, John and Con, for their help and courtesy to all of us. Our final fling before the holidays was our participation in the "Community Festival", with our Cabaret night in Caulfields Lounge. This was a most enjoyable night, and we thank Kevin. Vinnie, Danny and all those who sang a song or two, and of course our guest for the night Noel Brady.

Thank you to our Minister Mr. Emmett Stagg who came along to present the cheque for £1,429 to our committee. This money is the proceeds of the Tony Smith Memorial Walk, which took place on May 15th and is the result of the co-operation that exists between the Local Branch of the Labour Party, our own committee and the community at large. Many thanks to David Moynan and John McGinley for making it all possible. Last but not least, I thank Eithne Carey and her staff for their hospitality on the night and all her regular customers who joined in the fun.

Our club is now closed until September 6th and our Laundry Service will be on hold for the month of August. We thank the I.C.A. for the on-going use of their hall, Seamus Grant for getting us there on time all year round, and Sheila and Sean Smith for their patience with the Laundry.

Finally, on behalf of our Old People's Committee, may I wish each and every one of you a very pleasant summer holiday, and we'll see you all in the Autumn please God.

#### Josephine Moore, Chairnerson



Relaxed Ladies after their meal in the Springfield



Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Murphy enjoying themselves in the Springfield

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#### I.C.A. NOTES

The June meeting took place on Thursday June 3rd in the I.C.A. Hall. Connie is sunning herself in Portugal at the moment so please forgive the quality of this month's report.

Our Guild and president congratulate and welcome the new National President Mrs. Bridin Twist from Co. Clare.

Congratulations to Breda Donovan who was our representative in this year's Guaranteed Irish Salesperson of the Year Competition. Breda won the county heat and now goes forward to the regional heat in July. Good luck Breda. Well done to Mary O'Gorman who was awarded a Brannaire for excellence in Soft Toy making. Marion Souhan, Geraldine Dunne and Margaret Houlihan were winners in badminton at federation

All new committee members are getting into their swing and activities continue as follows:

#### Crafte

Mary is continuing craft nights at 8 o'clock in the hall. We are sure she is full of new ideas. Monday is craft night.

#### Sport:

Badminton continues on Tuesday and Thursdays in the Parish Hall at 10.45. Well done to the ladies who took part in the Mini Marathon. All sponsorship will go to the N.B.C.R.I. I.C.A. Guilds Nationwide are involved in fundraising for this campaign.

#### **Guest Speaker:**

Ms. Noreen Starr gave an excellent talk and demonstration on skin care and make up.

#### **Competitions:**

This month's competition was "on-the-spot" and was won by Imelda Delaney, 2nd Betty Moore and 3rd Eleanor Caulfield. The July competition is a "Light Fruit Cake" (not more than 12 ozs fruit).

#### An Grianan

Some members will be attending An Grianan for "Kildare Week". Have a good time ladies. We enjoyed a night out at Clontarf Castle with The Bards on May 19th.

The next meeting will be held on July 7th at 8 o'clock. Don't forget the Annual Show in the Post-Primary School on July 16th. Schedules available in local shops.

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On Tuesday, 31st May Marita Conlon McKenna visited Maynooth Library at the invitation of the library's book club for children, **Black Tulip** (black standing for book loving and creative kids).

Marita is a hugely popular childrens' author and has won several awards for childrens' books. This became quite evident from the interest of the kids present. Her books include "Under The Hawthorn Tree" and "The Blue Horse". The children listened attentively to Marita as she read from some of her short stories and asked many questions about her stories and her pastimes.

This Group, **Black Tulips**, has been running since 1992 and is the brain child of the Librarian Margaret Walshe-Gannon. Its aim is to promote reading, arts and the use of the library. There are many activities for the children each week including reviewing books, writing short stories, discussing films and video games and making up magazines. There is a core group of fifteen kids ageing from 9-13 years.

It was great to see so many young people enjoying themselves while also gaining knowledge and skills to further their creativity in reading and writing.

We should be very proud of our local library and lend it the support it deserves. Margaret's brain-child really worked and we wish the library and its staff every success on further ventures.

For further information on the group "Black Tulips" contact your local library on Main Street Maynooth.



Attentive audience at the Book Club



Marita Conlon McKenna, Children's Author at the Library

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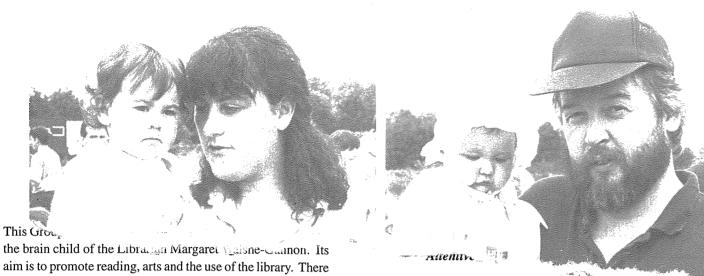
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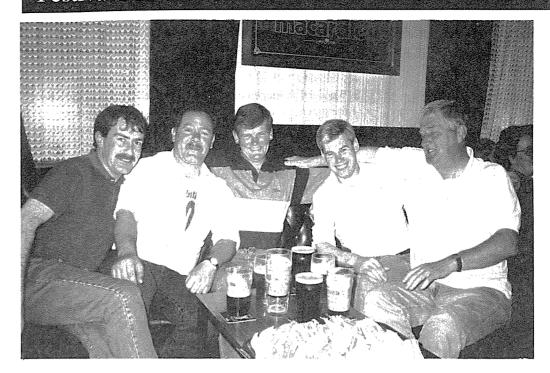
Marita Conlon McKenna, Children's Author at the Library



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2nd Conor Bean,
3rd Emma Flemming,
most topical
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L - R in photo:
Conor Bean,
Jessica Whelan,
Emma Flemming,
back Christopher Hartnett

### Festival Fun 1994



Members of Maynooth Fire Brigade at Festival launch in Caulfields

Patricia Condron Vice Chairperson, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary, Maynooth Community Council and Des Murray, FAS at Festival launch





Eithne Carey, Caufields and George O'Connor at the Festival launch

#### **Residents Associations**

### BEAUFIELD AREA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

#### **Annual Subscription**

As most residents will be aware, B.A.R.A.'s annual subscription has remained the same as last year, £15.00 per house. If your road representative has not already approached you, they will be doing so in the very near future. If you have paid thank you very much, and if not, we would appreciate if you could do so as soon as possible.

#### Clean Up Day

The committee would like to thank the handful of people who turned out for the estate clean up and we hope now that Beaufield is looking so well, that a lot more people will be encouraged into participating next time around.

#### Dog

The Kildare dog warden has been approached by the committee, after several complaints about packs of dogs roaming the estate. They have confirmed, that they will be calling to the area in the very near future to deal with this problem. So please look after your dogs.

#### Safety

Now that Summer has arrived, and schools are breaking up, we are appealing to motorists to please slow down, and take extra care, as there are a lot of children out playing on the estate.

Stephen McCann

### GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

We had an Estate Clean Up on Saturday June 25th. Our thanks to Kildare Council for providing the skip and to all who helped with the clean up.

Our thanks to all Residents who have paid their annual subscription.

If you missed our collectors you may leave subscription to our treasurer at 11 Greenfield Drive.

Our campaign to improve lighting in the Estate is starting to pay off with parts of Maynooth Park and Greenfield Drive having new improved lighting fitted.

We will keep you advised and keep our campaign going.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

#### KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Saturday June 11th was designated clean up day and we couldn't have asked for a nicer one, weatherwise. We may have clashed with the golf outing etc. but I was glad to see people doing their bit before and after.

As usual, not everyone made the effort and there is still a lot of work that could be done. Anyone with time to spare during the summer might like to trim the verges or even to edge them.

We were heartened to hear that a resident had donated a bed to the green but unfortunately there were no flowers involved. It is hard to believe that anybody in the estate would dump their unwanted mattress and base on a green area where it would be an attraction to rats and a danger to children. They even went so far as to dump their old kitchen table top. I hope this is not the start of a trend.

### OLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

#### The Bollards

The joyous news travelled quickly through Old Greenfield on the evening of Monday 30th May. The Residents succeeded in achieving The Bollards for Old Greenfield Lane. We have received word from Kildare County Council that the bollards will be erected as soon as possible. It is a great tribute to one and all in our residential area, young and old in Old Greenfield.

UNITED WE STOOD NEVER DOUBTING OUR AGENDA - UNITED WE WON

Details of the party will follow. We take this opportunity to thank most sincerely John McGinley, Cllr, and Bernard Durkan, T.D., for their unfailing advice and support.

#### Open Spaces

With the aid of a provisional grant from Kildare County Council the residents have purchased a ride-on lawnmower. This another great milestone for our Association. Details of usage to be decided at next meeting.

#### **Congratulations:**

- 1. Congratulations to Sandie, Dave and family in No. 3 on the birth of their beautiful baby boy, Conor
- 2. Congratulations to Paddy and Josie Doonan who celebrated their 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary on Thursday 16th June. We wish them another 50 years of happiness.
- 3. Congratulations to all our young and old who participated and won medals in the Community games. Old Greenfield was well represented.
- 4. Congratulations to our exam people. Well done! Sit back and enjoy the summer and a well-deserved rest.
- 5. Congratulations to our Vice-Chairman Leo McGlynn and his wife Eileen who won the funniest couple in the Mr. & Mrs. Competition.

#### 6. Finally

Congratulations to our Two Teams who entered in the 7 A Side

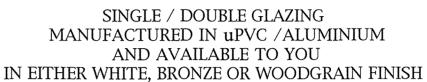
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#### **BOXING**

#### **McMahon Returns To Action**

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Many Irish fans will be there to roar on the Kilcloone and Maynooth prodigy.

Jimmy then has another bout on June 28th with James "Buddy" McGuirk, a former two time world champion. These two fights will be televised worldwide. Jimmy admits to being a bit anxious due to his long absence and fears that he may be a little ring-rusty at present. However, the Brooklyn Kid as he is dubbed is sure to storm into action and come alive in the arena of battle where his highly honed survival instincts make him a skilful and triumphant master. At a mere 24 years of age Jimmy has seen more than his share of professional combat.

To keep him ready for action he trains with Teddy Athlas who formerly managed Mike Tyson and now manages Michael Moore, heavyweight champion. Moore is out of action so Jimmy is fast becoming their front man. He also trains with world rated welterweights Jose Vidal and Curtis Summit. His big regret is that he will miss the Ireland games.

Jimmy is hoping to get a contest with Michael Carruth, if the latter is prepared to face the taller and stronger Maynooth man. Good news for his multitude of fans is that he expects to be fighting in the Point Depot sometime in September. Eamon Gallagher and Martin Tarpay take note.

Willie Healy

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#### DEATH OF JOSEPH FAHERTY MOURNED BY THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

The people of Maynooth and Connemara are deeply saddened at the sudden death of Joseph Faherty at his home in Cluain Aoibhinn on June 11th.

He was a native of Invern, Connemara, and was predeceased by his parents Paudin and Sarah, his wife Mary and daughter Sally.

His passing is deeply regretted by his son Patrick, daughter Elizabeth, brothers Hughie and Michael, nephews Michael and David, niece Deirdre, relatives neighbours and friends.

His remains were received at St. Mary's Parish Church by Rev. Fr. Coogan on Monday, June 13th. Requiem Mass was celebrated by Fr Coogan with burial afterwards in Laraghbryan Cemetery on June 14th. The esteem with which he was held in the Community was evident by the large attendances at both removal and funeral. Many of his friends travelled from Connemara

Speaking at his homily, Fr. Coogan referred to the cross of grief Joseph had bravely borne for the last three and a half years following the death of his wife Mary and daughter Sally in a road traffic accident in January 1991.

A member of the Maynooth community since 1958, Joseph had honed out a living from dairy farming at Kilmacredock and Laragh. He also worked at Clonmel Enterprises for eighteen years.

He was widely regarded as an esteemed gentleman who was always kind and pleasant to everyone. Ever a good humoured man, he loved to enjoy life to the full.

A native Irish speaker he was a good parent and a loyal friend to many, whose passing leaves a void in the community.

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#### EYE HEAR

#### The Return of Tommy Fay

Maynooth Junior Hurlers had to call on the old guard in a recent match against Ardclough. Reduced to 14 men, they scanned the attendance and spotted the bouncy looking Tommy Fay (Remember, "Play Gaelic — a game for life" stickers). Tommy eagerly answered the call-up — it being for the honour and glory of his beloved club.

The 45 year old Tommy, a good hurler in his day, was swinging in all directions as he played in goal. He kept his backs and the opposition out for 55 minutes before his limbs began to tire. He was hailed a hero for his efforts but rumour has it he was not able to walk for two weeks. he is well recovered now and can be seen strolling along at a more leisurely and peaceful pace to his local. Probably over a cool pint his mind wanders back to the hour he stood bravely in the gap for Maynooth. No doubt Mick Cadden or Mick Gillick will give him a few pints on the house or, more appropriately, a special chair to sit on.

#### More Smoke

The pipe story runs and runs, i.e. the jogger's pipe stolen from the Harbour Field as in last issue. It must surely be a heinous crime to rob a man's pipe. According to Pat Carr the story is doing the "circles" and people "are lapping it up". He said that Sherlock Holmes, the great pipe smoking detective, is on the case and is on the right track. However, he wonders if there is some irony in a prospective Olympic athlete being a pipe smoker? I don't know, is there?

#### Fran goes worldwide

After the historic victory of Ireland over Italy in the World Cup on Friday, June 18th, who appeared on our screens but the one and only Fran Walsh of Rail Park. The game had taken its toll on the players but it must have been even harder on Fran, who was wiping the profuse sweat off his brow. Best wishes to Fran and all the other local supporters who are representing us in the USA.

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#### Fraud

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- Do not keep your cheque book/card together if lost. report at once to your bank.
- Cross all cheques written.
- Be cautious of strangers who are name droppers e.g. Fr. O'Brien the P.P. said you would change the cheque
- (4) Be suspicious of customers who are indignant at requests for identification.
- Be wary of cheques drawn on a bank outside this country. Should it turn out to be a dud, there is no easy remedy.
- Be aware of juveniles cashing cheques, they are not legally liable for their debts.
- Do not accept a cheque which shows signs of change ... have the issuer write a fresh cheque.
- Keep in mind that in accepting a cheque which is postdated or cheques over a month old - you are taking a chance.
- Don't let the client hurry you in accepting the cheque, take all the time you need, and get answers to all your questions.
- (10) Be aware of cheques presented over bank-holiday week ends or other busy times.
- (11) Stop and think, if somebody asks to cash a cheque for a sum larger than what is required to cover the transaction.
- Have employees initial cheques cashed by them, and lodge all cheques promptly.

#### Young Children at Play

With the holiday season in full swing naturally children will also be free from school, passing the long hours will be difficult and calls for vigilance on the part of parents. Its a fact of life that disturbed persons are among us. Young innocent children are often prey for such depraved thinking. A balance between the freedom of the children to enjoy themselves in an open, carefree and uninterrupted environment and mature, responsible supervision from parents and the adult population is the ideal. We therefore urge all parents to know where their children are at all times, who they are with and the time that they are expected home. Advise your children to report anything unusual to you and in turn report all such incidents to us. Talk to your children and warn them never to talk to or go with strangers. There is no substitute for sensible, informed parental guidance and supervision with regard to the subject of protecting the young children of our community. May we wish all the school children, boys and girls, long happy summer days of enjoyment; after a lengthy school year they well deserve their break. To older school boys and girls who sat for examinations we wish them every success for their en-

#### **Burglar Alarms**

As more houses and business premises in the locality are being fitted with burglar alarms we wish to advise people to ensure that those appliances are not a source of annoyance to the



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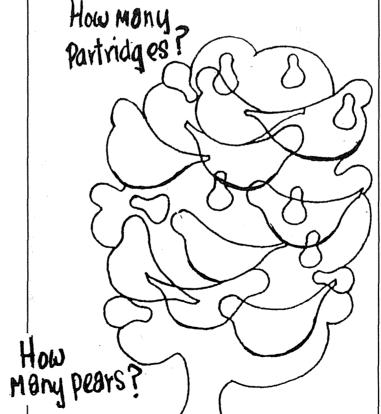








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neighbourhood. The Gardai recognise and identify with the value of a good alarm system but we must also point out that disturbance and irritation caused by defective systems that are not properly fitted.

Regularly those appliance require proper service by competent and reputable back up firms. Burglar and other alarms are instantaneous warnings of an interruption or intrusion and should be tended to as soon as possible after being activated. Gardai often arrive at the scene of an activated alarm only to find that there is no keyholder available or contactable. On occasions alarms are left ringing for protracted periods and consequently loose their purpose and usefulness. Therefore we request people who have alarms fitted to notify their alarm company or the Gardai of the name and address/telephone number of the keyholder.

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#### M'LADY ERIN CONTEST

This contest was organised by Balbriggan Breakaway Festival Committee. The contest was aimed at women of today who lead busy, active lives, caring for both home and family and still find time to be involved in their community, through various types of voluntary work.

This is the first year of this new National Event and is intended to pay tribute to the many women around the country who are busy benefiting their community. Contestants had to be married or widowed and aged between 35 and 55 years and be involved in voluntary work in their community.

Judging was based on personality, appearance and community involvement. There were nine contestants taking part and one of these was Norah McDermott, M'Lady Rye, who represented Maynooth Community Festival. Norah spent three days in Balbriggan at the request of their committee, where all meals, accommodation and entertainment were provided and took part in the contest on Sunday, 19th June.

The other contestants were from Balbriggan, Bray, The Liberties, Artane, Salthill, Mullingar, Dundalk and Wexford. The compere for the contest was Derek Davis and the judges were Ann Murray, model agency; Barry Cassin, theatre producer; P. J. McAllister, Guinness, and the Director of Thalgo Cosmetics, Sheila Martin. The winner of this inaugural contest on the night was Norah McDermott and she received a Cavan Crystal Trophy, cash prize of £400, £100 worth of Thalgo cosmetics and a Libra outfit. It was a very successful weekend and one to be remembered by Norah.

It would be her intention to get this competition included in 1995 Maynooth Community Festival as she says there are plenty of women out there who should be nominated by their committees for this prestigious contest.



Norah with some of the Ladies at the M'Lady Contest

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By now the Junior and Leaving Cert exams are over and the long wait for results begins before the next flurry of activity in mid-

The academic year ended for our Leaving Cert. students and parents with a farewell Mass and reception at which Mr. Ashe wished them well in their exams and hoped they would succeed in getting whatever they wanted.

For the rest of the school we finished with the annual prize-giving ceremony at which students received certificates, prizes and book tokens to mark the various achievements over the year in a very wide area of activities.

In sport, Maynooth Post Primary is active in Gaelic football, soccer, camogie, athletics, crosscountry, basketball, golf and for the first time we have a team of showjumpers representing the school. While taking part is the important feature, it is really gratifying to be able to record victories in Gaelic football (boys), Senior Football Colleges champions and the Senior Girls' team won the Intel Trophy by winning the Kildare Schools Championships. The Under-16 Girls' Tennis team got to the final of the Leinster Plate and were only narrowly beaten.

On the social and cultural side the school participated in several inter-school debating and questiontime competitions while our trips to the theatre included plays Juno and the Paycock, Romeo and Juliet, Plough and the Stars, Sive, Last Apache Reunion and Othello.

All in all it was a good social, cultural, sporting and academic year, the ingredients of what a school is all about.

We would like to thank Mr. John Byrne of Maynooth Bookshop for his very generous sponsorship throughout the year but in particular our annual prizegiving day.

Monster Draw: By the time of publication the first of these will have taken place on June 30th.

On behalf of the Organising Committee I would like to thank all who generously responded to our appeals for support. To our past pupils and parents who have not forgotten us over the years. A special thanks to all who promoted the sale of tickets, for the foot-slogging in wet and cold nights, for the many meetings you attended and for the encouragement you gave us to ensure the draw was going to be a success. In particular, I don't think anybody would begrudge a special mention to Mr. Griffin and Mr. Coughlan for their efforts in co-ordinating the whole business into a cohesive unit. Without them it would not have been possible. Many, many thanks. When the draw is completed on November 30th we will give a full report on it.

In the meantime, needless to say, if there is anybody out there who would like to support their local Post Primary School in any way then do not hesitate to contact us. Subscription will be gratefully received!

Thomas Ashe.



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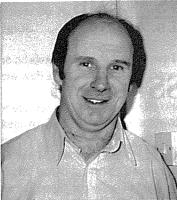
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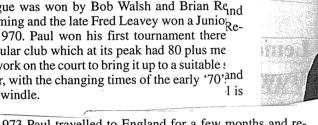
Paul Hand of Main Street is a quiet and refined gentleman with a lean athletic build from a long career as a Handball contestant This glad

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Patrick came from Roscommon and his moth from Dublin.

He began playing handball in 1968 in the localci-Handball Alley at the Harbour Field. A few mhimself started a Handball Club in 1969. Theinleague was won by Bob Walsh and Brian Rend Fleming and the late Fred Leavey won a Junio Rein 1970. Paul won his first tournament there popular club which at its peak had 80 plus me of work on the court to bring it up to a suitable s ever, with the changing times of the early '70' and to dwindle.



In 1973 Paul travelled to England for a few months and returned to see Joey Maher win his last All-Ireland Softball Title over Brian Coleran of Roscommon. 60 X 30 handball was big in the country at this time.

Paul continued to play handball, the love of his life, at Croke Park. In 1975 local handballer Joe Rossiter was instrumental in getting him to join the Naoimh Mhuire Club in Dublin. This was the year he played on the new American 40 X 20 court in Old Town Co. Dublin; the original of its type in Ireland. With this club in 1976 he had his first taste of success, when they won the Beginners, 60 X 30, league in Dublin. In 1978, he attended a very professional coaching course in Gormanstown run by Pat Kirby who had won four All-Ireland Softball Titles between '74 and '77.

#### **Became County Champion**

In 1979 he won his first County Championship on the 40 X 20 court, winning the Dublin Novice II Singles Title. After this he won a Novice II Doubles in Dublin on the 40 X 20 court. In 1980 he joined the Rathmines H.B. Club and won the Novice II Dublin League. Paul was Captain of a team of six.

In 1981 he was beaten in the Novice I, 40 X 20, singles title at Croke Park. This same year saw his return to the Maynooth stage when a new 40 X 20 court was built and opened in Maynooth College. On opening day, Paul had the privilege of refereeing the first match played between Andy Byrne of Westmeath/Dublin and Tom O'Rourke of Ballymore Eustace. The latter had won his first All-Ireland Singles Title in 1979. VinnyWren started Leixlip Handball Club and got permission from the College authorities to a play in Maynooth. Paul duly became a member of this new club. To keep himself in tip-top form, Paul participated in road-running competing in 10 K's and doing light weight training in the Gymnasium.

In 1986 he won the Novice I, 40 X 20, Singles Title in the Kildare Championship. Along with Sue Carey he also won the Doubles Title. With Leixlip he also won the Novice II, 60 X 30, Dublin League in 1990.

#### A Great Year

1991 was a great year for him. He won the Novice I 60 X 30 Singles Title in Co. Kildare. Partnered by Noel Smith he won the novice I Doubles, as well. This same year they were beaten in the 40 X 20, Kildare Junior Doubles Final, His Leixlip team also won the Novice I, 60 X 30, League in Dublin. He, too, won the 12th Peter McGee International Tournament, and was named Handballer of the year with his club. In 1993 his team won the Novice I League and he came close to victory on several occasions. Overall, in a career spanning twenty three years, he has attained up to twenty wins and twelve runner-up prizes. This includes five League wins and four runner-up placements in Dublin, between 1976 and '93. He also had two Club Championship wins and three runner-up placements. He is hoping to carry on at this high standard and to have further success.

He has had his share of injuries, including knee, shoulder and elbow, with bone bruises to the hand, which he has overcome by resting them. Among his many travels he played in the American Championship in Baltimore in Maryland in 1987 and was knocked out in the 3rd round but gained a lot of experience there.

#### Admired

He thought a lot of the late William Maguire who played handball in Maynooth. William won the Tailteann Games Junior Softball and Handball Titles in 1922. He also won an All-Ireland Senior Softball Title in 1927.

#### **Earliest Memories**

Among his earliest memories he recalls fondly, the 7-a-side soccer tournaments held in the Convent field which were very popular at the time. These were good times. He also remembers Mrs Flynn of Old Carton arriving in the town by pony and trap. He also recalls, as a young boy, hearing "Blue Paw" Connolly "grunting out of him" from behind the counter of his grocery and hardware shop at Main Street. R.I.P.

He likes the music of James Last and 60's music and reminisces about the days when he had his motorbike and leather iacket. Along with Jim Plunkett, Flang Farrelly and Patsy Tracey he would go to the local carnivals.

#### **Professional Approach**

To him handball is a life-long sport for men and women. Through his constant dedication, he is endowed with a great sense of discipline and a professional approach to life. Throughout his sporting career he has done different types of work and travelled a lot. He admits to being a bit of a loner at times, as most handballers are; they train and travel a lot on their own.

His philosophy in life is to; never get drunk, never owe anybody anything, have a car full of diesel at the ready at all times, and to keep on marching. He certainly has marched proudly into the annals of Maynooths sporting history. Long may his success continue.

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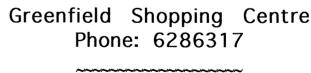
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#### The quieter option

However, if what you are looking for is peace and tranquillity; if you are satisfied to have a small but sufficient choice of entertainment at night; if you want to have a choice of inexpensive or expensive places for dining out in the evening; if you want uncrowded beaches amid scenic surroundings, then Puerto Pollensa is the place to go. It has a lovely setting: high hills behind it and at least 11/2 miles of sandy beach on its seafront. It has a small harbour with all kinds of boats, ranging from luxury yachts down to humble little rowing boats, all adding colour to an already idyllic scene.

Most apartments in the resort have swimming pools, around which there are tables and chairs where you can sit sipping your beer, provided by the pool-side bar, as you relax in the sun reading your paper.

This is the life for the ultralazy: if you are beginning to bake and want to cool down then you need only take a few steps to the pool for a nice leisurely swim. Sitting beside the pool was an option we availed of only a few times because we were keen to see all the sights in the surrounding area, of which there are lots.

#### Interesting bus trips

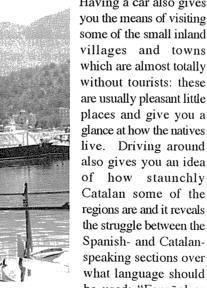
For only about £1.50 return you can take the regular bus service to Formentor, a really beautiful hotel complex about seven miles to the north with a lovely secluded beach which is

overhung by pine trees. It is worth going there for the bus trip alone if you like the equivalent of roller-coaster rides. If looking out the bus window as it negotiates cliff-edge hair-pin bends bothers you, then take an inside seat away from the window.

There are several other bus trips you can go on, including a trip to Palma city. This is the capital of the island and is big and bustling. There are lots of stores if shopping takes your fancy and there is a magnificent old cathedral. You can also visit Castillo de Bellver, a lovely big castle which is situated high above the city giving you wonderful panoramic views of the harbour, Palma Bay and the city itself (bring along binoculars). You can also take a rail trip from Palma on an ancient electric train to Soller, from which you can take an old-style electric tram to visit the gorgeous little resort of Puerto Soller. Both the train and tram trips are memorable, as is the resort itself.

#### Car hire is reasonable

Car hire is considerably cheaper than here in Ireland and, depending on what time of the year you are there, you could find yourself paying less than £60 for a three-day rental. Driving on the wrong side of the car and on the wrong side of the road may present many with the kind of intimidation that does not go to make a relaxing holiday but it does present you with the means of going anywhere you like and you don't have to waste time waiting around for buses. The mountain roads on the west side of the island are narrow and spectacular but may be a bit too scary for some. This side of the island has very few resorts because the high mountains in many cases come right out to the coast to fall sharply into the sea. The views are marvellous, so for heaven's sake don't forget to bring along your camera or camcorder - you'll be glad you did when you are back in cold, wet Ireland to be able to look back at where you've been. Having a car also gives



Puerto Soller, Majorca

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what language should be used: "Español es mierde" is a daubed sign you are likely to see quite often, while the responding sign in Spanish, "Catalan es merde", is almost as prevalent - you acquire two further forms of that same word!

#### **Eating out**

To my knowledge, all apartments provide at least the means of frying up breakfast and making a cuppa. Ours also had an oven but, because eating out was so reasonable, we never got around to using it. We became accustomed to doing a quick round of the restaurants each evening to read what each Menu Del Dia (menu of the day) was. Every restaurant presented their full menu outside, including the less-expensive menu of the day. It usually cost us around £5 each for a three-course meal including a bottle of wine — you could opt for water instead of wine at no extra /continued

#### Features

charge! Desserts were usually extra and, in comparison to the price of the meal, were pricey - they were also irresistably delicious. Sometimes the meal put before you was so big that voll would have no hope of getting through it all. The quality was almost always delicioso. A walk along the seafront afterwards helped the really big meals to sit more comfortably: you might need a pullover at this time of the night.

#### Plenty to do

You need never be stuck for something to do in Puerto Pollensa. Boat trips leave at regular intervals: these include trips in glassbottom boats to let you get a better view of marine life. The backdrop of hills provides you with pleasant valleys where you can go for a stroll. Some very rare birdlife abounds in these hills, we were were told by birdwatchers, who were also there in plenty. Cycle hire is also available and there are some very nice spins you can go on without being confronted with inclines that are too steep. We were there in May, which must be very close to the orange harvest time, because they were growing in great

abundance in many places. It was nice to be able to get off your bike and reach over a wall to pick a few. We cycled to Cala San Vicente, which is only five or six miles away and has some lovely scenery.

If you feel even more adventurous then you can take to the hills which overlook the resort. For footwear, a pair of trainers might be better than boots, and you'd always be well advised to bring a top

with long sleeves and a hat to prevent sunburn. Care must be exercised on these hills: a lot of them are cliffy. When you get to the top of some you will find that the other side of the hill provides you with a direct and unrestricted passage straight down to sea from more than 1,000 feet up. On the other hand, the rewards are the awesome views you will have in all directions of bays and inlets and birds-eye views of other resorts (make sure vou have vour camera).

#### Cuevas del Drach

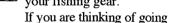
The attractions on hand in Majorca are not restricted merely to mountains and ground level: you can also go underground to visit some of the several famous caves on the island. The most notable of these are the Cuevas del Drach, close to Porto Cristo on the east coast. These are very colourfully lit to show off the underground splendour at its best. The caves also comprise an enormous cavern which is turned into a theatre and this theatre overlooks a small lake. The place is sufficiently well lit and big enough to ward off any feelings of claustrophobia. The high point of the Cuevas del Drach visit is when everyone is seated in the theatre: firstly the lights are turned out to give you a darkness that is hard to imagine and then the audience is treated to a classical music treat from boats floating on the lake — these boats are imaginatively illuminated and create a picture that will stay with you. Less than 20 miles to the north you can also visit the Cuevas de Artá (if low living is your wont) — these caves

also very extensive but not nearly as impressive as del Drach. Having said that, you will find that any caves in Ireland pale into insignificance when compared to any of those in Majorca.

Night-life can range from the very simple to the ultra exotic. The latter package involves being bused from your apartment to a luxurious night-club where you will be served with a comprehensive meal and entertained on a lavish scale by a long list of performers. The cost of all this is also lavish, about £40 each, which can puncture a sizeable hole in a combined budget for just one night out. The other, simpler option was to take in the entertainment that was laid on free in the local apartment complexes. This could range from Spanish dancers to English comedians, jazz bands and/or the old reliable disco. Availing of floor shows in apartment blocks other than your own broadens your options and there seems to be no problems about "gatecrashing", especially if you don't ask any questions.

If swimming is what you like then you'll be well catered for here

because in the Mediterranean the tide never goes out. Much of the sandy beach in Puerto Pollensa is overhung by trees, the shade of which can be very handy when the sun begins to make you sizzle. Many parts of the beach do not shelf too steeply, so it is safe enough for small children. You can hire pedallos if you want to pedal out "onto the ocean waves". Fish life is there in plenty, if you want to pack your fishing gear.



Formentor, Majorca

to any resort it is always well worthwhile checking the whole thing out before you make your booking. For instance, how hot

is it going to be at the time of year your are choosing: if you are not fond of a lot of heat then pick an off-peak time to head off for sunny climes. You are likely to come in for several benefits if you do this: You will be more comfortable and the holiday will be cheaper as will the cost of several things like car hire.

You should look at where your resort is: if you want a scenic location then don't pick some place that is uninterestingly flat. How far is the centre of the resort from your base and how far are you going to be from the nearest beach and how easy is access to it? Is it stony or sandy and do you have to negotiate a half mile of steep steps with a pram each day to get to it? It might seem elementary that you would run these checks, but how many people have you heard complain about these things. It is better to know before you go: that way you'll have a better chance of coming back delighted. We were delighted with Puerto Pollensa in Majorca — if you go there I hope you will find it as good.

Paddy Caulfield

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#### Across:

- 1. Phase out the figure. (5)
- 4. Maybe one might be doing this to the post. (7)
- 8. Void state. (7)
- 9. Sign of respect for the rose in the north? (5)
- 10. Move in on the chewing gum? (5)
- 11. Sense being in the European Community? (7)
- 13. At yours you can relax. (4)
- 15. Deli in the positive answers stops. (6)
- 17. Period the Social Employment Scheme worker rules out. (6)
- 20. You map out the feline. (4)
- 22. Was the mail filed high like a dunghill this morning? (7)
- 24. This boat breaks through barriers. (5)
- 26. The inspector had a code. (5)
- 27. Powders used for drying wounds. (7)
- 28. No golf today if these aren't paid! (3,4)
- 29. A German went for a mug of beer. (5)

#### Down:

- 1. Yes, Ron's five are in order I hear and see. (7)
- 2. Liberal advert to make up the lines. (5)
- 3. Ted was on time and yet was discharged. (7)
- 4. The makes of pig houses for them. (6)
- 5. Not being set the sun does this. (5)
- 6. Cricket outings? Surely not. (7)
- 7. Is Reg to go to the deep valley. (5)
- 12. It would appear 007 has to make an appointment to do this. (4)
- 14. Pass the snakes? (4)
- 16. Of the Northern Hemisphere this could shade you from the sun. (3,4)
- 18. Plenty of Rogers with big ears!!! (7)
- 19. The hat is on the street ET's on. (7)
- 21. Have tea out with the person with the speech impediment and hear what one says. (6)
- 22. Come to tea you celestial body!!! (5)
- 23. South Easterly at the end of the globe you'll not find some one as large as this! (5)
- 25. Ray's about to toast to Ireland winning. (5)

#### Entries before 5 pm Friday 15th July.

Name:

Address:

#### Solution to Crossword 79:

Across: 1, Conjures; 5, Tram; 9, Torture; 10, Human; 11, Peru; 12, Entrant; 14, Scroll; 16, Mortal; 19, Opening; 21, Feat; 24, Attic; 25, Ascetic; 26, Toys; 27, Attracts.

**Down:** 1, Cite; 2, Nerve; 3, Unusual; 4, Eleven; 6, Rampart; 7, Minutely; 8, That; 13, Assonant; 15, Re-entry; 17, Officer; 18, Aghast; 20, Inch; 22, Artic; 23, Acts.

Winner of Crossword No. 79: Ms. Maeve Mulryan, 17 Woodlands, Maynooth.

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### Festival Fun 1994



Talent Contest Winners from left to right: Rachel Cunningham, Peter Finnan, Clara Monaghan, Lisa Finnan, Julie Comerford and Linda McCourt.

At back - Maisie Corrigan, M.C. for Talent

At the Pub Quiz in Caulfields
- left to right
Tony Clinton, Winning Team
with Patricia Condron,
Festival Chairperson
and Quiz Master
Brendan Tracey





At the Car Trials in the Mart was Ted Gaffney

# CARDENING HINTS

olour abounds in the garden this month with patio planters and herbaceous border coming into their own. Remember to deadhead plants as this not only helps the appearance of the border but will encourgage further growth.

#### The Flower Garden

Bedding plants and half-hardy annuals, such as petunias, ageratums, fibrous begonias, nemesias, busy lizzies zinnias, dwarf phlox, salvias and lobelias, will be at their best, and one begins to think they are worth the trouble of early sowing, coddling in the greenhouse in spring, pricking out, hardening off and finally planting out of doors. Sweet peas will continue to need training and layering by now. Regular feeding of plants will also encourage growth and busy lizzies will love a drop of cold tea. Remember however the geraniums do not need too much feeding as this will encourage foliage growth rather than flowers. Don't forget regular watering is also important and containers and hanging baskets should be watered at least daily. The July gales will mean attention to staking; thunderstorms also often beat plants down and so it is doubly important to make sure that they are securely supported.

Keep an eye on the greenfly - at the time of writing this they are having regular parties on the roses etc. so regular spraying of all is a must.

#### The Lawn

Lawn watering should not be neglected; if no rain occurs for several days which are hot and sunny as well, start watering, as waiting until the lawn is obviously gasping for it is too late, and the grass will be irremediably weakened. Continue to mow, without the grassbox attached.

#### Pruning

Cut the fast growing hedges again, privet, Lonicera nitida and the thorns,

#### What Does it Mean?

Annual: a plant grown from seedwhich is sown, grows, flowers and dies all in one season.

Biennial: sow the seed this year and it will flower and die next year.

Perennial: a plant that lasts for several years. They're either woody (such as trees) and can be seen all the time or herbaceous (such as peonies) and die down in winter and pop up again next spring.

**Deciduous:** these shrubs and trees lose all their leaves in autumn.

Evergreen: these plants lose a few of their leaves in a continuous cycle, so they stay green and leafy all year.

Hardy: a plant that can stand cold weather without any protection.

Half-hardy: harmed by severe frost.

**Tender:** the most delicate plants, which should be kept in a greenhouse or conservatory over winter to protect them from any degree of frost.

and also start on most of those which grow at a more normal speed, such as beech, hornbeam, euonymus, hazel, holly and pyracantha. Conifer hedges can also be cut now, such as yew, juniper and cupressus.

#### **Soft Fruits**

Soft fruit picking will claim a good deal of time and with a deep freeze much of it can be preserved with its fresh flavour for winter; raspberries with cream or a blackcurrant pudding are particularly tasty out of season in the depths of winter. Strawberries will finish cropping this month; raspberries will come into ripening, and will finish by the end of July, and blackcurrants, redcurrants and gooseberries will also finish, although it has been know for all to continue to ripen.

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#### Vegetable Garden

Succession vegetables can be sown, lettuce, radish, parsley for winter, spring cabbage for next year, endive for blanching later in autumn. Winter vegetables to be planted out are cauliflower, broccoli, sprouts and cabbage. Keep an eye out for potato blight particularly in warm wet weather and spray the foliage with a protective covering before the disease infects. Herbs can be gathered and dried this month, storing for winter use. Keep the hoe going and the weeds under control.





### **DUBLIN - MAYNOOTH - MULLINGAR**

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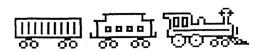
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#### MANGO-GLAZED GAMMON STEAKS

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#### The Best Cheeses for Grilling

Cheeses with a high fat content are best to use as a topping when grilling food. Look out for:

Red Leicester - an orangy red cheese with a tangy flavour. Its strong colour gives it a wonderful appearance.

Italian Mozzarella is a white cheese, pefect for grilling. Once cooked it goes slightly golden and stringy in texture.

Lancashire a crumbly textured cheese, is excellent for grilling. It has a mild flavour when young which turns a piquant flavour once matured.

#### CRUMBLE TOP PIE

Preparation: 10 mins Cooking: 30-35 mins Serves 6 Calories per portion: 452

25Og (9 oz) pack shortcrust pastry, thawed if frozen

#### For the Filling:

25g (1 oz) butter
4 spring onions, trimmed and sliced
25g (1oz) plain flour
300ml (1/2 pt) milk
2 cooked chicken breasts, skinned,
boned and chopped
Salt and ground black pepper

#### For the topping:

50g (2 oz) fresh, white breadcrumbs 25g (1 oz) porridge oats 45ml (3 tbsp) ground almonds 30ml (2 tbsp) grated Parmesan 25g (1 oz) butter

Preheat the oven to 200° C (400° F, gas 6). Place baking sheet in oven. Roll out the pastry and use to line a 23.5cm (9½") loose-based flan tin. Melt the butter, add the spring onions and cook, stirring, for 1 min. Add the flour to the pan and blend the milk. Gently reheat, stirring, until sauce boils and thickens. Stir in the chicken and season. Cool slightly. Rub breadcrumbs, oats, almonds, parmesan cheese and butter together. Spoon filling into the pastry case, top with the bread-crumb mixture and bake, on sheet, for 25-30 mins until golden. Serve hot or cold.

#### CHEAP AT HALF THE PRICE

Cheaper cuts do not mean a poor tasting meal. They just take a bit more preparation and longer, gentle cooking. Look out for bargains at your local supermarket or butcher. Frozen meats are cheapest - frozen chickens are almost half the price of fresh. But do look out for these fresh cut:

**Pork** Spare ribs taste delicious after a few hours' marinating.

Chicken Leave the packs behind and portion a whole fresh chicken yourself.

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For a whole joint, a boned shoulder or half shoulder is half the price of a leg of lamb. Scrag end is also a good buy for stews and

casseroles.

Beef Shin of beef is a very cheap cut, great for stewing.

#### PLUM COBBLER

Preparation: 25 minutes Cooking 10-15 minutes Serves 6 Cost per serving: 44p Cals per serving: 448

3(400g/14oz) cans plums, drained, halved and stoned 4 small oranges, peeled and segmented 4 tbsp plum jam

#### Scone topping

350g/12oz self raising flour
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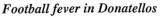
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- 2. For the scone topping, sift the flour into a large bowl with a pinch of salt. Add the butter and use fingertips to rub into the flour until the mixture resembles fine crumbs.
- 3. Add the sugar, then gradually stir in enough milk to form a fairly soft dough. Roll out the dough on a floured surface to a 2cm/3/, in thickness.
- 4. Using a 5cm/2in round cutter, cut out approx 12 scones (rerolling trimmings if necessary). Arrange on top of plums and oranges around the edge of the dish. Brush the scones with beaten egg and sprinkle with almonds.
- 5. Bake for 10-15 minutes until scones are risen and golden. Brush fruits immediately with remaining jam and sprinkle the scones with icing sugar. Serve warm with custard.

#### Tip

Add a little novelty to this classic dish by varying the shape of the scones. Use different-shaped cutters - for example, hearts, stars, flowers or numbers.

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Eugene Fitzpatrick, winner of the Bachelor Competition in full song in the G.A.A.

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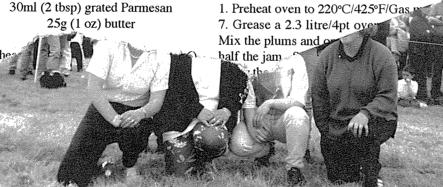
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Dads Army were winners of the Senior Tug-O-War Tournament in Festival '94

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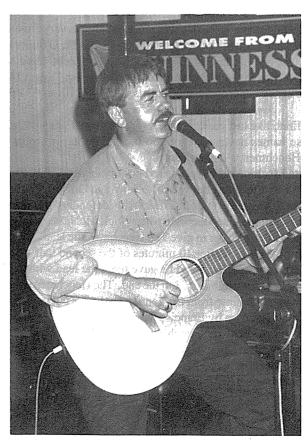
Football fever in Donatellos



Dancers at the G.A.A. night were Tara Nolan and Mary Fleming



Eugene Fitzpatrick, winner of the Bachelor Competition in full song in the G.A.A.



Noel Brady performing at the Old Peoples Cabaret in Caulfields

### COMMUNITY FESTIVAL GUINNESS 7-A-SIDE SOCCER

This year we again had 10 teams. These were divided into two sections which were run off on a league basis.

#### Section 1

The Wild Rovers; The Greenfield Grasshoppers; Real Estate; Meadowbrook' Moyglare Village.

#### Section 2

Kingsbry; Dream Machine; Beaufield; The Henchmen; Blacklion.

Five of these teams were taking part for the first time. And a very special congratulations is given to Blacklion (Halting Site) who after a shaky start acquitted themselves very well in the later games.

Section 1 was easily won by Real Estate who won their four matches with The Wild Rovers Runners-up.

Section 2 was a much closer affair, with the outcome being decided 10 seconds from the end of the last game between Beaufield and The Henchmen. The Henchmen scored with practically the last kick of the game to qualify for the semifinals as runners-up. Dream Machine easily won this section, coming through undefeated.

The semi-finals were: Real Estate v. The Henchmen and Dream Machine v. The Wild Rovers.

In the first semi - The Henchmen overcame a very fancied Real Estate team with a spectacular goal from M. O'Sullivan, who was one of the best players in the tournament. Another surprise was in store for the second semi - when Dream Machine easily beat last year's finalists, The Wild Royers 3 - 0.

The final, like last year, was therefore contested by two teams whose names never appeared on the fixture list in the past: The Henchmen v. Dream Machine.

Dream Machine started off as red hot favourites for the final, which was effectively between The Town and Greenfields. The first half was a very close affair, with defenders in control until 18 minutes into the half when Mick McNamara scored with a brilliant header to give The Henchmen the lead. Dream Machine equalised after 10 minutes of the second half with a Frank Desmond header and he gave them the lead with a 25-metre blaster two minutes from the end. The Henchmen equalised within a minute from the penalty spot after Nicko Farrell was brought down by Francis Baresi Conlon.

After normal time the match was 2-2 and remained so after extra time. The game then went to a penalty shoot-out which Dream Machine won 4-3 after two great saves from Barry Desmond. It is one of the best finals ever and much thanks is due to both teams for giving us such a thrilling match.

I would like to thank all the teams for their sporting behaviour and particularly for their punctuality throughout the tournament. Thanks also to Willie Saults, Lennie Murphy, Tom Dempsey and Mícheál Dempsey for marking the pitch and taking care of the equipment each evening. Without such dedicated people it would not be possible to run the tournament. Many thanks is due to our new referee, Brendan Lawless, who handled the matches excellently. Last and by no means least, I would like to thank our sponsors, Guinness, who again put up such fine trophies for the event.

John McGinley, Organiser

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#### MAYNOOTH G.A.A NOTES

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**Lotto Results - 15/5/94** - Jackpot £300 - no winner, numbers 10-18-21, 5 x £10. Lily O'Riordan, Patrick Hanley, Aiden O'Rourke, Dan Troy, Seamus Nevin.

**Lotto Results - 22/5/94** - Jackpot £350 - no winner, numbers 19-26-29, 5 x £10. Patricia Nevin, Derry O'Hurley, Francis Kearns, Tom Byrne, Tom McMullen.

Lotto Results - 29/5/94 - Jackpot £410 - no winner, numbers 16-20-27, 5 x £10. Pat Corrway, Margaret Gillick, May Daly, Kit Edwards, Ann Walsh.

Lotto Results - 5/6/94 - Jackpot £500 - no winner, numbers 19-25-26, 7 x £10. Paul Curtis, Colm Murtagh, Ted Farrelly, Kit Edwards, Mrs. B. Bennett, Ann Walsh, Bridget Naughton. Lotto Results - 12/6/94 - Jackpot £550 - no winner, numbers 6-27-30, 5 x £10. Irene Dunne, V. Mulready, G. Long, Ted Connolly, Tommy Sheehan.

#### North Kildare League U/11

Maynooth 4 pts V Celbridge 2-1pt

Played on a fine evening in Celbridge, Maynooth never got to grips with a much stronger Celbridge team. However they put in a good second half to end up loosing by 3 pts. Best: P. Ennis, B. Coffey, A. Molloy, F. O'Donaghue, A. Baxter, D. Conngilan.

#### Maynooth 3-4 V Kilcock 3-7

After a slow start going behind by 1-4 in the first ten minutes it was pulled back to 2 pts at half time. Highlight of the half a great solo run and goal from Morgan Sweeney. Once again a slow start to the second half in which they conceded two goals left a lot to be done. But they battled till the end with goals from M. Sweeney and great points from P. Ennis to finish very strong just running out of time. Best: M. Sweeney (3 gls), P. Ennis (4pt), G. Quinn, R. Cara, K. Gannon, P. Sheehan, S. Healy, P. Campbell.

#### Junior Football League

Maynooth 3-9 V St. Kevins 1-6

Maynooth had a good win over St. Kevins in this Junior Football League Match in Maynooth. Maynooth got the start which all teams wish they had, a goal by Hugh Purcell after one minute. It was not till 10 mins to go that Maynooth sealed victory. Best for Maynooth: Hugh Purcell 1-3, Dave Faherty 1-1, Mark Nugent 1-1, Derick Murray 2pts, Terry Healy 1pt, and Hugh Nevin 1pt. Also to play well Ronan Barry, Kevin Dunne.

Maynooth 1-8 V Rathcoffey 9pts Maynooth had another good win in Junior League.



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Margaret Dowd (Camogie), Robbie Molloy.
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Junior Football League. Maynooth received a walk over from Robertstown.

Up to date our Junior Football Team have played seven games and won them all. Here's to our Junior 'B' Team. Keep up the good results.

#### **Junior Hurling League**

Up to date our Junior Hurling Team have played four matches and were beaten in all of them. This team is playing good hurling but luck is not with them. Any person wishing to play hurling for our club is welcome. Training for our Junior hurlers is every Saturday in Moyglare Road Field so come along and give us your help to improve our hurling and results.

#### U/14 Football League

Maynooth 7-8 V Naas 1-5

The under fourteen team began the defence of their title from last year in great style. With so many of his stars of last year moving on to under sixteens, Mick Gillick was nervous about sending out his braves to do battle against Naas on 6th May last. Within seconds of the start his nerves disappeared as the ball was won in midfield, passed to Adrian Boylan who lofted a high ball into Seamus Cummings. Seamus grabbed the ball eagerly and assuredly and blasted the ball into the top left hand corner of the net. It was the dream start Maynooth wanted and Naas never recovered as a similar route was taken to goal shortly afterwards. Maynooth were quick and alert and playing very good football as players were putting down markers for different positions on the team. Adrian Boylan and Tim O'Flaherty posted a few lovely points from outfield. Naas then struck back with a controversial goal that looked very like a square ball. It was the only lapse of an excellent defence which won the game for us in the second half when Naas camped in our half and put us under sustained pressure for up to twenty minutes. All they conceded was a couple of points. Rory Wederfort was magnificent in goals catching

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everything that was thrown at him and breaking the hearts of Naas by not conceding a goal. The full back line of Aidan McCarron, Donal Lennon and Mark McCarron were very solid. Aidan McCarron read the game like a senior player and cut out many attacks. Donal Lennon's and Mark McCarron's fielding were outstanding. The half back line of Rory Kelly, Dara Carr and Declan O'Rourke were very commanding in their section of the field with great fielding, running and carrying. In midfield Niall Byrne played a captain's part, ably assisted by Damien Doyle. However, when we came under severe pressure in the second half the midfielders moved in to help out the defence and when the ball was kicked out there was no-one there to pick it up. This in turn put us under more pressure. The half forwards will have to learn to be more mobile, to gain more possession in this sector. Overall it was a great team performance with some magnificent defending and some brilliant scores, both goals and points taken very well. It was the kind of start we wanted and augurs well for the future. Scorers: Seamus Cummings (3-1), Chrissie Arthurs (2-1), Adrian Boylan (1-3), K. Ennis (1-1), Tim O'Flaherty (0-2). Best for Maynooth: Rory Wederfort, Mark and Aidan McCarron, Donal Lennon, Rory Kelly, Niall Byrne, S. Cummings, Chrissie Arthurs, A. Boylan.

#### Rathangan 1-7 Maynooth 2-7

Maynooth notched up their second victory but had to battle to the finish to make sure of the points. Rathangan were much stronger than Naas and had a lad at No. 9 that would grace any Minor team. This put us under pressure from the off. However, the lads dug in and worked very hard. It was a big overgrown pitch with the long grass sapping the players' energy. It was nice to see Darren Naughton back and he worked very hard in the middle of the field to ensure this victory. Playing against the wind in the first half, we kept in touch with a few nice points from Adrian Boylan and Barry Connolly despite conceding a soft goal early on. If against Naas this was the only lapse the defence made. When we turned around at half time, playing with the slope, Mick Walsh, playing at centre forward, kicked a few high balls in to Seamus Cummings who once again grabbed a beautiful goal to settle the nerves. Mick Walsh and John Tobin then kicked a few lovely points to put us well in front. At this stage Rathangan took over at midfield and put our backs through a severe test. Rory Kelly played very well despite carrying an ankle injury. The full back line once again came up trumps with Rory Wederfort very safe in goal. Declan O'Rourke also fielded and ran his heart out in this period. It was a nail-biting finish and full credit to all the team for digging in and winning this victory. It was a bad tempered game with the referee barely in control and a lot of intimidation from the sideline. But this game showed what Maynooth were made of. Once again our problems were in the half forward line. But we can rectify that in time. Scorers: S. Cummings (2-0), Barry Connolly (0-2), A. Boylan (0-2), Mick Walsh (0-2). Best for Maynooth: R. Wederfort, M. McCarron, D. Lennon, D. Carr, D. O'Rourke, D. Naughton, S. Cummings, J. Tobin, M. Walsh. Training is at 6.30p.m. in Arts Block Field. All U/14's welcome.

#### 1st Team Results

continued

1) Maynooth 10pts Granard 15pts

A lively challenge game away to Longford side Granard - a return for a match played earlier this year in Maynooth - resulted in a hard earned victory for the home side. Maynooth

started well and dominated proceedings for the first 15 minutes. They faded somewhat from then until the break although they led 0 - 6 to 0 -1 at that stage. Granard stepped up a gear on the resumption and Maynooth found it hard to stay with them. In addition several good chances of scores went abegging through over elaboration and inaccurate shooting. Scorers: P. Ennis and D. Mahony 3pts each, S. Molloy, D. Murray, J. Riordan and John Nevin 1pt each. Best: M. Faherty (in goal), M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, P. Ennis and S. Molloy.

#### 2) Maynooth 1-14 Clonbullogue (Offaly) 3-10

Maynooth's first venture to the popular Offaly venue ended in a narrow defeat in a very competitive and informative outing. Maynooth scored freely, as the final tally of 1-14 testifies, but spoiled it by the concession of soft scores (particularly goals at the other end). The team also had difficulty in dealing with the conditions, a wet ball and greasy sod making ball handling a bit of a lottery. They were not helped either by the number of defections from the travelling party which resulted in the basic shape of the side having to be disturbed yet again. Scorers: J. Riordan 1-1, J. Edwards, J. Gilligan and P. Garvey 3pts each, S. Molloy and D. Murray 2pts each. Best: P. Ennis, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, P. Garvey, J. Edwards, J. Gilligan, M. Donnelly and J. Riordan.

#### 3) C'Ship Quarter Final V Ardclough

Team: E. Sheeran, M. Noone, K. Killoran, M. Nevin, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Fagan, Joey Nevin, P. Garvey, J. Riordan, P. Ennis, N. Reilly, S. Molloy, J. Edwards.

Score: Maynooth 11pts Ardclough 11pts.

Scorers: Fagan 4pts, Garvey 3pts, Joey Nevin 2pts, Edwards and Riordan 1pt each. Best: Sheeran, M. Nevin, M. Noone, Killoran, Kelly, Fagan and Joey Nevin.

Maynooth lived to fight another day in their battle to reach the semi-finals and a joust into Kilcullen. In truth this was a game Maynooth should have won and yet could so easily have lost. A lack-lustre mistake ridden first half was followed by Maynooth's best period when for 15 minutes they dominated proceedings to stretch into a 4 point lead. At this stage they lost their concentration and this allied to touches of indiscipline let Ardclough back into the game. To their credit Ardclough took full advantage of the situation and battled with great determination to share the spoils. Best for Ardclough were:Lynam, Colston, Kelly, Maguire, Cullen and Devenney. Referee for the game was Niall Mooney of Clogherinkoe and the game was played on a perfectly prepared pitch in Sallins. All credit is due to the Sallins Club for ensuring everything went off without a hitch.

#### 4) League V Kill (Home) June 14th Maynooth 1-9 Kill 1-11

Scorers: P. Garvey 1-3, J. Edwards-3pts, Joey Nevin 2pts and P. Stynes 1pt. Best: Noone, Stynes, Dunne, Edwards and the Nevins.

A narrow defeat which could have been averted with better concentration, discipline and tighter marking. The play throughout the field was much too loose with defenders often continued

faced with the prospect of 3 or 4 Kill players bearing down on them. The loss of Fagan through injury (sustained in the C'Ship clash against Ardclough) and the non-availability of Sheeran, Conway and Johnny Nevin, for a variety of reasons, undoubtedly weakened the team. Nevertheless the game could have been salvaged with a bit more invention in the play and a more intelligent approach overall. Best for Kill (who missed a string of clear-cut chances in the 1st half) were: Corrigan, Cudihy, Behan, Durnin, Kelly, Byrne, Cocoman and Merriman.

Coming fixtures - Sunday 26th June, Junior Football Championship replay - Maynooth V Ardclough in Sallins. Monday 27th June, Junior Football League - Maynooth V Caragh - Away. Tuesday 28th June, Senior Football League - Maynooth V Grange - Away. Thursday 30th June - Minor Football League - Maynooth V Na Fianna - Away. Monday 4th July - Junior Football League - Maynooth V Cappagh - away. Tuesday 5th July, Senior Football League - Maynooth V Castlemitchel - Away. Thursday 14th July, Minor Football League - Maynooth V Kilcullen - Home. Tuesday 19th July, Senior Football League - Maynooth V Two Mile House - Away.

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### MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY NOTES

This year's week-end outing to Midleton took place on 27th May. Twenty-two members travelled and enjoyed a most memorable occasion. The weather conditions again proved favourable and scores were hard come by on a superb course. Congrats to Liam Farrelly on winning the Christy Kenny Memorial Trophy.

### Christy Kenny Memorial Cup Week-end to Midleton, 27th - 29th May

| 1st Overall: L  | iam Farrelly                                          | 69 pts                     |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Class 1:        | 1st John Kelly<br>2nd Ray Delemere<br>3rd Terry Moore | 68 pts<br>67 pts<br>62 Pts |
| Class 2:        | 1st Joe Moore                                         | 67 pts                     |
|                 | 2nd Bernie Dempse<br>3rd Domnick Nyla                 | J 1                        |
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| Class 3:        | 1st Tom Flatley                                       | 65 pts                     |
|                 | 2nd Noel Brady                                        | 63 pts                     |
|                 | 3rd Sean Treacy                                       | 61 pts                     |
| Front 18        | Miley Scanlon                                         | 28 pts                     |
| Back 18         | Gerry McTiernan                                       | 33 pts                     |
| Visitor's Prize | Ben Humphries                                         |                            |

### PITCH & PUTT NOTES

Hopefully there will be some people who will read these notes this month as by now World Cup fever will be running a high temperature!! Competition on a lesser scale is taking place on the course, at the time of printing there are no results to either the Festival Games or our own Matchplay competition but we will have results in the August issue. There was a very good response to the festival competition and some dark horses have appeared on the pitch and putt scene. We would like to thank Michael Quinn and Mattie Callaghan for organising this particular event for community week.

July will see the Summer Project swing into action and they will be playing on Mondays during the month. Full details will be available in their programme for the Project.

We will continue to run our own competitions during July and we hope to be able to provide players with handicaps especially for the strokeplay games. It will be necessary for each player to submit 3 cards for their handicap assessment.

We wish every good luck to the boys and girls who qualified for the Community Games County Finals in Athy during July.

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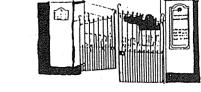
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### MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Our A.G.M. was held on Monday 16th, May in the Parish Hall. We had a reasonable turn out. The present committee will continue and new members have also been elected.

We are coming to the end of the last term of the year and we would be grateful if parents would let us know if their children intend to return in September. Places will not be kept unless we are notified by July.

The last swim of the year is Saturday July 2nd.

We would like to thank everyone who helped out during the year. In particular Bartons Buses and their drivers who have been so reliable.

We held our Junior and Senior Galas during May. Two good days were had by all. All participants received medals. Results in next month's **Newsletter.** 

Margaret O'Neill Claire O'Rourke P.R.O.

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### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

We take pleasure in hailing our U/15 team who became league champions in a dramatic late fashion. Needing three points from our last two games against top class sides really put it up to our lads. The lads proved their mettle when they acquired the necessary points to achieve the honours. The last two fixtures were nail biting affairs and had the home following on tenterhooks right to the end of both games.

The games which settled the league were as follows:

### Maynooth Town 2 Leicester Celtic 2

Maynooth had to fight all the way in this hard slog to grab a point in their quest for honours. Maynooth were missing a few key players for this game and it was trojan work by Martin Byrne which enabled him to score both goals to grab a share of the points. Alan Nugent and Darren Naughton figured well also which left Maynooth needing to win their last game for league honours.

### Maynooth Town 2 St. Joseph's Boys 1

Maynooth snatched victory in the dying moments of this thrilling game to win their second league title in as many years. The importance of the game showed in Maynooths early play, missing some good scoring chances before conceding an early lead. Maynooth battled back and a Fran Larkin cross was turned into the net for the equaliser. It looked as if a draw would be the final outcome with time running out but a Donacha McCarrick shot was landed by a St. Joseph's defender for a penalty. Martin Byrne strode up confidently to blast home the spot kick amid great jubilation. The final whistle shortly after was greeted with great glee and back slapping for the local heroes. The triumphant march through the town after the game was a wonderful spectacle to behold.

The panel of players who brought this great honour to Maynooth was made up of the following stars:\_

Niall Naughton - Goalkeeper. Has been most consistent all season and has improved greatly with his goal kicks and high crosses

Patrick Carroll - Defender. Has played most of his games in the left full position and loves to make runs up the wing.

David Coughlan - Defender. Captain of the side who boasts of great aerial power and one of the fastest players in the team. Darren Naughton - Defender. Has been a solid performer at centre-half all season and rarely lets an attacker get past him. Has been rewarded by his selection on the Kildare team to play in U.S.A. in July.

Declan Buckley - Defender. Declan has the advantage of being a two footed player who can switch from left to right without any problem.

Alan Parle - Defender. The tallest player on the team is very strong in the tackle and likes to make surging runs through the midfield.

Alan Nugent - Midfield. Is a very strong player who likes to run with the ball and is a teak tough tackler.

Eoin Guha - Midfield. A very skilful player and when in the right mood can make such breathtaking runs to mesmerise the opposition. /continued

# Festival Fun 1994



Enjoying the Mr & Mrs Competition in Caulfields were Maisie Corrigan, Philip McDermott, Christy Dempsey and Gerry Fitzpatrick

A great night was had by the ladies at the Old Peoples Cabaret in Caulfields





Winners of the Mr & Mrs Competition were Barry and Phil Connolly with M.C. of the night Tom McMullon

Martin Byrne - Midfield. A most consistent player with an excellent left foot and probably the best freetaker in the game. Donacha McCarrick - Forward. Shows his best form on the right flank hassling defenders and delivering some excellent crosses.

Eamon Gallagher - Forward. Has to be one of the best players in front of goal and can produce some nice free kicks as well. Also selected for Kildare team in U.S.A.

Aidan O'Brien - Forward. Has shown a liking for either wing and shows his best form when staying wide making darting runs at goal.

Francis Larkin - Forward. Francis is an exciting two-footed player who possesses devastating speed and has an accurate shot at goal.

Niall Byrne - Forward. Is a lightning fast player who operates well up front and is strongest when operating on the right wing. John Canny - Forward. Played most of his games up front but has shown a likeness for the full back position also.

Freddie Clarke - Forward. Is a skilful player who passes well and can tackle to good effect also.

David Tivinan - Forward. When not used as an attacking player has slotted into defence with equal confidence.

The two men who have guided the team to their league victory are Michael Murphy and Frank McCarrick who have brought a family atmosphere to the panel who work very hard for each other. The dedication and commitment of both has been amply rewarded with this league honour. The club would like to congratulate them and the team for bringing this prestigious honour to Maynooth.

At our recent Schoolboy Player Of The Year awards the following players were rewarded.

U/10 Player Of The Year - Gary McMahon who has been a revelation in this his first season in League football.

**U/12 Player Of The Year -** Charles Gallagher was the deserved winner of this award and was a fitting reward for a consistent season.

U/13 Player Of The Year - John Tobin was rewarded with this honour for proving his resilience in goal through a long hard season.

Our thanks to Maynooth students Union for allowing us the use of their premises for a most enjoyable evening.

The recent Race Night proved a huge success and proved the generosity of the Maynooth Community by supporting the event in such large numbers. We reached our target for the night and we are extremely grateful for the great support given. We would like to thank the following for their sponsorship -Hugh Jordan & Co. Ltd., Clock House, Corbally Stud, Moyglare Stud, Labour Party, Barretts (Maynooth) Ltd., Hawthorn Hotel, Dockrells Glass, Poitín Stil, Cawleys Kitchens, North City Builders, Kavanaghs Mills, Richard Naughton, Cardinal Press, Fergal Barton (Transport). Our M.C. for the evening Paddy Desmond, Bruce Byrne who conducted the auction of horses for the Auction Race and Paddy Boyd. Also Maynooth G.A.A. Club for use of their premises for the evening. We would also like to thank all the patrons who sponsored horses, the tote settlers, bookies clerks, pay-out clerks, runners, tic-tac men and everyone else who helped on the night.

We wish Bon Voyage to Darren and Eamon and hope they take home their version of a World Cup medal.

### TUG-O-WAR FESTIVAL REPORT

There was a sensational end to the 3rd annual Tug-O-War Tournament in the Harbour Field on Sunday the 12th of June. In the closing stages of the competition, the Brady's Team were dug in and Dad's Army trying to unwrench them when the two inch thick new rope snapped and split amid spectacular scenes. Referee Brendan O'Grady from Rathcoffey had never seen a rope break in this manner before. However, three members of Dad's Army, Larry McEvoy, Peter Domigan and Martin Murray were also involved in a similar incident fourteen years ago in a contest with the formidable Weeping Ash Team.

After George Gallagher sped to Taghadoe and returned with a replacement rope the competition resumed. In the final pull Dad's Army triumphed over the hotly favoured Brady's Team of George Gallagher, John Gallagher, Tony Mooney, Jimmy Towey, Jerry Ryan, Tony Dempsey, John O'Mahony and Coach Brendan Cawley. The winning team were Larry McEvoy, Donal Finnan, Mark McEvoy, Peter Domigan, Frank Kilvane, Martin Murray, Seamie Ryan and Willie Healy (a late replacement). The winners were coached by the astute and experienced P.J. Bennett. Peter Domigan pulled in 1972 with Kilmeague and later with Sallins.

George Gallagher and his men are to be credited with a great performance and in allowing Dad's Army to put on a replacement due to injury a jubilant Larry McEvoy said "They could have made us pull with seven men if they were awkward".

In the **untrained section** there was a good tight battle before Mark McEvoy's Team emerged as victors.

In the women's section Helen Finnan and her battling army of muscular women completed the treble with style and finesse. Most of the Tug-O-War brigade later retired to the Springfield Hotel to celebrate her 21st and engagement party and enjoyed a great night.

The Under 12 and 14 Boys' Competitions were won by Maynooth Boy Scouts, providing a popular and gritty display. The Under 18 girls also flexed their muscles in a fine sporting display. (Winners contact Community Council Offices for their prizes).

Local artist Vincent Doyle was a keen observer at the event. He has been commissioned by Noel Brady to do some work and is likely to immortalise the rope-breaking scene on canvas. He said, "Tug-O-War is the ultimate sport, it's man against man and woman against woman without any physical contact."

On the theme of breaking ropes, the lads told a story that happened many years ago in the Leinster Arms. Paddy Sheerin was playing his accordion and left it down for a sos. Meanwhile Kevin Tracey known as "Gocker" began to play and split the unfortunate instrument. On his return Paddy became very upset but Gocker replied "What are you giving out about, shur now you have two accordions?"

Special thanks to Brady's, The Clock House, The Leinster Arms, the G.A.A. Club, The Roost, Caulfields and The Community Council for their most generous sponsorship

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which made this historic event possible. Also thanks to Willie Kiernan for "amps" and Kevin Carr for photographic services.

Finally, on a sorrowful note all the Tug-O-War people wish to express their sincere sympathy to the family of the late Joseph Faherty. He was a good friend to us all. May he rest in peace.

Willie Healy

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### DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

### **Election Reflections**

Democratic Left was very pleased with the outcome of the recent elections. A number of the party's candidates topped the poll around the country in the urban elections. In Leixlip, Councillor Catherine Murphy and Commissioner Sean Purcell were separated at the top of the poll by a mere two votes, both exceeding the quota with whopping surpluses. The party's share of the vote went up eight points, from 21 per cent to 29% compared with the previous Town Commission elections.

Elsewhere, Pat Rabbitte came within a whisper of gaining a European Parliament seat in Dublin, despite the surge to the Green Party. And, of course, the most spectacular performance of all was that of Eric Byrne, who topped the poll and swept to victory in the Dublin South Central by-election. This is the first time in over 45 years that a candidate from a small party has won a by-election in Ireland. We now look forward to the by-election in Cork South Central caused by the election of Pat Cox to the European Parliament. The Democratic Left candidate for this by-election, Kathleen Lynch, secured over a quarter of the vote in this constituency in the Euro elections, and is well set to repeat Eric Byrne's stunning Dublin victory.

### **Euro Funding For Maynooth Roads**

Councillor Catherine Murphy has informed the Maynooth Branch of Democratic Left that a sum of £300,000 has been allocated for the upgrading of two roads in the Maynooth area - the Straffan Road and the road linking Blacklion to the Maynooth-Dunboyne road. This money is to come from a special section of the EU Structural Funds, from which only three projects in all in County Kildare were awarded funding. We particularly welcome the recognition of the need to do something about the Blacklion Road, which is in a terrible state of repair. Following the completion of this work Catherine Murphy will be campaigning to have all heavy traffic on the Dunboyne Road diverted via Blacklion.

### MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

### **Tony Smith Memorial Walk**

At a function held in Caulfields by Maynooth Old Folks Committee on the 14th June, Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., handed over the proceeds of our annual walk, which was a record total of £1,429.00, to the Maynooth Old Folks Committee. Once again we would like to thank the people of Maynooth for their continued support of this annual event. See photograph of presentation elsewhere in this issue.

### **Greenfield Lane Bollards**

At a meeting of the County Council held on Monday May 30th the Council agreed to the erection of bollards at the bottom of Greenfield Lane. The bollards will be left in place until such time as a new ring route is constructed from Newtown to the Straffan Road. This is some considerable time away and when constructed Greenfield Lane will no longer be an obvious route for traffic wishing to avoid Main Street.

# Political Party Notes

We would like to thank the Greenfield Action Group for their co-operation and patience as this ensured that we got the outcome we all wanted.

### Lyreen District

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., and local Councillor, John McGinley, have again raised the following matters with Kildare County Council.

- 1. 'No Entry' to be painted on the road surface at the junction of Back Lane with Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road.
- 2. Provision of trees/shrubs for Pound Park.
- 3. Repair of seats in Pound Park.
- 4. The immediate provision of ramps along Pound Lane/Double Lane as agreed with the Council.

### Lyreen River

Concern has been expressed by residents of the area over recent land reclamation at Mill Street Bridge which has narrowed the Lyreen. Minister of State Emmet Stagg, T.D., has taken this matter up with the Department of the Marine.

### Back Entrance to 700's and 800's Greenfields

At the request of residents of the area Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., has made representations to the County Engineer requesting that urgent repairs be carried out to the back lane.



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# Birthdays

To Babs Ahern, 849 Greenfield. Best wishes from Jessy, Lorraine, Patsy, Rose, Julia, Collete, Eithna. Hope you enjoyed the party in Clock House.

Happy Birthday to Tony Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrated his birthday on 7th July. From his wife Mary & family, also his parents Liam and Margaret and his brother Thomas.

### CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK

Congratulations to Dervilia and Michael on finally getting it together. Best of luck in the future.

Bon Voyage to Annette and Orla off to the "Costa del Bundoran" for a week of sun, sea and sand. From T. and M.

I wish to thank all those who sponsored me in the women's mini marathon held on June 12th in Dublin in aid of Heostomy and Colostomy Association. Ita McTernan, Parson Street.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The husband, son, daughter and family of the late Ellen (Nellie) Nolan wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal of remains, Mass and Funeral, those who sent Mass Cards, Everlasting Gifts, letters of sympathy and floral tributes. A word of thanks to Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan, Fr. Tyrell, Management and Staff of Manor Mills, Kepak and Probation and Welfare Service, Lyreen Residents, Maynooth G.A.A. and Golfing Society, Dr. Cowhey and also Doctors, Nurses and Staff of Blanchardstown Hospital, Oliver Reilly Undertakers and those who called personally. A special word of thanks to Martin, Michael, Mary, Frances and Brenda, the Dunne family and all our relatives who gave great support at this very sad time. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

Sister Aquinas Gannon, her two brothers and their families wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad bereavement. To those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes, attended the funeral and supported in any way. God Bless you all and Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### **SYMPATHIES**

In the Sympathy Column in the May edition of the Newsletter, sympathy was extended to Deirdre and Raymond Kavanagh on the death of their son Patrick. This family live on Greenfield Drive and is not the Kavanagh family who live in 23 Rail Park.

Mick Donohoe, O'Neill Park, on the death of his brother Patrick. The Mullagh, Kilcock continued

# Sympathy

Sympathy to the daughter, son, brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Joseph (Joe) Faherty, husband of the late Mary and father of the late Sally. Joseph was late of 76, Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.

Sympathy to the wife, daughters, father, brother, sisters, sister-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of the late Andrew Kehoe, Maynooth, Co. Kildare and formerly of Douglas, Cork.

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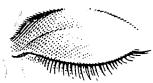
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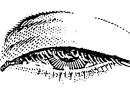


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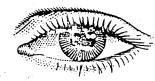
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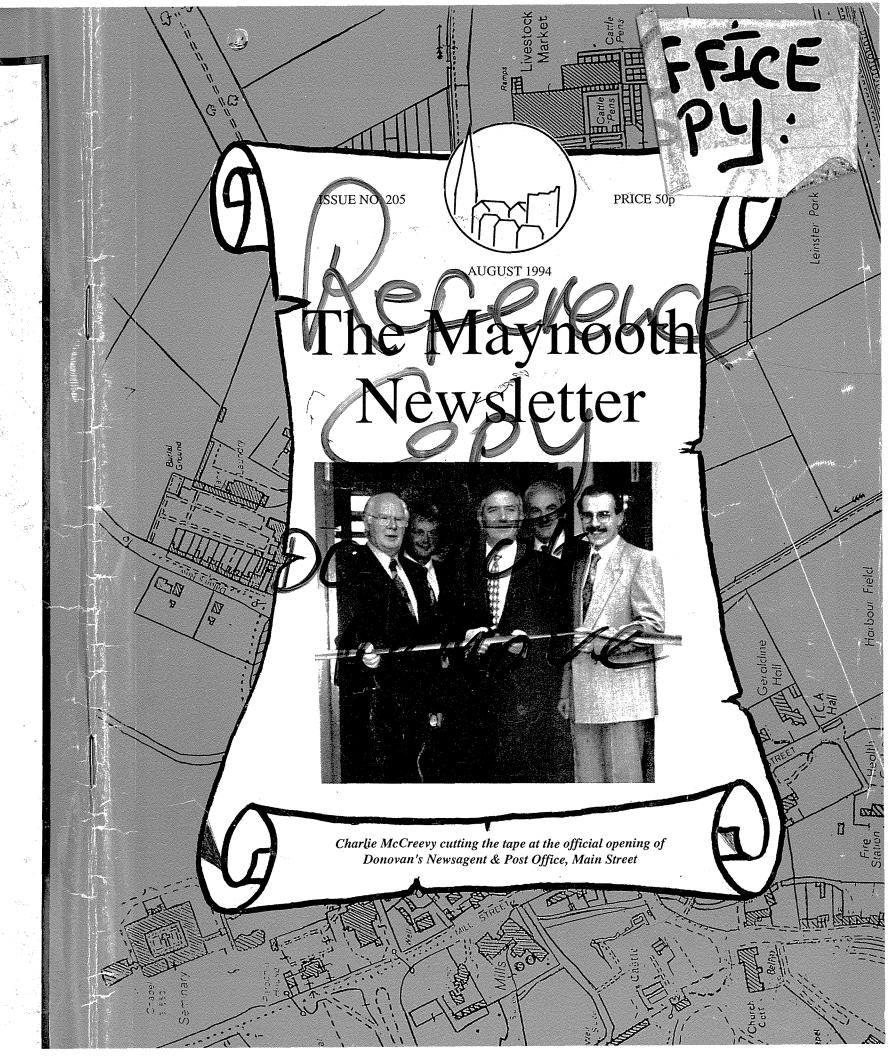
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

# Editorial

### **EDITORIAL**

August is traditionally seen as the political 'silly season' when a lull in the news means that all sorts of minor stories and rumours end up making the headlines. Our silly season question is - what happened the proposal to confer Town Commission status on Maynooth? Some readers might think that a Town Commission for Maynooth would be just another talking shop where aspiring politicians could argue and sling mud at each other. Not so. Maynooth Community Council applied for Town Commission status for the town over six years ago in the belief that we might all benefit from having a democratically elected body with reasonable resources contribute to the development of Maynooth. Leixlip, for example, has benefitted greatly from its Town Commission status and has an annual budget of over £80,000. We can all imagine how £80,000 would improve the appearance of our town. Small towns all over the country, many much smaller than Maynooth, benefit from having local government resources available. So, what's the delay? On two separate occasions we have been told that the granting of Town Commission status is being withheld pending a review of local government structures. How much longer is all this going to take? How long does it take the Department of the Environment to do a review? We have two ministers - McCreevy and Stagg, elected for this corner of the county. Would it not be appropriate to celebrate the College's bi-centenary by granting the town of Maynooth its rights in this area? How about it Ministers?

The Editorial Board would like to extend their best wishes to Christy Kavanagh, a fellow member of the Board, for a full and speedy recovery after his recent illness.

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# Letter to Editor

### Dear Editor

The Schizophrenia Association of Ireland, would like to exress their profound gratitude to the Maynooth Business Firms
who contributed most generously to their recent fund raising
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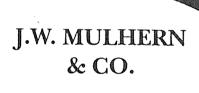
### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS NOTES

Dur thanks to the Tidy Towns/S.E.S. Team for the great improvements to the approach roads/green areas around the town.

Dur Secretary, Kathleen McCafferty, has written to Kildare County Council, seeking additional litter bins for Maynooth. We are also looking for replacement bins for broken bins.

Committee members have asked me to express their thanks or the courtesy and response received during our recent house o house collection. We particularly thank the residents of the lewer housing developments as well as all our friends in the 'older' estates. Contributions may also be left in the Comnunity Council Office.

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### BAND BULLETIN

Like most others, the Band has a holiday break, and we are looking forward to ours during the first two weeks in August. This gives us an opportunity to get ourselves and our batteries charged up for our busy fund-raising season from September to November.

We hold our annual flag week-end in September and our well-supported Race Night in November, but this year we will join with the Garda Band on 30th September in a concert in the Aula Maxima in the College to help raise funds for both our Band and the Church of Ireland, who are seeking to cover the cost of necessary repairs to the tower of the church. We hope those who supported the Lions Club concert in the same venue last year will be there again this year along with many others. We will give you further information on this event and a complete run-down on our past engagements in the next Bulletin.

Till then we hope the sun shines for our break.

### MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION LIMITED

### The New Opening Hours

From the 2nd of August, your local Credit Union will be open for business for two and a half hours, five mornings per week, for an extra hour on Thursday and Friday evenings, as well as for three hours on Thursday and Friday afternoons. This timetable will continue to be operated on a voluntary basis until the 1st of October, which is the start of our financial year. See below for information about a new development planned for next year.

### **Great Increase in Availability**

Our full-page advertisement elsewhere in this edition will show you at a glance the adjustments that are being made to the timetable that we have been operating on a trial basis since the 2nd of May. For the last three months our offices have been open for more than 30 hours per week. Before that our service was only available for  $5^1/2$  hours per week. The new timetable, covering  $23^1/2$  hours, means that, from the 2nd of August, our office will be open for more than four times as long as the schedule we have been following for the last several years.

### **Changes Influenced by Members**

The hours that have been dropped from the Trial Timetable are those which were least used by members. Not opening on Mondays means that the operating week will start after the Board Meeting on Monday evenings. This means that decisions on loans will be available at the start of the business week. It also avoids the on-off pattern caused by Bank Holidays.

### **Employing Office Staff**

Another major step in the development of our local Credit Union, closely associated with the increase in opening hours, is the decision to recruit a Head Clerk to run the office. You may have seen our advertisement in the evening paper or heard continued



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t on the local radio. The response has been good and interviews will have taken place by the time you read this. The successful candidate will take up duties on the1st of October and we should be able to let you know the outcome in this column next month.

### Replacement Found

am delighted to be able to tell you that, from October, this solumn will be in the capable hands of Michael Mooney, Chairnan of the Board of Directors for the last three years.

### Good Luck

It seems that being on the Board also brings good luck. Some ime ago, ten members clubbed together to buy a ticket in the Post-Primary School Draw. They recently won a Mitsubishi Lancer between them and a smaller prize, worth £200. They have liquidised their shared mobile asset and pocketed the proceeds. Congratulations to the group, which has been dubbed he "Catherine Mulready Syndicate". Catherine assures me his honour resulted from the mere coincidence of her name being at the top of the list.

Emer Mc Dermott, PRO

### **MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB**

The new season commences 6th September at St Mary's Parsh Hall, Maynooth at 8.30 pm. New members, both beginners and experienced players, welcome. We still have our sumner club running for the month of August - Tuesdays 8.30-11.00, Thursdays 9.00-11.30. Members £1.00, non-members £2.00. We will have our A.G.M. on the last Tuesday of August (30th); anyone wishing to attend are most welcome. If myone wishes to join the Badminton Club you can call down o the Parish Hall any Tuesday or phone Phil McLoughlin 5286630.

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### I.C.A. NOTES

Our July meeting was held in the ICA hall on Thursday 7th. The meeting started on a sad note with our vice president, Marion Souhan, sympathising with many of our members and past members who had been bereaved recently. Marion also expressed her sympathy to the family of the late Mrs. Brid Connolly, a former member of our Guild.

### **Maynooth Annual Show**

Final arrangements for the Show were made at this meeting. Marion, who is Chairperson of the Show committee, asked all the ladies of our Guild to help on the days of the Show. Show results will appear in next months **Newsletter.** 

### **Drama Competition**

Pattie Lavin is trying to organise a group to take part in a drama competition in Kilteel in early November. Anyone interested in treading the boards should contact Pattie as soon as possible.

#### An Grianan

Three ladies were in An Grianan for Kildare week. Betty Farrell said that they all had a marvellous time. They didn't even have to miss out on the World Cup, as special arrangements were made for them to see Ireland's match.

### **Monthly Competition**

The competition at the July meeting was "a light fruit cake." The judge for this event was Mr. Kevin Mulhern and he awarded 1st place to B. Farrell, 2nd to M. O'Gorman and 3rd to J. O'Connell. Thanks to Kevin for coming along to do the judging. The competition at the September meeting will be "the heaviest cooking apple".

### M'Lady Erin

Congratulations to Norah McDermott, who won the first M'Lady Erin Contest during the Balbriggan Festival in June. Norah represented Maynooth Community Festival at this National Competition. Well done Norah.

### **Summer Holidays**

As is traditional, we have no Guild meeting in August, but we will be back again in September. Crafts and badminton have also finished for the Summer and will resume in early September. Mary, our crafts promoter, says she will be starting with embroidery. Anyone interested in this should bring along the item to be embroidered plus thread to the craft nights starting on Monday 5th September at 8.00 p.m.

Ladies I hope you will all have a wonderful summer and that the weather will improve and I look forward to seeing you all at our next Guild meeting on 1st September.

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Past productions of the society include: The King and I, Calamity Jane, Godspell, Grease, Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella, Goody Two Shoes, Aladdin, Jack and The Beanstalk and Ole King Cole.

All new male and female members are always welcome. If you are interested in any aspect of the Society please contact any of the numbers below:

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### SCOUTS NEWS

We apologise most sincerely for missing the last issue. Apologies over with, we can now get on with the news. We had a very successful barbeque at The Festival Week Field Day in the Harbour Field. We have as yet had no news of any food poisoning. We would like to thank Covne & Bergin, Ouinnsworth, Jim Smyth and the vegetable shop - Top of the Crop for their generosity. Now on the Camp News - we had a successful camp in Lough Ree, Boyle, Co. Roscommon. The Leaders were Tony Muldowney, Cathal Gaffney, Johnny Dowling, Kay Filbert, Shane Morris and Cormac Manyhats. We took the kids bivouacking on one of the islands with no sleeping bags, no tent, no food. The only food that was consumed that night was by the midges. Cathal, Johnny, Kay and Shane spent a sleepless night on the island. We also went swimming, bowling, hiking, just generally enjoyed ourselves. We had scouts from Skerries and Galway who we made good friends with. The last night we had the camp fire led by Cormac Manyhats and ably assisted by sidekick - Tonto and with contributions from Scouts. The little ankle biters commonly known as cubs had their weekend camp in Ballyfin. From all reports it seems to have gone extremely well.

#### **Venturer News**

The venturers are off to camp at the end of August - hope they get the weather for it. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Venturers for the work of painting the Den - they did a lovely job. That is all the news for now.

Yours in Scouting - Tank

## MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

We have come to the end of another very successful swimming year. Our first term for next year begins on Saturday September 10th, so committee enjoy your free Saturdays until then. Some of our Senior Members have left or moved on to lengths. We wish them all the best and we welcome our new members. We hope you have notified the club committee by now **if you are returning in September.** Enjoy your holidays and as promised here are results of our June Gala. Well done to everybody.

### 11.6.'94 Junior Gala First Bus 4.30pm - 5.15pm

BEGINNERS: Back Crawl: Higher Level

- 1. David Gahan 2. Conor Devaney 3. Cian Byrne Lower Level:
- 1. Sinéad Costelloe 2. Alan Hardiman 3. Niamh O'Brien

Front Crawl: Higher Level

- 1. David Gahan 2. Conor Devaney 3. Aoife Treacy Lower Level:
- 1. Alan Hardiman 2. Amy Waldron 3. Catriona Costelloe

### **Special Prize**

Patrick Comerford

### INTERMEDIATE

Back Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Jennifer Dooley 2. Colin O'Neill 3. Rebecca Doyle Lower Level:
- 1. Kayzi Healy 2. Elaine Carruthers 3. Darren Hayes

Front Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Colin O'Neill 2. Jennifer Dooley 3. Julie Ann Kennelly Lower Level:
- 1. Darren Hayes 2. Elaine Carruthers 3. Kayzi Healy

### 25.6.'94 Senior Gala 4.30 p.m. - 5.15 p.m.

Back Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Mark Dunne 2. Niamh Byrne 3. Caoimhe Tierney Lower Level:
- 1. David Comerford 2. Shane Kelleher 3. Barry Keenan

Breast Stroke (Only Higher Level)

1. Paul Haren 2. Caoimhe Tierney 3. Aileen Devaney

### Front Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Paul Harren 2. Mark Dunne 3. Caoimhe Tierney Lower Level:
- 1. Shane Kelleher 2. Barry Keenan 3. Kevin Comerford

# 11.6.'94 Junior Gala Second Bus 5.15pm - 6.00pm BEGINNERS

Back Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Anna Piggott 2. David Canny 3. Ciarán Furey 4. James Molloy
- Lower Level:
- 1. Jane Alford 2. Thomas Fortune 3. Helen Downes 4. Aisling Dunne

Front Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. David Canny 2. Anna Piggott 3. Ciarán Furey Lower Level:
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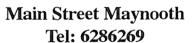
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- 1. Suzanne Doyle 2. Alan Filbert 3. Richard Piggott Lower Level:
- 1. Aoife Dunning 2. Pamela Flanagan 3. Claire Gannon

Front Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Suzanne Doyle 2. Damien Behan 3. Muireann O'Sullivan Lower Level:
- 1. Aoife Dunning 2. Claire Gannon 3. Pamela Flanagan

### 25.6.'94 Senior Gala 5.15 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Back Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Richard Leavy 2. Conor Gannon 3. Ciara McDonnell Lower Level:
- 1. Pamela King 2. Nicola Doyle 3. Aileen Twomey

Breast Stroke (Only Higher Level):

1. Deirdre O'Rourke 2. Conor Gannon 3. Peter Sheehan

Front Crawl: Higher Level:

- 1. Conor Gannon 2. Richard Leavy 3. Deirdre O'Rourke Lower Level:
- 1. Nicola Doyle 2. David Lawlor 3. Aileen Twomey

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# Residents' Associations

# GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our estate clean-up took place on Saturday 9th July. The weather was not great however, members of the committee and some residents swept, edged and collected rubbish around the estate. Our thanks to them as the estate is looking very neat and tidy. If residents have an hour or two to spare please keep the green strip on the pathway outside your property neat and edged.

The Committee's next meeting is the first Monday in September. Any items for consideration by the committee should be sent to our secretary - Ann Connellan, 20 Straffan Way by that date

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

## WOODLANDS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Woodlands Residents' Association has not been idle over the last few months and many of our objectives for the year have been met with great success. Due to the hard work of our landscaper and residents the estate is looking quite well. Our clean-up day on the 14th of May was a great success and got the year off to a great start.

Unfortunately, the Residents' Association could not hold the Bar-B-Que this year due to the prohibitive cost of public liability insurance but some of the nutty neighbours decided to have one anyway. The sports day in the afternoon of the 18th of June was a great success with great fun had by all. The prowess of some of the mothers in the Mother-carrying-child Race would make them quite eligible for jobs as coal merchants (the weight of some of the children equal to a bag of coal). The Bar-B-Que that evening was a bit muted due to the weather but as it was the night of the Ireland vs. Italy match, the temperatures of our residents rose in unison with those in Giants' Stadium. Thank God none of our Italian students had arrived in time to witness our abuse of the English language on the night. If they had, some Italian parents might now be upset at some of the "new phrases" their children had learned in our homes!

May we take this opportunity to thank Quinnsworth, Donovan's Newsagents and Newtown Stores for their most welcome contribution to the success of our Sports Day and Bar-B-Que. Their donations were greatly appreciated. Until next time.

Frances Campbell Secretary

# WESTSIDE WASTE

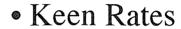


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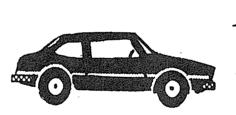
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ugust may be a 'Wicked Month' for some, but for the gardener it is traditionally a quiet time with the production of new growth slowing down, and the process of ripening and maturing evident in all areas. One can relax a little and the garden can be left to itself to a large extent, merely removing deadheads, replacing supports, and spraying for mildew. This is a fungus disease, characterized by a white powdery coating on leaves, stems and buds, and at this time can be a great nuisance, particularly if the soil is dry or the garden rather stuffy. Watch for it particularly on apples, roses and hedge plants.

Mowing the lawn and irrigating it can continue in hot weather. Hedge cutting can continue, or start, if missed last month. Shrubs which flower this month, as well as those which started in July, are hibiscus, more herbs, ceanothus, buddleias, species clematis and more hydrangeas.

### The Flower Garden

In late August the heathers come into their own. Given an acid soil, preferably inclined to be peaty, but not fertile, heathers, once planted, will continue to be a carefree joy. A border of heathers really is a patchwork of colour, and with the dwarf conifers in their equally varied foliage colours and silhouettes interspersed among them at suitable intervals, such a planting can only increase in beauty and effectiveness through the years. A heather collection could be started with the cultivars of Calluna vulgaris, which are in flower from August to October and later, such as 'Beoley Gold' acid yellow leaves and white flowers; 'Cuprea', copper-bronze leaves and purple flowers; rose-pink 'H.E. Beale'. and purple 'Mrs. Pat'; Silver Queen', avender flowers and grey-white green eaves, and pink-lilac "County Wicklow".

Propagation of various plants by various methods can continue; semi-ripe cuttings can be taken, and at the end of the nonth geranium (pelargonium) cuttings can be started, also conifer heel cuttings, 2 n. long, placed in a cold shady frame in oure sand or a sandy compost. Biennials to bloom next year can be planted out. Prepared hyacinths can be potted now for Christmas and put in a cool dark place for

three months. Christmas Cactus and cyclamen can be started this month, if this has not already been done. Watering and

# **Garden Tools**

You don't need expensive equipment or fancy tools to keep a small garden in order. The following are the basic tools you'll need to start with:

Spade for digging over compacted soil to aerate it and improve drainage. Fork for rough digging or to pick up rubbish to put on the compost heap or in bags.

**Rake** use to reduce soil surface to a fine crumb ready for sowing seeds. **Hoe** root out weeds by pushing it across the soil between plants.

Trowel to dig small holes for bulbs or bedding plants or ease out weeds. Hand fork good for weeding - will let the earth fall from the weed roots and can be used to tidy the soil of the bed afterwards.

**Secateurs** use to trim back any overgrown or dead plant material.

damping down of pot plants should continue, and routine tidying of fallen leaves, flowers and dying vegetation generally. Herbs are still good for picking and drying, on a warm day when the foliage is dry.

#### Soft Fruits

August is the best time to clean up the soft fruits, removing the protective netting where this is temporary, as soon as the crop has been gathered. This is the month of the plum and varieties in season include 'Victoria', Czar, 'Early Rivers' and 'Bountiful'. The acid or Morello cherry will also be ripe in early August.

### Vegetable Garden

Vegetables and salads in season this month are runner beans, cabbage, carrots, lettuce, onion, peas, potatoes, spinach, spinach beet, marrows (including courgettes), beetroot and garlic. You can now sew the seeds of spring cabbages, brussels sprouts and lettuces for early winter use. Crops which have finished should be cleared out and the ground manured or not, depending on rotation. Where broccoli, spring cabbage, savoy, onion and early summer lettuce are grown, manure helps.

### The Herb Garden

For many gardeners there is a special fascination about herbs and the collection increases until part of the garden is devoted exclusively to these plants.

Not all garden herbs are for use in cooking; some are used in medicine and others have cosmetic value. Examples are:

### **Medicinal Herbs**

Alecost Bistort Catmint Eyebright Feverfew Gentian Horehound Hyssop Jacob's Ladder Lady's Mantle Mandrake Pasque-Flower Rue Sweet Flag Thorn Apple Vervian

### **Culinary Herbs**

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We at the **Newsletter** wish Eugene and Marian and all their staff continued success with their new premises.



Donovan family at official opening of their shop and post office

### INFILL DUMPED IN LYREEN RIVER

The Lyreen River is presently posing a problem for some Maynooth residents living opposite the Mill near the old tail-race. There has been a substantial amount of infill dumped into the river by persons unknown and this has caused the river to rise in places during heavy rainfall. It is a potential flooding hazard to nearby houses, attracting rats and causing odours to hang in the air.

This problem can only be combated by removal of this infill by whoever is responsible as the natural flow of the river through the tail-race has been interfered with. Any suggestions from the public which might be of help in getting this procedure under way would be most helpful.

# MAYNOOTH CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE

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Answer: There is no restriction on the type of self-employment you can do. However, we understand that work on a commission- only basis such as you have been offered or telesales has not been accepted as bona fide self-employment for the Back to Work Allowance Scheme. This type of work is not regarded as meeting the requirement that the jobs are new and lasting.

Each application for self-employment is assessed by a regional co-ordinator and you should be able to discuss your case with him/her. You have nothing to lose by completing the application form BT43

If you live in a PESP area you are not restricted in the type of employment you can take up. Outside of the PESP area the job you get must be in the following sectors: fisheries, tourism, heritage, crafts, horticulture, local enterprise or voluntary and community groups.

To qualify under the scheme you must be aged 23 or over and be getting a Lone Parents' Allowance or Unemployment Assistance for 12 months of at least £40 per week if single or £62 per week if married.

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### MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

The Maynooth Summer Project is going very well indeed after a shaky start weather wise. Heavy rain and thunder led to the cancellation of the trip to Fort Lucan in the first week of the project but the weather has since taken up and the outings have been very successful.

As a parent with children on the project, I went along on two outings in the second week and plan to go on further ones in the coming weeks. The swimming trip to St. Paul's in Raheny was on Thursday, 14th July, and great fun was had by all. The children were taken in two separate groups into the pool, with one group playing in St. Anne's Park, beside St. Paul's, while the other group were swimming. After an hour of frolics in the pool the children had their picnic lunch in the park and having played all sorts of games were taken to the "shop". This I understand is a "compulsory" part of any outing as the kids don't feel the day is complete without spending their few bob on what else but lovely rubbish!

The trip to Donadea on Friday, 15th July, for a barbecue was missing this vital component, i.e. "the shop", but the children didn't seem to notice on this particular venture. They were at one with nature quite literally in this venue as the forest authorities had overlooked the vital facility of toilets for the 70-plus youngsters on this outing. However, the fun seemed to be in roughing it, as the day progressed without any embarrassing moments for adult or child. One must congratulate the project on this excellent outing, as they set up a giant barbecue and cooked burgers and sausages for this vast amount of youngsters with many coming back for seconds. There was a scavenger hunt for the kids who went off in groups of 10 with an adult accompanying each group. There were plenty of games after the barbecue and many a tired and happy child made their way back to Greenfield that evening.

If the rest of the project is as good as it has been thus far it will be very successful indeed and many congratulations must be given to the people who work so hard to give Maynooth a great facility every year.

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As time moves closer once again to the start of a new academic year accommodation becomes a problem for students, especially for first year students who make their first major move away from home. We are asking landlords or landladies who are not already in contact with the College Residents Officer, Mrs. M. Kelly, to contact us here at the Students' Union as we will advertise your houses to students.

Along with new tenants there will also be new landlords who for the first time will be taking on tenants, we hope here that it will be a successful undertaking on your behalf. There was also new legislation passed on the 1st of July, 1993, for tenants of which I will highlight a few.

- (1) Landlord or landlady must supply a rent book for each tenant.
- (2) Maintain common facilities for cooking, food storage, lighting and heating in good repair and safe working order.
- (3) Maintain common sinks, toilets, baths/showers and other common areas in good repair.
- (4) Termination of a tenancy; four weeks' notice must be given and in writing by the landlords or landladies or the tenant if either party wishes to terminate the tenancy.

As part of any accommodation list this year we will also be asking tenants to:

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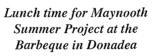
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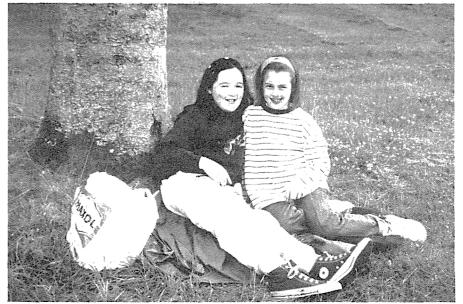
# Maynooth Summer Project



Maynooth Summer Project studying form at the Scavenger Hunt in Donadea







Ladies relaxing at Maynooth Summer Project

### WHEN DO YOU GET YOUR POST?

A letter in the Newsletter a few months ago regarding the delay in post delivery seems to have fallen on deaf ears. In saying this, however, it has improved a little bit when instead of receiving post at 6.30 p.m. in some areas it now arrives earlier in the afternoon. We asked some people in different areas of Maynooth for their opinions on the postal system.

One of the things that was rather peculiar is that one half of the town seemed to be more affected, time-wise, than the other i.e. the estates of Beaufield, Meadowbrook, Cluain Aoibhinn, Kingsbry and other estates around that area quoted time of between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. for postal delivery whereas Carton Court, Laurence Ave., Rockfield, Straffan Way and estates up that area quoted times before noon.

Some areas noted that while post was arriving before noon a few months ago it is now arriving early afternoon. Two of these areas, Old Greenfield and Rail Park have put in individual complaints to the Post Office with no avail.

We spoke to Eugene Donovan in the new Post Office on Maynooth's Main Street. He informed us that the reason for delays in some areas of Maynooth is because of the continual expansion of houses going up in Maynooth. This caused the Head Office in Naas to put on an extra route in Maynooth (by the way, there now are five postmen for the area) and to change routes to "improve" delivery.

A lot of people in Maynooth feel the postal system has disimproved but according to Eugene they just happen to be the unfortunate ones at the end of their particular route. He agreed, for clarity, to print the routes and they are as follows:

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Are you happy now that you know the ins and outs of your postal system? If not please post your complaints to the moon ... or wait a minute! That might be the end of the route so maybe you should try Venus or Mercury or . . .

John McLoughlin

### **BARBERSTOWN - THE LIVING HERITAGE**

Maynooth is chiefly famous for its castle. However, two miles outside its boundaries lies Barberstown Castle, a place of equally ancient heritage but one whose banqueting halls and great vaulted rooms are still alive and vibrant with the noise of people and of life.

Barberstown possesses a unique heritage. It has seen its share of famous owners: the Fitzgeralds, Tyrconnells, the Barton family whose wines still grace its tables and a representative from a more modern era, Eric Clapton. All of these have been entranced by the great castle and keep the tradition and history of the place.

Barberstown Castle is located near the site of a bronze-age burial site. Its location in the heartland of early Christian Ireland is confirmed by the view from the top floor of the castle from where you can see St. Patrick's Hill where St. Patrick lit one of his fires which blazed a beacon across Ireland.

The castle was built in the thirteenth century. The visitor can see it has survived the ravages both of time and its task of keeping 'the mere Irish' out well. Many features of the old castle survive, its crenelated windows for musket fire and the sloped walls to ensure the enemy could not shelter from that fire, are still clearly visible.

It is a castle which possesses many secrets. Legend has it that an underground tunnel exists. Another story claims that a body is interred somewhere within the tower. The mysterious fate of this unknown person is explained by an old lease which granted the castle to the family of the man until he was put underground (i.e. died). As a result of this he was buried above ground within the tower thus ensuring the lease remained with the family.

A connection also exists between Barberstown and Dean Swift. The beautiful Vanessa, eulogised by the writings of Swift, was the daughter of Van Homreigh, one of the myriad owners of Barberstown. A previous owner, John Blackwell, was famous for less romantic reasons. He had erected the scaffold on which King Charles I was executed and was a particular favourite of Cromwell's.

Architecturally Barberstown is unique, containing buildings from three separate periods in Irish history, the castle dating from the thirteenth century, the Elizabethan House from the sixteenth century and the Victorian House built by Hugh Barton in the 1830's, the trio completing a heritage that embraces seven hundred and fifty years of Irish history.

That history is available to the public today. Barberstown is now a luxury hotel run by the companionable Kenneth Healy and his wife Catherine who continue its Geraldine tradition of hospitalily to visitors. This is particularly evident in its restaurant, renowned for its creative food. The Banqueting Hall in the courtyard built in the sixteenth century caters from between 50 to 160 guests. Its splendid elegance lends itself perfectly to such occasions. Its open turf fires, oak furniture and continued



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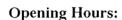
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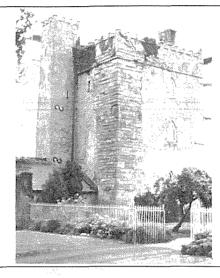
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### POEM

The Press Conference as a spectacle has deteriorated drastically since the very first one given by King Brian Boru prior to the Battle of Clontarf. The following is a synopsis of King Brian's address to the conference in verse.

I'm King Brian Boru, And I'm here to tell you, Of a Danish expulsion that's long overdue.

Yes that gang of cutthroats, Who came here in longboats, They'll be exiting Ireland on whatever floats.

For I'm telling you plain, If you have half a brain, That this city's no place for a Dane to remain.

If you wish to expand, Choose some other Island, There is one 'cross the way "would be suiting you grand".

So it's best don't you know, If you just up and go, Or the fields 'round Clontarf with your life's blood will flow.

For tomorrow we'll fight, And beat you out of sight, So I strongly suggest that you take flight tonight.

If you're here in the morn, You'll wish you'd not been born, For its every helmeted head we'll dehorn.

Then the laurels I'll seize, And thank God on my knees, Just make sure that there's no one disturbing me - please.

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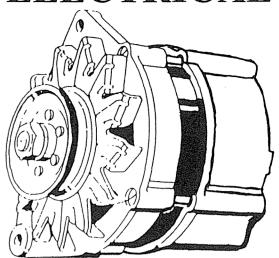
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# THE SAD PASSING OF BREDA CONNOLLY - A NOBLE SERVANT OF MAYNOOTH



The entire Maynooth Community was greatly saddened at the death of Mrs Breda Connolly (née Bennett) at Dowdstown, Maynooth at the young age of 55 years. Breda passed to her eternal reward after a short illness at the Mater Hospital, Dublin.

She is deeply regretted by her loving husband Kevin, her daughters Jacqueline,

Patricia, Norah, Mary Ellen and Susan, her son Edward, brothers Michael and P.J. and her sister Ella, and cousin Anne, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and friends.

Her remains were received at St. Mary's Parish Church by her nephew Rev. Fr. Peter Dowling, Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P., and Rev. Fr. Cogan, C.C., on Tuesday June 28th. Her funeral took place on Thursday, June 30th after Requiem Mass, at 12 noon to Laraghbryan Cemetery. There were very large attendances at both her removal and funeral.

Speaking at his homily Fr. Supple described Breda as a great woman who was born and reared locally and as "one who had come from the very soul of Maynooth". She was a good local community activist who had served on many committees and was always helping with and supporting fund-raising for the enhancement of her beloved town. She gave many years of dedicated service to the Parents Association of Maynooth Post Primary School.

She was a founder member of Maynooth Community Council back in 1984 and duly became a very hardworking member of the Social and Recreation Committee for many years. Along with people like Bridie O'Brien and Thomas Flanagan she was instrumental in organising the first Maynooth Community Festival Week in 1986.

The aim of the festival was to bring the old and new residents of Maynooth together in a spirit of friendship and fun. People will for many years to come, enjoy the legacy of her work, as the festival has become an invaluable and successful part of Maynooth's social calendar. She was also involved in organising the St. Patrick's Day Parades, which continue to bring the people together annually in a spirit of celebration and pride. Through her work in those early days of Maynooth Community Council, she has in her own quiet way helped to shape the Maynooth of the future.

She bore her short illness with great bravery and fortitude, for it was in her nature never to be of trouble to anyone but rather to go to the aid of those in trouble. A member of two large and well respected local families, she was a very active person but above all a selfless and dedicated mother who lived for her family.

One of Maynooth's 'old stock', she is irreplaceable and will always be cherished in the hearts of those who knew her. May she rest in peace.

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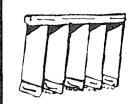
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### EYE HEAR

### **Anne's Modelling Debut**

Local girl, Anne Finnan, has been spotted doing a modelling piece in "The Liffey Champion" of 16.7.1994. There, looking as glamorous as ever, was a photograph of Anne, taken while she was modelling clothes by Libra, in the Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge. Anyway wouldn't she, she being the Manageress of Xtra Vision in Leixlip. Apparently Anne does not like the colour black. (Shur' she's too young for that auld colour anvway). Red and brown are her favourite combinations. Now where would I get a jumper like that?

Oh, there'll be no talking to her now, that's for sure!

### **Excellent Fanfare**

Maynooth's World Cup fans can give themselves a congratulatory clap on the back, for the exemplary manner in which they behaved throughout the duration of the tournament. There was hardly a bit of bother or nuisance caused by them, unlike in other nearby towns. True to form they were out for the sport and the craic, win or lose.

Special congratulations to all the menfolk who enjoyed the matches at home with their families.

Well done to all the pubs and bar staff who put up decorations, laid on extra facilities and worked harder to make it a good occasion for the fans. A special well done to all the children who brightened up our neighbourhoods playing on the greens and to those who didn't demand real expensive jerseys. However, if you did, and your silly parents bought them - well done also.

Well done to all the local fans who travelled to the U.S.A. You did your part to help Ireland along. These include: Michael and Lily Riordan, Mona Byrne and her son, Tony, Prionnsias Breathnach, Martin Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Declan Foley, and anyone else who represented us abroad.

However, above all, we honour Manager Jack Charlton and the gallant Irish team who played their hearts out trying to bring sporting glory to our country. We are all proud of them.

Finally, now we can all see it wasn't worth losing our heads or our shirts over it - its only a game of football. Famous last words.

### Fish Stock Survey.

Dr. Brendan Connolly and his team from Inland Fisheries called to the Harbour, Maynooth, on July 4th as part of an ongoing Fish Stock Survey of the Royal Canal. Brendan and his colleagues have been contacted by the Board of Works, who own the canal, to carry out this work. Apparently a major re-stocking programme commenced five years ago and the Board of Works are anxious to determine the level of success or otherwise, of the venture. They were checking the size and number of fish present, the biomatter, the water quality and its ability to sustain life. According to Brendan, the fish from the canal are edible and are comprised of mainly Roche, with Carp, Bream, Perch and Pike among the other varieties present. The overall head of the programme, is Dr. Joe Caffrey, and a report on their findings will be published in the near future.

#### **Castle Rumours**

Rumour has it that the Office of Public Works are soon to start a major excavation of Maynooth Castle and that £1 million is to be made available for its development. The Newsletter or indeed the Community Council, has heard nothing officially but we expect the Castle Committee will keep us informed of developments.



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### AN GARDA SIOCHANA

### To the People of Maynooth:

It is with regret I announce my retirement from An Garda Síochána on the 23rd July, 1994, after almost 31 years' service; I have spent the past five years among the people of Maynooth, an experience I have found to be most enriching and rewarding. The co-operation and good will afforded to me by individuals, groups and various organisations in the performance of my duties and functions during my service here were most uplifting and heartening and for which I will be eternally grateful. I hope that the Garda service provided was adequate and effective and identifiable to the needs of all sections of the community, especially the disadvantaged. I have immensely enjoyed my service among the local community and I retire contented and in harmony after a most rewarding and fulfilled career in An Garda Síochána. It was always my aim in the performance of my duties to temper my actions and deeds with humanity and compassion as they touched on the lives of the people I came in contact with and it's my hope and wish that the minimum distress resulted. To all the people of Maynooth I extend my sincere thanks and gratitude for the courtesy, kindness and sensitivity accorded to me over the past number of years, for which I am greatly indebted.

Thank you and God's Blessing on you all.

Joseph Canny

### **GARDA TALK**

### Protection and Security of the Elderly.

Recent years have seen a serious decline in respect for the aged and they have become increasingly the target for attack. With advancing years, slowing physical reflexes and their natural trusting nature they are very vulnerable to exploitation by con-men and criminal opportunists. The right to live, go shopping, visiting or go about a person's daily business without interruptions are rights and privileges to which all our citizens are entitled, especially the elderly. The Gardaí in Maynooth wish to assure our senior citizens that Maynooth is a safe place to live and we assure them of our full support and attention. Hereunder are some security suggestions which if applied sensibly and practically will assist in keeping your homes and areas safer and more peaceful to reside in:

- (1) Front and rear doors should be fitted with good quality 5 lever mortice locks; safety catches should be fitted to all windows.
- (2) Never leave doors unlocked; rear doors and windows should always be closed when speaking to strangers at the front door.
- (3) Fit a strong door chain to both the front and rear doors. A chain will allow you open the door a few inches before admitting a caller.
- (4) Door viewers are very useful for seeing callers before the door is opened.
- (5) Be careful with your door keys; never hide them outside the house in what might appear a safe place.

- (6) Keys should always be turned in locks even when in the house; if you lose a key the lock should be changed immediately.
- (7) Never give any personal information about yourself or your neighbour to any strangers who may call or telephone inquiring.
- (8) You should make special observations of strangers who call to your house and arouse your suspicion; note a full description of them; the Reg. No. and make of their car; pass this information to your Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator or the Gardaí.
- (9) Persons claiming to be Inspectors or any kind of Officials should be asked to produce identification and be fully satisfied before you admit them to your home; if in doubt refuse entry and contact the Gardaí.
- (10) If a forced entry is in progress take immediate steps to summon help; use telephone if available and if necessary shout/ scream to alert passers by.
- (11) If you do not have a telephone you should make arrangements for a system of signals to a neighbour indicating when you need assistance.
- (12) Good lighting inside and outside your home greatly assists in preventing intrusion. The switches can be used to provide cut off with great effect.
- (13) Keep important telephone numbers i.e. Gardaí, doctors, priests and reliable neighbours etc., in a conspicuous location near your telephone in case of emergency. A telephone extension to your bedroom will assist in raising an early alarm.
- (14) Never carry more cash on your person than you require. Women should always take the greatest care of their handbags especially when containing cash and valuables.

### Advice In The Event Of Fire In The Home:

- (1) Close the door of the room on fire this will assist in containing the fire.
- (2) Alert the household to get everyone out.
- (3) Call the Fire Brigade by dialling 999 (Ask for Fire Brigade Service).
- (4) When Fire Brigade answers state clearly:
- a) Address of house;
- b) Directions to same indicating exact house number, etc.
- (5) Alert neighbours and make sure that everyone is out of the house.
- (6) In cases of Fire the motto should be "Get Out", "Get The Fire Brigade Out"; and "Stay Out".

# Retirement Of Sergeant Joe Canny:

With a certain nostalgia we announce the retirement of Sergeant Joe Canny; he leaves An Garda Síochána on the 23rd. July to take up an appointment with a major National Financial Institution. Joe came to Maynooth as Sergeant In Charge just over five years ago on the 9th June, 1989. His policy during his service here was to work in co-operation with the community in a spirit of harmony and good-will. Many initiatives and new measures are testimony to his efforts - the renovation of the Garda Station providing appropriate suitable accommodation and facilities necessary for the expanding and increasing population; the provision of a new Patrol Car; the commencement of the Annual Garda Dinner Dance for the Maynooth community under the auspices of the local

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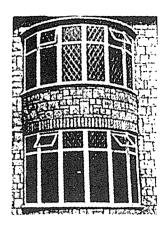
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A Flower and Garden Show will be held (trophies for the Flower Show presented by Moyglare Stud). During the afternoon a band recital will take place, some horses will be on view, teas will be available and there will be car park facilities.

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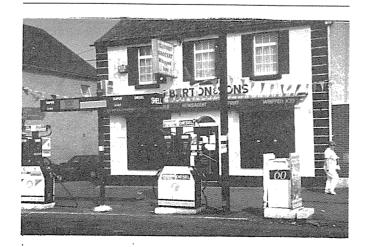
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#### **Restaurant Closes**

The Castle Gate Restaurant had its last day of business on Sunday 17th July. However, the management have said that they will be opening in their new premises above "Katies Flowers" on the corner, in a few weeks' time. So don't worry, Chris and his crew will be back to serve you with their delights.

#### **Bartons Closure**

The Castle Gate wasn't the only business to close on Sunday 17th July. Quite unexpectedly Bartons, a long established business in the town, closed their doors to the public too. This closure has been on the cards for ages though the exact date was not known to the public. Renovations will be going ahead in the near future to refurbish a premises for the Irish Permanent.



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Class VI

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Class VII

Hybrid Tea Roses - 3 specimen blooms, same or mixed

Class VIII

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- 2. The committee will in no way be responsible for any loss or damage sustained to exhibits either at show or in transit.
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- Enquiries and entries to Felicity Satchwell, tel. 628 6240 & Margaret Howe, tel. 628 5454
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# WHERE WAS MOSES WHEN THE LIGHTS WENT OUT?

The electricity power cut on Tuesday June 7th in Maynooth caused havoc to many businesses. A lot of shops lost valuable business that day but the ones that seemed to suffer the most were the restaurants who, along with losing business for the day, lost a lot of stock through the breakdown of their freez-

Businesses were left in the dark (pardon the pun) as to who was responsible as this was not a forewarned power cut. Tony, the manager of Donatellos' Restaurant, got in touch with the Ballyfermot office of the E.S.B. to find out who was responsible and who would pay for the losses. The reply he got basically stated that he would have to bear the costs, as responsibility for such an occurrence doesn't lie with anyone.

John Bennett, Manager of the Country Shop Restaurant, said that this was a normal occurrence with a number of unscheduled power cuts happening in any given year. His losses that day he estimated at approximately £1,000 between business lost and food which had to be thrown out. He even found a few weeks later that when his fridge broke down again, a repair man came out and, after examining the fridge came up with the astute observation that they had had a power cut in the past few weeks. He told Mr. Bennett that the power cut was still affecting his fridges which became an extra cost for Mr. Bennett on top of the losses already incurred.

I got in touch with John Howard from the E.S.B.'s Public Relations Office, telling him of the case. I explained that it had been rumoured that the fault lay with a digger cutting a cable in the vicinity of Maynooth. He said that unfortunately a lot of workmen with diggers don't get in touch with the E.S.B. before commencing their work, this being a must for all contractors/workmen. I questioned him as to where the responsibility lay, stating that if the rumour were true, surely the E.S.B. was obliged to give the name of the person at fault to its customers so that they could pursue compensation. This, he said. the E.S.B. could not do. I found this rather peculiar i.e. if the E.S.B. knew who was at fault, surely they would be putting in a claim themselves. What about the businesses which suffered losses? There doesn't seem to be any clear answers.

Some businesses in the town are still pursuing the matter through their solicitors. What I can't understand, though, is why all the businesses of Maynooth didn't put their heads together to bring some real action around this issue. Many pooled ideas for solving such catastrophes could have led to better action being taken.

The saga continues . . .

### **TUG-O-WAR REPORT**

After the festival tournament, we all feel a bit lost. As Michael O'Rourke would say, "what do we do now lads"? For the moment we try to do a bit of training between the showers and converge on Brady's in the hope of hearing some tug-o-war chat. Some people are there for a good night out and as not everyone wants to talk about it, you have to use some ingenuity to try and lead the conversation in the right direction. Johnny Lavin has plenty to say but we don't want to hear it. He has inferred that we should all put on sandals and go into a monastery, due to our slipping and sliding along the ground. I hope he is not suggesting we should also take the vow of silence.

Many tug-o-war people as well as the followers of other sports are feeling a little in the shade at the moment, with all this talk of the World Cup. "But shur that'll pass and we'll all be back in business again . . . hopefully".

Sometimes I think the world is full of tug-o-war people. The other morning I got a bicycle puncture near where tug-of-war man Paddy Reid lives on the Dublin Road. As soon as I stopped, who pulled up but tug-o-war man Mark McEvoy. He put my bicycle in the boot and landed me at work on time. "Shur where would you get the likes of it."

#### **Theories**

There are many theories as to why the rope broke on June 12th, but it is now reckoned that the Women's teams cracked it prior to the men's competition. Perhaps long fingernails were involved but don't they deserve as much credit as anyone else for their sheer strength and determination to win.

In the meantime we are on the look-out for tournaments in the surrounding counties where we will fly Maynooth's banner with honour and distinction.

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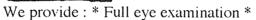
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| PRIZE   | TICKET | CATEGORYA                    | and the second second second second                    | 15.           |
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| NO.     | NO.    | PRIZE                        | WINNER'S NAME                                          | PROMOTER      |
| 1st.    | 1442   | Car Mitsubishi<br>Lancer     | Catherine Mulready Syndicate, Maynooth, Co.<br>Kildare | P. Arthurs    |
| 2nd.    | 1758   | 21"TV & VIDEO<br>& Camcorder | T. L. Bean, Wimbledon, London                          | T. Ashe       |
| 3rd.    | 702    | £1,000                       | M. Forde, Kilcock, Co. Meath.                          | P. Buckley    |
| 4th.    | 1048   | £700                         | P. J. Ennis, Clontarf, Dublin 3                        |               |
| 5th.    | 857    | £500                         | M. Newman, C/O Trulife Ltd., Tallaght                  | J. Kenny      |
| 6th.    | 1254   | £400                         | M. Power, Celbridge, Co. Kildare                       | T. Bennett    |
| 7th.    | 1613   | £400                         | NRB 3, C/O Carol Kirwan (Syndicate)                    | P. Halley     |
| 8th.    | 1422   | £400                         | B. Tracey, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                       | W. Coughlan   |
| 9th.    | 927    | £400                         | B. Mc Crory, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                     | M. Dunworth   |
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| 18th.   | 16     | £200                         | S. Moore, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                        | M. Moore      |
| 19th.   | 1602   | £200                         | J. Dooley, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                       | M. Farrell    |
| 20th.   | 238    | £200                         | D. O'Brien, Kilcock, Co. Kildare                       | P. O'Brien    |
| 21st.   | 494    | £200                         | J. Healy, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                        | J. Healy      |

# LIST OF TICKET NO.'S DRAWN IN CATEGORY B 30/6/94 MAYNOOTH POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL MEMBERS DRAW

| PRIZE NO. | TICKET<br>NO. | CATEGORY B<br>PRIZE | WINNER'S NAME                                    | PROMOTER           |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1st.      | 509           | £3,000              | T. Cummins, Johinstown, Maynooth, Co.<br>Kildare | D. Healy           |
| 2nd.      | 1089          | £1,000              | P. & S. Burke, Maynooth, Co. Kildare             | C. Burke           |
| 3rd.      | 1751          | 21"TV & VIDEO       | C. & G. O'Cearuil, Moyglare Village.             | M. Gaffney         |
| 4th.      | 1641          | £600                | T. Mulcahy, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                | J.Kelly/G. Kennedy |
| 5th.      | 1694          | £500                | M. Redmond, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                | J.Kelly/G. Kennedy |
| 6th.      | 618           | £500                | C. Costin, Kilcock, Co. Kildare                  | JJ Costin          |
| 7th.      | 1685          | £400                | B. Reilly, Co. Cavan                             | F. Crowe           |
| 8th.      | 1051          | £400                | A. Kelly, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                  | T. Ashe            |
| 9th.      | 1116          | £300                | A. Boyd, Maynooth, Co. Kildare                   | P. Boyd            |
| 10th.     | 1976          | £300                | Mr. S. Ashe                                      | S. Ashe            |
| 11th.     | 563           | £300                | B. Gallagher, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.             | T. Ashe            |
| 12th.     | 1793          | £300                | E. Meagher, Leixlip, Co. Dublin                  | Mrs. O'Reilly      |
| 13th.     | 698           | £200                | L. Duke, Dunboyne, Co. Meath.                    | L. Duke            |
| 14th.     | 1234          | £200                | Matty Callaghan Syndicate, Maynooth.             | M. Callaghan       |
| 15th.     | 713           | £200                | S. Tracey, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.                | J. Collins         |
| 16th.     | 318           | £200                | J. Moriarty, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.             | M. Moriarty        |
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| 20th.     | 1442          | £200                | The Catherine Mullready Syndicate                | Mr. & Mrs. Arthers |
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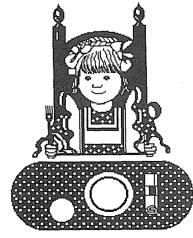
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# McMAHON WINS NEW YORK BOXING CONTEST

New York based Professional Boxer Jimmy McMahon from Mulhussey has moved himself a step nearer to getting a shot at the World Welterweight Title, after winning a unanimous eight round decision in Meadowlands New York late on June 28th. His fight took place on the same night that the Republic of Ireland team put themselves into the knock-out stages of the World Cup with a 0 - 0 draw with Norway in Meadowlands.

The 24 year old McMahon comprehensively put away the challenge of top-rated Welterweight Derek McCrea, with skilled defensive boxing. McCrea, who had clocked up ten wins, including seven knock-outs and only two losses, failed to match the power and accuracy of the determined Maynooth man, who recorded his fourteenth successive win.

Jimmy fought a very technical defensive fight and inflicted a lot of pain on his opponent. Afterwards McCrea received 25 stitches over both his eyes. Jimmy's performance drew very favourable comment from important figures in the boxing world who were present.

This win, which marks Jimmy's return to the ring after a nine month lay off, gave all the Maynooth/Kilcloone fans, both at home and in New York, a double reason to celebrate. Indeed, there was a large Irish attendance cheering Jimmy on to victory. However, Jimmy returned to his flat early from the post fight celebration party because his coach, Joe Balfe was feeling ill. Despite this, Jimmy was on a high note when contacted at his New York base early on Wednesday morning. He said "It's good to be back in the ring and record a win against such a good opponent. Every fight brings me closer to a shot at the welterweight title and this is something I'm pleased about".

All the fans here send Jimmy their best wishes and are looking forward to meeting him on his return home. He is now elevated amongst the top European welterweights and expects to be fighting again in the next few weeks.

Willie Healy



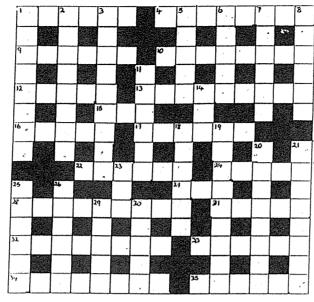
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# Crossword No. 81



#### ACROSS:

- 1. Lose points for these faults. (6)
- 4. To the eye, it is appealing. (8)
- 9. It's not that group's problem, it's ours. (2,2,2)
- 10. I sat on gate while the dog annoys me so much. (8)
- 12. Dim it to turn into somebody shy. (5)
- 13. To be in sympathy with. (5,4)
- 15. Be in this and your money isn't your own. (3)
- 16. Sodium Nitrate. (5)
- 17. Nut on a street in France cheated on his wife. (6)
- 22. Dances go up the charts. (6)
- 24. Made right turn while asleep into the land of fairies. (5)
- 27. Anger at our country being shortened. (3)
- 28. Short operation at the beginning turned 10th or 8th for the monarch. (9)
- 31. Lift your glass to a sire. (5)
- 32. Mint line of ointment. (8)
- 33. Gent after Christ was a left over bit (3,3)
- 34. He really is a pain. (4,4)
- 35. Two cut down Edwards at either end of it. (6)

### DOWN:

- 1. Tom just didn't believe! (8)
- 2. You learn I drink tea in the middle of the day, mate, that's final! (8)
- 3. Sounds like a grass skirt could be a job to get stains out of for her. (9)
- 5. Not heavy mate! (5)
- 6. Could the end of the tractor be on stage? (5)
- 7. I meant to be camping. (6)
- 8. If 19 down was the case this could happen. (2,4)
- 11. In the E.E.C. the dud could be concluded by reasoning. (6)
- 14. Her royalness made a mistake. (3)
- 18. That is dirt! ... but it's not as dirty (6)
- 19. Not fair play at the end of the week for the work I did. (9)
- 20. Red Anger I see over tea at the conductor's baton going again. (8)
- 21. Demand me for the abridged version. (8)
- 23. Being in charge of tea, the baby was put in his rightful place. (3)
- 25. It's lucky there was only one of these eaten at the beginning or we all could be damned. (6)

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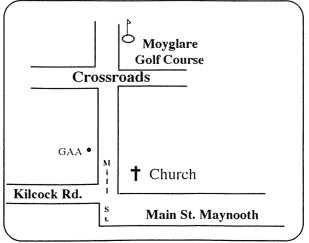
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# Crossword No. 81

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### Solution to Crossword No. 80

Across: 1, Shape; 4, Sorting; 8, Nullity; 9, Senor; 10, Orbit; 11, Essence; 13, Ease; 15, Yields; 17, Erases; 20, Puma; 22, Compost; 24, Barge; 26, Morse; 27, Elixirs; 28, The Fees; 29, Stein.

**Down:** 1, Sensory; 2, Ad lib; 3, Emitted; 4, Styles; 5, Rises; 6, Innings; 7, Gorge; 12, Seem; 14, Asps; 16, Elm Tree; 18, Rabbits; 19, Stetson; 21, Utters; 22, Comet; 23, Obese; 25, Raise.

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# Sports News

### COMMUNITY GAMES

This is a brief update on the games. As you can see from the photo Elaine Fleming was this year's winner of the Overall trophy. She participated and won at numerous disciplines, including art, swimming and athletics.

The Overall Family Trophy was won by the Ennis family, Muire, Ciana, Pierre and Karl. We would like to congratulate these children who did so well.

The following are our winners at County level:

#### Athletic

Mary O'Sullivan 1st 100 m, Muire Ennis 4th 200m, Lynn Brennan 4th 600m, Patrick King 6th 100m, David Campbell 4th Long jump, John O'Shea 3rd High jump, Martin McLoughlin 2nd Shot, Seamus Cummins 3rd Shot, Bríd Ann O'Shea 3rd Shot.

Boys' U/17 Relay, 3rd — John O'Shea, Mark Buckley, Allan Nugent, Declan O'Rourke, Sub: Eoin Nevin.

Mary O'Sullivan won a gold medal in the 100m at County level, so she is Maynooth's sole representative at Mosney. We would like to wish her all the best and hope she enjoys herself. A special word of thanks to the Managers, Marie and Mick Gleeson.

### Volleyball

The Volleyball team won a silver medal at County level. The following are the team: Michelle Gillick, Bríd-Ann O'Shea, Claire McCarrick, Eileen Bradley, Margaret Callaghan, Caroline Farrell, Deirdre Cassidy, Emma Kilduff, Theresa Flood. The Volleyball team manager was Bernie O'Shea with help from Matthew Doran and Miriam Gormally.

### **Pitch and Putt Teams**

Winners of silver medals at County level. Boys: Trevor Cassidy, Colm Cahill, Sean Flaherty, Donal Lennon, John O'Shea. Manager: Alan Cahill. Girls: Brid Anne O'Shea, Therese Flood, Anne Gannon, Roísín Farrelly, Margaret Callaghan. Manager: Matt Callaghan. Thanks to all our managers.

### **Gymnastics**

Girls U.10

Emma Higgins received a silver medal at County level. Well done Emma.

### MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

Following a well-supported competition for Community Week the final provided all the excitement of the final day of the American Open. Having played 18 holes, the two finalists had to play an extra hole to decide the winner. This very close contest played between Jonathan Flynn and Trevor Cassidy was a fitting conclusion to the competition and the skill and nerve of both was of the highest standard. Trevor emerged the eventual winner with Jonathan a gracious runner-up; it was



Maynooth Community Council
Sprint Winners

L - R: Alan Nugent, Mark Buckley & Declan O'Rourke







Maynooth children who took part at County level in athletics in Community Games.

In the centre - Mary O'Sullivan the only Maynooth representative for Mosney in September

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one of those games where having to have a winner is unfortunate. Well done to both players and all those who took part in the competition.

We would also like to thank Senan Griffin for doing the presentation to the finalists and also the special presentation to John Bowe for returning the best card from the first round of the competition. Well done to Mattie Callaghan and Michael Quinn for organising this very successful contribution to Festival Week.

Our own Matchplay game provided another close final. Again two players of high standard met to do battle. Donal Keane emerged as the winner with Colm Cahill as runner-up. Great credit is due to any player who can meet and play well against Donal as he is a well respected player in competition, and Colm met the task without being awed by this reputation and went on to acquit himself in the game.

Congratulations to the boys' and girls' teams who did so well in the Community Games County finals in Athy. Both teams came second in the county. A great achievement, and some very good individual performances on a course never played by the players prior to the event.

Boys' Team: Trevor Cassidy, Sean O'Flaherty, Donal Lennon, Colm Cahill, John O'Shea.

Girls' Team: Roisin Farrelly, Brid Ann O'Shea, Ann Gannon, Margaret Callaghan, Therese Flood.

Tony Bean

### G.A.A. NOTES

Lotto Result - 19/6/94 Jackpot £600. Numbers - 8-13-20 No winner:- 5 x £10. Brendan Farrell, Des Byrne, Pat Commerford, Kathleen Nevin, George Long.

**Lotto Result - 26/6/94** Jackpot £660. Numbers - 6-11-13 No winner: - 5 x £10. Frances Kearns, David Murray, Ken Killoran, Josie Murphy, Aidan Killoran.

**Lotto Result - 3/7/94** Jackpot £710. Numbers - 2-24-26 No winner: - 5 x £10. Joe O'Rourke, Tony Dunning, J. Donnelly, Pat Farrell, James Gallagan.

**Lotto Result - 10/7/94** Jackpot £760. Numbers - 1-19-20 No winner: 5 x £10. Mary McInerney, Pat Farrell, T. O'Bradley, Sheila Keogh, Ger Smith.

Maynooth G.A.A. Golf Society next outing is to Highfield Golf Club on Saturday 17th September. Teeing off times -11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon.

Congratulations to Maynooth G.A.A. Golf Team on winning Sallins G.A.A. Golf Classic in Naas Golf Club on Friday 8th July: Team. Tommy Fay (Capt.) Eddie Dunne, Dave Roberts, Eamon Ledwith.

Congratulations to Eddie Dunne on winning the President's prize in Edenderry Golf Club.

Junior Football League: Maynooth 2.7 V Cappagh 1.8. Maynooth had a good win over Cappagh in J.F.L Match in Cappagh. This was Maynooth's seventh win in this league. Best for Maynooth: H. Purcell, P. Burke, G. Horn, R. Murphy, D. Cusker, E. Lvons.

Junior Football League: Maynooth 0.8 V Leixlip 1.8 Maynooth lost their unbeaten record to Leixlip in this J.F.L.

match played in Maynooth. Both sides were well matched and by half time sides were level at 5 pts. each.

The second half started badly for Maynooth with Leixlip scoring 1 goal 2pts without reply. Try as they might Maynooth could not get back into the game and Leixlip came out winners by 1 goal.

Best for Maynooth: D. Murray 4 pts., D. Fleming 2 pts., L. O'Toole 1 pt., M. Nugent 1 pt. also to play were G. Delaney, P. Kearney, T. Milliner, P. Burke, H. Purcell, M. Flaherty.

1. Quarter Final Championship (Replay) Maynooth V Ardclough at Sallins

Score: Maynooth 1.11 Ardclough 1.7

#### Team:

- 1. Eamon Sheer 2. Mick Noone 3. Mick Nevin (Capt) 4. Joe Conway
- 5. Mick Kelly 6. Paul Stynes 7. David Mahony 8. Killian
- 9. Eamon Dunne 10. Johnny Nevin 11. Joey Riordan 12. Pascal Ennis 13. Paul Garvey 14. Seanie Molloy 15. Joey Edwards.

Subs: Joey Nevin for Molloy; Ken Killoran for Dunne; Enda Lyons, Derek Murray, Derek Fleming, Peter Burke, Dave Faherty, Noel Reilly, Mark Nugent, Mick Faherty and James

Scorers: Garvey 6 pts; Edwards 1.1; Johnny Nevin 2 pts; Joey Nevin and Joey Riordan 1 pt each.

Best: M. Nevin, Conway, Mahony, Fagan, Johnny Nevin (man of the match), Edwards and Garvey.

Three points down with four minutes left on the clock, it looked like the end of Maynooth's Championship ambitions for another season. Then a sweeping move started by Conway was carried on by a number of players before Joey Edward's crashed an unstoppable shot to the Ardclough net to give the "Crom Abú's" a reprieve. Joey Nevin and Paul Garvey went on to hammer further nails in the Ardclough coffin and allow Maynooth to finish a flattering 4 points in front at the end of a very tense affair. Until their final flourish Maynooth had struggled to put their game together and it was really only with the introduction of injury victims Killoran and Joey Nevin that they started to play with any conviction. However, "a win's a win" and Maynooth now march on to their first semi-final appearance in years.

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The opposition will be provided by Kilcullen to whom Maynooth lost in the 1st round in 1991. Another very tough contest is in prospect, to see who can emerge to tackle either Rheban or Two Mile House in the final.

### (2) League v Milltown (away)

### Maynooth 1.9 Milltown 4 pts.

**Scorers:** Riordan 4 pts; Mahony 1 goal; Garvey 3 pts; Molloy and Murray 1 pt each.

Best: David Faherty who made 2 super saves, one in each half, Mick Nevin, Mick Kelly, Paul Stynes, David Mahony (who crowned a fine individual performance with a peach of a goal, beating a succession of Milltown players before curling a beauty into the top right-hand corner of the net), Eamon Dunne, Joey Riordan and Joey Edwards.

A welcome 2 league points were picked up in this game which was won by an eight point margin. The gap between the teams would have been much wider however, but for very poor shooting by the Maynooth forwards. Virtually everyone contributed to the profligacy and the side could have been made to pay for it but for 2 point blank saves by Dave Faherty.

### (3) League v Castlemitchell (away)

Score: Castlemitchell 1.16 Maynooth 5 pts.

We struggled all through against a very committed senior side who are preparing feverishly for a championship joust with Johnstownbridge. A litany of missed chances by Maynooth probably gave a somewhat false look to the scoreboard at the finish but it has to be said that, on the night, virtually every player struggled to come to terms with his opposite number. The only redeeming features were the tenacious displays of Conway, Fagan, Molloy, Faherty and Ennis (when moved to no. 3). All in all a performance best forgotten.

### (4) Challenge v Kilcloon (home)

Score: Maynooth 2.17 Kilcloon 7 pts.

**Scorers:** Paul Garvey 5 pts; Joey Riordan 1.2; Joey Nevin 1.1; Johnny Nevin, Seanie Molloy, Pascal Ennis 2 pts each; Joey Edwards, Killian Fagan and David Mahony 1 pt each.

**Best:** M. Noone, M. Nevin, J. Conway, P. Stynes (2nd half), D. Mahony, K. Killoran, P. Ennis (1st half) and J. Edwards.

This game proved to be the ideal tonic after the debacle against Castlemitchell with the bulk of the team out to prove a point. The side ran up a big scoreline with some excellent individual efforts. Kilcloon were short a number of players however and it would be foolish to read too much into the result. Nevertheless, it gave the team a chance to get the previous game out of their system and hopefully to "get their heads together" for the stiffer challenges ahead.

### MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY NOTES

The Shay Moore Memorial Cup was played for in Athlone on Saturday, 2nd July. Despite the damp conditions, which made the course even more difficult, the eventual winner with a fine score was Sam Feeney. The next outing is Captain's Day to Castlecomer on August 13th.

The Cup results were as follows:

Overall: S. Feeney (12), 36 pts.

Class 1: 1, D. Nyland (15), 28 pts.; 2, J. Moore (15), 26 pts.; 2, T. Moore (14), 26 pts. (B. 9).

Class 2: 1, B. Carthy (18), 35 pts.; 2, L. Farrelly (16), 31 pts.; 3, J. Doyle (16), 30 pts.

Class 3: 1, N. Brady (30), 35 pts.; 2, S. Tracey (23), 32 pts.; 3, J. Murray (21), 31 pts.

Front Nine: T. Flatley (23), 18 pts.

Second Nine: M. Hall (17), 14 pts.

Visitor: 1st, P. Folan (21), 28 pts.

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**Subs:** Joey Nevin for Molloy; Ken Killoran for Dunne; Enda Lyons, Derek Murray, Derek Fleming, Peter Burke, Dave Faherty, Noel Reilly, Mark Nugent, Mick Faherty and James Gilligan.

Scorers: Garvey 6 pts; Edwards 1.1; Johnny Nevin 2 pts; Joey Nevin and Joey Riordan 1 pt each.

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Boys U.8

Ball Throw - 3rd D. Baxter 60m. - 2nd D. Baxter 80m. - 2nd D. Connellan.

Boys U.9

4 x 50m Relay 2nd (M. Cummins, G. Connellan, D. Baxter, F. Molloy)

Boys U/10

60m. -1st P. Campbell

600m. - 2nd P. Campbell 4th E. Diggins

Ball Throw - 2nd P. Campbell

Girls U/11

60m. - 2nd P. Byrne 80m. - 2nd P. Byrne Long jump - 3rd P. Byrne

Boys U/11

Ball Throw - 2nd A. Baxter 600m. - 2nd A. Baxter 80m. - 3rd M. Sweeney Long jump - 2nd M. Sweeney

4 x 50 Relay - 3rd (M. Sweeney, E. Diggins, A. Baxter, D. Connellan).

Girls U/12

100m. - 3rd L. Brennan

Boys U/12

100m. - 1st D. Campbell Shot 2nd. - D. Campbell 600m. - 1st D. Campbell

300m. - 1st D. Campbell / 2nd P. King

Long jump. - 1st D. Campbell 3rd P. Campbell 3rd P. King

Girls U/13

100m. - 1st M. O'Sullivan 600m. - 1st M. O'Sullivan 300m - 1st. M. O'Sullivan

Boys U/13

100m. - 3rd C. Diggins

Walk - 1st. K. Ennis / 2nd C. Diggins

Shot. - 3rd C. Diggins 600m. - 2nd C. Diggins 300m. - 2nd C. Diggins

4 x 100 Relay - 1st (C. Diggins, K. Ennis, P. Campbell, P. King).

Girls U/14

100m. - 1st S. Commane 300m. - 1st S. Commane Boys U/14

100m. - 2nd D. O'Rourke 300m. - 2nd D. O'Rourke

Girls U/15

Walk - 3rd M. Gillick

Boys U/15

Discus - 3rd J. O'Shea Jav. - 2nd R. Gavin

Junior Men 'A'

100m. - 2nd C. Byrne / 3rd J. Mechels 800m. - 2nd C. Byrne / 3rd J. Mechels

Junior Men 'B'

100m. - 3rd M. Cunningham 400m. - 1st. M. Cunningham 1500m. - 2nd M. Cunningham

Senior Men

400m. - 3rd C. Byrne 5000m. - 2nd J. Campbell Shot - 2nd J. Mechels 1500m. - 1st J. Campbell / 2nd C. Byrne / 3rd J. Mechels 800m. - 1st J. Campbell / 3rd A. sinnott 4 x 100m Relay - 3rd (C. Byrne, M. Cunningham, A. Sinnott,

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Veteran Men

100m. 0. 45 - 3rd D. Jolley 4 x 100m. Relay - 1st (J. O'Rourke, D. Jolley, M. Gleeson, J.

Results from Leinster Championship in Belfield:

Girls' U-11 60m. (7): P. Byrne. Girls' U-11 80m. (7): P. Byrne. Girls' U-13 100m. (5): M. O'Sullivan. Girls' U-13 300m. (4): M. O'Sullivan. Girls' U-14 100m. (2): S. Commane. Girls' U-14 300m. (2): S. Commane.

Boys' U-10 High Jump: (1) P. Campbell; (8) E. Diggins. Long Jump: (3) P. Ennis; (8) P. Campbell. 60m.: (6) P. Campbell. 80m.: (8) P. Ennis. Relay: (7) P. Campbell, P. Ennis, E. Diggins, D. Baxter. Boys' U-11 Long Jump: (7) M. Sweeney. High Jump: (3) M. Sweeney. 60m.: (2) P. O'Rourke. 60m. Hurdles: (6) M. Sweeney; (7) P. O'Rourke. Relay: (5) P. O'Rourke, M. Sweeney, P. Campbell, E. Diggins.

Boys' U-12 High Jump: (2) D. Campbell. Long Jump: (1) D. Campbell. 300m.: (2) D. Campbell, (3) P. King. 100m.: (2) P. King. 600m.: (2) D. Campbell. 80m. Hurdles: (2) D. Campbell. 200m. Hurdles: (2) D. Campbell. Relay: (3) D. Campbell, P. King, P. O'Rourke, M. Sweeney. continued

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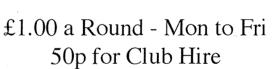
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Boys' U-13 300m.: (6) C. Diggins. 600m. (4) C. Diggins. 200m. Hurdles: (4) C. Diggins; (7) K. Ennis. High Jump: (4) C. Diggins; (6) K. Ennis. Boys' U-13 Walk: (1) K. Ennis.

**Boys' U-14 100m. Hurdles:** (1) D. O'Rourke. **300m.:** (3) D. O'Rourke. **300m. Hurdles:** (3) D. O'Rourke.

### **COUNTY COMMUNITY GAMES AT NEWBRIDGE:**

Congratulations to Mary O'Sullivan, who won a gold medal in U-14 100 metres.

#### Results, Girls:

U-14 100m: (1) M. O'Sullivan. U-12 600m: (4) L. Brennan. U-10 200m: (4) M. Ennis. U-16 Shot: (3) Bríd Ann O'Shea.

#### Boys:

U-14 Shot: (2) M. McLoughlin; (3) S. Cummins. High Jump: (3) J. O'Shea. Long Jump: (4) D. Campbell. 100m.: (5) P. King. U-17 100m.: (4) M. Buckley. U-17 Relay: (3) D. O'Rourke, A. Nugent, J. O'Shea, M. Buckley, E. Nevin.

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### LABOUR PARTY NOTES

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From now on there will be one collection daily at 3.00 p.m.

We are pleased that this matter has been resolved to the satisfaction of the residents of Lyreen District.

### Trees/Shrubs For Pound Park

Following representations by Minister of State Emmet Stagg, Kildare County Council have agreed to supply shrubs/trees to Lyreen Residents Association for planting in Pound Park.

The shrubs/trees will be available to the Residents Association in the dormant season - (November - December).

#### **Council Houses**

Branch members are pleased to note that work is progressing well on the 6 houses at Greenfields, Maynooth.

The houses are due to be finished by the beginning of December and Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley will keep pressurising to ensure that this deadline is met so applicants will be rehoused for Christmas.

### **Public Lighting - Pound Park**

Minister of State Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare Co. Council to investigate the possibility of providing public lighting in Pound Park.

We will keep you advised of progress in this matter.

### V.E.C. Youth And Sport Grants

Applications for the Co. Kildare V.E.C. Youth & Sport Grants must be submitted by Friday September 9th.

Any club requiring application forms should contact Cllr. McGinley or Minister Stagg.

### Labour Advice Service

Minister of State Emmet Stagg's Advice Service will not be in operation in August and will resume on Saturday, September 3rd, at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields.

Anybody requiring assistance should phone either of the following numbers - Constituency Office 6272149 - Department Office 6774128.

Cllr. John McGinley's Advice Service will be in operation during the month of August - every Thursday at 8.00 p.m. in Caulfields.

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# Political Party Notes

### MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN

The Maynooth Fianna Fáil Cumann A.G.M. was held on Thursday 30th June in Gerry Brady's office, Main St., Maynooth.

The outgoing officer board was returned save one exception, and the list of principal officers is now as follows:

Chairman: Séan O Síothcháin Secretary & P.R.O.. Ruairí Newman Treasurer: Conor McManus.

The election of officers was followed by a review of the year since the last A.G.M. The overall perception of the year was that it was a good year for the cumann. Reference was made to the meeting held earlier this year by the Public Relations sub-committee with representatives of local residents associations. It was decided that this initiative should be followed up after the summer break.

#### Local Elections

A cause for celebration within Fianna Fáil in the North Kildare area is the apparent jump in Fianna Fáil's support in Leixlip, with Fianna Fáil taking three seats on the town commission as opposed to the single seat won at the previous elections. It should also be remarked that the one Fianna Fáil candidate who did not get elected missed out by a narrow margin of only five votes..

The run-up to the election went very smoothly in spite of the apparent running, by one candidate, of what appeared to be a very personalised campaign, showing little regard for his party colleagues, and fellow candidates. It has been reported that the candidate in question had as many as two thousand campaign T-shirts printed.

### **European Elections**

The cumann would like to congratulate the two Fianna Fáil candidates in Leinster on their outstanding performance in topping the polls.

### **Post-Office**

The new post-office, in Donovans Supermarket on the Main Street, was opened officially on the 13th July, by the Minister for Tourism and Trade, Mr. Charlie McCreevy. The cumann would like to wish the proprietors of Donovans good luck in this new venture.

Finally, as we are always looking for new members, we would be delighted to hear from anybody who may be interested in joining.

I can be contacted most evenings after 5.30 p.m. at this 'phone number: 6289189.

Ruairí Newman P.R.O.

# Birthdays

Happy belated birthday to Elizabeth. Love, Mag.

Happy belated wishes to Elizabeth. Love from Mam.

Happy belated birthday, Elizabeth. Love, Anne and Norman.

Happy belated birthday wishes. Love, your Cool Nephew (Andrew).

Happy 21st birthday to Sinéad O'Melia. Best wishes from all in 826 Greenfield.

Happy Birthday to Aoife McTernan, Moyglare Village, who celebrated her 12th birthday on July 1st. Also her cousins, Deirdre McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip, who celebrated her 19th birthday on July 3rd and Ciara McTernan, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne, who celebrated her 11th birthday on July 10th. Best wishes from Grandad and Grannie.

Happy Birthday to Mary Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrates her birthday on August 14th, from her husband Tony and family, also Liam, Margaret and Thomas Bean.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Helen and Kevin Kilduff on the birth of their baby daughter Aisling, a sister for Ciarán. Love from the Kilduff family of O'Neill Park.

Congratulations to Rowena Howard-Williams on her recent engagement to Mark Meaden, Bristol.

Congratulations to Catherine Howard-Williams on achieving her B.A. Hons. Degree in Geography and Anthropology.

Congratulations to Michael and Maureen Mooney, 27 Maynooth Park, who celebrate their Silver Wedding anniversary on 30th August. Hope you enjoy the next 25 years, love from Michael and Annalisa.

Congratulations to Sister Rosemary Murphy of the Order of the Holy Family who will be celebrating her Silver Jubilee on August 2nd. Love and best wishes from her Mam and Dad and Family.

Congratulations to Patrick Kelleher on achieving an Honours B.Sc. Degree in Construction Management. From Mam, Dad, Ann, Siobhán and John.

Good Luck to Anna Marie McDermott who is going to Romania in August to work for 4 months in an oprhanage. Love and best wishes from Mam, Dad, Darren and Tanya.

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Yvonne McCourt and family would like to thank everyone who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, all those who attended the funeral, sent floral tributes, Mass cards and letters. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Mary Simon wishes to thank her neighbours, family and friends for their sponsorship for the Irish Cancer Society for the Mini-Marathon, and the amount raised was £201.75.

On behalf of John and herself, Betty Farrell, Moyglare Road, would like to thank most sincerely all those who sent good wishes, cards, Mass bouquets and flowers on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 21st June. The kind thoughts were greatly appreciated.

### **SYMPATHIES**

Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of the late Mary Tobin (nee Balfe), late of Main Street, Maynooth.

Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of the late Marie Elizabeth Dowling, formerly of Holywell Crescent, Donaghmede and late of Rail Park, Maynooth.

Sincere sympathy to the husband, family, relatives and friends of the late Breda Connolly (nee Bennett) late of Dowdstown, Maynooth.

Sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of the late Christina (Ciss) Waldron, late of O'Neill Park, Maynooth.

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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

# **Editorial**

### NO FACILITIES FOR THE YOUTH

Maynooth like many Irish towns today has a growing young population. As the by-pass is nearing completion more estates are being built and Maynooth is becoming a more sought after place to live in.

This is all very well but though our town is growing, the facilities for young people are not. Children have to learn to use their spare time productively so that when they grow into young adults they will not hang around street corners, not knowing how to use their time and risk getting dragged into a life of drugs and crime.

While Maynooth has many clubs for sporty young people, not every child is inclined to these activities. Provision should be made for children across the board so that there is something of interest for everyone to partake in. Swimming for instance can be competitive for some and merely fun for others. A swimming pool is a major need for the people of Maynooth. There is a swimming club, but this involves organising buses and booking a pool some distance away. Great credit is due to the people who have organised this club and all the other sports clubs in Maynooth but isn't it a shame that money was collected in the '60s for the purpose of building this pool and that money is still lying in the bank thirty odd years later?

The lack of facilities for young people starts at a very early age. A major lacking in Maynooth at present is a parent and toddler group. There is nowhere for young parents to meet with their young children to have a cuppa and a chat while their offspring play with one another in a secure atmosphere. The problem arising from organising this facility is the search for a suitable premises without the astronomical expense of insurance.

Premises or the lack of them are the main problem facing the setting up of any group for our youth. Insurance is a big factor in the expense layout. We could do with a youth club for the 11-14 age group but where? We have no musical or drama group for the talented young people in our community. Again we ask, where? Wouldn't it make sense to go in search of the funds for the original swimming pool and if a pool is out of reach, why not set up some sort of Community Centre in an existing building using the funds for insurance and equipment? Alternatively a new collection could be done to add funds to those already collected and lo and behold we could have our long-awaited swimming pool. Our children of today are the adults of tomorrow, it is we who mould their lives.

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# Letters to Editor

## Dear Editor,

I wish to refer to your recent editorial regarding a separate local authority for Maynooth and the reference to the review of local government. The question of the appropriate form of local authority structures at the sub county level had been on the agenda of successive Governments for many years. Indeed there were proposals at different times for the abolition of our existing town authorities - town elections had not been held since 1985. This Government settled the matter definitively by the enactment of the Local Government Act, 1994, last April. Town local authorities are to remain and the democratic mandate was renewed by town elections held on the 9th of June following a revision of outdated town boundaries. The system is to be modernised and archaic 19th century procedures replaced by a modern framework which will allow for the establishment of local authorities for towns like Maynooth which currently have none.

The complex question of the classification, financing, functions, organization etc. of town local authorities and the relationship with the County Council will be dealt with. To ensure that the necessary reform is pressed forward the 1994 Act provides for a statutory Commission to bring forward reorganisation proposals within 12 months and for their implementation. Following a long period of uncertainty action has now been taken to improve and modernise the present system and which will allow for the needs of the towns such as Maynooth to be met. You can rest assured that every effort will be made to see the process to completion. Yours sincerely,

Emmet M. Stagg, TD, Minister of State.

### Dear Editor,

I would like to know if mothers with toddlers in the Maynooth area would be interested in forming a "Mums and Tots" group. This would be a great opportunity to socialise and would be of special interest to the ever increasing influx of new mums to the area.

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#### **Community Council Notes**

#### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT NOTES

August is a wicked month and even the endeavours of the Planning & Development Committee have slowed in the intense heat of the tropical Irish summer. At least we have some good news as it appears that the college is going to respond positively to the Community Council's request for a joint development of the town to coincide with the Bi-Centenary. It is to be hoped that these matters are resolved swiftly for time is running out.

The news of the proposed investment of one million pounds in the renovation of the castle is welcome and represents a tribute to the perseverance and vision of the castle. The Planning & Development Committee, the Castle Committee and the architects involved are anxious to hear the views of all the community, not just sectional interest groups, as to what form this development should take. To that end the architects are anxious that as many people as possible contact them prior to the finalisation of their development plan and welcome all submissions. The architects' names are Blacam & Meagher. They can be contacted at 29 Raglan Road, Dublin 4. Phone 6681555.

The next meeting of the Planning & Development will take place in the Community Council Offices on 22nd September, 1994 at 8 p.m. All welcome.

The generous chairperson has promised to buy a pint for all new members. We hope he feels the same happiness at this prospect as all the other members do and please - as many new members as possible **DO** come.

#### C.I.C. NOTES

## Married Women For Equality Are you one of the tens of thousands of women who may lose money if you don't take action?

About 75,000 women may be entitled to SW arrears if they were married, living with their spouses, and claiming a SW payment in their own right between Dec. 84 - July '92. The arrears are owed for the periods: (1) From Dec. 84/Nov '86. You may have received cheques from SW (in Oct. '92, May & June '93), but they probably only included the arrears owed for the failure to bring married women's payments into line with men's, but not for the adult and (where applicable) child dependent payments married women were denied. (2) From Nov '86/July '92 for the alleviation payments denied to women who were claiming a SW payment (benefit or invalidity pension), during November '86 and continued their claim unbroken after that date.

#### What should I do if I think I may be owed arrears?

Claim and Campaign with Married Women for Equality. MWE was formed (in Cork) as a response to the Government's policy of refusing women proper information about their entitlements. The Government is now saying it will only settle with women who initiated a claim and legal proceedings before July 1992.

but will contest cases initiated after that date. This is outrageous. It means that women who took SW at its word when it said that all arrears would be paid, wouldn't get the alleviation arrears. Our campaign is growing and we won't stop until we have a successful resolution. We are organizing in Dublin to get the word out. For information about meetings, how to set up a local group, making a claim: (SAE) to MWE, 225 Cooley Rd., Dublin 12. About the MWE campaign Ph: 455-4846. For "MWE News" on developments/campaign enclose SAE and a donation (min. £1) to cover costs (p.o. or stamp form).

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#### **BAND BULLETIN**

#### **Summer Review**

September marks the end of our Summer Programme of outdoor recitals during which we visited such places as The Curragh Races, Sandymount Green, Fairview Park, Bushy Park Rathfarnham, Albert College Glasnevin and Clane Festival. Nearer home we played for Maynooth Community Festival as well as a very enjoyable Sunday afternoon in the magnificent gardens of Moyglare Stud in aid of Maynooth/Kildare Town Church of Ireland.

#### **Charity Visit**

One of our more important recitals last month was our annual visit to Peamount Hospital where we entertained the long term retarded patients. This is one event which consistently gives us a great deal of pleasure and is just as enjoyable for the band members as it is for the audience. There's a great buzz from the patients, some even give there own little recital, happy birthdays are sung, feet stamp and hands clap in time to the music and you have never seen so many smiling faces in one place at one time. The boys and girls in the band leave on such a high that it takes days to get them back to Earth. We hope to visit Peamount again before the year is out.

#### Flag Week-End

We have three important events lined up for this month, the first being our Annual Flag Week-End on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th. You are highly likely to encounter Bucket-Brandishing Band Members anywhere that week-end, on the street, at the church gate or in one of the licensed Premises, so please try to be as generous as your pocket permits. Our large three year debt has been reduced considerably thanks to your help over this difficult period.

#### **Moyglare Stud Meeting**

On Sunday 11th September we pay a further visit to the Curragh where we support Moyglare Stud for their big event of the year. Mr. Walter Haefner and his stud Manager Stan Cosgrave have been wonderful friends of the Band for many years and we are happy once again to have the opportunity to repay their generosity.

#### **Garda Band Concert**

Our Finale for this month is The Garda Band Concert in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth College on Friday 30th at 8.00pm. Once again we will have the honour of appearing on the same bill as these "Musical Maestros" and the proceeds of the evening will be shared between ourselves and the Church of Ireland in Maynooth who are immersed in fundraising to restore the Church Tower. The Tower is a very historical part of the church which sometimes goes unnoticed. It is very appropriate that the concert is being held in the College as the Tower itself forms part of it's boundary just inside the College Gates. Tickets, which are £4 for adults and £2 for Senior Citizens and children, are available from any member of the Band or Church of Ireland or from Donovan's Post Office on the Main Street. We hope you will support the concert which should be a very entertaining evening for a very good cause. Looking forward to seeing you all here next month.

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Celbridge Friendship & Support Group for Separated People was set up in 1991, by Sr. Kate (Parish Social Worker) and a few women, who saw the great need for such a group in the area. We have grown in strength and numbers, and we now have a sizeable membership.

We are a self-help group offering friendship and support to separated people in the area. We meet every Thursday night from 8.15 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. in St. Eustace Centre, Main Street, Celbridge, Co. Kildare. Our meetings have a sharing, educational and social content, and confidentiality is assured.

We as a group realised from personal experience how difficult it is to access information, so two group members, Phil Talbot and Claire Monaghan took on the task of researching and compiling an Information Booklet. This very comprehensive booklet deals with all the legal aspects of separation such as barring, protection and maintenance orders, Civil Legal Aid, custody, access and guardianship. It also lists the allowances, grants and services available.

The booklet, which was launched in the Library in Celbridge on 28/7/94 is now available free of charge through local doctors, social workers, Gardai and Solicitors and Maynooth C.I.C.

#### I.C.A. NOTES

Ladies, I hope you all enjoyed your summer holidays, whether spent here in Ireland or in foreign parts. But now that the children are back at school and the nights are getting longer, it's time to get back to the I.C.A. Our first guild meeting after the summer break is on Thursday 1st September at 8.00p.m. in the ICA hall.

#### Crafts

Craft nights with Mary O'Gorman are back on Mondays as and from 5th September at 8.00 p.m. Mary plans to start this season with embroidery. Anyone interested in this should come along to our hall and bring with them the piece to be embroidered, thread, etc. Don't worry if you can't even thread a needle, Mary will be happy to teach you all you need to know. If you are not interested in doing embroidery just bring along whatever craft you are interested in doing.

#### **Badminton**

Marion Souhan, our Sports Officer, looks forward to seeing all our sporting ladies back in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, starting on Tuesday 6th September at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome.

#### Drama

There will be a competition for one act plays in Kilteel in November. Pattie Lavin is, therefore, hoping to see all the ladies, who are interested in drama, at the rehearsals planned for September. As well as actors we need prompters, make-up and wardrobe ladies, stage hands, etc. Contact Pattie for further details.

#### **Maynooth Annual Show**

Many thanks to all who helped in any way on the two days of the Show. See Show notes elsewhere in **Newsletter.** 

#### **New Members Welcome**

We are always looking for new members in Maynooth ICA and right now is the perfect time to join, as there are lots of activities planned for the winter months. Anyone interested in joining can come along to any of our guild meetings, which are held on the first Thursday of the month at 8.00 p.m. The meetings take place in our hall which is at The Harbour (just before the Health Centre). Our membership fee for this year is £18. If you would like more details on any aspect of the ICA you can contact me at 6286787.

Connie Harpur, P.R.O.

#### GARDENING COMPETITION

The Annual Show took place in the Post Primary School on the 16th of July. On the week prior to that our Judge Tony Adderly spent many hours going around judging all the gardens that had entered the competition. I am glad to say we had quite a lot of entries this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who entered and also many thanks to everyone who sponsored the classes. We had ten classes this year.

Best Overall Garden - Mrs Margaret Duffy, 1 Beaufield, Maynooth.

Best Novice Section - Mrs Joe O'Connell, 8 Woodlands, Maynooth.

Best Lawn - 1st Mrs Margaret Duffy, 1 Beaufield, Maynooth.

Best Rose Garden - Mrs Maureen Redmond, 2 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

Best Summer Bedding - Mr Tom McMyler, Taghadoe, Maynooth.

Best Container/Hanging Baskets - Aideen Fusciardi, Kilmacredock, Maynooth.

Best Water Garden - Mrs Pat Ryan, Windgate Lodge, Maynooth.

Best Vegetable Garden - Maurice Walshe, Kilgraigue, Maynooth.

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Mary Flynn



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#### **Maynooth Annual Show Results**

The 23rd Annual Show was held in the Maynooth Post Primary School on the 15th and the 16th of July. While the show in itself was a great success, entries in the Home Produce and Knitting Sections were sadly down but happily entries in the children's section were up, well done children.

The overall award of the Rev. Eoin Thynne Perpetual Cup went to Teresa Maloney. The other cup and trophy winners were as follows:-

Section 1 Flowers.I.C.A. Perpetual Cup. - Bernie Counihan. Section 2.Flower Arrangements. L. Lawlor Perpetual Cup. - Felicity Satchwell.

Section 3. Vegetables. Desmond Perpetual Cup. - Bernie Counihan.

Section 4. Fruit. M. Reilly Perpetual Cup. - Bernie Counihan. Section 5. Home Produce I.C.A Perpetual Cup-Teresa Maloney.

Section 6. Knitting.Margaret Gee Perpetual Memorial Cup - Teresa Maloney/Mary Oliver.

Section 7.Arts and Crafts.Weafer Perpetual Cup - Mary O'Gorman.

Best Exhibit in section 6 or 7 Community Council Perpetual Trophy. - Mary Halton.

Section 9. Children's Section, Maynooth Dev. Ass. Perpetual Trophy - Emma Fleming.

Section 10. Teenagers Section I.C.A. Perpetual Cup - Elaine Flemming.

Best Rose. Farringtons Perpetual Trophy - Sarah Angel.

Best Flower Arrangement in Classes 17, 18 and 19, Sports Locker Trophy - Moira Baxter.

Best Vegetable Exhibit - Kennedy Perpetual Cup.- Bernie Counihan.

Best Fruit Exhibit.- Laidlaw Perpetual Cup. - Bernie Counihan. Best Baking Exhibit.- Maisie McMyler Perpetual Memorial Cup - Jo O'Connell.

Best Sponge Cake - B. Brady Perpetual Memorial Cup - Mary Halton.

Best Teenage Baking Exhibit.I.C.A. Perpetual Cup. - Rachel Long.

Best Teenage Craft Exhibit. - M. Scanlon Trophy - Eric Flynn. Best Children's Baking Exhibit - McMyler Perpetual Cup - Alan Baxter.

Best Children's Art Exhibit - Coonan Perpetual Cup. - Amy Coyle.

Best Exhibit in Photography (Section 8) - B. Connolly Trophy. - Breda Cunningham.

Congratulations to all the above mentioned winners and congratulations to the people who were class winners. The full list of winners is too long to print here. Thank you to all the people who entered any of the classes this year. Without your interest there simply wouldn't be an Annual Show here in Maynooth.

#### Judges

The committee wishes to extend its thanks to all the judges who gave their services to the show. I'm sure you will agree that they all performed their duties in a most professional manner.

#### **Donations and Sponsorship**

Each year we seek financial assistance from the local community and every year we are delighted with the great response we receive. We appreciate that there are lots of demands on people's generosity so we are especially grateful for your continued support.

#### Raffle

The prizes for this year's raffle were all donated by local business people to whom we extend our thanks.

#### School

The committee wishes to extend its gratitude to Co. Kildare V.E.C. and to the principal Mr. T. Ashe for giving us the use of the Post Primary School for our show. Thanks also to Mr. Brian Farrell the school caretaker, Mr. Liam Mooney and all who helped with the hall. Finally, the committee of Maynooth Annual Show wishes to thank anyone who helped in any way to make this year's show a success.

Jo O'Connell Asst. Show Secretary.

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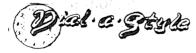
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#### LEO CLUB NOTES

The Kildare North Leo Club are delighted to say that we will be back in action in September and our first meeting of the season will be held on Wednesday the seventh of September in the conservatory in The Leinster Arms and new members will be welcome to come along. They should preferably be between 18 and 26 years of age, and living locally, as we are a service working for the North Kildare community.

A lot of people ask "What is the Leo Club?". So I will give you a brief description. As a Leo, you are joining a programme with over 115,000 members worldwide. Just like you, these Leos donate their time and talents to benefit their fellow man and community. Around the globe, Leos create community service projects that address issues of particular concern to youths. This includes providing food for the hungry as well as working with children and the elderly. Through these projects, the Leo motto "Leadership, Experience and Opportunity" become more than mere words. But to raise the money for these services to the community involves serious work but also a lot of fun and enjoyment while doing so.

We thankfully sent ten children to Mosney in June and it was enjoyed immensely. The children had a great time as well as the members of the Leo Club. The Leo Club would like to thank Peter O' Sullivan for his help through our first year as a club.

#### LIBRARY NEWS

Maynooth Children's Library was recently the venue for the Irish Red Cross Summer Safety Programme. Twenty children eagerly participated in "Spot the Danger Activities" and were introduced to simple First Aid measures. Many thanks to Red Cross volunteers for bringing their demonstration to Maynooth.

Maynooth Writers Workshop will soon embark on their second creative writing workshop in the Adult Library. Following on the success of recent classes, Sheila O'Hagan (formerly Kildare County Library Writer in Residence) will facilitate another workshop from November to February. Meetings are held in a friendly and encouraging atmosphere and new members are most welcome. All details are available at the Library (6285530). Contact the library now to secure a place.

As autumn approaches, we have a selection of books to ease you gently back into school life; covering all aspects of education: exams, study techniques, money for college and coping with the class bully.

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#### MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION LIMITED

The Board is delighted to announce the appointment of Ms. Catherine Mulready as Head Clerk, with responsibility for running the Credit Union's office on a day-to-day basis. Catherine took up her new position on 2nd August, two months earlier than originally intended, in order to facilitate the smooth operation of our new schedule of opening hours. Catherine has had a lot of Credit Union experience, having served most recently as Treasurer. Congratulations on your success, and good luck in your new position.

#### **New Public Relations Officer**

As mentioned last month, Michael Mooney will take over the writing of these notes from next month. Michael's term of office as Chairman will end at the next AGM. I am sure he will develop the role of Public Relations Officer in interesting ways, and I hope he enjoys it as much as I have.

#### Review

I attended my first AGM of the Maynooth Credit Union Limited in November 1992. Chatting with Ken Loane over tea and biscuits when the business of the meeting had ended, I offered to write for the Credit Union, because I could not take on a role that involved attending meetings. Looking back over the notes I have written, I am struck by how much change has been brought about in quite a short length of time.

First of all, there was the Members' Needs survey, carried out in October 1993. Since then, day-time opening hours have been introduced, a staff member has been appointed, a VHI Group Scheme has been introduced, some research into Home/ Contents Insurance has been carried out and the Credit Union has become the major sponsor of Maynooth Community Games. It has been very satisfying to have had the task of reporting these developments to the Members and the community at large.

#### Goodbye - for now!

As I write these notes, I am in the throes of packing up to leave the country. In mid-September, we will be leaving for Winhoek, capital of the Republic of Namibia, in southern Africa, where my husband has volunteered to work for two years. I will be checking out the Credit Union scene there and hope to write about it for the Irish League of Credit Unions' magazine. Meanwhile, take good care of yourselves and keep saving!

#### Emer McDermott PRO

#### MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Hope all our members and friends had an enjoyable summer. After the holidays its back once again to a very busy Autumn in the club with a full programme of events.

On September 25th, we will expect a large attendance to see our own club member, Felicity Satchwell demonstrating. It will be a night full of hints, advice and helpful suggestions for all. Felicity is an expert flower arranger teacher and demonstrator. She has won so many awards both nationally and internationally for her wonderful work. Its an opportunity not to be missed.

On June 25th last the annual outing to Wexford was a great success, both garden visits most interesting and to end the day out a super meal in the 'Lord Bagnal'. All of this was planned by Maureen Stephens and its success was due to Maureen's careful planning of each detail of the day.

I want to wish our two club members Sarah Angel and Noleen O'Brien every success in the Inter-Club Competitions, which will be held in September. I'm sure they will repeat their success of last year in this competition. Best of luck.

This year the Club A.G.M. will be held on October 18th. More details in the October Newsletter.

On September 20th our meeting will be held as usual in the Divine Word Hostel on Moyglare Road at 8 p.m. Non-members are most welcome to attend any of our monthly meetings.

Moira Baxter. P.R.O.

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#### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our morning club will re-open on Tuesday, September 6th, and we look forward to seeing all our friends again, tanned, rested and rearing to go. Remember our club is open to all our Senior Citizens. As you read this some of our members will be packing for their week's holiday in Kerdiffstown. We wish them well, and hope they have a lovely time.

A gentle reminder to our Committee about our meeting, which will also take place on the 6th at 8 p.m. in the Health Centre.

A word now to those of you who help us out during the year. If you were considering joining our Committee, perhaps now would be a good time, as September starts our working year. If you are interested I can be contacted at 6285206, or our secretary Patsy O'Rafferty at 6286779.

Finally, we extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Chrissie Timmons on the death of her husband Jimmy. He was for many years a vital part of our club. We will remember him for his gentleness, his wonderful sense of humour and good card playing. "Ar dheis Dé go raibh ahanam".

Josephine Moore

#### **MAYNOOTH SCOUTS**

As you read this report, Cubs, Scouts, Beavers and Venturers will be starting back to school, all delighted that another school year has started.

By now, you may have been asked to sponsor a scout parachute jump. If you haven't, don't feel left out! Any scout will accept your support.

I thank you again for supporting scouting. Particular thanks to the Business Community for your contribution, especially The Cardinal Press who printed out the sponsorship cards free.

The Scout section have vacancies for boys aged 11/12. If you are interested, call to our meeting any Thursday, 7p.m. to 9p.m. in The Den beside the Post Primary School.

During the Summer, several visiting scouts joined the students for many activities organised by The Salesians and this was of benefit to the scouts as well as the students, as both gained an insight into the others' culture, and many new friendships were formed.

As they say in the Cartoons, "That's All Folks!".

Tony Muldowney

#### MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

year, will be returning to school with memories of the events that they enjoyed since registration day on the 5th July until final day on the 28th July.

course kind regards from the female in question.

An extra event was organised for the teenagers, by our leaders village of Maynooth. Mary and myself still feel the effects of it.

The final day and close of the 1994 programme, was our sports day, which was organised by Mary Horn, Lorraine Butler and Martha O'Rourke. This was another enjoyable day for all.

Credit must also be given to Catherine Mulready, Margaret Kirwin and Claire O'Rourke for organising and supervising the other events that took place throughout the four weeks of July.

that were involved and also Maynooth College, M.A.D.E. Centre, the Salesians House and anyone else I may have forgotten. Thank you, one and all.

Our A.G.M. will be held on 14th September in I.C.A. Hall at 8pm. All are welcome.

#### **Summer ProjectResults**

#### Soccer

Winners: Pearl Byrne, Sharon Cummins, Mary O'Sullivan, Brid-Ann O'Shea, Gráinne O'Rourke, Susanne Doyle. Runners-up: Laura Kearney, Deirdre O'Rourke, Niamh Moriarty, Nicola Doyle, Leanne Murphy, Gillian O'Hurley, Suzanne O'Hurley. Continued

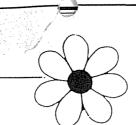
Most of the children who took part in the Summer Project this

During the four weeks, the weather was kind to us, and allowed us to enjoy all the programme of activities, bar one.

Our visit to Fort Lucan had to be cancelled because of the bad weather. Hopefully each of us can recall a favourite event that we enjoyed, such as bowling, inter projects fun day, tennis and soccer in Maynooth College. It could be the barbecue and scavenger hunt in Donadea, pitch and putt, swimming, visit to Morrell farm or the Mystery Hike and picnic, which turned out to be a visit to Düblin's Phoenix Park where we were brought on a nature trail by the very enlightening Park Ranger, Michael O'Brien who was charmed by one of the female leaders. We thought we might lose her to the call of the wilds. Our sincere thanks to Michael for a memorable day and of

Eamon McKeogh, Mary McMahon, Margaret Loane, Michael Ruddy, helpers Ken Loane, Vinnie Mulready, and two experienced walkers, Pete and Yvonne. This was a hosteling and walking weekend in the Wicklow mountains. We hiked for eight and a half hours from Ballinclea, across Lugnaquilla Mountain to Aghavannagh. This was a great achievement for children and leaders who normally walk no further than the

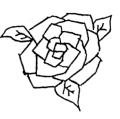
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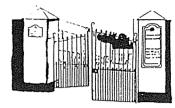


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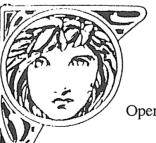
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#### Over 12's

Winners: Peter Kinsella, Cormac Eddery, Chris Arthurs, Brendan Burns, Kenneth Kirby. Runners-up: Seamus Cummins, Gearóid Higgins, Danny Byrne, John O'Shea, Declan Walsh.

#### Tennis

#### 7 - 8 Years old

Girls: 1st. Alice Cunningham, 2nd. Aisling Bean, 3rd. Stephanie Butler. Boys: 1st. Mark Cummins, 2nd. Andrew Lorenzo, 3rd. Joseph Glennon.

#### 9 Years old

Girls: 1st. Emma Higgins, 2nd. Edel Fay, Joint 3rd. Kayzi Healy, Susanne Doyle.

#### 10 - 11 Years old

Girls: Joint 1st. Gillian Fleming, Deirdre O'Rourke, 2nd. Nicola Doyle, joint 3rd. Laura Gavin, Anthonine Rossiter. Boys: 1st. Barry Keenan, 2nd. Sean Moriarty, 3rd. Conor McGlinchey.

#### Over 12's

Girls: Joint 1st. Suzanne Butler, Sharon Cummins, 2nd. Mary O'Sullivan, 3rd. Niamh Moriarty. Boys: 1st. Peter Kinsella, 2nd. Jody Connolly, 3rd. Christopher Flynn.

#### Pitch-n-Putt

#### 12's and under

Girls: 1st. Anne Gannon, 2nd. Brid-Ann O'Shea, 3rd. Roisin Farrelly. Boys: 1st. Morgan Sweeney, 2nd. Conor McGlinchey, 3rd. Kevin Gannon.

#### Over 12's

Boys: 1st. Colm Cahill, 2nd. Cormac Eddery, 3rd. Donal Lennon. Overall winner Trevor Cassidy.

#### **Fishing Competition**

1st. Patrick Behan, 2nd. Andrew Lorenzo, 3rd. David Lorenzo.

#### Scavenger Hunt in Donadea

1st Team (565 points) Ciara Maher, Sarah O'Brien, Kate O'Brien, Laura Cunningham, Aishling Fagan, Judith Glennon, Jenny Murray, Regina Wall, Emma Donnelly, Rachel Sydney. 2nd Team (550 points) Rachel Jolley, Deirdre McMahon, Sinead Costelloe, Rachel Cunningham, Aoife Dunning, Emma Higgins, Paul Brady, Andrew Brady, Lorcan Maher. 3rd Team (485 points) Heather Cooney, Emma Murtagh, Ami Waldron, Brian O'Rourke, Brian Sheils, David Redmond, Mark Sydney, John Kelleher, Philys Donnelly, Edel Fay, Denise Dolan.

#### Raffle Results

1st. Julia Comerford, 2nd. Catherine Mulready, 3rd. Catherine Phillis, 4th. David O'Brien, 5th. Laura O'Toole, 6th. Margaret Murphy, 7th. Éilis O'Malley.



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## THE SCHIZOPHRENIA ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND

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#### STUDENTS' UNION NEWS

#### Third Level Fees

Near the end of last year the Students' Union asked students of Maynooth College not to vote for the Government candidates standing for the European elections as College Fees were to increase by 4%. This increase will now come into effect for the coming academic year. The protest against this 4% increase was justified as a Government party had promised Free Third Level education. Once again this promise has arisen courtesy of the Minister of Education, Niamh Bhreathnach, but without any concrete proposals on how this is going to be realised.

Along with this proposal the Conference of Heads of Irish Universities (CHIU) have asked for another increase of £100 per student for the next five years in College Fees or a reduction in the number of students allowed into College. Inevitably this will cause great confusion and cause an increase in the points for places in Universities, which will affect this year's Leaving Certificate students. This whole situation is putting extra and unrequired pressure on parents and students.

As the Students' Union in Maynooth College we would like to make people aware of this situation. It not only affects the students of this college and others but also the Leaving Cert. students who do not reach Third Level Education because of decisions made by people who are accountable to us.

The Students' Union Telephone 7083669

#### WORLD ALZHEIMER DAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 1994

In Ireland it will be Alzheimer National Tea Day to raise funds to provide some support and relief for support groups, counselling, day care and respite centres for 25,000 suffers from all over the country.

Established in 1983 the Society has now got 22 branches and 84 support groups, it currently operates 8 care centres and has more in the pipeline. This is why funds are very badly needed.

Anyone who would like to help or hold a tea or coffee morning or afternoon on that day can get further information from The Alzheimer Society of Ireland, St. John of God Hospital, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. Tel: 01 2881282 Fax: 01 2780238.

#### Alzheimer Society of Ireland - National Tea Day

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#### **COMMUNITY GAMES NEWS**

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The Ennis Family

## OVERALL RESULTS OF 1994 COMMUNITY GAMES Gymnastics Results

Girls Under Eight

1st Lauren Eddery, 2nd Meave Foley, 3rd Laura Furley Under Ten

1st Emma Higgins, 2nd, Cheryl Naughton, 3rd Aoife Foley **Under Twelve** 

1st Anthonine Rossiter, 2nd Alannah Murphy and Rachel Cunningham, 3rd Rebecca Flynn,

**Under Fourteen** 

1st Róisín Farrelly

**Boys Gymnastics** 

U/8

1st Neil Cooney 2nd Keith Wong 3rd David Fagan U/10

1st Alan Filbert 2nd Robert Scarf 3rd James O'Dea U/12

1st Andrew Lynch 2nd Brendan Eddery 3rd Michael Higgins

**Swimming Results** 

Girls Under Ten (Freestyle)

1st Andrea Heslin, 2nd Sarah Baxter, 3rd Grainne O'Rourke Girls Under twelve (Breststroke)

1st Emma Fleming 2nd Cathy Kelleher 3rd Ciara O'Neill GirlsUnder Fourteen (Freestyle)

1st T. Flood, 2nd S. Mc Loughlin, 3rd C. Duff, 4th E. Hoare. Girls Under Twelve (Freestyle)

1st Lyn Brennan, 2nd Emma Flemming, 3rd Catherine Gannon, 4th Ciara O'Neill

Girls Over Sixteen (Freestyle)

1st Susan Dillon, 2nd Anna Flood, 3rd D. Devaney, 4th L. Houlihane

Girls Under Seventeen (Freestyle)

1st Elaine Flemming.



Elaine Fleming

#### Girls Under Ten (Breaststroke)

1st Sarah Baxter, 2nd Andrea Heslin.

#### Girls Under Twelve (Breaststroke)

1st Emma Flemming, 2nd Cathy Kelleher, 3rd Ciara O'Neill, Girls Under Fourteen (Backstroke)

1st Sharon McLoughlin, 2nd T. Flood, 3rd Eimer Hoare, 4th C. Hogan.

#### Girls Under Fourteen (Breaststroke)

1st T. Flood, 2nd C. Hogan, 3rd S. McLoughlin 4th C. Duff

#### Girls Under Sixteen (Backstroke)

1st Susan Dillon, 2nd Anna Flood, 3rd Laura Houlihan, 4th D. Devaney.

#### Girls Under Sixteen (Butterfly).

1st Susan Dillon, 2nd Anna Flood.

**Swimming Results** 

#### Boys U/10 Backstroke

1st Conor Gannon 2nd Paul Haren 3rd Shane Kelleher 4th James Hoare

#### Boys U/12 Breaststroke

1st Padraic O'Sullivan 2nd Brian McLoughlin 3rd Peter Sheehan

#### Boys U/16 Freestyle

1st Owen McCarlton 2nd Thomas Fortune

Boys U/14 Freestyle Final

1st Damien Travers

#### Boys U/12 Freestyle

1st Padraic O'Sullivan 2nd Brian McLaughlin 3rd Peter Sheehan

#### Boys U/10 Freestyle Final

1st Conor Cannon 2nd Paul Haren 3rd Shane Kelleher

Boys U/8 Freestyle Final

1st Alan Byrne

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Girls Under Eight 60mtrs.

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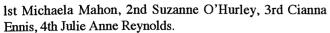


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#### Girls Under Eight 80mtrs

1st Suzanne O'Hurley 2nd Michaela Mahon, 3rd Julie Anne Reynolds, Cianna Ennis

#### Girls Under Ten 100mtrs

1st Clara Monaghan, 2nd Muire Ennis, 3rd Emma Higgins and Muireann O'Sullivan

#### **Girls Under Twelve 100mtrs**

1st Pearl Byrne, 2nd Lynn Brennan, 3rd Rebecca Flynn, 4th Laura Burton

#### Girls Under Fourteen 100 Mtrs

1st Mary O'Sullivan, 2nd Ann Gannon 3rd Aoife McTernan, 4th Therese McInerney.

#### Girls 5/6 Tots

1st Michaela Mahon, 2nd Cianna Ennis 3rd Niamh Kern, 4th Evelyn Carr.

#### Girls U/10 200 Mtrs.

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1st Lynn Brennan 2nd Pearl Byrne 3rd Laura Bruton 4th Emma Fleming.

#### Girls U/14 800 Mtrs.

1st Mary O'Sullivan Therese McInerney 3rd Aoife McTiernan 4th Niamh Moriarty

#### Girls U/16 100 Mtrs

1st Michelle Gillick 2nd Jackie Kinsella 3rd Linda Haren

#### Girls U/16 1500 Mtrs

1st Michelle Gillick 2nd Jackie Kinsella 3rd Lynda Haren and Laura Carney

#### Girls U/16 High Jump

1st Michelle Gillick 2nd Lynda Haren 3rd Catherine Duff, Roisín Farrelly

#### Girls Marathon

1st Michelle Gillick 2nd Jackie Kinsella Joint 3rd Lynda Haren, Laura Carney

#### Girls Fun Relay

1st Catherine Duff, Lynn Brennan, Sharon Cummins, Geraldine Sweeney

2nd Mary O'Sullivan, Alannah Murphy, Grainne O'Rourke, Sinead Keenan

3rd Aoife McTiernan, Therese Flood, Laura Bruton, Rebecca Flynn.

#### Girls U/13 Walk

1st Alannah Murphy 2nd Emma Fleming 3rd Laura Bruton. Girls U/17 Javelin

1st Elaine Fleming 2nd Jackie Kinsella Joint 3rd Michelle Gillick, Lynda Haren

#### Girls U/14 Shot-Putt

1st Anne Gannon 2nd Mary O'Sullivan 3rd Bríd Anne O'Shea 4th Catherine Duff.

#### Girls U/17 100 Mtrs

1st Elaine Fleming

#### Girls U/14 Relay

1st Pearl Byrn, Isabelle Fay, Marie Ennis, Suzanne O'Hurley 2nd Allanah Murphy, Sinead Keenan, Mary O'Sullivan and Grainne O' Rourke 3rd Emma Fleming, Niamh Moriorty, emma Higgins and deidre O'Rourke

#### Senior Ladies O/18

1st Eithne Barry 2nd Kate Mahon 3rd Chris Powers 4th

#### Margaret Maher

#### Ladies

1st Grace Kennedy, 2nd Nicola O'Hurley, Joint 3rd Michelle Doran, Therese Doran.

#### **Athletics Rusults**

#### Boys U/8 60M

lst Nick Powers 2nd Mark Lord 3rd David Canny 4th Keith Wong

#### **Boys U8 80M Final**

1st Nick Powers 2nd Mark Lord 3rd Ronan O'Connell 4th David Canny

#### Boys U/10 100M

1st David Prendergast 2nd Enda Diggins3rd Mark Cummins 4th Fergal Molloy

#### Boys U/12 100M

1st Patrick O'Rourke 2nd Morgan Sweeney 3rd Pierre Ennis 4th Eddie Powers

#### Boys U/10 200 M Final

1st Brian O'Malley 2nd Fergal Molloy 3rd Séan Kennedy 4th David Prendergast

#### Boys U/14 100M

1st Patrick King 2nd Conor Diggins 3rd Karl Ennis 4th Shamus Cummins

#### Boys U/12 600M Final

1st Pierre Ennis 2nd Morgan Sweeney 3rd Padraic O'Sullivan 4th Patrick O'Rourke

#### Boys U/14 800M Final

1st Karl Ennis 2nd Conor Diggins 3rd Patrick King 4th Colm Cahill

#### Boys U/16 1,500M Final

1st Declan O'Rourke 2nd Martin Farrell 3rd Philip Ryan

#### Boys U/16 100M

1st Declan O'Rourke 2nd Alan Nugent 3rd John O'Shea 4th Eoin Nevin

#### Boys U/17 100M

1st Mark Buckley

#### Boys U/16 High Jump

1st John O'Shea 2nd Declan O'Rourke 3rd Eoin Nevin 4th Martin Farrell

#### Boys U/14 Shot-Putt

1st Martin McLoughlin 2nd Seamus Cummins 3rd Matt Power 4th Donal Lennon

Boys U/16 Discus 1st Donal Lennon 2nd Alan Nugent 3rd Seamus Cummins 4th John O'Shea

#### Boys U/13 Walk

1st Pierre Ennis 2nd Michael Ryan 3rd Chris Flynn 4th Séan Moriarty

#### Marathon

1st John O'Shea 2nd Alan Nugent 3rd Eoin Nevin

#### 3/4 Years Tots

#### Boys

1st William Reynolds 2nd Gerry Healy 3rd Padraic Mahon 4th David Finnin

#### 5/6 Years Tots

#### Boys

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#### **Residents Associations**

#### KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The summer is almost over and the kids are back to school. This can mean only one thing - Autumn is on its way! Which can mean only two things - tarmac on the two remaining cul de sacs and a brand new Straffan Road. Perhaps that should read a brand new Straffan Road and tar for us if the contractor has any left over.

But seriously, we would like to thank our local representatives for their input into these and other matters on our behalf.

We would ask residents and non residents not to park their cars etc. on the area of paving stones at the back of the estate as the weight is breaking the slabs and making them dangerous and unsightly. Hopefully we will be in a position to reinstate the bollards soon which should take care of the problem.

Over the winter months we will be monitoring the progress of the Straffan Road especially the aspects that affect our estate. That should keep us busy.

#### LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our Newsletter notes have been absent for some time for one reason or another so this month we want to catch up with recent developments in the area.

Regretfully the on-going saga of the ramps continues. The Committee agreed revised location for the ramps with the Area Engineer, the Council placed the necessary advertisement in the newspapers and we felt that at long last things were beginning to happen. Alas there was one single objection and it has just now come to light that unbelievably it is from a resident. The object of this exercise is to protect the residents and we now find one who feels that he (or she) does not need protecting.

The most disappointing side of all this is that ten months have passed since the objection was lodged and, bearing in mind the objector disagrees only with the location of the ramps, would it not have been more intelligent to make their views known to the Committee. Had that been done the ramps could have been positioned to suit both the residents and the Council's requirements and perhaps installed by now.

The purpose of a Residents' Association is to try to resolve any genuine problems which residents may have and to support each other in all situations. You may not have a problem this year but sure as anything there is one lurking somewhere in the future. We would ask ALL residents of the area to attend as many open meetings as possible so that when trouble calls to your door you will not have to face it alone.

On a lighter note, our Annual Barbecue was held at the end of August and I hope to have details of this in the next Newsletter. We also hope to have a "Night Out" towards Christmas and details of this will be arranged at our September Open meeting, the date of which will be announced in our normal circular.

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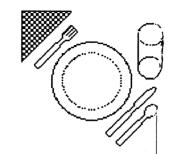
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Serves 2 Time prep 5 min/cook 11 min

6 eggs, beaten
1tsp salt
1/4pt (125ml) semi-skimmed milk
2 tbsp single cream
3 tbsp chopped fresh parsley



- 1. Beat together eggs, salt, semi-skimmed milk and single cream. Stir in parsley. Heat oil in a 7in (18cm) deep-sided frying pan.
- 2. Pour mixture into pan. Cook over a medium heat, stirring gently, for 1 min or until just set.
- 3. Cook for further 5 min over a low heat. Preheat grill and cook for 5 min until crisp and golden.

#### Nutrients per serving

2 tbsp vegetable oil

Calories 460 Total fat 38g Fibre 0g Carbohydrate 4g

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Serves 2 Time prep 15 min/cook 11 min

Grill 3 rashers back bacon until crisp. Chop and set aside. Heat 2tbsp oil. Fry 4oz (100g) sliced button mushrooms for 3 min. Set aside. Make up Classic Herb Omelette mixture, add half bacon with mushrooms. Pour into pan. Cook over a low heat, stirring occasionally, for 3 min. Scatter remaining bacon on top with 8 halved cherry tomatoes. Grill for 5 min. Garnish with chopped fresh parsley

#### Nutrients per serving

Calories 650 Total fat 54g Fibre 2g Carbohydrate 5g

#### SWEDE, TURNIP AND POTATO CAKES

Move over mashed potatoes - these tasty cakes have far more flavour. Serves 4.

1lb/450g potatoes, peeled and diced
1lb/450g mixed turnip and swede, peeled and diced
1oz/25g butter or margarine
2 eggs, size 3 beaten
4 tbsp chopped fresh rosemary
3 tbsp vegetable oil.

- Put vegetables in a pan with salted boiling water. Cover tightly and cook for 12-15 min until tender. Drain and return to hot pan.
- 2. Add butter and seasoning, mash. Leave to cool. Stir in eggs and rosemary. Shape into 8 cakes.
- 3. Heat oil in a heavy-based pan until hot. Fry cakes for 10 min over a medium heat, turning one. Serve hot with roast meat or chicken.



#### RHUBARB AND GINGER SPONGE

Time prep 20 min/cook 1 hour 10 mins Serves 8 - Cals per serving 527

25g/1oz butter

1.4kg/3lb rhubarb, trimmed and diagonally sliced into 2.5cm/1in lengths 50g/2oz caster sugar

1tbsp stem ginger syrup or orange juice

Sponge.

225g/8oz butter or soft margarine 225g/8oz demerara sugar

4 eggs, size 3, lightly beaten 225g/8oz self-raising flour

1 tsp ground ginger

2-3 tbsp milk

Icing sugar for dusting Single cream to serve

- Preheat oven to 180C/350F/Gas Mark 4.Grease a 2.3 litre/4pt ovenproof dish at least 7.5cm/3in deep.
- Melt the butter in a large frying pan and add the rhubarb and sugar. Cook gently for 5 - 10 minutes until just beginning to soften. Stir in the syrup or juice and spoon into the prepared dish.
- 3. To make the sponge, put the butter or margarine and sugar in a bowl. Using an electric whisk or wooden spoon, beat together until fluffy and light.
- 4. Gradually beat in the eggs, a little at a time, until thoroughly incor porated. Sift in the flour and ground ginger and gently fold in with enough milk to reach a dropping consistency.
- 5. Spread the sponge mixture evenly over the rhubarb and bake for 45-60 minutes until the sponge is well-risen, golden and springy to the touch. Dust with icing sugar and serve warm with single cream

•This sponge pudding is also delicious made with other fresh fruit such as apples, pears or even bananas.

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#### GARDENING HINTS

he focus this month on work in the purely decorative part of the garden is on the lawn, as it is at this time that established lawns can be repaired and generally cared for, and seed can be sown to produce new ones.

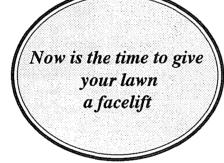
Brushing, raking with a wire rake, and spiking all help to improve the penetration of air to the turf surface and the soil beneath. The mat of dead vegetation which is likely to form during summer is removed and so, too, are pests which may have been hiding in it, and fungus diseases which can damage the grass. Worm casts are brushed off at the same time.

Bald parts of established lawns should be scratched up to provide some sort of seedbed and sown with a seed mixture which matches the grasses already present. Breaking edges can be remedied by cutting the turf so that a piece a foot wide and of a convenient length is removed, to include the bad edge, turned around so that the edge is inside, and the turf replaced, filling in the gap now inside the lawn with compost and grass seed.

#### The Flower Garden

Autumn flowering border plants come in all the flaming colours, red, orange and yellow — for instance, dahlias are magnificent, rudbeckias (coneflowers), gaillardias (blanket flower), the early flowering chrysanthemums, and solidagos (golden rod), but purples and pinks are by no means out of the picture. There is a beautiful range of Michaelmas daisy — 'Marie Ballard' is a good blue, and 'Ernest Ballard' is an equally eye-catching crimson. Phlox, with their curious, slightly stuffy fragrance, the purple coneflower, the magenta sedums, particularly the variety 'Brilliant', all add a lovely burst of colour to the season's end. At this time of the year roses will be in bloom again and rambler roses should be pruned, cutting the flowered canes out completely and tying the new ones of this season in to take their place. Shrubs in flower are ceanothus, hibiscus, and the witch hazel which is used to supply that refreshing substance. More heathers (calluna and daboecia) will be in flower, and all the berrying kinds of shrubs will be changing the colour of their fruit to red, orange, yellow, purple, blue and white.

Evergreen hedges should be clipped now, and the fast growing kinds given their final trimming. Mildew on all sorts of plants should be watched for and sprayed against where necessary. Frosts are possible before the end of the month, so plants which may have to be taken into the greenhouse are chrysanthemums, azaleas, carnations, fuchsias, heliotropes and geraniums, cyclamen and Christmas cactus. Fresias can also go in at the end of the month and although they would survive a light



frost, it would slow up flowering. **Fruit Pickings** 

Apple and pear picking will be in full swing; both are ready to pick if the stalk detaches easily when the fruit is lifted gently up in the palm of the hand. Pears to be stored should be picked just as the skin begins to turn yellow round the stalk but while the body of the fruit is still green, and then placed in single layers in a coolish room in the dark. The atmosphere should not be dry, otherwise they will shrivel. Apples will keep well in the same conditions, or can be put four or five in a polythene bag, with the opening closed, using fruit which is not injured and without signs of disease. Put in a dark, cool place, these fruits will keep well,

preserved in their own gases given off as maturing continues.

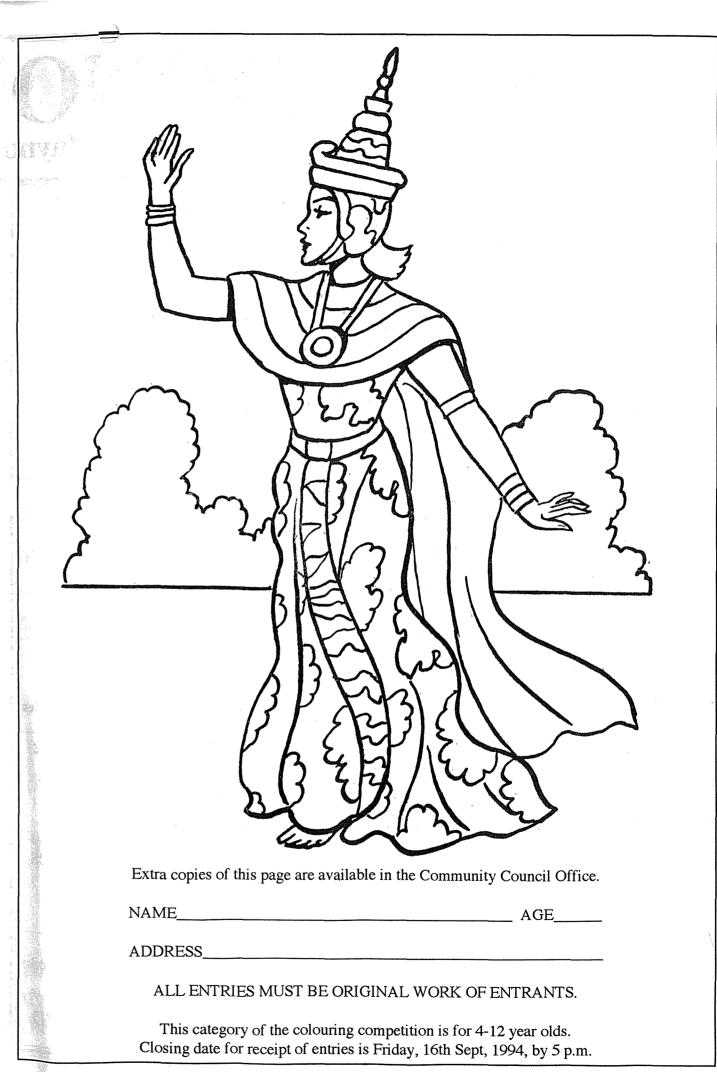
#### The Vegetable Garden

This time of the year is both an ending and beginning for the vegetable garden; potatoes, beetroot, carrots, turnips and celeriac are lifted for storing, and onions are finally cleaned and hung up. Runner beans, cabbage and lettuce, peas, cucumbers, marrows and courgettes will be coming to an end. Once they have all been finished, the remains of the plants should be cleared away, and the ground cleaned of weeds. It is at this time that weeds seem to take on a new lease of life, and grow up behind one's back, just as the season seems to be over. If not cleaned off now, by the spring they will have gained control of the garden.

#### Watering of House Plants

The most essential part in the successful growing of house plants is in the correct use of the watering can and more plants are lost through drowning than through any other cause. When you do water, you should do it properly. Fill the pot to the brim. If you give less it may well not moisten the whole of the soil ball. It does no harm to make sure of this and to turn out a plant a few hours after watering to see if the whole soil ball has been watered. If it has not, the only thing to do, if the plant is not in a state to be repotted, is to give two applictions each time you

If you have some method of catching and keeping it, rain water much to be preferred to tap water, but it is not always possible to obtain this. During the winter, very cold water will lower the temperature of the soil in the pot.



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#### BOMB SCARE IN COLLEGE

On Tuesday, 9th August, at 10.30 a.m. a phone call was made to the Administration Office of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, saying that there was a bomb in that section of the college building. An immediate evacuation of the area was conducted so that a full search could be carried out.

The message was given by a male caller who claimed he was from Garda Headquarters. This turned out to be false I.D. as Headquarters didn't know anything about it.

I spoke to one or two of the evacuees. Andrew Egan from the Administration Office spoke of the way a box had come through to his office in the post that morning which was unidentifiable. They opened the parcel to find it wasn't for them. In hindsight he was just thinking that that particular parcel could have been the bomb and was laughing about the matter.

After four gardaí fully searched the area, nothing was found. I spoke to the guards later on and they said they are becoming very concerned about the growing number of bomb scares which are now occurring in the South.

All we can say is thank God it was just a hoax and we hope this occurrence doesn't happen again.

#### BORD GAIS COMES TO MAYNOOTH

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The introduction of gas as an economical form of energy and fuel to many homes in the Maynooth area could pave the way to a cleaner more efficient way of life for many home owners throughout the year.

#### CHURCH OF IRELAND TOWER RESTORATION

The Garda Band and our own St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band join forces in the the Aula Maxima, Maynooth College, on Friday 30th September at 8pm to raise funds to help restore the tower at the Church of St. Mary's in Maynooth.

St. Mary's is one of the oldest Churches in the country and will celebrate its 750th anniversary in 1998. Apart from its main function the Church is also a monument both to the Fitzgerald family and the early history of higher education in Maynooth.

Originally built as a private chapel for the castle, its fortunes rose and sank with those of the Fitzgerald family, falling into ruin during their periods of political eclipse only to be lovingly restored in time of renewed prosperity. As a result the present structure is a mosaic pieced together from the fragments of a series of earlier building, both sacred and secular.

The tower, which is the focal point of the concert, stands at the west end of St. Mary's and belongs to the fifteenth century and the back end of the Churchyard represents the last fragment of the medieval curtain-wall which surrounded the castle keep and associated buildings. In 1521 the then chapel was incorporated into the Chantry and College of St. Mary's, Maynooth, by the ninth Earl.

In the wake of the ill-fated insurrection of Silken Thomas, the buildings fell into ruins until restored in 1632 as an Anglican Chapel for the use of the 16th Earl of Kildare. However, on his death in 1656 the castle itself was abandoned and fell into its present state of decay.

On the Fitzgerald family's return to reside in Carton House, the first Duke of Leinster donated the restored and extended chapel to the Church of Ireland parish of Laraghbryan or Maynooth 1770.

Two further restorations in 1828 and 1859 to what was now the parish Church of St. Mary's, Maynooth testified to the continuing interest of the Dukes of Leinster. Between 1821 and 1875 the old tower of the Church was used as a Fitzgerald mausoleum and the coffins of the 3rd Duke, his wife and seven relatives together with Rev. Blacker are housed within the tower.

Restoration work on the tower will begin early this month and hopefully will be completed to coincide with the bi-centenary of St. Patrick's College next year.

Tickets for the concert will be available all through September from Donovan's Post Office on the Main Street.

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However, joking apart, even though knowing where we live is just about the most basic knowledge we all possess, it is nevertheless the kind of information that very many of us either deliberately or accidentally conceal from all and sundry. For instance, someone could be the carrier of tidings of great joy and wealth on your behalf but even though he had your name and address he would still have enormous difficulty in bringing it to you. Why? If you live in Maynooth there can be two main reasons: on the one hand there may be no name on your estate and, on the other, you may have no number on your door.

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And now here's a message to my old friend, Tom. About that £60 I owed you, I couldn't find your house number (hardly any houses on your road have them!) so I just dropped it into one of the houses on the road (there was no number on the door) with a cover note in the envelope requesting that it be passed on to you — so you must have it by now. It's marvellous how honest people are these days — but, all the same, it would be safer if you put a number on your door because everyone might not be as honest as me or your neighbour.

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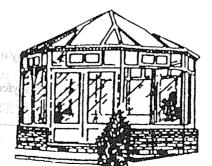
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#### A Day at the Golfing.

The Marx Brothers would not have the beating of it, when Maynooth Golfing Society partook in a day out in Castlecomber, on a recent Saturday. Liam "Smoker" Farrelly found himself bunkered and asked his caddy for the day, the sporting local comic and singer Eugene Fitzpatrick for a sand wedge. Eugene duly obliged and produced, to the great disgruntlement of his partner a lovely ham sandwich. Later on during a meal in the club house, the same man went to get some cutlery and "accidentally" took it out of the Captain's prize, which was left aside for presentation. Sure in Maynooth the crack never ends. Someone is always the putt end of the wedge. (Terry Keane could not have put it better).

#### Leitrims' Day.

A notable feature of Leitrim's presence in the All Ireland semifinal, was the full hearted support of all the local Mayo supporters. They were all rooting for Leitrim and this is what makes Ireland and indeed Maynooth such a grand place to live in. They gave a good display and had a few pints and went home happy. Now they can finish drawing the turf and they will no doubt sit by the fire, recalling their trip to Dublin over and over again.

#### General Advice

All the young boys and girls can see crime does not pay, in the manner of the recent demise of the Dublin crime figure known as the "General". It is better to make your living in an honest fashion. That way you will always be respected no matter how successful you are. If you lie down with dogs you get up with fleas.

#### Diet News.

The best diet sandwich has been invented by a local man. It is a twenty mile cycle placed between a twenty lap jog and a few bottles of stout. He is now working on a new marketable drink, which will be a combination of alcohol and slimfast or gruel. We wish him luck, that is if he does not disappear in the meantime.

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#### Vandalism

It is necessary to refer to this subject once again, and make a special appeal to parents for their co-operation in attempts at reducing incidents of such destruction. VANDALISM IS A BREACH OF THE CRIMINAL LAW. A little guidance, and a lot less of turning a Blind eye attitude would go a long way.

#### **Renewal of Firearms Certificates**

A gentle reminder please to all holders of firearms who have still to renew their licence. Please call to the station with your renewal notice and the appropriate fee payable by cheque/money order. Your kind co-operation on this important matter is appreciated.

#### **Crime Prevention**

It is imperative that we review the security of our homes or business premises from time to time, and with this in mind, we would like to remind our readers of the services of Garda Crime Prevention Officer. On request, Sergeant White, C.P.O. Naas station will call and offer expert advice on the most up to date preventative methods on the market. This service is free, and available to any person. For further information please ring the station at 6286234.

#### **Presentation Dinner Dance**

To mark the retirement of Sgt. Joe Canny, his colleagues have organised a dinner dance for Wednesday12th October 1994, in Garda Leisure & Sports Centre, Westmanstown. Music by Bourbon Street and a great night assured. If you would like tickets, please call to the station A.S.A.P.

#### **GOLF & WORLD POLITICS**

Yes, why do we play golf? Who are these cruel people who build golf courses to drive us all insane. Are they planning to takeover the world some day as the rest of us stand over those tricky six inch putts hearing in the words of the immortal P. G. Wodehouse the roar of the butterflies in the adjoining meadows.

One of these plotters is the outwardly affable Tony Bean whose course, Maynooth Pitch & Putt located on the Dunboyne Road is sufficient to drive men mad and as for women we dare not say. This is a superb par three course. Few of the holes are longer than fifty metres but deft tee and bunker placements make a par of 54 a stern challenge. The greens are a particular feature of this course. Often greens on par 3 courses are a bit like the curate's egg, good in places but the rest ............. The greens at Maynooth Pitch & Putt are superbly manicured and present a real but fair challenge.

The first hole sets the tone for the rest of the course. It appears deceptively short and many balls have hit a watery grave. The bunker before it, prevents the hack golfer like myself from dribbling the ball down the hill. Another stern challenge is the fourth hole, 81 metres long, it plays its full length. The third hole is short enough but we advise anyone playing it to land the ball below rather than above the pin.

The course designer relents around the turn and if you are going to make or rescue your score holes 7 to 14 are the place to do it.

Many of us have commented on the ability of the designer of the last four holes and we would love to meet him some night for a little chat.

These are holes where the hack golfer sinks an 18-footer for six and is grateful. The pin placements are challenging and make full use of the hawthorn trees whilst there is a devilish bunker at 17. Tony, some morning you will wake up and those trees will be gone. This hack, however, has sussed how to play the 18th in four and avoid the trees.

Maynooth Pitch & Putt is a superb addition to the town. Carefully laid out and crafted, it avoids the blandness of many par threes and, whilst not too hard for the hack golfer, offers a challenge to the more experienced amateurs. It probably offers the best value for £2.50 of expenditure that I have seen in a long time. Meanwhile the par three owners plot to take over the world.

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#### LEAVING CERTIFICATE RESULT TIME

Thursday 18th saw many leaving certificate students flocking towards schools around the country for their results and Maynooth was no exception with the Post Primary School being mobbed by their students in anticipation of good results.

There were plenty of jubilant scenes with cries like "I've got six honours" or "I did it" or "I got an A in Maths". Friends were jumping around the place with joy and heading off for their night of celebration.

I spoke to the principal Thomas Ashe who said that the results were excellent and conformed to the highest standards. These good results, he said, have shown the work that students, parents and teachers have put in in a three way process.

Mr. Ashe said that he disagreed with the exam system but given the constraints there is an onus to prepare students as well as possible. As regards to the new marking system (A1, A2 etc.), he felt that it sharpened the focus for students but also put a lot of pressure on them as there are more students going for fewer places. The students themselves preferred the new system from talking to a few of them, finding that it gave you a better idea of where you stood in the A, B or C category.

A lot of students didn't come for results but rang instead which meant that the phone was hopping all day.

Mr. Ashe compared the school to a racecourse on Derby Day. You may find this a strange analogy but when explained it makes sense. All the race horses are thoroughbreds but there has to be firsts, seconds and thirds and this is the same for students who are highly trained and skilled.

All in all the results were very good. So well done to all of you students and let's hope you get what you want in life.



Niamh Coughlin, Sarah Sheehan, Stephen McCarron, Damien Nangle, Janine Curran

#### LOCAL LANDMARKS/KAVANAGH'S MILL

A long tradition of milling existed in the town. Up to the nineteenth century the mill was owned by the Duke of Leinster. However 1831 saw the arrival of a new family, the Kavanaghs. Originally from Wicklow, the family business had been based at the Smithfield Haymarket in Dublin until they purchased the mill from the Duke. They lived at the mill house. The family thrived until the 1890s when tragedy struck. Edward Kavanagh, great grandfather to the present Edward, died young, leaving seven children and a young widow, Margaret. It is a testament to Margaret's character that the business survived until Joseph the oldest son took it over at a very young age.

After her husband's death Margaret could have changed the entire destiny of the Kavanagh family. Bequeathed a large sum of money she consulted a stockbroker as to how this should be invested. The brother, a Mr. Lillis, suggested three companies. Two of these, Southern Railways and the Munster Bank, were safe, established companies who were to subsequently collapse. The third was a small but ambitious brewery. Margaret invested in the first two but as she disliked drink, did not invest in the third. Had she done so, the Kavanaghs would have become one of the biggest shareholders in Guinness. The mill prospered under Margaret's son, Joseph who died in 1967, aged 92. The firm were primarily provender millers manufacturing animal feed. They also did commission grinding and produced Hofta flour.

One of the most important industries in the town, it employs more than fifty people. A great family tradition exists in the mill and many old Maynooth families such as the Burkes, Dunnes, Nolans and McGoverns have worked there for generations. This continuity of employment testifies to the nature of the Kavanaghs as employers. The family have served the town in other ways also. May Kavanagh was a nun in the convent, whilst another member of the family wrote regularly for the *Ecclesiastical Record*.

Many characters have worked in the mill. One foreman was known as the "mad monk", though we hasten to add that he is not working in Kavanagh's today. Another character was Peter Coyne whose adventures are still remembered. He used make up songs and poems and played in the band. Often truck drivers were a source of disruption. Once a Clare lorry-driver gave one of the workmen a bottle of poitín. This had spectacular effects on the workman's personality and the lads tried to hide him behind a bundle of sacks. The workman, however, had by this time discovered that he possessed a fine singing voice and the men had to smuggle him out. Slowly he made the difficult journey home using the wall opposite the mill for support. Unfortunately, the wall ran out at Barry's corner and he collapsed in a heap. All that could be seen of him from the mill was his two feet sticking out. He was driven home and the last sighting of our poitín aficionado was of him sitting on the kitchen floor drinking a bowl of soup and trying to shave.

Some of the men were legendary workers. One of these was Mick Murphy known as Mick the Miller. He was an electrician, fitter, plumber and looked after the grinding stones. He was known to work as long as thirty-six hours at a time. Mick had one particular trick if he didn't feel like working hard. He

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would put grease on his face then splash water over it. This often resulted in sympathetic foremen asking him to take it easy. During the year the men worked eight hours a day but during the harvest the mill worked a 24-hour day with the men working 12-hour shifts. As noted before, Kavanagh's were good employers and though the work was often hard the men were generally content, a fact confirmed by the absence of any strikes in the mill.

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#### Joseph Canny

When Joe Canny and his wife Carmel came to Maynooth twenty three years ago, little did he dream that his years would be crowned with the outpouring of appreciation and adulation as happened on Friday July 22nd. For this was an emotional day for Joe, which ended when he was feted by local residents, on the occasion of his retirement as Sergeant-in-Charge at Maynooth Garda Station, a post he held for the past five years. Throughout his term in charge he was highly regarded for the manner in which he conducted his tenure of office, introducing many new innovations and establishing good relations with the community.

#### The Presentation

During his impromptu retirement function in Caulfields Lounge, Joe received great praise from all sections of the community. Presenting a Cavan Crystal Decanter and Glasses on behalf of his station colleagues Peadar Haren described Joe "as a man who brought high moral standards to his work, who was always punctual and as one who could always be relied upon when duty called". Eoin Donovan presenting a large TV set and Video on behalf of the community, thanked Joe "for his help and wisdom in helping to sort out problems before they became more serious". John Hand, on behalf of Maynooth College made a presentation and described Joe "as a man who had done a lot to improve community-college relations, who was instrumental in helping members of the public gain more access to college facilities". Elaine Fleming, representing local youth, made a presentation to thank Joe "for his assistance in setting up the 'No Name Club'". May Haren on behalf of the Garda wives, made a presentation of a bouquet of flowers to Carmel Canny who supported Joe over the years. When it came to the turn of the man himself to speak, Joe was clearly overwhelmed by the display of appreciation and tributes. In typical humour he wondered if it was him they were all speaking about. He described his time in Maynooth "as uplifting, enriching and a most rewarding experience which I shall forever cherish". Displaying his sense of patriotism and love of country he added "I have enjoyed serving this lovely country".

At the presentation all sections of the community were represented, including St. Patrick's College, the legal profession, national media, the banks and financial institutions, civic bodies, political figures, including Mr. Emmet Stagg, Junior Minister and Cllr. Gerry Brady, traders, auctioneers, residents associations and members of the public. John and Eithne Carey of Caulfields Bar and Lounge provided an excellent array of food and refreshment, including a wine reception.

#### In Harmony with his Decision

Later, Joe who enjoys going for walks around his beloved Maynooth, reflected on this memorable event saying, "if it symbolised the excellent relations between the Gardai and the community, then it was a worthwhile event". In a well satisfied and relaxed mood, he confided, "I depart from the service in full harmony and peace with myself and my Garda colleagues in the Station, my supervisors and authorities and last continued

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but not least, the excellent Maynooth community, with whom I have worked for the last five years in a spirit of harmony and co-operation".

The amiable and congenial Joe, who was the centre of support and well-wishing in the previous days added, "I am glad to record that similarly all sections of the community reciprocated with a sizeable generosity, goodwill and loyalty and in so doing identified with the Garda service in the prevention of crime and the serving of law and order.

#### **New Challenge**

There is great thoughtfulness and wisdom behind his words, as he explains his reasons for resigning from An Garda Síochána at the young age of 51 years and taking up a post in a prestigious Dublin financial institution. He reflects, "you have an obligation to yourself and your family in your personal life to preserve the 'mortal coil' vis-a-vis your body and it is in that presence of thought that I am making the transition to a new post". He feels that after spending 31 rewarding years in the force, this is the ideal juncture in his life to move on to a new challenge.

#### Glasnost and Peristroika

On taking over at Maynooth, where he replaced Sgt. Michael Higgins, Joe set about introducing his own form of Glasnost and Peristroika (openess and understanding). Always a respected gentleman, he kept in close contact with the community, in which he lived and worked. He introduced many new initiatives during his term of office including updating the facilities at the Station, the provision of a new patrol car, the commencement of the very successful Annual Garda Dinner Dance, the sponsorship of numerous sporting and other activities, through the donation of medals and perpetual trophies, the I.D. Card Scheme to combat underage drinking, Campus Watch and Neighbourhood Watch Schemes.

#### Mystique

One of his approaches was to break down the mystique of the image of the uniformed Garda. He developed a good relationship with the Travelling Community, located on the Dublin Road. He enjoyed calling to them and identifying with their problems.

He sees the resettlement of former psychiatric and mentally handicapped patients, living freely in the community, with opening of Larine House and the houses at Newtown, as one of the great innovations at Maynooth. "Likewise", he continued, "the fine people of Maynooth created a very welcoming environment to better the quality of life for these disadvantaged people",

#### Balance

Joe, who remembers learning in school back home in Corofin, Co. Clare, that "order is Nature's first law", is more than just a popular lawman. He saw good relations with the community as important but always believed that the service he provided must be effective. He had to balance between being overauthorative and being over-neglectful. He added "the Gardaí must never be seen to be soft where effective action is needed and we never were".

#### Motto

Joe has always been a champion of law and order whose hall-mark is compassion and understanding. He joined the force on 25th September 1963 and was promoted to rank of Sergeant in 1974. Throughout his career he worked in Dun Laoghaire, Chapelizod/ Ballyfermot and Crumlin. One of his guiding principles is contained in the following inscription which he read on a souvenir from Knock Shrine:

"Never look for the flaws and short-comings in people, But if in your journey through life You are unfortunate enough to find some Turn a blind eye And look for the VIRTUES behind them".

Whenever people from the locality have served sentences, Joe always goes out of his way to speak to them afterwards about how things are going for them. He was even prepared to put in recommendations for them in their search for a new start.

One of the most recent cases where his sense of humanity was to the fore was when the remains of a stillborn infant were found at the Royal Canal. Referring to this case, Joe said, "I feel very sorry that we didn't succeed in reaching the mother of the unidentified girl infant". He continued "the compassion, caring, considerate and sympathetic nature of all my station colleages came to the fore during this sensitive enquiry." Their aim was to bring the unfortunate mother into contact with the caring services, and rather than prosecute her to complete the process of officialdom.

#### Mob Rule

During his career working in the capital, Joe experienced at first hand "mob rule" when during the 70s, the Northern troubles spilled over into some nasty incidences of protesting in Dublin. Commenting on protesting in general, Joe said, "peaceful protesting is an admirable feature of Irish Society, a means of expressing disapproval, but when it turns into ugly violent misbehaviour it transcends into mob rule". "In a modern democracy one of the most important ingredients are the law enforcement agencies".

#### Final Day

Joe began his last emotionally charged day on duty by consulting with his colleagues on any outstanding problems and issues needing attention. Then, he appraised his successor, Sgt. Peter Kearney, of procedures and systems, with a view to having a smooth continuity of service. This was followed by a visit to District Headquarters in Naas, to the Chief Superintendent, the Superintendent and staff, to thank them for their assistance over the years. Later in the day he began a round of visits to local organisations and agencies, local professional and community groups, with the nostalgia of the previous 31 years being displayed out in a spirit of farewell and well-wishing.

#### Social Issues

Joe, who has four young sons, Joseph Junior, Michael, John and David, is well aware of the social issues facing our youth. He sees the problem of drug dealers and the increasing availability of counterfeit videos, as two increasing and dangerous Continued



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issues facing our community. He said "Drug dealing appears to be becoming an increasing problem and detecting the actual supplier is a major difficulty facing the Gardaf". He issued the following words of warning, "unless we and all the combined wisdom of all the agencies are able to formulate a solution to counter the drug culture among our youth, serious adverse sociological problems are inevitable". "As regards pornography and counterfeit videos", Joe spoke in grave tones, "given the liberal availability of videos of dubious quality and the large number of T.V. channels accessible to viewers without strict parental supervision, I am satisfied that material seen by young people influences their behaviour and I consider it to be a factor in some of the violent crime in our society".

#### Interests

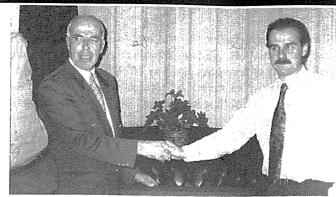
Joe is interested in anything to do with his community. He has a particular love of the G.A.A. code and was a skilled hurler in his day with his native Corofin. He set up the now thriving Cuala G.A.A. Club in Dun Laoghaire. Joseph Junior is a professional snooker player in England, of notable success, whose trophies adorn the family living-room. When Joe has time for a read, there is nothing he likes better than a good novel. He has a good sense of humour, but as he says himself "people don't visit a Garda Station to inform you that they have won the lotto or to discuss the weather".

Musically he is an avid fan of Daniel O'Donnell. His favourite comedians are Maureen Potter, Tom O'Connor and Brendan Grace, performers who entertain people gracefully.

As Joe makes a graceful and unblemished exit from his role as law officer, the whole community joins in wishing him, his wife Carmel and family many years of happiness and peace to come. We hope they long enjoy the freedoms of this "lovely country" which he has fought so long to protect.



Carmel Canny being presented with a bouquet of flowers by May Haren



Eoin Donovan presenting Joe with a large TV and video set on behalf of the community



Peadar Haren presenting a Cavan Crystal decanter and glasses to Joe on behalf of his station colleagues



John Hand on behalf of Maynooth College making a presentation to Joe



Elaine Fleming presenting Joe with a clock on behalf of the "No Name Club"

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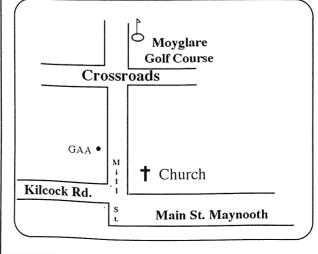
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#### RED CROSS VISIT LIBRARY

About 30 children from Maynooth and the surrounding area flocked into Maynooth Library on Monday 8th August for a safety demonstration from the Irish Red Cross. Three members of the Red Cross, Paula Whelan, Valerie Heffernan and Catherine Fakinle (who does demonstrations in schools in our area) arrived to an attentive audience. They started off giving a brief history of the Red Cross in which they used a question-answer format to involve the children in the process. Indeed, they involved the children in everything and even though they were a bit reluctant at first, the children were soon brought to a participative role. The three other areas the volunteers dealt with were:



- 1) How to strap a broken arm
- 2) How to deal with nosebleeds
- 3) The recovery position

By the use of pictures the demonstrators got the children to pinpoint health dangers. These covered issues like the hazards of smoking in bed to the necessity of wearing safety helmets while cycling. The volunteers were "bombarded" with questions, showing the children's keen interest. Everyone went home happy with no-one leaving empty handed as, very kindly, the Red Cross distributed paints, pictures and stickers to everyone present.

Georgina Sherlock

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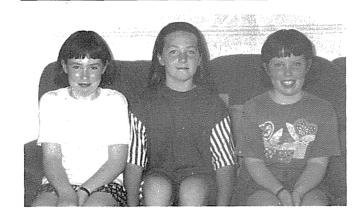
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## FOUR CHILDREN RAISE MONEY FOR RWANDA

After watching the news on television and seeing so many starving men, women and children in Rwanda, four primary school girls from the Presentation Convent decided that they should do something about it in the way of raising money to send out there.

The four, Mary and Aileen Twomey from Rail Park, Rebecca Doyle also from Rail Park and Kayzi Healy from Carton Court, had jumble sales and cake sales in July throughout their estates. In total they raised around £146 which they lodged in the bank. They told me that the banks then split up the money between the different charities like Trócaire and Concern.

It really is great to see the children of Maynooth showing concern for places like Rwanda. Keep up the good work, girls.



Mary & Aileen Twomey with Rebecca Doyle

#### STUDENTS SUMMER JOB SCHEME

The students summer job scheme is in full swing with five students being sponsored by the Maynooth Community Council for a duration of 12 weeks. The participants in the scheme are gaining experience in all aspects of office work while also getting a chance to assist in the running of the Citizens Information Centre.

Claire Anna Mee is a 4th year student in St Patrick's College Maynooth studying honours maths and honours computer science. The scheme is beneficial to Claire Anna as she is able to practise her computer skills, while gaining experience in other aspects of office work. Like all the other students it will look well on her C.V. when she finishes college and is searching for a permanent job. Claire Anna worked at door to door sales last summer and she finds the scheme a pleasant change and more rewarding. In her spare time Claire practises Karate and is a yellow belt at present so she is well able to take care of herself.

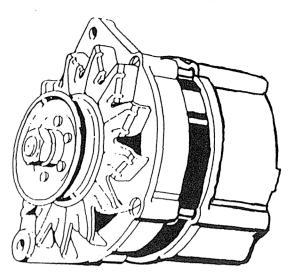
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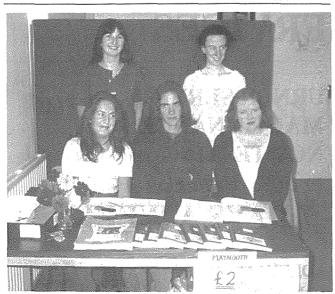
Anne Kelleher from Rail Park is a leaving cert. student who hopes to do a PLC course in secretarial related studies. While this is a one year course in Dun Laoghaire Anne hopes to go on to do a two year course in Athlone to get a better insight into these skills. She got what she needed in the leaving cert to get onto these courses and her 12 weeks in the Community Council will be of great benefit to her. Anne likes to read, play tennis and to swim in her spare time, a nice combination of hobbies to fit in around her summer jobs scheme.

Anita Gormally from Carton Court another leaving cert student is also one of our participants in the scheme. Anita is hoping to do a secretarial course in Dublin in the autumn and finds that the experience she is gaining in the Community Council is very good for the type of job she hopes to do, i.e. office work. Anita also likes to swim in her spare time and hopefully she'll find time to continue this while, she is gaining her secretarial skills.

Our fourth student on the summer scheme is Kieran Mee, also from Carton Court. Kieran has recently completed his leaving cert and has not as yet decided which college he will attend. Kieran also attends the college of music Saturdays to study classical guitar. He likes the self defence side of things as he attends karate classes and presently has an orange belt to his credit. Kieran finds the scheme is keeping him busy for the summer while putting a few bob into his pocket.

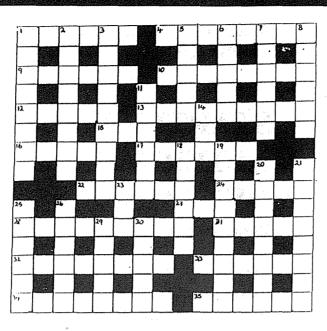
Last but not least is Sheila Henderson a native of Carlow. Sheila is a 2nd year science student who is hoping to teach when she graduates from Maynooth college. Sheila finds that the scheme gives her a great insight into working with people. This is her second year on a student summer jobs scheme as she worked on a childrens' camp last summer through the scheme. Sheila is another reader and swimmer, two pastimes which should come in useful in her proposed career as a teacher.

All five students on the summer jobs scheme have found it interesting and beneficial. It is a successful venture giving students employment for the duration of the summer and a chance to gain experience in all aspects of office work.



Seated L-R Clare Anne Mee, Kieran Mee, Sheila Henderson Standing - Anne Kelleher and Anita Gormally

#### Crossword No. 82



Entries before 5pm Friday, 16th September

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#### ACROSS:

Address:

- 1. This is bad if you put your foot in it. (6)
- 4. Mr. Reason the Redeemer. (8)
- 9. So 'er Rolls Royce had lots of faults, had it? (6)
- 10. Could Ted be a bit of a donkey for being helped. (8)
- 12. The unintelligent remark came in an easterly direction. (5)
- 13. Sat on notion to figure out symbols. (9)
- 15. His badge showed he was keeping it. (3)
- 16. Singular, the kid was in New York the second time. (5)
- 17. I meant to be under canvas. (6)
- 22. Donkey in the film gave the thumbs up. (6)
- 24. So the man was demonstrating the ones over there was he? (5)
- 27. Made a start many years past. (3)
- 28. Could this be one or are there enough photographs. (9)
- 31. Is this one of many which cracks the face of the moon? (5)
- 32. The person who put the label on the cup was blame worthy. (8)
- 33. Did you ring it and win at the fairground? (6)
- 34. A person from a city destroyed by God in the beginning. (8)
- 35. Member of ascetic seat of Palestine from 2 B.C. to 2 A.D. (6)

#### DOWN:

- 1. Medals and cups are given out after this. (3,5)
- 2. Was Lily selling animals in the past? No! (8)
- 3. Never more calm. (9)
- 5. The small donkey made a profit. (5)
- 6. Your allotted time isn't for drinking tea. (5) continued

## Crossword No. 82

#### 7. Oo! that mint did move. (6)

- 8. That plant is hard! (6)
- 11. It's not sensible to be always questioning on whys! (6)
- 14. ..... of innocence, you were young. (3)
- 18. To last until you get the sums. (6)
- 19. So you had no riots, you well known villain. (9)
- 20. Lose clap and fall down. (8)
- 21. Give the job to someone else. (8)
- 23. Yes mister! (3)
- 25. The Secret Service peck at your glasses, in short. (6)
- 26. A fishy kind of lining with musical quality. (6)
- 29 Meeting the target. (2,3)
- 30, Lest I stay on the small island. (5)

#### Solution to Crossword No. 81

Across: 1, Double; 4, Pleasing; 9, Up to us; 10, Agitates; 12, Timid; 13, Enter into; 15, Red; 16, Nitre; 17, Untrue; 22, Ascend; 24, Dream; 27, Ire; 28, Potentate; 31, Raise; 32, Liniment; 33, Tag end; 34, Sore dose; 35, Edited.

**Down:** 1, Doubting; 2, Ultimate; 3, Laundress; 5, Light; 6, Actor; 7, Intent; 8, Go slow; 11, Deduce; 14, Err; 18, Tidier; 19, Underpaid; 20, Redirect; 21, Amended; 23, Cot; 25, Apples; 26, Stoner; 29, Nomad; 30, Acnes.

#### Winner of Crossword No. 81:

We apologize for the missing clues in Crossword No. 81. The prize money for crossword No. 82 will be £10.

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#### Sports News

#### G.A.A. NOTES

#### **1ST TEAM:**

Semi- Final Championship Maynooth v Kilcullen (Newbridge)

#### Maynooth 10pts Kilcullen 9pts

Maynooth are through to their first Junior "A" final in years following a narrow, but well-deserved, victory over Kilcullen at Newbridge. After a tense, thrilling encounter which featured two missed penalties by Mick Nevin and Danny Cahill it was left to Paul Garvey to send Maynooth on their way when he punished a foul on himself by popping over the resultant free. Maynooth started much the better side; they were full of fire, aggression and running and rocked Kilcullen back on their heels in the early minutes. Unfortunately however they failed to "chalk" up the scores that their outfield play deserved and Kilcullen pegged them back to "even Steven" by the break. The second half was just as closely contested and while Maynooth stretched 3 points clear after 15 minutes it was always on the cards that they would have to withstand a mightly rally by Kilcullen if they were to emerge victorious. With great scores by Cahill, Aylesbury and Murphy the "rags" levelled the match. With time ticking away and another replay looking likely, Garvey stepped up confidently to stroke over the winner. Maynooth's opponents in the final will be arch rivals Two Mile House who accounted for south county side Rheban in the other Semi-Final. The game is fixed for September the 4th at 5.15pm. Newbridge is again the venue and a mighty effort will be needed by Maynooth if their "more fancied" opponents are to be overcome.

Best for Maynooth were; Sheeran (who brilliantly saved Danny Cahill's penalty), M.Nevin, J. Conway, Paul Stynes, David Mahony, Killian Fagan, John Nevin, Pascal Ennis and Paul Garvey (scorer of seven points). Maynooth's other scorers were Riordan, John Nevin and Edwards.

#### **TEAM**

| (1) | Eamon | Sheeran      |
|-----|-------|--------------|
| (2) | Mick  | Noone        |
| (3) | Mick  | Nevin (Capt) |
| (4) | Joe   | Conway       |

- (4) Joe Conwa(5) Mick Kelly
- (6) Paul Stynes(7) David Mahony
- (8) Killian Fagan (9) Ken Killoran
- (10)John Nevin (11)Joey Nevin
- (11)Joey Nevin (12)Pascal Ennis
- (13)Paul Garvey (14)Joey Riordan
- (15)Joey Edwards



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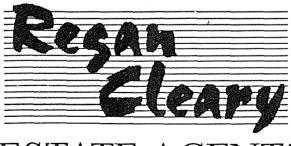
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## Sports News

#### SEMI- FINAL LEAGUE VATHY

#### Athy 2-10pts Maynooth 5pts

Maynooth are finding it very difficult to drum up any enthusiasm for this year's League campaign and seem to be, quite rightly, reserving their best performances for the championship - a reverse of the situation which obtained in previous years. With a number of key players missing and facing a senior side with such noted performers as Sean McGovern, Bobby Miller, Colm Moran, Anthony Brachen and Shane Purcell on board Maynooth were never in the hunt and could have no complaints about their heavy defeat.

#### CONFEY TOURNAMENT V ST. PEREGRINE'S

#### Maynooth 15pts St. Peregrine's 1-6pts

Scorers: Paul Garvey 4pts; Seanie Molloy and Joey Edwards 3pts each; Killian Fagan 2pts; P.Ennis, J. Riordan and K. Killoran 1pt each.

Best: Mickey Noone, Eamon Dunne, Joe Conway, David Mahony, Ken Killoran, Paul Stynes and Joey Edwards.

A first game for the returned "exiles" who not unexpectedly were more than a little "ring-rusty" after their "overseas adventures". The 1st half was riddled with mistakes, bad passes, wild shooting, wrong options taken etc., but things improved somewhat in the 2nd half with some good moves being stitched together and some good scores taken. A lot of hard work is needed however, before the ultimate test against Two Mile House comes up on September 4th.

Tom Flood Cup: Football Tournament. Our Tournament has started and by this issue the first round should be over: The first round draw is, Maynooth V Straffan, Rathcoffey V Ardclough, Caragh V Sallins, Cappagh V Confey.

Sunday September 4th is D Day for Maynooth G.A.A. Final as they play in Junior 'A' Football Championship Final in Newbridge at 5.30 p.m. V Two-Mile-House. Maynooth's Last Championship win was ten years ago in 1984 when they won Junior 'B' Championship and Junior League. But the game on Sunday 4th is one which would help our club to go up to a higher grade. So to all Maynooth people please come along to Newbridge on Sunday 4th September at 5.30 p.m. and give our lads your support.

Training has started for our Under Age Hurlers and footballers on Saturday mornings.

#### Junior 'B' Football Championship Final. Maynooth 1-7 V Milltown 2-12

Maynooth were unlucky to lose this game. It was only the last 10 minutes that Milltown got on top. Indeed the game was finely balanced until ten minutes from the end when Miltown took control at midfield. Maynooth played direct football in the opening half and indeed were twice in front. They came back to be on level terms on two occasions in the

second half but missed a couple of scoring opportunities and found it hard to control midfield. They were guilty of some bad shooting particulary in the opening minutes when they had five wides.

Outstanding for Maynooth: Tom Milloner, John O'Toole, Derek Murray, Peter Burke, Hugh Purcell, Paraig Kearney. This team has also reached the semi-final of league and by next issue we hope to have the league won.

Lotto Result - 24/7/94 - Jackpot £860. Numbers - 4-17-19. No Winner: - 5 X £10. Deirdre McKenna, Eve McCormack, Paula Kearney, Olive Roberts, Lorraine Dempsey.

Lotto Result - 31/7/94 - Jackpot £910 - Numbers - 11-19-26. No Winner: - 5 X £10. Mary Dwyer, Mrs Birchall, Rita Dunning, Pat Corrway, Kiernan Diggins.

Lotto Result - 7/8/94 - Jackpot £960 - Numbers - 6-10-26. No Winner: - 5 X £10. Tony Dunning, Mrs Birchall, Joe O'Riordan, Ray McTernan, Gerry Long.

Lotto Result:- 14/8/94 - Jackpot £1010 - Numbers - 13-20-28 No Winner:-  $5 \times £10$ . Pat Farrell, Noel Kerin, Paddy Desmond, Con Hayes, Mary O'Rafferty.

#### MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

#### Fourteen Medals in all Ireland championship

Eight Gold, four Silver, and two Bronze was the grand total of medals brought home by Maynooth Athletes in the All Ireland Juvenile Championships in Santry on the last weekend in July. In perfect conditions the new look Santry Stadium looked splendid and this seemed to bring out the best in our Athletes.

David Campbell was in splendid form winning four gold and one bronze while his brother Philip took gold in the high jump.

Declan O' Rourke made the long trip back from the Gaeltacht in Galway a successful one by taking two gold and a silver, while younger brother Patrick, despite having been out injured for most of the season took a silver and bronze. Patrick King was once again in brilliant form winning two silver and a bronze.

Mary O'Sullivan was our only female medal winner despite picking up an injury in the 100 metres on day one. She won her heat in the 300 metres on day two, but was pipped for first place by the winner of the other heat (another Sonia in the making).

Karl Ennis won the 1 Km. walk in great style, an event he performs with perfect technique.

To all our other athletes who didn't win medals there is always next year, but well done for a brave effort. All the hard training during the year has paid dividends for a very dedicated bunch of athletes.

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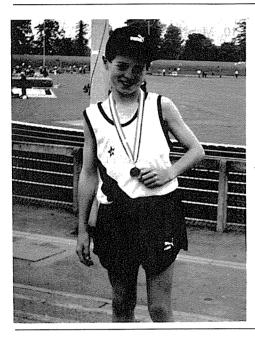
#### Sports News

#### RESULTS

| <b>U. 10</b> : | High Jump (1) Philip Campbell                  |
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| U. 12:         | David Campbell (1) Long Jump (1) High Jump     |
|                | (1) 200 M. Hurdles (1) 80 M. Hurdles (3) 300 M |
| U. 12:         | Patrick King (2) 100M. (2) 300 M.              |
| U. 11          | Patrick O' Rourke (2) 60 M. (3) Club Relay     |
|                | (Morgan Sweeney, David Campbell,               |
|                | Patrick O'Rourke, Patrick King).               |
| U. 13:         | Mary O' Sullivan (2) 300 M.                    |
|                |                                                |

Declan O'Rourke (1) 100 M. Hurdles (1) 300 U. 14:

M. Hurdles (2) (Co. Relay) U. 13: Karl Ennis (1) 1K walk



Medal Winner Patrick King

#### MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

The Captain's (W. Moore) prize was played for in Castlecomer on Saturday 13th August. Weather conditions were perfect and the huge turn-out of golfers 44 in total pitted their talents against a very formidable course. The eventual winner with a little course and distance knowledge was Joe Moore with a fine score of 39 points. The next outing is President's Prize (J. Carey) to Edenderry on Saturday 24th September, Tee Time 11. a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

#### Castlecomer Capts (W. Moore) Results

1st Overall - J. Moore - 39 Pts. 2nd Overall - F. Dooley - 41 - (N/Q) Gross: - M. Dempsey - 85 Gross

Class 1

1st - L. Farrelly - 34 Pts (B.9)

2nd - T. Moore - 34 Pts

3rd - J. McKeown - 33 Pts

4th - R. Delemere - 32 Pts

#### Class 2

1st - D. Dooley - 35 Pts (B.9)

2nd - M. Hall - 35 Pts

3rd - K. O'Brien - 32Pts

4th - B. Dempsey - 30Pts

#### Class 3

1st - N. Brady - 33 Pts (B.9)

2nd - T. Flatley - 33 Pts (B.9)

3rd - M. Scanlon - 33 Pts (B.9)

4th - W. Moore - 32 Pts

Past Captains:- J. Moore - 39 Pts

#### Visitors:

1st - P. Comerford - 40 Pts 2nd - F. Dooley (Snr) - 33 Pts

Front 9 C. Feeney - 20 Pts

Back 9: O. Byrne - 21 Pts

#### MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The first term of our new year begins on Saturday the 10th September. Buses will leave at the usual times. Any member who has not sent back their renewal form should contact a member of the committee immediately as places are being allocated. Parents who want to put their children's names on the club's waiting list should also contact any member of the above committee.

Claire O'Rourke, PRO Margaret O'Neill PRO

#### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

As I write, the kick-off for the new season is only a few days away and as usual we look forward to the new campaign with great expectation and we would always hope to pick up a trophy along the way.

While our male members have been getting into trim with preseason training and friendlies, our female members have been very busy on the League and Shield front during the summer period.

now compete in the Dublin Women's League and as usual are blazing a trail on all fronts. Now maturing into young ladies they are exhibiting their skills in no uncertain manner and are easy on the eye also.

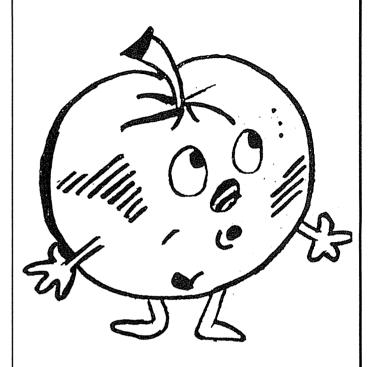
dication of the difficulties being posed for opposing teams when



## Children's Corner







### THE ODD MAN IS .....

#### WINNERS OF AUGUST **COLOURING COMPETITION**

#### 4-7 YEARS

1st. Alexander Wall, 95 Carton Court, Maynooth.

2nd Sinéad Kearney, 12 Straffan Way, Maynooth.

3rd Eimear Flynn, 169 Kingsbury, Maynooth.

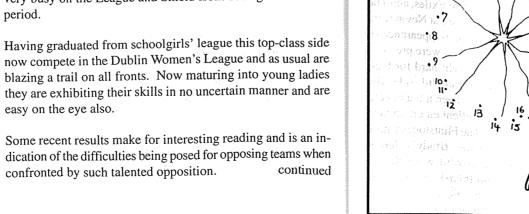
#### **8-12 YEARS**

1st. Emma Flemming, 63 Maynooth Park,

Maynooth.

2nd Suzanne Coughlan, 492 Mariaville, Maynooth.

3rd Caroline Lannon, 94 Carton Court, Maynooth.



#### Sports News

#### Results: Dublin Women's League Inter Division

#### Maynooth Town 8; Verona 2

Antoinette Mooney led the scoring with this facile win over Verona who held Maynooth to level scores two all at half time. A stern half-time pep talk by manageress Frances Kearney had the desired effect on the home side who were rampant in the second half and bagged six goals without reply.

Best for Maynooth were: Paula O'Shea, Irene Kearney and Virginia Breslin.

#### Bank of Ireland 0; Maynooth Town 8

Bank of Ireland got no chance from a Maynooth side who settled early and ran out easy winners. Bank of Ireland were glad to hear the final whistle to save them from an even heavier defeat.

Hat-tricks by Antoinette Mooney and Paula O'Shea boosted by a double from Emma Kilduff made up Maynooth's scoreline where Shelley Breslin, keeper Joanne Smith and Geraldine Breslin were very much to the fore.

#### Maynooth Town 6; Greenpark 1

Paula O'Shea gave a goal scoring exhibition with four goals in a win which was not as easy as the scoreline would suggest. Scoring goals at crucial stages of the game laid the foundation for a sound victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Paula O'Shea, Bríd Ann O'Shea, Tracey Kearney and Leanne Hughes.

#### Maynooth Town 6; Howth Celtic 2

The inevitable hat-trick by Antoinette Mooney was the main feature of this tough game, which at times belied the theory that the fairer sex could only display the finer points of the game. Maynooth had to show the tougher aspects of their characters in overcoming strong opposition. Two goals by Emma Kilduff and one by Meave Flood completed Maynooth's scoring.

Best for Maynooth were: Emma Kilduff and Maeve Flood.

#### Maynooth Town 11; Leixlip 1

The eagerly awaited local derby turned out to be nothing more than a training session played at half pace. Leixlip were never allowed to get into the game and were given a lesson in all aspects of the game. Antoinette Mooney led the scoring with four goals and further goals by Emma Kilduf (2), Leanne Hughes (1), Maeve Flood (3) and Laura Kearney completed the one-sided rout.

Best for Maynooth were: Antoinette Mooney, Maeve Flood and Clair McCarrick.

#### INTERMEDIATE SHIELD.

#### Maynooth Town 5; St. Brigids 3

Maynooth entered into the unknown in this Shield game when meeting opposition from a higher division. Maynooth proved their mettle when battling away for a hard fought win where Karen Mulhern and Marie Grehen were prominent. A hattrick by Antoinette Mooney and one each by Marie Grehen and Paula O'Shea contributed each to this good victory.

#### Maynooth Town 5; Burke Rovers 0

The highly acclaimed Burke Rovers were brought down to earth in no uncertain manner. Regarded as one of the favourites to take the Shield they were given a lesson by Maynooth who were firing on all cylinders right from the kick-off. Goals from Leanne Hughes (1), Laura Kearney (1) and an Antoinette Mooney hat-trick contributed most to a victory in which Antoinette Mooney and Ann Lyons played prominent parts.

#### **Intermediate Shield Quarter-Final**

#### Maynooth Town 3; Coldcut Ladies 0

Maynooth booked their place in the Semi-Final when overcoming a stubborn Coldcut side who battled away right to the end but were unable to unsettle a strong Maynooth defence in which Virginia Breslin and Tracey Kearney were rock solid. Leah Newman also figured prominently for Maynooth where two goals by Antoinette Mooney and one by Emma Kilduff made up the Maynooth scoreline.

Our Seven-a-side tournament for the Clock House-sponsored Joe Murphy Memorial Cup was probably our best tournament to date.

All games were played in a competitive friendly spirit throughout and made for a very entertaining fare for the duration of the tournament.

With a total entry of thirteen teams drawn mainly from the local area and with a number of outside entries also taking part, rivalry was always keen and a number of close exciting games were the outcome.

First round games saw victories for Kalm 7, The Untouchables, Flintstones, Brady's Heroes, Dream Team, The Exiles, and The Lads. Ballygoran United, led by the evergreen Pat Nevin were deprived of their first round game by the non-appearance of the Peter O'Brien Catering Team. Kalm 7 who were previous winners of the tournament were made to fight hard for their second round success by a gallant Ballygoran Utd. side who might feel that an earlier game would have been a big benefit to them. The Untouchables provided excellent entertainment in their second game when pitted against The Flintstones whose lack of experience proved a decisive factor. Brady's Heroes proved too strong for the Dream Team who were short a number of regulars from their successful Inter-Estate winning team. The Exiles, sporting some former club stars making a comeback to competitive football, put up a bold show before



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#### Sports News

lack of match practice told in the end against a very useful The Lads team. Semi-Final pairings were now known and nobody would ever have dreamed of the drama that was to follow. Kalm 7 took on the Kilcock based Untouchables and this was a cracker. Normal time plus extra-time failed to separate two well matched teams and it was left to a penalty shootout to decide the game. Kalm 7 shaded the penalty shoot-out after an enthralling head to head confrontation. Kalm 7 had excellent players in Tony Byrne and Dermot Myles while Ger Mulhall and Tommy Lynch gave everything in their team's cause. The second Semi-Final proved equally dramatic with a penalty shoot-out needed to decide the outcome of this game also. The Lads proved the more expert in the penalty shootout, when edging out Brady's Heroes in a drama packed showdown. Pat Hawkins and Anthony Smith powered "The Lads" who just about deserved their win over Robert Thompson's side with John Geoghegan playing a leading role. The interval entertainment before the Final was provided by the Ladies' team who drew two teams from their ranks to display their skills to an enraptured audience who were left in no doubt as to the merits of the League and Shield results published.

The goalkeeper on either side might consider a closer shave for future appearances if serious in their efforts to make the grade. No offence, Willie and Joe. The much awaited final had everything we wished for in the manner of excellent goals, goal area thrills and an abundance of skills. The youthful side The Lads proved their worth in another close encounter when it looked as if a penalty shoot-out was going to make up a most unusual hat trick. With the score standing at one-all in extra time, Padraig Flood scored a goal which was fit to grace any final following a great pass by Thomas Fay. The final had many stars on display but the one that shone the brightest were the Flood brothers, Thomas Fay, Pat Hawkins, Anthony Smith etc. for The Lads. While Kalm 7 had their own stars in Tony Byrne, Darren Moran, Dermot Myles and Brian McCael among others.

At the subsequent presentation, club Vice-Chairman Martin McTernan presented the runners-up trophies to the gallant losers while Noel Brady from the sponsoring family of the Clock House presented the victors, The Lads with their trophies. The Joe Murphy Memorial Cup was presented to the winning captain Pat Hawkins by Mrs Annie Murphy widow of the late Joe Murphy. The club would like to thank all who helped to make the tournament such a great success especially The Clock House and Maynooth Community Council for their help and co-operation.

#### NORTH KILDARE RUGBY CLUB

With the new playing season about to begin, training is taking place every Tuesday and Thursday night for Junior I to Junior III sides, and on Monday and Wednesday nights for the Under Age teams (i.e. from 8 years to 17 years). The Under 19 side train with the Junior sides on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

The Club has employed a New Zealand coach to supervise all training and coaching.

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#### **TUG-OF-WAR REPORT**

Smoke signals could be seen rising out of George Gallaghers turf shed as Mick O'Rourke, George and myself mused on our future. The cold wind blew out my pipe smoke across a rain washed terrain as we sat on bags of turf and crates, under siege from the weather.

There was the sad prospect that John Gallagher would be out of action for the rest of the season due to injury. John is a dedicated and well respected front puller on our team. Many of our troop are missing and the defence of the Hitchin' Post Cup in mid- October is looking to be a grim mission.

#### Challenge of the rope

In the previous weeks Mick had sailed on the Shannon and I had attended some festivals down home. We were back refreshed and hoping to take up the challenge of the rope that binds so many people around Maynooth.

I attended Dromand Sports Co Longford, where a tug-o-war competition was due to take place. The prizes were there in array, but sadly no rope could be found and it nearly broke my heart not to get a trophy.

At Urlaur in Co. Mayo another tug-o-war event took place. I was fortunate to be on the winning team, but alas there were no medals left to present..

I was naturally disappointed but I forgot my loss as I climbed Croagh Patrick on the following day.

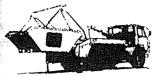
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So now our critics can see we do not do all that badly in organising our local tournaments. You will travel a long way before you will find the likes of it, so enjoy it while it lasts.

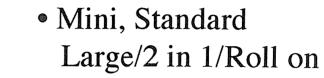
There may be more to life than tug-o-war but I am hard pressed to figure out what it is. Life is a struggle and on the rope we are struggling to define ourselves. It is as if we are trying to hold back time and to stay as we are. Year after year the ritual goes on and we have no sense of ageing or losing our grip on reality. The rope is our reality and is our victories we are reborn again. (Sounds very biblical doesn't it?

Willie Healy

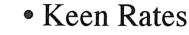
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#### Natural Gas Go-Ahead

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The result of the canvass by Bord Gais of both homes and businesses in Maynooth was very positive and this has led directly to the investment recently announced.

Service we are advised can be provided to some customers before the end of this year. Branch members are pleased that the campaign to bring Natural Gas to Maynooth has been successful.

#### Labour Advice Service

Emmet Stagg T.D. weekly Advice Service will resume this Saturday September 3rd at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields.

Cllr. John McGinley continues to be available every Thursday at 8.00 p.m. at the same venue.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

To Adam Nyland, 785 St. Patrick's Park, Celbridge who celebrates his 1st birthday on September 2nd. Love from his Nannie Nyland, Maynooth.

Happy Birthday to Edel King, Moyglare Village, aged 10, September 28th. Best wishes from Mammy, Daddy and sisters, Clodagh and Lisa.

Happy Birthday to Rikki McTernan, 22 Lawrence Avenue, age 3, September 8th, his cousin Keith McTernan, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne, age 16, September 9th and their cousin Aileen McTernan, Moyglare Village age 9 September 22nd. Best wishes from your Daddies, Mammies, Grandads and Grannies.

Happy Birthday to Cherye Naughton, Greenfield, age 10, September 19th and her Daddy, Michael, who celebrates his birthday on September 21st - love from Mammy.

Happy Birthday to Edward Power, Parsons Lodge, age 7, September 9th and Danielle Power, age 11, September 3rd, also Tommie Henrick, O'Neill Park, September 8th - with best wishes from the Brady Bunch.

Happy Birthday to Susan Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrates her 4th birthday on 1st September - love from Daddy, Mammy and sisters Edel and Clare.

Happy Birthday to Suzy C. - love from all you friends

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Tony and Nuala McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip, who celebrated their 20th Wedding Anniversary on July 15th. Also Tony's brother Raymond and wife Noelle, Moyglare Village, Maynooth who celebrated their 15th Wedding Anniversary on August 25th. Also to brother Peter and wife Jackie, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne who celebrated their 17th Wedding Anniversary on July 23rd and to their parents Gearóid and Ita McTernan, Parson Street, Maynooth who celebrate their 47th Wedding Anniversary on 3rd September.

Congratulations to Paddy and Mary Nolan, Maynooth who celebrated their 36th Wedding Anniversary on the 4th of August.

Congratulations to Kevin and Kathleen Murphy, O'Neill Park, Maynooth who celebrated their 36th Wedding Anniversary on August 27th.

Congratulations to Maeve McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip, who passed her Leaving Cert. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, sister Deirdre, Grannie and Grandad.

Congratulations to - Ciaran and Mary Leavy on the birth of their new son David Gerald, a brother of Richard and Philip, from all their friends in Maynooth.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Aileen and Mary Twomey wish to thank their friends and everybody in Rail Park who supported their recent door to door cake sale in aid of Rwanda. £81.52 was raised and donated to RWANDA CRISIS APPEAL A.I.B. MAYNOOTH.

Eileen and family of the late Vincent Flynn of Moyglare Village, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with and supported them in their recent great loss, those who called to our home, attended the removal, Mass and funeral, those who sent Mass cards, letters and messages of sympathy and floral tributes.

To Fr. Cogan, Dr. Christopher O' Rourke, Dr. Arthur Courtney, the ambulance staff and nurses, Maynooth Gardaí. To Fr. Leo and Fr. Eugene Flynn (brothers), Ita McCormack, Soloist and all the priests and nuns who attended the funeral. A special word of thanks to our wonderful neighbours and friends for all the help and support they gave us. Trusting that this will be accepted by all, as a token of our grateful appreciation, Holy Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Rebecca Doyle and Kayzi Healy wish to thank their friends and everybody who supported their fund-raising in aid of Rwanda. £65 was raised between them and donated to Rwanda Crisis Appeal, A.I.B., Maynooth. Again, thanks.

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Sympathy to the wife, sons and relatives of the late Matthew Buckley - Orenstown, Dunboyne, Co. Meath, who died recently.

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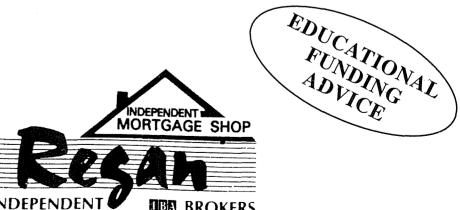
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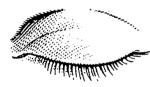
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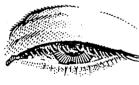


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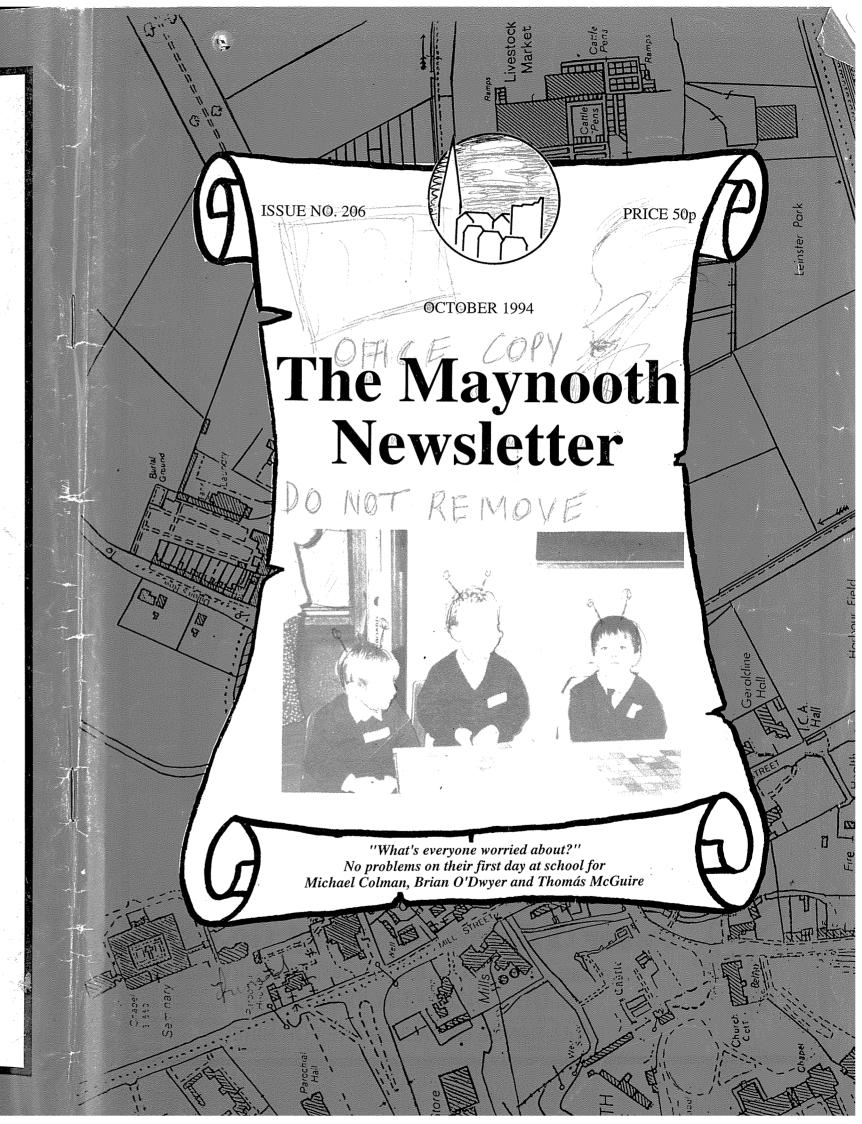
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

#### Editorial

#### **Re-zoning**

Many of you may have seen the posters against the rezoning of St. Catherine's on the outskirts of Leixlip and wondered what they were all about. It is that time of the decade again when the local Councillors discuss the re-zoning of land in County Kildare. It will be the turn of Maynooth very soon. The Celbridge Area Committee of the County Council are to discuss the re-zoning of land in Maynooth possibly by the end of November. It is very important that local groups and individuals make themselves aware of and interested in this process.

Maynooth is a town that has grown rapidly over the last twenty years and will continue to grow, but growth should be planned rather than piecemeal. It is essential to remember that growth in a town such as Maynooth without the facilities to sustain the people who live here may lead to many problems later on. So become interested in your town and its future, get in touch with your local councillor for information and when the plan emerges express your opinion.

#### **Summer Project**

Editorial

The summer project gives lots of fun and enjoyment to the children of Maynooth throughout the summer months. It would be a shame to see, its decline. As with all voluntary organisations it is difficult to retain membership over a long period and the summer project committee are now experiencing this problem. Parents who have had children in the project and who know how much enjoyment it gives should now think of going forward as committee members for it to continue successfully.

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#### Letters to the Editor

#### **Dear Editor**

Recently a crew of Kildare "contractors" who were hired by Waterford County Council, were disconnecting a water supply in County Waterford, when they were surrounded and held captive in their Kildare registered van by angry residents. One wonders if this was the same crew who are alleged to have intimidated local Maynooth residents in the recent past. If it was I hope it has tamed their exuberance somewhat, or was it 'contractors' from Waterford?

Leo Armstrong

#### **A** Chara

For years we have had to endure heavy taxation and wage estraint to help rescue our country from bankruptcy and to provide for our less well off citizens. This was the "gospel" preached by consecutive governments; "there just isn't enough noney to go around... when we examined the books etc etc..." Then they found millions to refurbish the Taoiseach's office and while social welfare recipients and old age pensioners got very meagre increases, they were even prepared to expose the axpayer to a liability of over a hundred million punts in insurface cover for meat exports to Iraq. Then on the subsequent put they are up bills approximating thirty million punts, by literally giving the legal profession a blank cheque. There weren't too many difficult forms to be filled out or pryng questions asked here.

to was it really a surprise when we heard that government ainisters and top civil servants were awarding themselves without quibble a 20% wage rise? T.D's also gave themelves a generous increase. Financial rectitude took the day ff to celebrate the Northern ceasefire. While they are waving ne banner of peace before our eyes, we are waving it at the tank Manager, only he's not looking. Not content to smile not their pockets, what happened next only the smug Mr. thern, Finance Minister, having greatly enriched himself, came noth the "This Week" radio programme on Sunday 18th September to discuss spending cuts - no bother to him.

must surely fill many people with unease and contempt for ne way our democracy is being abused. We can now truly see tho is really benefiting from the infamous national consenis, that has existed hitherto. This whole episode of wanton reed and detachment from reality means that when they start preach about restraint again, their words will sound very ollow indeed. Yes, they have very hard necks and they have ot away with this kind of thing in the past but I seriously oubt if they will find the people so understanding anymore, wen among sheep there is always a ram that will puck you!

ours Villie Healy



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Contact School: 6286060

#### **Community Council Notes**

#### LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

At present there is a Community group working in the cemstery. However, there is a need for greater effort by the Comnunity to tidy up various areas of the cemetery, for example, wround the Church and the older gravestones and the green area not as yet in use. To this end The Community Council has granted a sum of money to be used for refuse collection and grass and bramble cutting purposes. Individuals intersted in helping in this project should contact the Community Council Office ph: 6285922.



#### **IARBOUR FIELD**

or your information the use of the Harbour Field is as follows:

Ieadowbrook Footballers Sunday<br/>chool Boys - Mon. Wed. Thurs. Fri.<br/>irls Soccer - Tues. Thurs.10.00am - 12.00pm<br/>3.30pm - 5.00pm<br/>6.00pm - 7.30pm<br/>Saturday morningoccer Club U/10 Boys -<br/>.A.A. - Saturday afternoons2.00pm

#### **UBLIN BUS**

ublin Bus are interested in your opinion on the bus service Maynooth. If you have an opinion, good or bad regarding e frequency or time of service, the buses themselves or the cal routes, please contact the Community Council Office. These ews will be passed on to Dublin Bus at our next meeting.

#### OMHAIRLE SÁBHÁILTEACHT ÁISIÚNTA

#### ational Safety Council

ectures on "Fire Safety in the Home" plus "Road Safety". ptember 1994 - March 1995. Dublin and a radius of 25 iles of City Centre.

ne National Safety Council has set up a panel of speakers to ve lectures on the subjects of "Fire Safety in the Home" us "Road Safety" to interested groups, as outlined above ring the seven month period September 1994 to March 1995.

teir specialist speaker will undertake this lecture in the ening commencing 7.30/8.00pm on Monday through to

Thursday nights. The lecture will last approx 1hr. 15mins. and will be complemented by a video, question and answer session and leaflet distribution.

The availability of this service is confined to groups operating within a radius of 25 miles of Dublin City Centre and is totally free of charge. Booking should be made at least 14 days in advance of the intended night to avoid disappointment. It is envisaged that a minimum of 25 members would be present at the lecture meeting.

If any Resident Association, group or individual is interested in attending this lecture they should contact the Community Council before the end of October.

#### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

The present Planning & Development Community Employment Scheme is finishing at the end of October. This scheme undertook work planned by the Tidy Towns Committee. It has been decided that the Tidy Towns Committee will now run this scheme themselves, starting hopefully in the New Year.

#### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

At time of writing we are currently awaiting the results of the Bórd Fáilte Tidy Towns 1994 Competition.

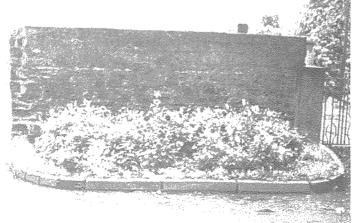
We will of course publish these results next month with an invitation to discuss these results at an open meeting of the Tidy Towns Group.

Did you notice two new bins?!!! These bins after much discussion, have been provided by Kildare County Council.

This is the style of bin we would hope to see throughout Maynooth.

Finally, thanks to the S.E.S. workers and to all residents' associations and business premises who helped in any way to improve this year. We say a big "Thank You".

Richard Farrell, P.R.O.



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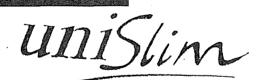


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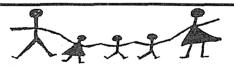
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#### **BAND BULLETIN**

'his month's BULLETIN is in an In-Between situation where re can't report on the late September events and are too early mention in detail the November happenings but here goes, ill just press the keys and see what comes out.

#### lag Week-End

Ve would like to thank all who supported our Annual Flag Jeek-End last month. I'm afraid we did not do as well as in revious years which was nothing to do with Public Support at all to do with Summer Holidays. So many of our memors were away for that week-end that we just did not have the odies to reach those who would have willingly filled our bucks. However we'll make sure to get it right next year.

#### he Curragh Races

hat is by now an annual trip to the Moyglare Stud meeting the Curragh went very smoothly last month. We enjoyed e day, got a chance to have a flutter on hot tips on horses th cold feet and make sure that the weather was fine. Yes, id as it may seem, it has not rained in three visits to the irragh this year and the Racecourse Committee are finally inking of adopting us.

#### arda Band Concert

te Concert in the Aula Maxima on 30th September is just ing organised at the time of writing and we hope to report a most successful night in the next BULLETIN

#### coming Events

ro very important events in the Band's calendar, the Annual ass for Deceased Members and our Annual Race Night take ice in November and the dates for both will appear next in the In relation to the Race Night we have been very fortue in the past to have had a queue of businesses and indibuals all anxious to sponsor races or horses. If you would to sponsor a Race (£50) or a horse for £10 you should itact Michael Dempsey (6286948) or Paddy Boyd (6285033 ne or 6289133 work) as soon as possible to make sure you included.

at's about it for this month, see you all here again in Nonber.

#### **ELBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB**

bridge Camera Club held a very successful Annual Exhion in the Slip Hall in Celbridge on the weekend of 3rd/4th tember last. Over three hundred images on display cov-1 a wide range of subjects. Best Overall was won by Liam Reilly of Maynooth, an acknowledged leading exponent of a-red photography.

Club was founded ten years ago. Affiliated to the Irish tographic Federation, it has become one of the top clubs ne country. It has a busy programme, in addition to comtions, of guest speakers, practical demonstrations and ds-on workshops.

There is a very strong social aspect to the club and an especially friendly ethos. Members come from a wide area of Dublin, Meath and Kildare. The vitality of the club owes a lot to a constant flow of new members, most of whom start with the Beginners Course run each year. The course covers the very basics from pointing the camera to processing your first roll of film.

The Club meets on Monday nights in the Slip Hall beside Castletown Gates, at 8.00 o'clock and will be enrolling for this year's Beginners Course which starts on Monday, 19th. September at 7p.m.

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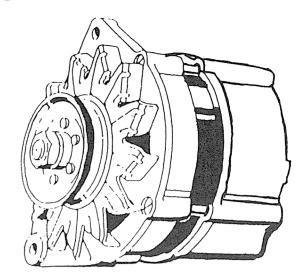
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#### **RATHMINES**

Mon & Thurs

10.15a.m. - 12.30p.m.

4.00p.m. - 8.00p.m.

#### LI.C. NOTES

#### Vomen in the Home and Old Age Pensions

ew regulations for Contributory Old Age Pensions have just een made. This should make it easier for people who take ome time off work to care for family members to qualify for ensions. This new regulation will be of significance to a imber of women who are now carers but some of the coverge it has received has suggested that it is much more signifiint than it actually is. (It applies in exactly the same way to en who are carers but, in practice, it is likely to affect far ore women than men). It will affect people who are now rers and who will be in the future; it does not affect those ho were carers before April 1994 and it will not be of much e to those who give up work permanently. It will be of greatt importance for those who work outside the home for a imber of years, then spend a number of years as carers and en return to the workforce. It will not affect most people for ong time as the principal beneficiaries are likely to be women ho are now in their 20s or 30s.

ne of the main requirements for qualifying for a COAP is at you have an annual average number of contributions over our life i.e. an average of 20 per year between the time of try to insurance and the age of 66. Obviously, people who ve a break in employment and are not getting a social welge payment have greater difficulty in meeting this requireent. The new regulation provides that "homemakers" may ye up to 6 of their homemaking years disregarded when air entitlement to pension is being assessed.

homemaker is defined as a person who lives with and cares a child under the age of 6 or lives with and provides full ne care and attention for an incapacitated person. The definion of an incapacitated person is the same as that which plies to the Carer's Allowance. A homemaker must live in country and must not be engaged in employment except employment of inconsiderable extent. This means that you not be working but not earning more than £30 a week.

5m 5 April 1994, any contribution year spent as a homeiker may be disregarded in the calculation of the yearly avige up to a maximum of 20 years. So, the fact that you do t have any contributions in those years will not affect your titlement. If you have been working for, say the past 8 years 1 you stay at home looking after your children for the next (1994 - 2004) your average will be measured from 1986 to time you reach 66 less 10 years. The effect is the same as ring credits for the years in question.

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#### GYMNASTIC CLUB

Gymnastics have been going in Maynooth for the past ten years or more and the number of children who have benefited from it are too numerous to mention. The classes continue from September to the end of June. We take part in Community Games Competitions and Class Competitions. There is also an Annual Kildare v Cork Competition and Kildare Inter-Club Competition.

Children (boys and girls) from the age of 3 years take part, and new members are always welcome.

Classes start back on Monday 19th September '94 in St. Mary's Parish Hall at 2 p.m. Enrolment any Monday in the Hall. lst class from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. 2nd class from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. 3oys and girls from age 3 years are welcome.

For information phone Des Hogan 045-31760 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Daily Monday to Friday.

#### I.C.A. NOTES

The September meeting of Maynooth ICA was held in our nall on Thursday 1st of September at 8.00 p.m. Our Presilent, Imelda Delaney, welcomed the ladies back after the sumner break. She had a special word of welcome for three lalies in particular. These ladies had come along to see what appens at our meetings as they are considering joining our Build. Ladies, we were delighted to meet you and we look orward to seeing you again in October, as well as anyone else who may be interested in joining.

in August our Federation President, Mrs Nellie Dillon, expeienced a very sad loss with the death of her husband, Tom. We extend our deep sympathy to Nellie and her family. Symbathy also goes to the family of the late Mrs Phil McGinn Brimes, who had been a member of Leixlip Guild and an exiellent craft demonstrator.

#### Activities

Crafts are on in our hall on Monday nights starting at 8.00 b.m.

Badminton is on at the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday nornings at 10.45 a.m.

Drama rehearsals are in full swing in our hall on Wednesdays it 11.00 a.m. The Drama Festival will take place in Kilteel on 5th, 10th, 11th November.

#### Trip to New Zealand

The A.C.W.W. trip to New Zealand will take place in Jan/Feb 95. The cost will be approximately £1,500. Details can be obtained from Tully Travel at (0503) 31257.

#### Bew 'n' Show

Hickeys, in association with the Tallaght Choral Society are iolding a Sew 'n' Show Competition on Tuesday 11th October at The Square, Tallaght, starting at 8.00 p.m.

There are great prizes for the winners and further details are available at any Hickeys store.

#### **Brannaire Tests**

Mairead Scanlon asked the members to let her know if they were interested in doing Brannaire tests. Tests are available in a variety of things from bread making to family cookery.

#### **Guest Speaker**

Mrs Nuala McNeely came along to our September meeting and spoke about the Tony Quinn System. Nuala showed a video of Tony Quinn and then answered lots of questions from the ladies. Thanks to Nuala and her friends for coming to our meeting.

#### **Next Meeting**

Our next Guild meeting will take place on Thursday 6th October at 8.00 p.m. in our hall. The competition on that night will be an "on the spot". Guest speaker Fiona Power from McDougalls will be giving a cookery demonstration. New members are always welcome.

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# Clubs, Organisations, Societies

#### IRISH SOCIETY FOR AUTISM

The Dunfirth Community situated in a townland in Co. Kildare, was opened by the Irish Society for Autism (I.S.A.) in 1983. The setting is a farm on 70 acres near the village of Johnstownbridge. At Dunfirth the residents live in houses grouped around a courtyard in an atmosphere which combines care with maximum freedom. They live and work as a traditional farm family would, tending livestock, growing vegetables and rearing poultry.

The development of independent living and vocational training skills are an important part of the life of Dunfirth.

# Goods and Services provided by Trainees at Dunfirth Community.

#### 1. Pottery and Ceramics:

The aim of this studio is to develop an interest in pottery and to develop the skills, knowledge and attitude required to become a worker in pottery/ceramics.

The ceramics slip casting unit brings to the programme a modern small scale production environment. Here the trainees partake in the entire process from raw materials to the finished products.

These products include:

Mugs,

Jugs,

Sugar Bowls,

3 different sizes of Vase.

There is also a programme for hand building. This includes coil building, slab building and press moulding.

The products produced in this area are:-

Coil Pots,

Slab built boxes

Press mould brooches.

#### 2. Woodwork and Crafts.

The aim of the woodwork workshop is to develop in the Trainees the skills, knowledge and attitude required to become workers in woodwork.

Items made in the workshop include:-

#### Garden Furniture:

Bird Houses, Benches, Trellis, Window boxes.

#### Household Items:

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#### **Toys and Games:**

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#### 3. Horticultural Services Provided:

The horticultural activities include:

#### **Indoor Plants:**

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#### **Outdoor Plants:**

Trees, Shrubs, Herbs, Bedding Plants, etc. Containerised patio plants, shrubs and trees (including Christmas Trees) sales or leasing.

Landscaping and garden maintenance service.

#### The Dunfirth Community

The basic philosophy of the Community is a recognition of the individuality of persons with Autism, their capacity to benefit from education, training and care, and their entitlement to participate in the development of society in accordance with their individual capacity and dignity as human beings.

To this end, the Dunfirth Community is committed to creating a home-like environment where management and staff are aware of the individual needs of people with Autism and the wishes of the parents. Staff and parents work tirelessly to achieve mutual respect and confidence in each other, so that the residents with Autism can prosper and develop in a stress free and pleasant ambiance.

As one recent visitor to Dunfirth commented "Dunfirth is a green oasis where people with Autism live, work, laugh and sleep with love and respect."

#### **Vocational Training**

The development of real work, leisure and recreational skills in people with Autism is an important and significant way of improving the quality of life of our people.

The ISA in conjunction with the National Rehabilitation Board and with assistance from the European Social Fund now has 18 of our 27 residents in vocational training modules which incorporate; Horticulture - Farming - Poultry Management - Pottery - Joinery - Social - Leisure and Recreation skills. Our objective is that some of our residents can find meaningful employment in supervised work situations or co-operative ventures under the management of the I.S.A.

#### Odyssey

The opening of a retail shop "Odyssey" at 35 Main Street, Leixlip, Co. Kildare, a local village close to the Dunfirth Community is another milestone in the Society's programme to develop a wide range of opportunities for people with Autism. It is separate from all other projects and activities which come under the umbrella of the "Irish Society for Autism" services. It is independent in its planning and control systems and part funded by The European Horizon Initiative.

#### What is Autism?

Autism is a mental disability which impairs the natural instinct to relate to and communicate with fellow human beings. Those affected are born without, or lose early in life, the ability to make sense of the world around them. They do not understand how or why to use speech and gestures; They show little curiosity or imagination and seem indifferent to the usual two-way process of communication. Continued

ople with Autism live in a world where everyday images d sounds can seem frightening and confusing. No wonder ir behaviour is sometimes perplexing and disruptive. No inder they sometimes withdraw into the lonely isolation of petitive and obsessive behaviour, temper tantrums and outaks of deep despair.

#### hat can be done?

th the right care and special education and training, chilin and adults with Autism can be helped to make the best of their potential. And any progress, however small, imives the quality of their lives and relieves some of the anxiand strain felt by parents and carers.

pert care, education and training can help to overcome the ial isolation, learning difficulties and communication probhs that devastate the lives of those with Autism. Sadly howr, the combined resources of statutory and voluntary secs still fall far short of the recognised need, thus only a very all number of people with Autism are receiving specialist

w, more than ever before, because of major changes to the me-work of service provision in this country, it's up to orlisations like the Irish Society for Autism and it's affiliates ake the lead in developing relationships with statutory bodand other voluntary agencies, to ensure that those affected this perplexing condition can be reached and helped.

e Irish Society for Autism (Head Office) Lower O'Connell Street. blin 1. ephone: 8744684



Naoise and Michael at work in Odyssey, 35 Main Street, Leixlip

#### IRISH WILDBIRD CONSERVANCY

Liffey Valley Branch **Programme** November 1994 - January 1995

#### **NOVEMBER 1994** Tuesday 8/11/94

"Beginning Bird-watching", Slide Show and talk in the Silver Granite Pub, (upstairs) Palmerstown, Co. Dublin, 8 p.m.

#### Saturday 12/11/94

Outing to People's Gardens, Pheonix Park, Dublin. Meet People's Gardens (Pheonix Park, Main Road), 10.30 a.m.

#### **DECEMBER 1994** Saturday 10/12/94

Display and talk, "Beginning Bird-watching", Ballyfermot Library, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin, 2 p.m.

#### JANUARY 1995

#### New Year's Day, Sun 01/01/95

Outing to St. Stephen's Green, and Ivy Gardens, Dublin. Meet Stephen's Green, Grafton Street entrance. 2 p.m.

#### Tuesday 17/01/95

Slide Show and talk on "Irish Bats" by Dublin Bat Group, Spa Hotel, Lucan, Co. Dublin, 8 p.m.

#### Saturday 21/01/95

Outing to Brittas Ponds and Blessington Lakes. Meet Car Park, Green Isle Hotel, Naas Road, Dublin 22, 10.30 a.m. Bring wet weather gear, wellington boots/walking boots, lunch if required.



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#### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE

Our morning club is once again in full swing and we welcome back all the familiar faces and indeed the new.

Our twelve people who were on holidays in 'Kerdiffstown House' enjoyed their week immensely. This was due in no small way to the attention given by Margaret Kelly and all the stewards and the friendliness of the Dunboyne Senior Citizens, whom they know so well. They shared the week also with some charming people from Navan, Ashbourne and Belfast. How about that for cross-border relations! I take this opportunity to thank all who helped to make their stay a pleasant one, not forgetting our own committee, who visited Kerdiffstown each evening to keep up the vital contact and assurance that is so important to some while away from home.

It's down to business again now, and as you read this item, we are planning our "Sale of Work", scheduled this year for Sunday November 20th. So before that date you may all expect a house call from one of our committee members or helpers, all of whom carry identification, so don't hesitate to ask if you are in any doubt. This annual venture as you know, is our main fund raising event, and I trust you will be as generous and supportive this year as you have been in the past.

Meanwhile our Halloween Party will be held on Sunday, October 23rd in the Post Primary School at 3.30p.m.

The focus in September/ October is of course on education, so with that in mind a group of our Senior Citizens are taking part in the Adult Education Programme, which is now in progress in the M.A.D.E. centre, Moyglare Road. This is all part of the 1993 "European Year" strategy of integrating all age groups in the community. In the last few years our older people have taken part in all aspects of community life. All age groups have a vital role to play in society and I look forward to the day when we can drop the "discriminatory labels" and respect each other what ever our age. Until that day perhaps we should take on board Carmel Reilly's suggestion and I quote "We are not 'Older People' any more but 'recycled' teenagers".

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to Mary Lawless and her family on the untimely death of Maurice. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam.

#### MAYNOOTH CASTLE COMMITTEE September 1994

It was with great sadness that we learned of the resignation of our chairman Msgr. M Ledwith. His chairmanship, co-operation and interest in the Castle was a major contribution to the success of the committee's achievements. We take this opportunity to wish Msgr., Ledwith, health, happiness and every good wish for the future and to thank him for all his help and unstinting support over the past five years. Go raibh míle maith agat agus slán!

The Maynooth Castle Committee has now reached the end of stage one and enters the very vital stage of stage two!

To recap on stage one. The committee has succeeded in taking the Castle out of limbo, where the Office of Public Works were the guardians of a National Monument, but were not in a position to do anything about it because the Castle did not belong to them. Now that the castle has been preserved as an amenity for the people of Maynooth and Ireland, the Commissioners, recognising the importance of Maynooth Castle, in Irish history, has received funding of £1,000,000. The first money to be spent was to appoint consultant architects who were commissioned to draw up a plan for the development/ restoration of the castle. They have consulted with all aspects of the local community and it is envisaged that their report will be ready shortly.

Stage two of the Maynooth Castle Committee will be to ensure that, at this crucial time, the local input be available at all times. The next Castle Committee meeting will be held in October and the planning of phase two and the organising of an open public meeting will be on the agenda. At this public meeting it is hoped to have the Director of National Monuments, Mr Dermot Burke, and the Architects present to answer any and all questions the public may have.

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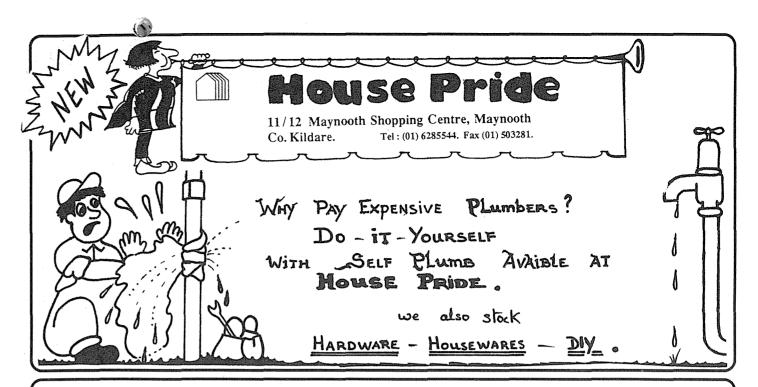
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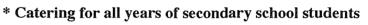
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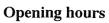
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#### **MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES**

1994 year has finished and we are now about to start the work for the 1995 Games. We would like to thank all of those who helped in any way with the 1994 Games.

For a successful 1995 Games we will need a lot more help from parents or anyone who is interested in training teams.

The disciplines in Community Games are Football, Rugby, Table-Tennis, Hard-court Tennis, Hockey, Camogie, Hurling, Volleyball, Soccer, Rounders, Badminton, Pitch & Putt, Basketball, Handball, Chess, Draughts, Swimming, Gymnastics, Art and Athletics. Our A.G.M. will take place on the 5th October in the G.A.A. premises at 8.30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing an increase in members at this meeting.

#### MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

I hope you will bear with me this month. It is my first venture to print. We have been spoiled over the past couple of years, Emer McDermot looked after the input to the *Newsletter*. The lirectors of Maynooth Credit Union wish Emer and her famly a very happy and productive two years abroad.

Since we commenced our extended opening hours, we have ad quite a large increase in membership. If you are not yet a nember and would like more information on the Credit Unon please call into our office any time we are open, (times isted elsewhere in this issue) or give us a ring 6286741 and we will forward details.

We have recently introduced two new services for the benefit of our membership. You can now join the V.H.I. as part of he Credit Union Group Scheme and we have started up the Iome Union House and contents insurance. Details of both of these services are available from our office. Now that the chools have re-opened and the Late Late Show is back on our TV screens it is time to start thinking about Christmas. If you intend to apply for a loan for Christmas please apply early.

will call a halt for this month, I look forward (if I am let) to alking to you all again next month.

Aichael Mooney

#### **MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT**

982-----1995 **lest in Peace.** 

After many years of eventful summers for the children of Aaynooth, our Projects are in great jeopardy. The prospects of carrying on next year are very very slender indeed.

At our A.G.M. held on September 14th, which was advertised a the September issue of the *Newsletter*, we invited parents attend, hoping that some would join the committee and bring ontinuity for future years.

Our A.G.M. saw founder members and long-standing committee members resign for personal reasons, most feeling that they could not commit themselves any further. The number of remaining committed voluntary members are now so low it would be impossible to try to continue without more people helping from start to finish.

Every Project needs planning and organizing, together with the manpower to implement and run such ventures. We cannot consider planning another Project unless more people become involved.

We will hold another meeting on October 12th at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. hall in the hope that this article may bring the help needed.

Don't forget, the projects are for your children, and without an input from parents it will be the children that are being deprived during their summer holidays.

Volunteers should attend our next meeting or make contact with us through the *Newsletter*.

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The fees for this term are as follows:

One Child: £27 Three Children: £74

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Fees are due by Saturday 1st October and may be paid to any member of the Committee or the bus supervisor. Please note that because we are a non-profit-making club, once a place has been booked for a term the full term's fee is then due.

**N.B.** Parents who will receive the duty roster for this coming term are asked to ensure that they take their turn or make alternate arrangements to swop with another parent on the duty roster.

Margaret O'Neill Claire O'Rourke, P.R.O.

#### MAYNOOTH / KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Hope you all had an enjoyable summer, and congratulations to all of you who received Leaving and Junior Cert Results. Our first disco for over fifteens will be held in October. Correspondence regarding the club should be sent to the club secretary, Melanie Oliver, 40 Maynooth Park, Tel. No. 6285918. Parents, if you want your teenagers to enjoy themselves in an alcohol and drug free environment it will cost you nothing, just a few hours every month helping to supervise our discos, and you will find it a worthwhile and rewarding experience.

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#### ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

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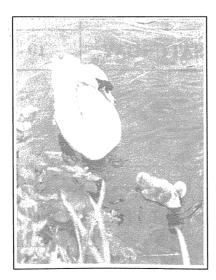
#### **Steam Train**

Once again this year's trip was a great success with over six hundred people enjoying this nostalgic trip. This year we had a different engine and coaches to previous trips but none the less it was equally enjoyable. Our photo shows the current "Miss Royal Canal", Miss Audrey Farrelly, meeting the crew of the Steam Train after it arrived in Maynooth.



#### Swans

Our swan family had one cygnet this year and so far the cygnet is fine. It would appear that a second swan family has taken up residence south of Mullen Bridge (on the Straffan Rd.). Our photo shows the swan with the cygnet.



#### Works Up-date

Work is continuing at the main harbour. The wall between the harbour and the harbour field is now almost complete. It is expected that the main harbour area will shortly be tarmacadamed and fitted with street lights. This will be a joint effort but more about this later. A new works scheme has been set up in conjunction with FAS and this will enable the work at both harbours to be completed.

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# Clubs, Organisations, Societies

#### Carton

On the subject of Carton Harbour, it has come to notice that a large number of the reflective post markers have been removed from the fencing. Motorists and other visitors are requested to cease this obnoxious foolhardy practice as they are placing other lives in danger. I don't think it is necessary to elaborate on this point.

#### Committee

If you have recently moved to Maynooth, or are a long-time resident, and have an interest in the Canal and its refurbishment then we would like to hear from you. If you are interested just contact the undersigned at (01) 6286372

Gerry Fitzpatrick P.R.O.

#### **SCOUT NEWS**

#### **Sponsored Parachute Jump**

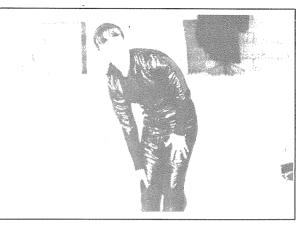
A sponsored parachute jump to raise funds for the scouts of Maynooth was organised and on the 10th September 1994 Emer Gaffney, a 14 year old patrol leader, made a tandem parachute jump from 9,000 ft.

The day began at 9.15 a.m. when a small convoy of supporters left from the Greenfield shops and arrived at the Irish Parachute Club at 10.15 a.m. Once at the airfield, we found that Emer was becoming a bit nervous about the whole idea. One did not need a degree to figure this out, all you had to do was count the amount of times she visited the Ladies Room. Then came the moment when training began. This was where the supporters came into their own (somebody had to guard the exits to stop her getting out). To shouts of encouragement like "grab her", "don't let her out" and "get the harness on her" the training was completed. Now we had a long wait for the rain and high winds to die down. At 3.45 p.m. we got word that the first two jumpers were to get set and at 4.00 p.m. off they went to 9,000 ft. This was the time when Scout Leaders and parents got nervous as we knew she had never been higher than the top of the stairs at home — would she or wouldn't she jump? All our questions were answered when we saw two specks leave the plane to begin 20 seconds of freefall before the parachute opened. We all went crazy and all was going well until the wind began to rise again and they started to drift away from the landing field. At one stage we thought they were heading back to Maynooth. Finally they landed a couple of fields down the road and the first words out of Emer were "when can I do that again"?

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Irish Parachute Club, who did an excellent job in preparing her for the jump and for bringing her down safe

To the people of Maynooth who supported us so generously, I also say thank you, for without your support, it would not have been possible.

Yours in Scouting, Cathal Gaffney ASL



Emer getting ready for the take-off

#### STUDENTS - THE RETURN



year has come around again, October, the beginning of the new college year in Maynooth. First years will start on

That time of



the 3rd & 4th October while the rest of the students return on the 4th

Amidst all the hustle and bustle there is the stability of the Student's Union, set up to help the students in all aspects of college life. With Mags Murphy and Ronan Barry as President and Vice President respectively it would seem the students will have plenty of services available to them throughout the year. With anything from counselling to secretarial services the Union aims to help the students through any problems they might encounter along the way.

Ronan and Mags photographed above are both on The Maynooth Community Council and thus are aware of the ongoing problems encountered between students and locals alike.

They can be open to criticism and always stress the importance to students of a good relationship with the Town.

This is always brought up in orientation week for first year students where they get an induction to college. It is also highlighted in the Student Newsletter as a message to all students.

Mags and Ronan feel that overall the students are quite a good crowd, there's just a few bad apples in the barrel who make everyone else look bad too. The amount of incidents in the town dropped in 1993 - 1994 compared to the previous year. It is sometimes forgotten that the students do a lot of good for the town. Aside from putting a lot of money into Maynooth they are involved in local activities such as the running of the local scout troop and in the College itself they have set up a Campus Watch similar to Neighbourhood Watch in housing

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areas. The students are issued with cards showing an internal and external phone number. In case of any incidents on campus these numbers can be rung confidentially and the person responsible for the rumpus could face disciplinary action. The liaison officer in the town for Campus Watch is Garda Martin Caine.

Mags Murphy and Rónan Barry are always open to suggestions on how to improve relations between the students and the people of the Town. With the bicentenary coming up both should be integrated and hopefully this may be a steppingstone to a better future for both the town of Maynooth and the College.

#### **STUDENTS' UNION - GRANTS**

University can be a very expensive place of learning. For just one year, it is estimated at £5,000 for fees and living expenses. To help many students and parents with this financial burden, he Higher Education Grant Scheme was formed. While this s commendable and has helped in the past, the structure can sometimes fall short of its aim.

Even before the start of the academic year the Grant Scheme s showing problems. It is the hope of the Students' Union that he Government will issue the recommendation to improve he Grant Scheme as promised, so that the problems can be ackled.

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# Residents Associations

# CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

#### Estate:

The estate though not at its best, is reasonably tidy and remedial work has been carried out in several areas of the estate. There is much to be done but with the winter months fast approaching some of this work will be deferred to the spring.

#### **Congratulations:**

Congratulations to all estate teenagers who received the Leaving Cert and Junior Cert results. It would appear that the estate had a very good result rate. Well done to all. To those going back after Junior Cert - continued success, and to those with Leaving Cert completed - Good luck on which ever path you choose.

#### Sports Day:

The sports day took place in August and a good afternoon was had by all. The weather held up. Jim O'Keeffe had the Green in impeccable condition (as usual) for the occasion and proceedings commenced just after 2p.m. The under four race (mixed) saw Zoe O'Neill, Aiden O'Neill and Jonathan Shiels take joint first place, while in the under six race (mixed) Samantha O'Neill won with Owen O'Melia and Daniel O'Donnell (no, not the singer) in joint second. The under eight girls race saw Suzane Harney beat her sister into second place while in the same age group for boys Barry Harney took first place from Neil Cooney in second and Paul Clerkin in third. On then to the under ten race (mixed) this was a close contest with the judges almost "calling for a photo", before placing Brian Shiels first and Judith and Joseph Glennon joint third just behind Alan Filbert who was second. In the under twelve race mixed Brian McLoughlin crossed the line first closely followed by Heather Cooney in second and Andrew Lynch third.

The three-legged race came next and the winners in the under eight section were: First Paul Clerkin and Barry Harney, Second Kenneth Corbally and Neil Cooney and third, Laura and Suzanne Harney. The under ten section was won by Joseph Glennon and M. McLoughlin, second. were Alan Filbert and Brian Sheils while Orla Clerkin and Judith Glennon were third. Tanya Corbally and Brian McLoughlin were first in the under twelve section with Andrew Lynch and Heather Cooney second and Alan Filbert and Louise Harney third. The obstacle race five-seven years was won by Louise Harney with Paul Clerkin second and Daniel McDowell and Neill Cooney joint third. In the nine-eleven year obstacle race Brian McLoughlin won from Brian Sheils and Louise Harney. This was followed by the Mummy's race which had a small field and so was declared a draw. And so the "Big Race" the Daddy's Race which would consist of two lengths of the green. "Daddy" O'Donnell set off at a blistering pace pursued by "Daddy" Clerkin but in the closing stages "the odds on favourite" pulled away for a clear win only to be disqualified after a "stewards inquiry" by the Ladies committee for cheating. The name of the "odds on favourite" has been witheld "to protect the guilty".

The day finished with the "Aqua Fantastic" followed by a Bar-B-Que. Thanks to all those who helped out and the Ladies committee for catering. Despite his many pressing engagements Chairman Thomas McMullon arrived back in time to present the children with their medals.

#### **Estate Tour**

This years tour saw the children visiting Mosney, Birchalls provided the luxury coach and the crew departed at 10.a.m. A good day was enjoyed by all and the coach arrived back at the estate at 6p.m. The supervisors say they had a busy day attending to their charges but "informed speculation" suggests that some time was found to visit "Dan Lowrey's". The committee would like to thank Eileen Fitzpatrick whose astuteness contributed to considerable financial savings for the association on this tour.

#### Gentle Reminder

With the clocks changing soon residents are asked to exercise caution in their vehicles at school times.

# GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Back again after the holidays. The estate is looking good. Thanks to anyone who helped in any way this year.

There are a few subscriptions outstanding. We could do with this money for our autumn programme of work. Please leave at 11 Greenfield Drive.

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# Two Days In the Life of a Commuter

F, very day hundreds of Maynooth people undertake the journey to work in Dublin. Most travel by car, many take the train and some catch the 66. Whatever the mode of travel the daily commuter will spend about two hours en route, five days a week, forty-five weeks a year.

#### That's twenty-eight full days a year covering about seven thousand miles!

So, what's the best way to make this arduous journey? The answer is - it depends. If you work in the city centre then parking can be a major problem and the option of driving in every day is simply not realistic. On the other hand, if you work in an area of the city which entails a train and bus trip then driving seems much more attractive.

Below is a commuter's diary taken on two consecutive days in early September. Day 1 saw our guinea pig catch the 8.09 train from Maynooth in the morning and return on the 5.55 in the evening. On Day 2 he drove to work.

#### Day 1

Sitting at desk having walked from Connolly.

#### Left home in Cluain Aoibhinn and drove to Main St., Leave home at start of journey by car to office in Maynooth. Bought daily paper. Parked car beside Dublin Castle. Geraldine Hall and crossed bridge to train station. 8:10 Join tailback into Leixlip. 8:21 Pass roadworks at other side of Leixlip. Traffic very Train departed Maynooth station 4 minutes late. Read heavy and slow moving.

| paper on the journey to Connolly Station. Train became increasingly full after Leixlip. | 8:31<br>8:39 | Long queue at traffic lights at Palmerstown. Pass Heuston Station. Traffic backed up all along the |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Arrive in Connolly Station minutes late                                                 |              | mave                                                                                               |

| 8:53 | Park car in office carpark |
|------|----------------------------|
| 8:57 | Sitting at desk.           |

| 5.30 | Leave office and walk 1 mile to Connolly.         | 5:20 | Leave office.                  |
|------|---------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------|
| 5.46 | Arrive at Connolly and stand on platform awaiting | 5:24 | Get into car and start journey |
|      | arrival of Maynooth train.                        |      | heavy along the quays.         |
|      | m · · · · · ·                                     |      |                                |

Train arrives and seat secured. 5:40 Pass Heuston Station.

Train departs 8 minutes late. 5:46 Traffic backed up through Palmerstown. Train arrives Maynooth, behind schedule.

5:55 Join tailback going into Leixlip which stretches back beyond the Spa Hotel..

home. Traffic very

Day 2

Finally pass through Leixlip. 6:07

6:12 Join tailback into Maynooth which starts just beyond Dovle's Mart.

6:18 Arrive home.

Total travel time: driving + train + walking = 2 hours and 37 minutes.

Arrive home having walked to car and driven home.

Total travel time: 1 hour 55 minutes

#### **Conclusions**

Travelling by car saved this commuter 42 minutes. On the day he drove he arrived at work earlier, worked a few minutes longer and was able to leave somewhat earlier than on the previous day. The down side was the sheer hassle of driving through very heavy traffic for most of the 30 miles in and out to Dublin though he indicated that the traffic was particularly heavy on the day in question. When travelling by train he read the daily paper in relative comfort on the inward journey and arrived relaxed in his office. On the way home he snoozed for most of the journey! 12 minutes were added to the journey time by both morning and evening trains leaving behind schedule.

When interviewed, our commuter stressed that he would not consider driving if his employer did not provide free car parking. The 1 mile walk from Connolly Station to his office was a major disincentive in travelling by train. A better train service in the morning - with a train at 8:30 - would be an incentive to leave the car at home.

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#### EYE HEAR

#### The First Flight

All summer long little birds have been leaving their nests and taking that first flight. In the human kingdom last month many parents sadly saw their little "goslings" go on that first voyage. Seeing little boys and girls waddling into BIG school with bags bigger than themselves is a heartrending sight. Maynooth's parents have been great in turning up to school to acclimatise their little ones. Among them are some of Maynooths busiest citizens such as Dr. Maurice Cowhey and Tom Geraghty.

Many have enjoyed hearing about Humpty Dumpty again and how he had a very nasty accident. The age old question still arises; did he fall or was he pushed? Whether Humpty Dumpty makes a satisfactory recovery or not, diminishes in significance when one wonders can those days of innocent abandon ever be recaptured again?

#### Man of Steel

That man of steel David Jolley is at it again; running in the New York Marathon on November 6th. He is running the highways and the by-ways on those spindly legs of his. He is involved in an effort to raise £3,000 for Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin and has already raised £900 from a sponsored run held on Saturday July 30th. Other collections have taken place at The Square, Tallaght on Saturday September 17th and at Maynooth Shopping Centre on September 22nd and 23rd. He is now running over 80 miles per week in his noble quest. We wish him an injury free build-up to the big day.

#### Gallant Heroes

Maynooth's junior "A" squad went down fighting in the final against Two-Mile-House in Newbridge on September 4th. They honoured Maynooth when they stepped out on the centre stage of Kildare football. Having played and ran their hearts out to bring glory to Maynooth that they didn't succeed was not for want of trying. In their endeavours this young team raised the Maynooth flag on the high plains of bravery and have at the very least won the more precious prize of discipline, supreme fitness and stamina. In doing so they have uplifted the hopes of their people and their day will come.

#### **Dublin** is Downed

As everyone knows Down beat Dublin in the All-Ireland Football Final on Sunday September 18th by 1-12 to 0-13. Much sympathy goes to the Dublin squad who have come so near so often to winning the coveted prize. However, on this occasion they met their match and hitting decent Leitrim men in their backs is not going to help any team to win an All-Ireland.

#### **Future Thinking**

A youngster asked a good question; if in the year 2010 we have cars that can fly, will we have to do our driving tests again?

#### FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL

On Thursday 1st. September schools started back again after the summer holidays (short summer as it was!!!). On Friday 2nd., it was that day for the new starters and we were up there with our camera amid the laughs and tears of the "new kids on the block" both in the Boys and Girls National Schools in Maynooth.

One thing a lot of parents felt was that pre-schools and playschools were a big advantage as they started off the process well for the break from family to school.

The kids seemed to be enjoying themselves immensely and the teachers were coping well with those kids who just found it hard to settle.

Do you remember your first day at school? Well, looking at the way the kids here enjoyed themselves things have changed quite a lot for the better with plenty to do and more enjoyment for the kids.

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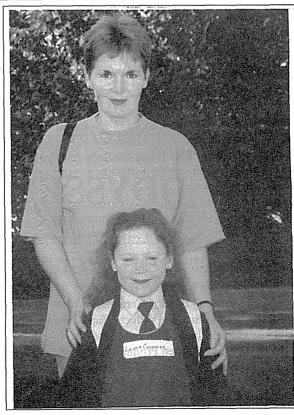
at his first day at school

Jamie Donnelly
had his brother Mark
and his mother
with him
on his first day at school





Deirdre Lawless on her first day with mam



Laura Corcoran with mum on her first day

#### GARDA TALK.....OCT '94

#### Halloween.

A special appeal to Parents to keep a close eye on their children during this festive period. Know where they are, and who they are with. While it should be an enjoyable time for most regrettably, for some householders, it presents an element of fear especially among the elderly. If you live close to an elderly neighbour, make that special effort to ensure that annoyance is kept away.

Bonfires that are not controlled are extremely dangerous. Fireworks are illegal and each year result in numerous accidents involving children.

#### Back to school

It never ceases to amaze, each day children (young and not so young) running out in front of cars crossing the road, despite a pedestrian crossing in the middle of the town. While our schools Liason Officer will be lecturing on road safety, it behoves all parents to issue guidance to children walking/cycling to school.

#### Welcome

A warm welcome to all students who return to studies at St. Patrick's College. Again this year, we will be involved at Orientation day, to offer assistance and advice. We look forward to meeting the Student's Union, and thank them for their excellent co-operation.

Finally, there are a limited number of tickets available for the Presentation Dinner dance to mark the retirement of Sergeant Canny, on 12th Oct, at Westmanstown. Please call to the station, and we will issue on first come, first served basis.

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#### HELP FOR RWANDA

Pictured below are Emma Fleming, Ruth Cahill, Ciara Maher, and helpers, who held a cake sale at 63, Maynooth Park on Saturday 6th. August and raised £37.00 for the Rwanda Crisis Appeal. This amount has been forwarded to Concern.

All the buns etc. were made by the girls themselves, so well done girls and many thanks to all who supported this fundraiser.



#### MAYNOOTH FOR RWANDA

Maynooth for Rwanda.....Nine teams attended our 80 question quiz on USA '94 World Cup on Friday, 26th August, we raised £176. Many thanks to the GAA Club. Thanks also to the Community Council which sponsored the prize money.

Our thanks to Ultra Vision at Maynooth Shopping Centre, The Mill Wine Cellar, Mill Street, Donovan's Newsagents and Maynooth GAA for donating raffle prizes.

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John McLoughlin

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#### IRISH GUIDE DOGS MAYNOOTH/LEIXLIP BRANCH

On behalf of the above group we would like to thank all who have contributed to our Guide Dog replica in the Mall at Quinnsworth Maynooth. Sadly we have to move him to safety as he was tampered with by persons unknown, however we hope you will continue to support the Guide Dogs wherever you see them as all monies collected go directly to the Training Centre in Cork. All the branches are run by voluntary helpers.

R. Jackson (Hon. Treasurer) H. Dunne (Hon. Secretary)

#### JUNIOR CERT RESULTS

There were cries of joy and screams of glee in Maynooth Post Primary School as the students received their Junior Cert Results on 15th September, 1994. Many 5th years hugged their peers as they realised how well they had done in this national exam. One was in no doubt as to the precise time that the students received their results as the screams could be heard outside the school as teenagers were running through the main hall in every direction, jumping for joy.

The headmaster, Thomas Ashe took it all in his stride, as he has so many years of this behind him. He was just happy to see his students so pleased with their results.

However, just like many other years before, there were a few forlorn faces as some pupils didn't do as well as others. Just as it is great to get good results in subjects, the right grades can determine whether a student can continue to study a subject for the Leaving Cert.

Overall the results seem to have been very good from Maynooth Post Primary School and there were a lot of happy pupils celebrating on Thursday night.



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### Features

#### LIFE IN ROMANIA

Having completed six weeks in Romania, I can now tell you a little about my stay here. When taking a career break of one year from work I decided to spend 4 months of it working as a volunteer in an orphanage in Romania.

I leave for work each morning at 6.45 a.m. and get home about 5.30 p.m. but the work is very rewarding. I look after seventeen children in my wing, all failing badly, and all handicapped either physically or mentally or both. It's my job to spend my time stimulating them as otherwise they lie in cots rolling from side to side and looking vacant. The children range in age from three to eight years and have been institutionalised since birth. With the weather being so good we can take them outside on the grass for some of their stimulation. All of the children's clothes are old and patchy and everything is cut up and made into trousers and tops. We take in our own basins, soap, sponges and towels for looking after the orphans. I know the names of all my charges now and amI getting to know all their personalities.

Like anywhere else we have good days and bad days. We have to be very careful with our diets otherwise we end up with bad tummies. Our stable diet is potatoes, eggs, tuna and pasta. Foods like ice-cream and chocolate are very expensive. My grasp of the Romanian language is also coming on and I now know a lot of phrases and this is great in dealing with the children. All my babies have something special about them, even if life is not normal for them.

I do hope the rest of my stay here will be as rewarding as the first six weeks and I'm looking forward to the challenge.

Anna Marie McDermott.



Anna Marie with three of her babies having their weekly splash in a paddling pool

#### LUCKY ESCAPE BY CYCLIST

Young Stephen Donovan aged 10, was knocked off his bicycle after being struck by a motor car at Straffan Road, Maynooth, on Thursday, September 1st. He was coming down the Straffan Road, towards Maynooth, near the Maxol Service Station, when the accident occurred.

Stephen was thrown from his bike and knocked unconscious by the impact. He received immediate attention from the Maynooth Ambulance Service and was taken under Garda escort to Crumlin Hospital.

The lucky young boy regained consciousness later that evening much to the relief of his worried parents, Gerry and Hilary Donovan, from Greenfield. Stephen is now home and appears to be making a satisfactory recovery. All his family and neighbours are delighted with his progress. All the prayers of his fine people have been answered.

#### MAYNOOTH STUDENT GOES TO GREECE

Shirley Valentine where are you? We have one of our own in Maynooth by the name of Carol Clifford who, on the 9th September, headed off to Greece for three months.

But it will be no holiday for Carol, who just recently finished an Arts Degree in Greek language and Greek and Roman Civilization and is currently doing a Masters in Greek Language. Carol will be doing a three month course in Greece under the E.C.T.S. (European Credit Transfer Scheme) which she is eligible for through being a registered student. Through this scheme, whatever work Carol does out there is credited towards her M.A. here. This course is grant aided and takes place in Athens University. Her accommodation is arranged out there with the Y.W.C.A. (Young Women's Christian Association) where she will be located with all other Erasmus students for her stay. The latter mentioned, Erasmus is a direct exchange programme with other Colleges in Europe to improve cultural understanding of other countries.

Carol who used to be an esteemed member of the editorial board of our *Newsletter*, has not learned how to talk to a rock yet like Shirley Valentine, but I'm sure she'll be kept busy enough out there to preoccupy herself from doing the same. When speaking to Carol she said that she would have liked to have gone for a full year but with family restrictions she felt it wouldn't be fair and opted for a three month course bringing her back to Ireland by Christmas.

So, good luck to Carol on her journey and studies. . . . . I'm sure she'll have lots to tell us when she returns (about the course I mean!!!)

John McLoughlin

# MAYNOOTH MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE GROUP

We wish to warmly welcome the peace process in the North including the I.R.A. complete cessation of military operations. Our group has been active over the past six years on cases including the Winchester Three, Birmingham Six, U.D.R. Four, Judith Wall etc. We believe that a major factor contributing to such cases was the existence of repressive legislation in Britain, in the North and here in the Republic; such legislation includes the Prevention of Terrorism Act, non-jury courts, Capital Offences against the State Act, restrictions on broadcasting etc.

Combined with this the often brutal tactics of the security forces and the anti-Irish bias in the British Media, ensured that justice for defendants before the courts was a scarce commodity.

Accordingly we now believe that the on-going peace process must provide for the removal of all such legislation, this democratisation of the legal systems in Britain and Ireland will play an important role in restoring belief in the rule of law by those sections of the community who have suffered.

Finally we wish to state that we feel that the forum for Peace and Reconciliation should be expanded to enable people at community level to be involved in the process. Such involvement can play a major role in uniting people within the North and between North and South.

H. Dunne (Hon. Sec.)

# MOTHER AND DAUGHTER CONFERRED ON SAME WEEKEND.

On Friday the 23rd of September and Saturday the 24th of September 1994 a mother and daughter will be conferred in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. Joan Howard-Williams, her parchment in **Local History** and Kathryn Howard-Williams was awarded an honours degree in **Geography** and **Anthropology.** Local history has played a big part in Joan's life since coming to Maynooth 26 years ago. Kathryn is at the moment in Jersey surrounded by prospectuses trying to make up her mind about her post-graduate studies. How and ever as Kathryn is not yet 21 she has plenty of time!

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# THE LATE PADDY AND MARY TOBIN - GOOD LIVING PEOPLE WHO WERE DEDICATED TO THEIR FAMILY

This year the people of Maynooth saw some of their saddest days when they suffered the loss of two great and respected people with the untimely deaths of Paddy and Mary Tobin of Main Street.; a mere ten weeks apart. This very close and devoted couple, who did everything together were called to God together and in their short lives epitomised everything that is good in Maynooth family life.

Paddy (native of Maynooth) was suddenly called to God on Thursday April 28th '94, aged 51 years. Requiem Mass was concelebrated at St. Mary's Parish Church on Sunday 1st May by Very Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. and Fr. William Holmes, followed by funeral to the family plot in Laraghbryan Cemetery.

He is very sadly missed by his sorrowing mother Dinah, sons Patrick, Gerry, Shane, John and Ross, daughter Bernadette, his brother Michael, sister Joan, aunts Mary and Rosie (who were proprietors of Mooneys Restaurant, a venue Paddy and Mary loved to frequent.) He was predeceased by his daughter Joan, his sister Helen, brother Gus, and his father John Tobin.



Paddy & Mary

#### Mary

Paddy's beloved wife Mary (native of Summerhill, Co. Meath), aged 54 years, passed to her eternal reward, after a long illness on Wednesday July 6th '94. Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Cogan c.c. on Saturday July 9th, followed by burial in the family plot at Laraghbryan Cemetery. Her sad passing is deeply regretted by her heartbroken family (named above) also, sisters Jenny and Katie (both living in Summerhill), brother John, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, grandchildren Leanne and Amanda, relatives, neighbours and friends. She is predeceased by her mother Mary and father Bill Balfe, her beloved daughter Joan, brothers Patsy and Laurence (Bunny). There were very large attendances at both removals and funerals as a measure of the affection and esteem with which Paddy, Mary and their family were held in the community.

### Features

#### **Special Efforts**

Paddy and Mary are greatly missed by the relatively young and heartbroken family which they leave behind, for they both had played a great part in the lives of their children. They always made special efforts for family get-togethers, anniversaries, birthdays, social outings and holidays.

Christmas was always a special time in the Tobin household. Paddy and Mary made it special as the whole family gathered around the Christmas tree and exchanged presents. This is something which will be sadly missed by their brave and closeknit family who live and work locally. They have always enjoyed having visits from Michael and Joan who live in England. Last Christmas Eve the family experienced a sad premonition when Paddy collapsed going to Mass with his young sons, John and Ross, aged 14 years.

#### Heartbreaks

In 1978 Paddy and Mary who were very religious and goodliving people, experienced deep heartbreak with the loss of their daughter Joan aged 7 years. This loss was eased for them with the births of John and Ross in 1980. Recently Mary showed great courage and fortitude on hearing of Paddy's sudden death while knowing that she herself was seriously ill.

#### **Shared Interests**

Paddy and Mary were a couple who had many shared interests and who liked to do things together. During holiday times and at week-ends they liked to go caravanning around Ireland and especially to Wexford and Ferrybank Caravan Park. The Commodore Public House was their favourite venue for meals and refreshments. They could always be seen at week-ends socialising with their family and neighbours in Caulfields bar and lounge.

In their early days they worked in the Leaf Chewing Gum Factory, Kilcock. They enjoyed going dancing in Kilcock and attending Leaf dinner dances.

#### Work

Mary who was devoted to her family and a dependable neighbour worked in Maynooth College for 20 years. A woman of strong faith, she never missed Sunday Mass. She enjoyed great friendships with the staff she worked with and student priests over the years, many of whom attended both funerals.

Paddy who was a quiet and inoffensive man, worked with the E.S.B. for 35 years. He initially worked as a linesman but was better known in recent years, as the Meter Reader for the Leixlip/ Maynooth district. In the course of his work he visited every house in Maynooth and was very popular with local people.

#### **Vintage Cars**

One of the great passions in his life, which Paddy shared with Mary, was his love of vintage cars. He collected models, attended car rallies shows, and was the proud owner of a Morris Minor. He often felt honoured to provide cars for family weddings. Paddy and Mary were avid followers of the G.A.A. code. They went to matches together and Paddy is reputed to never have missed a match in which Kildare were playing. He could

be seen regularly playing football and hurling with his younger sons John and Ross in the college grounds. In years past he was very involved in training under-age players with Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

#### **Good Neighbours**

Paddy and Mary enjoyed the fellowship and support of good neighbours, when they lived in various parts of Maynooth, including, Leinster Cottages, Cluain Aoibhinn, Newtown, and finally at Main Street.

Paddy and Mary have made an endearing impression on the minds and hearts of those who knew them. Their memories will be forever cherished in the hearts of their loved ones.

The entire community again joins in extending their sincere condolences and sympathy to their family. May they rest in peace.

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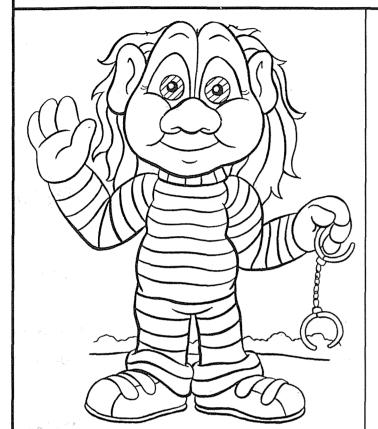
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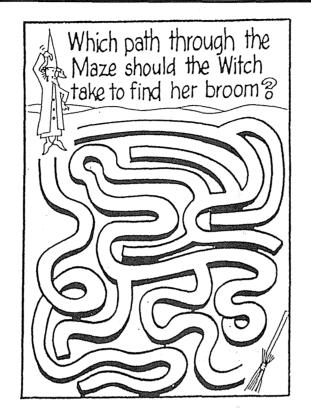
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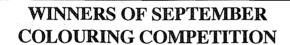
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# PROFILE OF A COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT WORKER

Community Employment (C.E.), which replaced the old Social Employment Scheme, has been of great benefit to a lot of people in Maynooth. One such person is Seán (Buggy) Horan, who has been on the Royal Canal Scheme for the past year.

Buggy, who worked in the Mill for 20 odd years, had been unemployed for about three and a half years. It becomes harder as the years go by to gain further employment, as a lot of employers prefer to take on younger staff. As Buggy said himself, he thought he'd never get a job again.

However, Buggy got this chance to work again on the Canal Scheme, where he has learned a lot of new skills. When I asked Buggy how he found the scheme he said: "It's good, it keeps a fellow occupied. You get a great chance to learn new skills. It's really what you make of it yourself... if you're not happy at it you might as well stay at home." He said that he'd recommend going on Community Employment to anyone if they are willing to learn.

I spoke to his supervisor, Kevin Breslin, who said: "Buggy is very conscientious about his work. At present he is doing stone work, through building the wall. He gets on very well with the other workers and, for himself, working full time has given him something to build on. All in all, I'm very pleased with Buggy on the scheme."

I asked Kevin how the scheme was progressing and he said that they never thought the work would have progressed to the level it has at present. He stressed that it's quite a heavy workload in that their jurisdiction is from the 13th lock on the canal (which is at Intel) to the 14th lock (Jackson's Bridge). Everyone puts great effort into the work of building walls, fixing benches, filling in pot holes, landscaping, weeding and the upkeep of Pike's Bridge, to name but part of the work being done. He was delighted that for their new scheme starting on October 3rd they have been granted approval for 30 workers. This is an increase of ten from the last scheme.

Buggy got an extension on the scheme for another twelve months, which made him very happy. If you think you'd be interested in joining this scheme why not contact Kevin Breslin at the Porta cabin down by the canal. Your hand could mean a lot to the great work being done.



Buggy at work

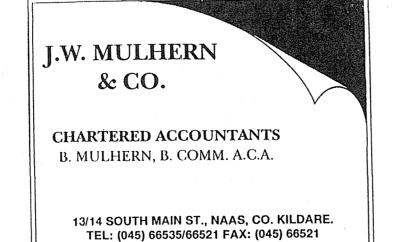
#### PUBLIC HEALTH CARE IN MAYNOOTH

An Eastern Health Board source has confirmed that there are approximately 400 nurses in the Eastern Health Board area with 38 in the Kildare region. Occasionally the Public Health Nurse in Maynooth might be supplemented with temporary help, when the Superintendent has the resources. The Eastern Health Board is anxious to have sufficient nurses to meet the desired ratio of nurses to population but to do this they would have to get approval from the Department of Health for new posts. Even though there were advertisements in the national newspapers recently for more nurses in the EHB, these are to fill vacancies that presently exist and not to create new posts for more nurses.

Sixty-eight years ago there was one Public Health Nurse in Maynooth. There was just the bare town with a few houses around, no estates and a small population. Today there's still only one nurse, the only improvement is that she has a car to get around the vast area she has to cover. We are supposedly a nation moving forward with the times but for Maynooth and many towns like it, with regards to the Health Care system, time has stood still.

Maynooth town has seen a rapid increase in population in recent years. In response to this many businesses have set up in the town and are successfully-run enterprises today. However, one business which is a thriving concern is not getting the attention it deserves: Health. Our large population is served by only one hardworking Public Health Nurse, covering amongst other things, baby clinics, eye clinics, immunisation clinics and visiting the sick. This is theoretically a nine-to-five job but in fact it could often run to a lot more.

Health is not something one can put a time limit on. People don't choose to be sick within certain hours and if some people cannot be reached between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. how does one choose who should take priority? It's a tough decision and one which might not need to be made if the Eastern Health Board provided adequate health care to the Maynooth area.



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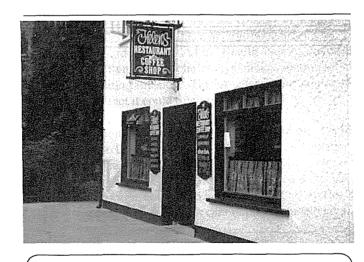
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Monday 5th September, saw a new restaurant opening in Maynooth. Yes folks, now you have another place to sample; under the name "Helen's Restaurant and Coffee Shop". This restaurant is situated just outside the gates of the College and is under the management of Helen Keaveney from Dunboyne. Her chef is Damien Maguire, who is ably assisted by Andrew Ashe in delighting their customers with traditional Irish home cooking.

The decor of the restaurant is bright and vivacious with that Irish country diningroom look. I ate there myself for lunch and was very ably served by Deirdre O'Sullivan, Helen herself and her daughter Deirdre. The selection for lunch was fantastic, with plenty of homemade delights and a price that met the satisfaction of a poor man's pocket!!! (ahhh!) I trust that business will keep up well for them . . . if that Monday is anything to go by, I don't think they should have many problems.

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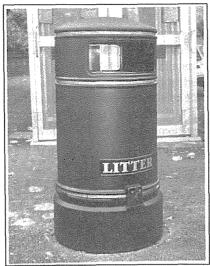
#### ADVERTISING IN VERSE

There has been a spate of advertisements recently using verse as a format. May I be permitted a verse about all this verse.

It seems that of late the advertisement trade, has been bombarding us with a rhyming tirade, Yes it seems what finds favour at this point in time, With advertisement people are couplets that rhyme, While it's not my intention to take them to task, There's one sardonic question I'm tempted to ask, If of projected sales they achieve just a fraction, Will that be described then as ad-verse reaction.

Tommy Campbell Graiguepottle.

#### TWO NEW BINS FOR MAYNOOTH



Yes folks! Maybe our articles are being noted like that on the lack of dustbins on the Main Street of Maynooth. Just you look at the photograph ..... a new bin, hurrah!!! In fact two new bins were installed, one at the phone boxes opposite Travel Options and the other outside The Roost. However, I rang Kildare County Council to see if they

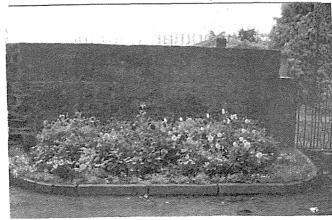
were replacing some of the other decrepit looking bins we have at present further up the Main Street. The basic answer was no, due to lack of monies. Maybe something will be done when the by-pass is finished but until then we just have to make do with what we have. It's a pity really that with the 200th Anniversary of the College coming up the street can't look a bit better. In saying this compliments must be given to Kildare County Council on this initial move.

John McLoughlin

#### VANDALS DESTROY FLOWERBEDS IN **SOUARE**

Mindless vandals have struck again in Maynooth town as the hard work of the Larine Court Resource Centre was undone by thoughtless actions on Monday 29th. of August. The flower beds in the Square were destroyed as every flower and plant was ripped out and strewn around the Square itself.

Such futile acts cannot go unnoticed in a town that is striving to create a fresh image, with a lot of people putting great effort into making Maynooth a nice place to live. One hopes that such incidents will be few and far between and confined to a minority in the area.



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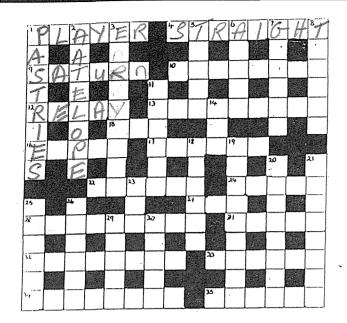


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## Crossword No. 83



Entries before 5pm Friday 14th October

# Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Across:

- (1) Different ages do take a different quantity of medicine. (6)
- 4) The first two of the obstacles cut the tail off the truck on the street to block the way (8)
- (9) Scents of Italy? (6)
- (10) An unfortunate concentrated stare, we hear! (4,4)
- (12) The natural way that's in at the moment may be cool! (5)
- (13) Go in to obtain, at the end, a way to please. (9)
- (15) Turn top could be on the stove. (3)
- (16) \_\_\_\_\_ and out! (5)
- (17) Learner in a beret mixed up the upper pitch in music. (6)
- (22) So, after doing a long stretch you've given up waiting. (6)
- (24) Be silent in the commons. (5)
- (27) Partially annoy Captain Kirk perhaps. (3)
- (28) Movement at the end could cause a disturbance. (9)
- (31) Goodbye!! (5)
- (32) Singe six on the stove for being there. (8)
- (33) Bo Peep? (6)
- (34) Not to adhere and end up with this pan. (8)
- (35) "If it's not broken, don't \_\_\_\_\_\_ (4,2)

#### Down:

- (1) People breezing in to draw up plans. (8)
- (2) A time which was quite hard. (5,3)
- (3) Sounds like a rather posh motor event. (5,4)
- (5) Beats the animal. (5)
- (6) O! you turd \_\_\_\_\_ to become a King like that! (5)
- (7) Small bits of tissue that hang at the back of the throat. (6)
- (8) Thank you your majesty for robbing my land!!! (6)
- (11) An annoying plant! (6)
- (14) The bed and breakfast near the sea is in recession. (3)
- (18) A happy one keeps everyone smiling. (6)
- (19) He's doubling up his act!!! (9)
- (20) Sounds like Richard and Edward could be hooked, in short!!!(8)
- (21) Could this be the moment you recieved your Diploma, at last you drop the establishment. (8)

- (23) Alcoholic beverage for a baby? (3)
- (25) Examine blood carefully. (6)
- (26) The innermost of two membranes enclosing an embryonic reptile. (6)
- (29) The month in which E.T. will join this group of singers. (5)
- (30) I coin a phrase in Greece. (5)

#### $Solution\ to\ Crossword\ No.\ 82$

#### Across:

1. Timing, 4. Ransomer, 9. Errors, 10. Assisted, 12. Inane, 13. Notations, 15. Law, 16. Alone, 17. Intent, 22. Assent, 24. Those, 27. Ago, 28. Pictorial, 31. Rille, 32. Culpable, 33. Hoopla, 34. Sodomite, 35. Essene.

#### Down:

1. The Final, 2. Martagon, 3. Nerveless, 5. Asset, 6. Stint, 7. Motion, 8. Radish, 11. Unwise, 14. Age, 18. Totals, 19. Notorious, 20. Collapse, 21. Delegate, 23. Sir, 25. Specks, 26. Scaled, 29. On Aim, 30. Islet.

There was no winner of Crossword No. 82.

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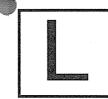
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Prep: 15 mins
Cook: 40 mins



A layer of tomatoes and parsley makes a wonderfully moist topping for sausage meat and cauliflower.

1 cauliflower
1 lb/450g sausage meat
2oz/50g salted peanuts, chopped
1 egg, beaten
1 onion, chopped
2 tsp/10 ml dried oregano
black pepper
2oz/50g Cheddar cheese, grated
3 tomatoes, skinned and sliced
1 tsp/15 ml chopped fresh parsley
3 pt/1.75 litre ovenproof dish

Prehset the oven to Mark 4/350F/180C. Wash the cauliflower and break into florets. Cook in boiling salted water for 10-15 minutes or until tender. Drain and place in the bottom of the ovenproof dish.

In a bowl, mix together the sausage meat, peanuts, egg, onion, oregano and pepper. Spoon over the cauliflower, sprinkle over the grated cheese, place the sliced tomatoes on top, sprinkle with parsley and bake in the oven for 30 minutes. Serve hot with jacket potatoes.

#### HONEYED APPLE CAKE

175g/6oz self-raising flour 1 tsp baking powder 175g/6oz soft margarine 175g/6oz caster sugar 3 eggs, size 3 1/2 tsp almond essence

450g/1lb cooking apples, peeled, cored and thickly sliced

 ${\bf 2}\ {\bf Tbsp}\ {\bf demerara}\ {\bf sugar}$ 

2 Tbsp clear honey

#### Method:

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas Mark 4. Grease and baseline a 23cm/9in square loose-based cake tin (at least 7.5cm/3in deep).

Sift the flour and baking powder into a bowl, add margarine, caster sugar, eggs and almond essence; beat until creamy.

Spoon into tin and level surface. Arrange apples in rows on top and sprinkle over half the demerara sugar.

# Deliciously Simple

Bake for 45-50 minutes until golden brown and firm to the touch. Cool in the tin for 10 minutes then carefully turn out. Brush with honey and sprinkle the remaining sugar on top. Serve warm or cold, sliced, with cream if liked.

Makes 8 slices Cost per slice: 20p Cals per slice: 350

TIPSY TRIFLE

Fresh fruit and a dash of sherry. Serves: 6

3 trifle sponges, broken into pieces

3fl oz/75ml sherry
6oz/150g seedless grapes, halved (plus a few whole grapes
to decorate)
1 tbsp lemon juice
4 tbsp custard powder
1 pt/570ml skimmed milk
Artifical sweetener
6 tbsp whipping cream
1/4oz/7g flaked almonds, toasted

Place sponges in a serving dish and sprinkle with sherry. Leave to soak for 30 minutes.

Scatter halved grapes over the layer of trifle sponges and sprinkle with lemon juice. Blend custard powder with 2-3 tbsp of the milk. Heat remaining milk until boiling and stir into the blended custard powder. Return to the heat and cook gently stirring, until thick. Stir in artificial sweetener to taste and pour custard over fruit and sponge. Leave to cool, then chill until custard is set.

Whip cream until thick and pipe swirls on trifle. Decorate with almonds and grapes.

• Cost: 35p per person

• Time: 20 minutes preparation, 30 minutes soaking, approximately 5 minutes cooking, plus cooling and chilling.

• Calories per person: 265



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## **GARDENING HINTS**





The atmosphere about the garden now is that of clearing up after the party; the guests have made their bow and graced the scene, they have been fed and watered and now they are leaving, and only the debris remains to be sorted and cleared away or used.

The perennials will mostly have finished flowering and need cutting down, with the stakes and supports put away in a dry shed until next year. Now and next month are times to move and divide, and to act upon notes made during the season as to where plants should really be growing, and which ones will never do and can be thrown out. The large clumps can be split, and the best pieces from the outside replanted, the centre being thrown away.

Edges of beds and borders can be straightened and re-cut, and the last remnants of the annuals and bedding plants lifted and put on the compost heap. Dahlias should be cut down after they have been blackened by the first frost, the tubers dug up and shaken free of soil, then labelled and stored in a dry cool place through the winter. In mild winters they will live in the soil without lifting, to shoot again without difficulty next spring.

This is the month for bulb planting, leaving it to the end, however, if the weather remains warm. Narcissi, hyacinths, scillas, snowdrops, crocus and grape hyacinths can all go in. Leaves will need sweeping up everywhere, particularly from the lawn. Tender shrubs, conifers and other evergreens, and hydrangeas can be planted this month, and propagation of most shrubs, including roses, by hardwood or fully ripened cuttings, can be started, as soon as the shoots are mature, putting them in a trench out of doors.

October is a suitable time to prepare the sites where shrubs are to be planted next month. This preparation is very important, and does a great deal towards ensuring that the new shrub will survive and thrive; so often it dies through being planted in badly drained soil that is starved of plant food, or short of humus, as well as being in all probability totally different to that in which it was growing in the nursery. The hole should be dug out two spade's depth deep and at least 4 ft wide, the bottom forked up and well-rotted organic matter mixed with it. The excavated soil is then returned, making sure that the topsoil remains on top, and mixing with it all, more compost, manure and leafmould.

A proportion of half and half is about right. Doing all this a month ahead gives the soil time to absorb the new material and settle after digging.

From now until late February, lawns can be made by laying turf, provided the soil is not too wet nor too cold. The spring bedding plants should be planted as soon as possible where they are to flower, for instance wallflowers, forgetme-nots, polyanthus and double daisies, perhaps leaving room among them for tulip planting in November.

#### **Christmas Hyacinths**

Indoor Hyacinths are great to have around Christmas when they can be used either for yourself or as ideal Christmas gifts. If you want these to flower in time for Christmas, they should now be planted in suitable conditions indoor, i.e the pot should be placed in a cool dark ventilated place (temp. 40°-50°F) until growth commences. When sprout is approximately 3" high the pot should be brought into a warm room and kept in subdued light. When the flower begins to show colour, place in a cooler spot for long-lasting beautiful blooms.

#### Vegetable Garden

The last of the potatoes having been lifted and beet, carrots etc. safely stored, the ground should be dug, trenched and manured. Cut down globe artichokes and withering asparagus. Endive may be lifted and planted in a cold frame.

Cauliflower seeds can now be sown (for wintering in frames), lettuce (under cloches), sweet peas (in pots in cold frames).

#### Security in your Garden

By planting some of the following plants and shrubs you can provide your home with extra natural protection:

- Common Holly
   (Ilex aguifoloium) It would be a
   brave burglar who would tackle
- Purple Berberis
   (Berberis thunbergii
   Auatoapauarapurea') has a thorny stem.
- Mountain Pine (Pinus mugo 'Mughus") is dense with sharp, long needles.
- Creeping Juniper (Juniperus horizontalis 'Wiltonii') is like a blue, thorny carpet.
- Juniper (Juniperus x media 'Old Gold) has prickly foliage.
- Firethorn (Pyracantha 'Orange Flow') has a thorny stem, as the name implies.
- Golden Bamboo (Phyllostachys auea) forms thick clumps.
- Giant Rhubarb (Gunnera manicata) has sharp hairs on its stems.
- Blue Spruce (Picea pungens "Globosa') is not very big but strong and spikey.

# P. Brady

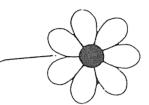
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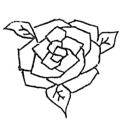
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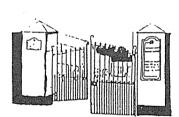


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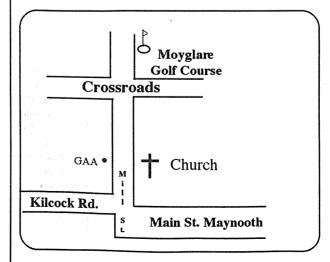




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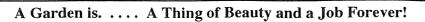
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### Hobbies & Interests



#### Aries (Mar21 - Apr20)

This month, prepare yourself for a shock! The man/woman (delete as appropriate) of your dreams is going to knock on your door and then collapse as a result of a mis-guided I.C.B.M.! If you were born on the cusp, beware of large furry objects floating about five feet off the ground when you are coming back from the pub on Saturday nights.

### Taurus (Apr21 - May21)

Like the name suggests, your bull like tenacity allows you to pursue your wildest expectations! Unfortunately, you behave like the afore-mentioned bull in the proverbial china shop and wreck everything in the process. Take heart, however, because if you wear clean underwear, you can get hit by a bus.

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#### Gemini (May22 - June21)

This month, do your friends a favour, and consider committing yourself to an institution for the month (preferably longer, but we won't push our luck!). All your irritating idiosyncrasies are to the fore this month and face it, you are far better off committed, rather than floating free on the streets where you are more than likely going to be lynched for your sickening behaviour. A skinnydip would be beneficial.

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#### Cancer (June22 - July 23)

"Money, Money, Money" (Ah! Good old ABBA, who thought they'd ever die?). That is the bane of your life at the moment! You never have enough (what's new?) and robbing a bank is out of the question, since you'll ruin your newly coiffed hair-do (which you spent last weeks' wage packet on!) by wearing a balaclava. Not to worry, you can complain like the rest of us about the increase in "Lotto" numbers and decrease in our chances of winning from zero to zero minus Fifty billion! Ah well, it could be worse! You could be waiting for back-tax from the Beef Tribunal.

### Leo (July 24 - Aug 23)

Aaaah! Poor Leo! The lion has a thorn

stuck in its foot! And, unfortunately, you've got no mouse to take it out for you (which is not surprising since you've been a complete pain in the rear-end recently). You'll just have to suffer until it goes septic and has to be surgically removed, then the thorn can be removed as-well. Avoid everything to do with farm animals/implements this month. They are detrimental to your sanity.

#### Virgo (Aug24 - Sept23)

My, my! Aren't we being very bold this month? You may think that you'll get away with it, but you won't! It's time to stick your head in the sand and expose your nether regions to the taunts and jeers of passers-by (face it, with nether regions like yours, they scream to be ridiculed!) So, remember the green cross code and you might get a "Judge" badge! (Younger viewers! Make your elders squirm with age by getting them to sing the theme song).

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#### Libra (Sept24 - Oct23)

It is a well known fact that I do not like Librians! (If you lived with three of them for two years, you would understand my sentiments). Once again, Libra. you moody and selfish vain sign, you are probably reading this in front of the mirror admiring yourself, or else you have recorded it and are listening to it. because you love the sound of your own voice. Face it, you are ugly and no-one finds your hairy facial warts attractive, even if they are plastered over with cover-stick! A paper bag would be a good investment.

#### Scorpio (Oct24 - Nov 22)

It just isn't your month, is it my dears? You're gaining weight, your nails keep breaking and you can't get your hair to stay in place no matter how much gel you use. Don't worry, all will be revealed towards the end of the month (around the 31st). When suddenly, at midnight, your face will go green and your hoover will do strange things like fly around your sitting room (with you on top of it, screaming malicious threats to anyone who tries to rescue you from your obvious distress) and then you'll fly into the night cackling gleefully! Do not fret, it will pass (until next year). Enjoy!!!

#### Sagittarius (Nov 23 - Dec 21)

Your friends are jealous of your wit, charm and intelligence. Their eves are like sharp knives in your back, but you don't care. Life is a peach at the moment. But Beware! Your next door neighbour is going to infiltrate the Chinese Nuclear Programme and they will retaliate with 2, five -megaton bombs which will miss his house and demolish yours. My advice: Move!

#### Capricorn (Dec22 - Jan20)

Get out! Enjoy life a little. Get some fresh air. Take a long walk, but beware of illegal dead tree-leaf smugglers! They are tenacious and will not let anything stand in their way, including unwary Capricorns or any other sign for that matter!). I advise you to avoid these ruffians at all costs. Do not approach them and ignore any offers of cheap mulch for your gardens! Use your own.

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#### Aquarius (Jan21 - Feb19)

You may be the water carrier, but you aren't feeling very solid this month are you? Maybe it has a lot to do with all of the alcohol that you are prone to drinking. (Especially during major events such as the World Cup, Eurovision, unlocking the front door without having to break the window etc.). Calm down, take it easy, relax! A good massage will do you the world of good (only if it's given by the "woman" from the "Xylitol"

#### Pisces (Feb20 - Mar20)

Last, but certainly not least, Pisces. My favourite sign. You are just perfect the way you are. There is absolutely nothing you should change about yourself, except, maybe, your dress sense, which is appalling this month. All those clashing colours and unkempt hair!! You really should know better. Anyway, I digress. Everyone loves you and you love everyone, except Gemini, who is just being obstreperous this month! And, I swear, I'm not biased. Just look out for the reckless telephone poles that try to surround you when you are in your daily trip from the forest after dining with the Three Bears (of Goldilocks fame). They want to curb your happy-go-lucky nature. Just follow the yellow brick road to Grandma's house and click your purple stilettoes five times and say "there's no place like Maynooth" (too true!) and quick as a flash, you'll be among the rain and muck filled streets and passages of home

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Maynooth Girl Miriam Gormally who hails from Carton Court, Maynooth

is described as the tallest player of the squad with the biggest jump and also with "unlimited potential."

The trophy they brought home was the FAIR PLAY Trophy which is awarded to the team with the best conduct, attire and co-operation. This was awarded to one team out of 175 which was a great achievement. Also, there were 25 teams in their division from which they came a commendable 5th place.

I spoke to Miriam shortly after her return and she had quite a lot to say about the status of volley ball as a national sport in Ireland - basically it's not recognized!! You may well ask how Miriam got involved in volleyball. Well, she got involved through the Community Games and from that went to Regional Trials. She didn't find this satisfactory though as training was only once a month. Therefore she stopped for a while but missed the sport and got involved with a club in Naas which is the nearest one to her. Miriam has to travel twice a week for training sessions.....pure dedication!!! Isn't it a shame there's no club in Maynooth.

The team she plays for consists of members 14yrs and upwards with some very good up and coming juniors.

A week before they were due to go to Belgium Miriam twisted her ankle but luckily enough all was well by the time of the trip and she was able to go out on the court to do Maynooth proud

It was the first time the Irish National Anthem was played at this European Competition. The team did us very proud being the only one to sing their Anthem.

If this team did us so proud by bringing home a trophy out of 175 teams in Europe, why is this sport so far down the list (virtually unknown) in the field of Irish Sports? Why aren't there more facilities for team training in Ireland? The answer to both of these questions is lack of money. Surely the Minister for Sports and Recreation in Ireland should be recognising more sports in Ireland besides GOLF especially when we have a national team. This particular team was hard set to go to Belgium due to lack of monies which meant they had to fundraise themselves through selling booklets from door to door and collecting money outside Quinnsworth to name but two of their fund-raising ventures. Even with the money they raised they only had enough to pay for accommodation and flight. They ended up having to buy their own food.

The team is looking for sponsorship for next year already. Maybe the Minister for Sports and Recreation should stand up and pump some money through to this sport in Ireland. Otherwise, it's up to you business people out there and people of Maynooth to put your hands in your pockets to sponsor a world class team. Don't let Miriam and her team down!

John McLoughlin

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#### MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

We had the usual turnout for our A.G.M. in August. The elected committee are Ann Kinsella **Treasurer**, Phil Mc Loughlin **Secretary**, Emer Sherwin **Match Secretary**, Sandy Nolan **Chairperson**. We're delighted to see some new members and hope they enjoy the coming season with us. We hope to have at least four teams and it's looking good so far. New members always welcome any Tuesday night from 8.30p.m.

#### **BOXING**

#### McMahon Marches On.

Welterweight Jimmy McMahon from Mulhussey has punched out the headlines all over New York with a great six points' victory over the hard-hitting Bobby Heath at Bally's Park Place on August 26th. The victorious local lad dedicated his victory to the memory of Joe Doherty who died recently in New York and who was a great fan of Jimmy's from the early days.

Details of the fight have been carried in newspapers such as "The Irish Echo".

Jimmy, who recently celebrated his 25th birthday, used an effective left jab to tame Heath and stretch his unbeaten record in the pro. ranks to 15 fights.

He established the jab early in the first round catching his opponent in rapid fire.

According to reporter Jay Muamba from New York, "when Heath a Philly fighter tried to get past the jab to land the vaunted overhand rights that he used to stop four of his first seven opponents going into the match, McMahon deftly countered with rights of his own."

Using clever footwork to gain better angles McMahon methodically, if not easily, won the first two rounds with his superior boxing technique.

The third round developed into a slugging match as Heath went to the body but McMahon countered with some good left hooks to the ribs and sharp left right combinations to the head.

The Maynooth man returned to his boxing mode in the fourth and fifth rounds, catching his opponent with a barrage of effective right hooks, uppercuts and jabs.

By the sixth round McMahon had his work done, piling up enough points to win, which was confirmed by the three judges.

After the fight a jubilant McMahon felt he had increased his rating with a convincing win over a boxer with solid credentials.

He commented, "he was a winning fighter who had knocked four guys out, so I just thought it was time for us to step up and go in and beat somebody who has a good record." Jimmy, who fights again on October 7th at the Westchester County Centre N.Y., was full of praise for his Irish supporters and the customers of the "Merry Ploughboy", "The Kerry Hills" and the "Woodside Lounge".

#### **Heavy-Weight Connections**

In his corner during the fight, Jimmy had two heavy-weight connections, manager Teddy Atlas, who trained Mike Tyson and who earlier this year coached Michael Moorer to WBA and IBF world heavy-weight crowns. He also had the services of Al Gavin who is WBC heavy-weight king Lennox Lewis's cutman.

Teddy Atlas said, "Jimmy had to fight a smart fight and he did." He continued, "he fought a guy who knows how to fight, a guy who was a winning fighter, calculating, clever and a good puncher."

There are the words of a man who knows and around here we all know that Jimmy is a man of rare character and enormous strength who has already set standards that few morals can ever dream of achieving. Long may his success continue.

Willie Healy

# JUNIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

Maynooth v Kilcock Played in Leixlip on Saturday 10th September.

#### Maynooth 2-9 v Kilcock 2-9

Following a tough and exciting hour's hurling, Maynooth and Kilcock finished level. Kilcock started favourite to win this match but Maynooth had other ideas. From the start, Maynooth playing good hurling were first to score but Kilcock fought back to lead by 4 pts. to 2 pts. after 15 minutes Maynooth fought back to score a good goal by Mick Barry and by half time Kilcock were 2 pts ahead. Score Kilcock 1-6. to Maynooth 1-4. After the break good hurling was played by both teams and with 10 minutes to go Maynooth were 5 pts. ahead. Their second goal coming from Peter Leacy. But Kilcock fought back for a draw. Maynooth Scores: Francis Desmond 6 pts., Mick Barry 1 goal, Peter Leacy 1 goal, Tom Coffey 2pts., S. Noonan 1 pt. Also to play well: John Cushan, Paddy Boyce, Killen Fagan, Pascal Ennis, Paraig Ward, Hugh Nevin, John Nevin.

PLEASE NOTE that our underage training has changed from Salesian College back to our field on Moyglare Road. Hurlers U/11 to U/16 10.30 a.m. Footballers 8 to 14 11.45 a.m. every Saturday. Anyone wishing to help out with this training is more than welcome.

Lotto Result 21-08-1994 Jackpot £1060. Numbers 7/18/23 No winner: 5 x £10.00 Teresa Long, Jim Treacy, John Saults, Mick Gillick. Eddie Dunne

Lotto Result 28-08-1994 Jackpot £1110 Numbers 9/19/30 No winner: 5 X £ 10.00 Mick Murtagh, Pauly Kerin, Frank Buckley, Anna Kelly, Paul Doran. Continued

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#### Lotto Result 4-09-1994 Jackpot £1160. Numbers 6/20/26

No winner: 7 X £10.00 Lize Dempsey, Josephine Moore, Mrs. Dowling, Catriona Fitzgerald, Emma Sherry, M. England, Mick

Lotto Result 11-09-1994 Jackpot £1210 Numbers 3/7/21 No winner: 5 X £10.00 Isabele Leplat, Nuala Geoghegan, Mrs.

No winner: 5 X £10.00 Isabele Leplat, Nuala Geognegan, Powling, May Mahoney, Bridie Anne Mee.

#### North Kildare U/11 Football League. Maynooth 1-5 V Celbridge 2-6

This was a game Maynooth should have won only for the bad shooting of their forwards and by half time were 3 pts down. The second half was no better with lots of chances being missed.

Best for Maynooth were: G. Quinn, D. Addgaley, P.Ennis 1 goal and 1 pt. M. Sweeney 2pts, D. Comerford 1pt, D. Connellan, F. O'Donaghue, P. O'Rourke 1 pt.

#### 1st Team

#### (1) Sallins Tournament

#### Maynooth 2-17 v Sallins 1-8

Scorers: P. Garvey 5pts; J. Riordan 1-2; J. Edwards 3pts; Joey Nevin 3pts; K. Killoran 2 pts; P. Ennis 1 goal; D. Mahony and T. Farrell 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth: - Seanie Molloy; Mick Noone; Paul Stynes; Killian Fagan; Joey Nevin; Pascal Ennis; Joey Riordan, Ken Killoran and Joey Edwards.

A big improvement on the game against St. Peregrine's with all and sundry anxious to get "in the frame" for the Junior A final. The team played some fine, flowing football which left Sallins "trailing in their wake". The forwards revelled in the open spaces, were hungry for the ball and kicked some excellent scores. They also linked very well together, something which has been noticeably lacking in their play of late.

# (2) League v Grange (away) Maynooth 1-16 v Grange 2pts

It is never easy to go to the South of the County and pick up League points but Maynooth managed to do this with some style when landing out a 17 point "drubbing" to intermediate side Grange. While the home side were short some of their more talented players so were Maynooth and it was a major boost to see the players introduced i.e. Seanie Molloy, Hugh Purcell, Liam O'Toole, Enda Lyons, Noel Reilly and Thomas Farrell do so well. The 2 pts secured should leave Maynooth safely "ensconsed" in division 2 for another season.

Best for Maynooth were: - S.Molloy, P. Ennis, D. Mahony, Fagan, Joey Nevin, Joey Riodan, Purcell, O'Toole, Mahany and John Nevin.

Scorers: Riordan 1-4pts; Joey Nevin 5 pts; Purcell 3 pts; Edwards 2pts; John Nevin and K. Fagan 1 pt each.

#### Confey Tournament

#### Maynooth 13pts v Confey 6pts

Maynooth were never really extended in this "limb-loosener" before the County Final joust with Two Mile House. The team ran out easy winners although never displaying the fluency which was a feature of their recent displays against Sallins and Confey.

**Scorers:** P. Garvey 5pts; John Nevin 3pts; L. O'Toole 2pts; J. Riordan; P. Ennis and J. Edwards 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Ken Killoran; Mick Nevin; J. Conway; M. Noone; M. Kelly; D. Mahoney and S. Molloy.

Tom Flood Cup: Result to Date: Caragh (holders) Have reached Final and Maynooth play Ardclough in Semi-Final.

#### MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

No doubt you have noticed the closing in of the evenings and with that comes the reduction of the playing day. Sadly, we must tell you that Maynooth Pitch and Putt will close earlier in the evening as a result. However, unlike last year, when circumstances went against us, we hope to have an extended playing season this year. To this end we have prepared temporary greens for winter play. We would hope to delay playing on these for as long as possible. We feel sure that all players will appreciate this move in order to maintain the high quality of our main greens for next season.

During the last two months we ran a number of very popular competitions for the under 16s combined with the fact that we offered a very reasonable rate to all under 18s. We hope that through these channels the appeal of pitch and putt will spread. It is only necessary to look back at the achievements of some of our players at county level to realise the level of talent that is in the community.

#### Results of the Under 16s competition were as follows:

July event — Winner: Michael Flynn. Runner-up: Colm Cahill. August event — Winner: Trevor Cassidy. Runner-up: Michael Flynn. End-of-Holidays event — Winner: Michael Flynn. Runner-up: Dermot Moore. Currently and up until November we are running Sunday competitions. These are open to all and handicaps will be applied to each player in the event. Entry to the competition is simply by completing a scorecard for a game played on the day and the card with the least strokes on it will win. To date the winners have been — September 4th, Trevor Cassidy; September 11th, Aiden Garvey.

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### MAYNOOTH & DUBLIN GO DOWN TOGETHER

Maynooth's bid to lift the Junior A Championship came unstuck at the final hurdle against a more experienced and physically stronger Two Mile House side.

Conditions were almost perfect for the game although a strong breeze blew towards the "scoreboard end" of the ground. Two Mile House had first use of this breeze and were quickly into their stride. They dominated the early exchanges, coming out on top in a number of the individual tussles. During this period of dominance a series of clear-cut chances were set up for their forwards but many of them were squandered through rank-bad shooting.

To their credit Maynooth stuck doggedly to their task and as the half progressed were giving as good as they got. They were within 4 points of Two Mile House with 2 minutes to go to the interval - a situation with which their mentors and supporters would have been more than happy given that wind advantage was to follow in the 2nd half. It was at this point that disaster struck however. A very promising Maynooth attack, which had been built up cleverly from the back, was not "finished off" and in a swift counterattack Two Mile House swept upfield. Several Maynooth players were caught "on the back foot" and when the ball was eventually worked to corner forward Pat Coady, he had no difficulty in lashing it past the hapless Eammon Sheeran. Although Pascal Ennis was to fire over a great point just before the break Two Mile House were now 6 points to the good and clearly in the driving seat.

On the resumption, Maynooth's task was made even more difficult when Donal Burke, the Two Mile House corner forward, who had led Maynooth's defence a merry dance during the opening half, was fouled twice in succession. He kicked over the resultant frees which left Maynooth 8 points adrift. It was at this stage of the proceedings, however, that the side's character, which had been severely tested throughout the Championship campaign, was well and truly revealed. The switch of Pascal Ennis with Joe Conway effectively shackled Donal Burke while Mick Nevin continued to dominate his opposite number Joe Tompkins - he restricted him to a single point for the hour; a noteworthy achievement in itself. With Mickey Noone making timely interceptions in the corner and Kelly, Stynes and Mahony surging upfield at every opportunity, the forwards were finally getting something like a decent supply of the ball. It was now panic stations for Two Mile House as the Maynooth attack, driven on by Fagan and with huge contributions being made by the Nevins, Garvey, Riordan and Purcell, slowly but surely, hauled back the 8 points deficit. The lead was whittled down to 3 points and the margin would have been even closer - and possibly, the game turned around completely - if what looked like a perfectly legitimate goal by Fagan was allowed to stand. In addition some gilt-edged chances were not taken at this stage and a number of balls were kicked straight into the goalkeeper's hands when points were there for the taking.

When Liam O'Toole's goal-bound drive and Paul Garvey's follow-up effort were charged down by a resolute Two Mile House defence Maynooth's followers, in the large attendance, began to sense that it was not going to be their day. So it proved to be and with the game entering injury time and Mick Kelly on the ground receiving attention play was inexplicably allowed to continue. In the confusion which followed Joe Tompkins took a quick free to Pat Coady, whose speculative shot seemed to deflect off a Maynooth defender on its way to the net.

So it was a case of what might have been for the "Crom Abús" and while the post-mortems will no doubt continue, for some time to come, any impartial observer at the game would have to conclude that it was won and lost in the 1st half. During this half Maynooth's lack of experience was painfully evident as the game seemed to simply pass them by. The 2nd half performance on the other hand was full of grit, determination, resilience and no little skill which must give great encouragement to all connected with the side. For the bulk of this half Maynooth looked by far the fitter, more potent outfit but they had simply left themselves with too much to do. A valuable lesson should therefore have been learned and if fully absorbed, there is no reason why - given the obvious talent in the side, the age profile of the players and the potential of many of those waiting in the wings (12 Subs were togged out for the Final) -Maynooth cannot bounce straight back from this reverse to claim the honours in 1995.

#### Junior A Championship Final v Two Mile House at Newbridge

Team: (1) Eamon Sheeran (2) Joe Conway (3) Mick Nevin-Captain (4) Mick Noone (5) Mick Kelly (6) Paul Stynes (7) David Mahony (8) Killian Fagan (9) Ken Killoran (10) John Nevin (11) Joey Nevin (12) Pascal Ennis (13) Paul Garvey (14) Joey Riordan (15) Joey Edwards.

Subs: Liam O'Toole for Joe Conway; Seannie Molloy for Ken Killoran; Hugh Purcell for Joey Edwards; Noel Reilly, Eamon Dunne, Enda Lyons, David Faherty, Thomas Farrel, Mark Nugent, Michael Faherty, Peter Burke, John O'Toole

Score: Two Mile House 2-8pts Maynooth 8pts.

Scorers: Paul Garvey 4pts; Pascal Ennis; Joey Riordan: Joey Nevin and Johnny Nevin 1 Pt. each.

Best for Maynooth: Mick Nevin; Mick Noone; Mick Kelly; David Mahony; Killian Fagan; Pascal Ennis; Paul Garvey and Joey Riordan.

Best for Two Mile House - were: Declan Colbert; Maurice Colbert; Pat Coyle; Donal Coyle; Alan Leavy; Donal Burke; Martin Andrews; Martin Tompkins and Pat Coady.

Referee: Noel McCormack (Rathangan).

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### Sports News

#### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Match reports and club news are very easy to write when there is something exciting to relate. This is gladly the case this month when our Ladies team have emulated another great team by completing the double. Sporting the colours of Aston Villa, they have set a standard that their more illustrious male counterparts would find difficult to emulate. Having gone through their season without defeat makes their feat all the more commendable with such a strong panel of committed players at her disposal. Maynooth's version of the "Manageress", Frances Kearney, was always left with a difficult decision on match days. The team selected on the day was always accepted gracefully by the other panel members who were always most vociferous in their support for their colleagues.

Having been vying for top spot throughout the season with Mountview of Clonsilla, the clash between the two sides was eagerly awaited. Maynooth had drawn 4-4 with their rivals at Clonsilla earlier and another close contest was expected at Maynooth. What was to be expected as a cliffhanger turned out to be a total anti-climax. Maynooth were totally dominant and such was their superiority, the opposition found it difficult to accept their lesson in all that is fine in the game. Stepping outside the accepted standard of fair play Mountview began to display the more sinister aspects of the game which would not be accepted at any level. With Maynooth remaining calm in the face of severe provocation the opposition turned to the referee to vent their anger.

With five minutes remaining in the first half the overworked referee was left with no option but to abandon the game. Maynooth were subsequently awarded the points by the League legislators who it is hoped will take appropriate action to ensure such unsavoury incidents do not occur again. It is to the credit of the Maynooth girls and indeed a measure of their discipline that they kept playing football and did their talking with their feet.

As fate would have it both teams were paired together in the Intermediate Shield Final and this was a game everybody wanted to see at any price. Maynooth clinched the league the week before the final by having a comprehensive win over Coldcut Ladies at Maynooth to ignite an evening of great celebrations. A large following attended the final at Civil Service ground, Santry. Once again, Maynooth proved their class when accounting for their bitter rivals. See match report.

The Maynooth panel is made up of the following players who have brought this double honour to the club:-

Ginny Breslin: A solid defender who likes to use the ball when tempting the opposition into blind alleys.

Geraldine Breslin: A late addition to the panel who has slotted in well when called up.

**Shelley Breslin:** The most mature player of the lot who uses her experience and guile to great effect.

Maeve Flood: The female version of Ryan Giggs who has as lethal a left foot as the Man. Utd. star and a nicer hairstyle.

Marie Grehan: A valued member of the panel who has scored some spectacular goals at vital stages of games.

**Leeane Hughes:** If Maeve is our Ryan Giggs; Leeane has proved to be the Andrei Kanchelskis of the team with her piercing right wing runs.

**Irene Kearney:** The diminutive Irene has performed heroics throughout the season and rarely misses a tackle.

Laura Kearney: Leads the forward line well and sets up many goals for her eager colleagues.

**Tracy Kearney:** Tracy forms a very formidable centre-back partnership with Ginny and her long throws are reminiscent of the Mick McCarthy era.

**Emma Kilduff:** A very speedy midfield player who always lends support to her front players and sets up many chances.

**Ann Lyons:** Regular keeper Ann is affectionately known as "Baggy" Bosnich because of her many great saves and long relieving clearances.

**Antoinette Mooney:** The Captain of the team and the main fulcrum on which the team is so well balanced. Dictates the game from her midfield post and also the leading scorer.

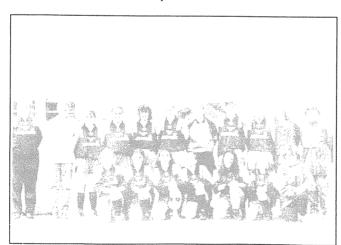
**Karen Mulhern:** Another valued member of the panel who has filled a number of positions in emergency.

Clair McCarrick: Also a valued panel member who is gaining valuable experience in her first season.

**Leah Newman:** A versatile panel member who has always performed admirably when called upon.

**Bríd Ann O'Shea:** One of the main reasons why the opposition find it so difficult to score goals. Spots trouble long before it happens and is always prepared.

Paula O'Shea: Forms a very formidable combination with Antoinette and shares the midfield duties with great enthusiasm. Joanne Smith: Apart from her defensive duties Joanne has taken over in goal when Ann was not always available and proved to be more than adequate.



#### Match Reports: Dublin Womens League: Intermediate Div. Maynooth Town 6 - Mountview 0

Two goals each by Antoinette Mooney and Leeane Hughes with one apiece from Emma Kilduff and Maeve Flood were the highlights of a game already described. It was an assured performance by Maynooth who gave a display of everything good in the game much to the chagrin of the opposition.

#### Maynooth Town 9 - Coldcut Ladies 0

Maynooth never had to be at their best to totally outclass poor opposition in clinching the League title. Goals were scored at

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### Sports News

random and the scoreline could have been much greater if Maynooth had increased the tempo above first gear.

# Dublin Women's League Intermediate Shield Final Maynooth Town 5 - Mountview 1

A large following travelled to Santry for the eagerly awaited final and were treated to some exhilarating football by a very determined Maynooth side.

Maynooth opened the scoring through Antoinette Mooney in the 16th minute and this score was added to by Maeve Flood in the 32nd minute. Shelley Breslin gave Maynooth a valuable half-time lead with a third goal in the 40th minute. Mountview mounted a brief comeback after the break but this was only short-lived for Antoinette Mooney restored Maynooths advantage with a solo goal fifteen minutes later. Antoinette deservedly completed her hat-trick five minutes from full-time to cap a fine individual performance.

This was a top class all-round team performance with many stars but none better than Antoinette Mooney, Ann Lyons, Paula O'Shea, Ginny Breslin, Tracy Kearney and Maeve Flood.

Great credit is due to Frances Kearney who has prepared her panel with great professionalism and has justly reaped the benefits of some hard work.

While the ladies were setting such high standards in league and cup finals our other teams were performing in the more mundane atmosphere of the early league stages. Some results to date are as follows:-

#### Leinster Junior League Div. 1

#### Mourne Celtic 4 - Maynooth Town 4

Maynooth held a two goal advantage three times during this game and only came away with a point for their efforts. Two goals by Anthony Smith and one each by Michael Maher and Kevin Breslin made up Maynooth's scoreline.

#### Maynooth Town 2 - Cardiff F. 2

Maynooth snatched a draw from the jaws of defeat when scoring two goals in the dying minutes of an absorbing encounter. Maynooth had much the better of the play at times but were unable to convert their overall superiority into goals. Cardiff held a two goal half-time lead but Maynooth never shirked the fight and battled back admirably to snatch a dramatic draw. Anthony Smith threw Maynooth a lifeline when he reduced the arrears from close range and man-of the match Ciaran McAtamney popped up with the equaliser with a crashing shot in the dying moments. Mark Murray Ciaran McAtamney and Fergal Barton were tops for Maynooth.

#### Yellowstone 1 - Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth were good value for this win and showed good form in a hard fought win against wily foe Yellowstone. Mark Murray was in top form in goal and got good support from Gerry Thompson and Joey Dempsey. Two excellent goals by Anthony Smith and Killian Fagan paved the way for this win.

#### Div. 3 Private Grds.

#### Blackhorse F.C. 1 - Maynooth Town 3

A good away win with Maynooth showing good early form. Barry Farrell opened the scoring for Maynooth followed by a John Geoghegan solo goal to give us a two goal interval lead.

Mick Faherty increased the Maynooth lead midway through the second half and a late consolation goal by Blackhorse did nothing to take from a top performance. John Geoghegan, Mick Faherty and Derek Dolan were best for Maynooth.

#### Borough F.C. 2 - Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth had to battle hard to share the points in this evenly contested game. Goals by John Murray and John Geoghegan were the main features of a battling performance.

#### Maynooth Town 3 - Drumfinn Celtic 3

Maynooth took an early lead but soon found themselves 3 - 1 down following a spell of whirlwind pressure by Drumfinn. We weathered the storm in gallant fashion and battled back for a share of the points. Maynooth scorers were John Geoghegan (2) and Colm Carroll.

#### **Schoolboy Results**

#### U/11 B1

#### Maynooth Town 1 - Loughlinstown Boys 0

This game seemed to be heading for a draw until Gary McMahon scored a late winner for Maynooth to grab the points. Simon Fagan, Ciaran McCullough and Martin Conway had excellent games for Maynooth.

#### U/13 B1

#### Maynooth Town 4 - St. Martin's Boys 6

Indecision in defence cost Maynooth dearly in a game which could easily have been won. Andy Madden played gallantly for Maynooth but was unable to inspire his colleagues to victory.

#### U/14 D

#### Maynooth Town 3 - Mount Merrion 1

This result could have been so much different but for a number of top class saves by Maynooth keeper John Clarke. Stephen O'Sullivan was rock solid at the heart of Maynooth's defence and gave a top class performance. Chris Arthurs, Alan Geoghegan and Peter Kinsella scored the home goals.

#### U/16 B

#### Maynooth Town 3 - Valeview/Shankill 2

A top class game which will hardly be bettered. Niall Daly gave Maynooth an early lead following a Donncha McCarrick cross but fell behind to two quick Valeview goals. This team of Maynooth did not win their league for two seasons running without having to show fighting spirit. This spirit was again evident when John O'Shea equalised and Aidan O'Brien grabbed the winner. Keeper Alan Doyle, Jason Miley and David Coughlan were best for Maynooth.

#### U/13 B

#### Maynooth Town 5 - Rathcoole Boys 4

A high scoring game in which Maynooth just deserved to shade the verdict. A hat-trick by Andy Madden and two by Trevor McMahon were the main features of this win.

#### U/11 B.1

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#### Maynooth Town 6 - Lucan Utd. 2

Maynooth settled down after a shaky start and ran out easy winners against Lucan Utd. Simon Fagan was outstanding in defence and David Geraghty and Thomas McGovern also prominent.

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#### U/16 B

#### Broadford Rovs 2 - Maynooth Town 4

Maynooth got an early shock when going behind in the first minute but within five more minutes the margin was reversed with Maynooth going into a two one lead. Two further goals by Maynooth and a late penalty completed the scoreline in a very exciting game. Scorers for Maynooth were Martin Byrne (2) David Coughlan (1) and Barry McKeown (1)

#### U/11 B.1

#### Maynooth Town 2 - St. John Bosco 4

This was a disappointing result for Maynooth following earlier good performances. St. John Bosco took their scoring chances better than Maynooth and reaped the benefit of accurate marksmanship.

#### TUG-O-WAR REPORT

How I became tug-o-war correspondent for the Maynooth district is difficult to fathom back through a haze of fog created by many, many pints and endless mists of time. I always know that I am on the right track if Larry McEvoy isn't waving his gigantic fists at me.

#### Ballyboggan

It was great to see so many familiar faces as our troops lined out against tough opposition in Ballyboggan on Sunday 11th September. Our team gave a gritty performance only just narrowly missing the prizes. The name Brady's was heard yet again on tug-o-war turf. The team comprised of Frank Kilrane, Peter Dommigan, Willie Healy, George Gallagher, Seamie Ryan, Mark McEvoy, A.N. other (a freelancer) and Michael O'Rourke. Our coach was P.J. Bennett.

The great tug-o-war maestro Sean Hyland and Leo Hynes helped the winning team from Rochford Bridge to victory.

We may not have won the tug-o-war contest but we won the sing-song afterwards in McGovern's of Moyvalley. As Arnie would say, "We'll be back".

#### The Hitchin' Post Cup

Now it's, heels dug in, for the Hitchin' Post Cup on Sunday 16th October at 3p.m. This will be a competition for Men and Women. Mentors will meet soon to discuss rules of admission. There will be an admission charge of £1.00. It will take place at the Amenities Centre, Leixlip. So come along and support the local side in the defence of their title. Win or lose there will be one hell of a hooley afterwards in the Hitchin' Post, where we will end the year on a high note.

Willie Healy.

#### LABOUR PARTY NOTES

# Public Lighting To Be Provided From Bond Bridge To Railway Station.

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley, the Managing Director of Iarnrod Eireann has asked the Dart Operations Manager to provide him with an estimate for lighting this footpath.

Hopefully, the installation of the public lighting will take place soon and thereby ease the hardship of Iarnrod Eireann's customers.

#### Maynooth Development Plan.

If the handling of the Leixlip Plan is anything to go by the residents of Maynooth had better be prepared for re-zoning on a massive scale.

It has been the practice heretofore in Kildare that the Area's recommendation was endorsed by the full Council. Deputy Bernard Durkan has broken that custom and practice by pushing for the re-zoning of St. Catherine's Park, Leixlip from the green belt to housing. This is despite the opposition of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council, the County Council Officials, the Leixlip Chamber of Commerce, the Leixlip Town Commissioners and the residents of Leixlip.

In doing this Deputy Durkan has shown a total disregard for democracy and if he achieves his objective Leixlip and Lucan will be joined in one mass of concrete.

#### Maynooth Swimming Pool.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked Maynooth Community Council to pursue the opening of St. Partick's College swimming pool for use by the Maynooth community. This would be a gesture of goodwill in their bi-centenary year by the College to the community. The community in turn could make the funds, already collected for a Maynooth Swimming Pool, available to St. Patrick's College for the refurbishment of their pool.

#### The Bollards for Greenfields.

The County Engineer advised Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley that the bollards were ordered and that they would be erected as soon as they were delivered to the Council.

Birthday Greetings to Stephen. 15 years old on 28th Oct. 1994. From Mam, Dad, Mark and Ruth.

Happy Birthday Anne, Have a Wonderful Day. Love, Margaret.

Wishing you a very Happy Birthday Anne. Lots of Love, Noreen.

Happy Birthday Love and Hugs, Andrew.

Happy Birthday Anne, Love Elizabeth.

Happy Birthday Anne, Love Mam.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Jackie on the 17th October. Love from all in 826 Greenfield.

Birthday Greetings to Anne Marie McEvoy, Greenfield, on 19th Sept, her tenth. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and all your family and your special friend Baby.

Happy Birthday to Eugene Fitzpatrick, Maynooth Park, on September 13th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, family and all your friends.

Happy Birthday to Mickey Gleeson, from 6th Class and Pat O'Connor.

Happy Birthday to Brian Bean, "Nuada" Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth who celebrates his 7th Birthday on October 23rd. Love from his Daddy, Mammy, Aisling, Conor and his grand-parents.

Happy Birthday to Edel Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth who celebrates her 10th Birthday on October 15th. From Daddy, Mammy, Sisters Susan and Claire

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Congratulations to the Maynooth Ladies Soccer Team in winning the Dublin Ladies Inter League and the Dublin Ladies Shield Cup. Well done to the girls. From all your supporters.

Congratulations to Keith McTernan, Dunboyne and his cousin Dave McTernan Kilcock on their results in the Junior Cert exam. Well done lads from your parents, Grannies and Grandads. Keith attends Maynooth Post Primary. Dave attends Kilcock School.

Congratulations to Catherine Howard Williams on her 21st Birthday on the 27th Sept.

Best wishes from Mam, Dad, Gearóid, Paul, Shiobhán, Rowena and Emma.

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We would also like to thank Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan, Dr. Hanlon and Dr. Cowhey for all their help. Also our neighbours and friends in Main St., Maynooth, Cluain Aoibhinn and Newtown. The management and staff of Maynooth College, the management and staff of E.S.B., Leixlip, and the management and staff of Ouinnsworth.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all of your intentions.

The wife and children of the late Martin (Marks) Kealy, of Greenfield, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with and supported them in their recent sad bereavement. To the Priests of the parish. Dr. O'Rourke and Dr. Condon. The ambulance crew and all who helped on the scene. The management and staff of C.P.I., Lucan, and Management and staff of St. Patrick's College. To the Sisters and teaching staff of the Presentation Convent and Principal and staff of the Post Primary School. A special word of thanks to all our kind neighbours and friends. Doctors and Nurses of Blanchardstown Hospital. All who called to our home, sent Mass cards, floral tributes, attended removal, Mass and funeral.

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Kevin Connolly and family would like to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. All those who called to our home attended the removal, Mass and funeral. All those who sent mass cards, letters, messages of sympathy and all the beautiful floral tributes.

To Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan and Fr. Peter Dowling to Dr. Maurice Cowhey. The Ambulance staff, Maynooth Gardaí and the doctors and nurses of the Mater Hospital and St. Luke's Hospital. A special word of thanks to our wonderful relatives, neighbours and friends for all their help and support.

Trusting that this will be accepted by all, as a token of our grateful appreciation. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

#### **SYMPATHIES**

Sincere sympathy to the Wife, Son, Daughters, Mother-in-law, Brothers, Sisters-in-law, relatives and friends of the late Martin (Marks) Kealy of Greenfield, Maynooth.

Sincere sympathy to the Wife, Daughters, Brother, Sisters, Grandchildren, Nephews, Nieces, Cousins, In-laws and friends of the late Michael Linnane, Killeaney, Maynooth formerly of Ballinruan Carusheen, Co. Clare.

Sincere sympathy to the Wife, Son, Daughter, Son-in-Law, Daughter-in-Law, Grandchildren, Relatives and large circle of Friends of Joseph (Dodo) Murray, O' Neill Park, Maynooth.

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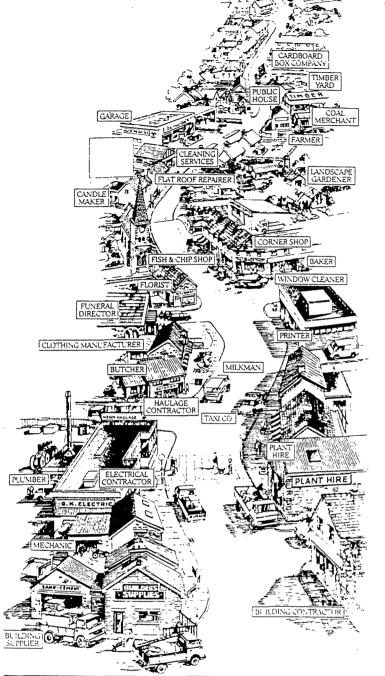
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

#### **Editorial**

#### APOLOGY

The Editorial Board would like to apologise for the poor quality of some photos in last month's **Newsletter.** This was beyond our control as our printing is undertaken by an outside contractor. We hope in the future that all photographs in the **Newsletter** will be of the highest standard possible.

#### Maynooth - A Tidy Town!

Maynooth could be a beautiful and impressive town. However, walking through it in the morning is not always a pleasant experience. Litter lines the road from the railway bridge to the town. The Square and the Main Street are also littered. Many businesses made the attempt to pick up litter outside their premises but often their efforts are in vain. It is not always somebody else who drops the litter, it could be you!

As you may be aware, Maynooth came last in Kildare in the Tidy Towns Competition. The Tidy Towns Committee do a splendid job in trying to improve the tidiness of the town but they are up against what must seem to them to be insurmountable problems.

The approach roads to the town are still problematic due in the main, to lack of input from Kildare County Council. But apart from lobbying the County Council, this is outside our control - the litter is not.

In the future, think before you drop that sweet paper, chip packet or those little dockets from the "hole in the wall" machine and encourage your children to do likewise. Towns only become tidier through the combined efforts of all of the community.

**Reminder:** The Tidy Towns public meeting in Maynooth Post Primary School at 8.30 p.m. on the 10th November.

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### Letters to the Editor

#### **Dear Editor**

In last month's issue of the **Newsletter**, we in the Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group suggested that local communities should be involved in the peace process in the North. In line with this we are inviting all interested people in the Maynooth area to a meeting in Caulfield's committee room, on Tuesday 8th November at 8.30 p.m.

Everyone will be very welcome and we are confident that as a progressive and active community we can make, however small, a meaningful contribution to the peace process.

#### Michael Quinn

#### Dear Editor

#### **Mother & Toddler Group**

A Mother & Toddler Group is being set up in the M.A.D.E. Centre, Maynooth on Wednesday mornings. The M.A.D.E. Centre is just beside the Post Primary School on the Moyglare Road. By now, hopefully, we will have had a few meetings but new faces are very welcome. The set-up will be informal, tea, coffee and chat for the mothers, play for the toddlers. So if you feel you would like a change or to meet other mothers, be sure to come along. There will only be a minimal fee of 50p approx. to cover tea/coffee and insurance. Look forward to seeing you on Wednesday mornings anytime between 10.00 a.m. & 12.00.p.m.

#### Imelda Carroll (6286783)

#### **Dear Editor**

I would like to put forward my own alternative "Two Days in the Life of a Commuter," which is in contrast to last month's article regarding this topic.

Commuters should consider themselves lucky to have obtained work in our own land, unlike the millions who have left 'The Emerald Isle' since before the famine. Anyway, enough history and back to my 'interesting' and 'accurate' diary.

#### Day 1

**8.00** Left house and walked approximately 800 imperial yards to train station. Avoided cars of the apathetic commuters (who almost ran my personage over) who couldn't make the short walk to terminus.

**After 8.00** Boarded train and sat beside stereotyped commuter who listened to walkman and stared blankly into space.

**Around 8.00** Train departed. Might have been late but I couldn't tell as I didn't bother to check my timepiece and besides, I can't comprehend those complex timetables issued by the Great Western Railway (or whatever they're called).

Near 9.00 As train approached inner city, carriages bombarded with molten rocks by savage youths (you'd think they would get jobs!).

Around 9.00 Just before entering Amiens Street Station (I think it's Amiens Street!) I entered toilet to answer call of nature.

A few minutes later Underpants and vest became entangled in zip. Also toilet door jammed.

Near 11.00 Arrived in Maynooth on return journey from Dublin after forcing toilet door open in Confey. Missed work as I never disembarked from train.

**Conclusions:** Use buttons where possible as zips often create difficulty (and in extreme circumstances excruciating pain!) also carry large forceful objects e.g. crowbar for forcing open stubborn doors.

#### Day 2

**7.56** Hotwired neighbour's car and drove over refuge disposal vessels in escape.

**8.15** Drove over bollards, thus avoiding tail back of traffic which I later heard "was very heavy and slow moving."

**8.19** Broke red lights in Palmerstown and swerved violently (and unsuccessfully!) to avoid oncoming cyclist whilst passing out the 66 bus on the dangerous Chapelizod Bridge.

**8.49** Parked car on double yellow line, as car parking is quite expensive at £2.50.

**5.00** Left work and thumbed home as to avoid arousing neighbours' suspicion in regard to missing car.

Conclusion: Bollards and cyclists cause considerable damage to cars and ought to be avoided but shortcuts can be found thus cutting vital minutes off journey. Train and car can't be compared as train journey facts are missing. As I am writing there is a commuter travelling by barge and when this data is gathered, (approximately 6 months) I won't compare all three modes as studying transport data isn't that interesting!

Yours commuttingly, Walter Cooper-Kehoe.

#### **Dear Editor**

Dead slow and full stop...a good way of describing Kildare County Council!! We keep on hearing plans for the knocking down of the "Thing" in the Square and for the widening of the Straffan Road and for improvements on Bond Bridge and for the provision of bollards in Old Greenfield and for the opening of the by-pass ... the list goes on and on and on!! Let's hope on the latter of these, namely, the opening of the new by-pass, that our secondary roads will be improved. County Kildare must be one of the worst for secondary roads, as our motorists could well note. And as for our footpaths, (existent or non-existent!) County Kildare's pedestrians would have a lot to say about their disgraceful state. Now with the winter coming upon us and inevitable rainfall on the way, it would be great to have new secondary roads and footpaths, not I may add, patched up efforts which last but a short while.

So please, please could our County Council do something to make us proud of our county and not continue with its halfhearted patching attempts to keep complaints momentarily at bay.

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### **Community Council Notes**

#### C.I.C. COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT

The Community Council's Community Employment Scheme, set up to help with the organisation of the Citizens Information Centre, will soon be coming on stream. It will consist of a supervisor and eleven workers and will undertake to provide a C.I.C. service in Maynooth and the North Kildare area. If you fulfil Social Welfare regulations you may be suitable for this scheme. Please apply to the Community Council Office after 1st November.

#### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS REPORT

This month we are concentrating on the Bord Fáilte Tidy Towns report. Full details are published elsewhere in the **Newsletter**. The report is encouraging, we gained six points on last year, but we have a long way to go.

A special public Tidy Towns meeting is being held on the 10th November at 8.30 p.m. in Maynooth Post Primary School. Everyone welcome.

#### Effort: Marks 29 out of 45.

This year we gained one extra point. It is interesting to note that the adjudicators have written to Kildare County Council regarding approach roads and the toilet block. We await action!

#### Tidiness: Marks 15 out of 40.

Footpaths and lack of bins main problem here. We plan to have more bins in place for next year.

#### Presentation of Buildings: Marks 31 out of 40.

Same mark as last year. Here we are scoring very well and in this section we are up there with the best in the country.

Thank you to all businesses for their support. Tidy Towns Committee have written to all businesses mentioned, offering advice and encouragement.

#### Presentation of Natural Amenities: Marks 18 out of 50.

Our biggest problem here is the playground in the Harbour Field. Work done on Carton Avenue commented on, also canal continuing to build favourable comment.

#### Appearance of Approach Roads: Marks 14 out of 45.

Again an area where Kildare County Council will have to take a more active role. A gain of one mark here, thanks to the S.E.S. scheme.

#### Presentation of Residential Areas: Marks 21 out of 30.

Here is another area where we are scoring with the best in the country. Well done and thanks to all concerned, helping us gain another hard earned point.

Please come along to our meeting in Maynooth Post Primary School at 8.30 p.m. on the 10th November 1994. Your views will be most welcome.

Finally, at time of writing, the S.E.S. for Maynooth Tidy Towns is under consideration by the relevant authorities. Our proposed start up date is February/March 1995.

Thank you, Maynooth, for your support.

Richard Farrell,



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#### **ALZHEIMER SOCIETY**

I would like to extend my sincere thanks for the wonderful response I got in my appeal for support at the tea and coffee morning in aid of the Alzheimer Society on 21st September. The amount collected was £537.50. This included several cheques received prior to the day.

I have since got several donations which should make the total figure close to £600.

My sincere thanks to the I.C.A. Guild for the free use of the Hall. To all members past and present who brought cakes, crafts, etc. for sale and who so willingly gave their morning to help. Thanks also to Maynooth Flower Club for their generosity and to the members for their support.

To everyone, a thousand thanks.

Betty Farrell, Moyglare Rd., Maynooth.

#### BAND BULLETIN

Our concert in the Aula Maxima on 30th September was an outstanding success both musically and financially. Despite the rain, a very large crowd turned out to be treated to a brilliant programme by the Garda Band which satisfied all "tastes" from the Guinness ad. music to "My Fair Lady". By all (NEUTRAL) accounts our own Band was greatly appreciated too. Our sincere thanks to all who supported our concert in any way and a special word to the "catering staff" back-stage who helped sustain the musicians through the evening. The combined efforts helped to reduce further our own debt and will greatly help towards the restoration of the tower on the Church of Ireland.

#### **Band Mass**

On Sunday 6th November we once again pay our respects to all deceased members of St. Mary's Band at the 11 o'clock Mass. We invite all relatives and friends of those who have played with us in the past but have now gone to their eternal reward to join with us in remembering them. Each one of them has, in their own way, helped to continue the great tradition of Maynooth Band and we use this occasion to show our appreciation for their work and remember them in our prayers.

#### Race Night

Almost two weeks later on Friday 18th November we hold our Annual Race Night in the G.A.A. Club when we hope to raise enough funds to finally clear our huge debt. We hope all who have supported us in our previous Race Nights will once again rally to our cause. If you have not already been asked to sponsor a Race or a Horse maybe you would like to go along for the ride, then 'phone Michael Dempsey (628 6948) or Paddy Boyd (628 5033) today while there are still some Races and Horses left. If you miss out on that gamble why not drop into the G.A.A. Club on the 18th. The first Race goes off at 9 o'clock and you can still have a small bet on your favourite

nag and have a drink while you watch him romp home (hopefully) by a mile. It's a great nights entertainment, admission is free and you can win a few bob into the bargain. Look forward to seeing you all there.

That's all the news for November, see you here next month for our Christmas Special.

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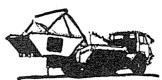
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# BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL MAYNOOTH PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Parents' Association would like to welcome back both staff (old and new!) and pupils, especially our new pupils for another school year.

Our A.G.M. was held on 28th September and a large attendance heard Dr. Maeve Martin, Educational Psychologist, speak on "Development in Middle Childhood".

Lastly, a new committee has been elected for the forthcoming year and our thanks go to last year's committee and helpers for their dedication and hard work.

#### P.R.O.

#### I.C.A. NOTES

I was delighted to see such a large attendance at our October Guild meeting, which was held in our hall. Mrs. Imelda Delaney congratulated Ms. Breda Donovan on reaching the Regional Final of the Guaranteed Irish Sales Person of the Year. Breda represented County Kildare in the Beechmount Hotel, Navan, on 27th September and did extremely well.

#### New I.C.A. Counsellor

Ms. Regina Martin is our new I.C.A. counsellor. Regina, who is a native of Cork, is married with three children and is now living in Dublin. She trained as a psychiatric nurse, has a B.A. in Psychology and a Masters Degree in Women's Studies. Regina's main brief is in the areas of sexual abuse, marital breakdown, bereavement and stress related problems. Any I.C.A. member who would like to talk to Regina can contact her in Central Office each Monday and Tuesday. Her phone number is 1850 652652. Calls are charged at local rates.

#### "Home Truths"

The very popular I.C.A. programme "Home Truths" is back on the air on CKR each Friday at 2.00 p.m. This Magazine style programme is sponsored by Bord na Móna.

#### **Drama Festival**

Maynooth Guild will be well represented at the I.C.A. Drama Competition in Kilteel on 9th, 10th, 11th November. The Drama Group has been rehearsing the play, a one act comedy, for the last two months. Producer, Marion Souhan, is hoping for lots of support in Kilteel from all our members. We wish the drama ladies every success.

#### Extra Crafts

There is good news for any ladies interested in crafts, because from Wednesday 16th November there will be two craft sessions each week, in our hall. The usual Monday night sessions continue, starting at 8.00 p.m. The new sessions are on every Wednesday morning from 10.30 to 12.30. Mary O'Gorman, craft promoter, is doing Christmas wreaths with the ladies at the moment. New members are always welcome. Mary reminds us that there is a Craft Day in Suncroft National

School on 19th November - Fee £6 - booking essential. There is also a competition coming up for an "Irish Quilted Bag".

#### **Federation Meeting**

Kildare Federation meeting was held in Athy on 27th September. Rosemary Hanley gave us a very comprehensive report on the meeting. Some items to take note of are:-

- 1. Kildare Federation Night Out in Red House end November
- 2. Golf Clinic in An Grianán in New Year.
- 3. Some dates available in An Grianán before Christmas.
- 4. Kildare Week in An Grianán 26-30 June.
- 5. "Modern Woman" newspaper available to I.C.A., £8 p.a.
- 6. Federation meeting in The Curragh, 3rd December at 3.00 p.m.

#### **Cookery Demonstration**

Ms. Triona Power from McDougalls gave a very interesting cookery demonstration at our October Guild meeting. Triona made all our "mouths water" with her savoury pastries, muffins, scones and pizza, all of which she kindly donated to our raffle. Thanks to Triona for coming along to our meeting.

#### **Dunnes Stores 'Free Night'**

Dunnes Stores were better value in September - but this time it was on the stage of the Olympia Theatre. Five hundred ladies from the Irish Countrywomen's Association were treated to a night at the Olympia at Dunnes' expense.

The show entitled 'Musical Re-Tales' was performed by the extremely talented Dunnes Stores Variety Group, as part of the Stores' 50th Anniversary celebrations. According to Mr. Jimmy Ryan, leader of the Variety Group, "some 8,000 people have seen the show to date". All proceeds from the shows were donated to Harcourt Street Hospital Research and Holles Street Hospital Research.

Maynooth I.C.A. received twenty five free tickets for the show on Saturday 10th September. We hired a bus and set off for what turned out to be a fabulous night's entertainment. The singing, dancing, comedy and costumes were all top class. The Special Guest Artist, Norris Stevens, gave a great performance. Well done to producer, Derek O'Donoghue and to Dunnes Stores for a lovely night out. We thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it.

#### **Next Meeting**

Our next Guild meeting will be on Thursday 3rd November at 8.00 p.m. As is usual at our November meeting, we will have a short Ecumenical Service. The competition on that night will be "A Coloured Scenery Photograph", postcard size. There will be 1995 Diaries available, cost £1.85. New members are very welcome to attend any of our meetings. Don't forget, ladies, that badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday starting at 10.45 a.m. Now is the time to get in shape for Christmas.

Connie Harpur, P.R.O.

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The Cross Country Season commences in Edenderry on Sunday 16th of October and will finish at the end of November. We have a number of juveniles and veterans taking part so we wish them the best of luck.

Results will appear in next month's edition.

Training every Tuesday and Thursday in G.A.A. field at 7 p.m.

New members welcome.

#### MAYNOOTH CEILI AND SET DANCING **CLUB**

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When it comes to Ceilí Dancing, everybody has heard of the Walls of Limerick and the Siege of Ennis. What about the Waves of Tory or the Bridge of Athlone?

Every Monday night in the Boys' National School, Moyglare Road, from 19th September at 8.30pm you can learn how to do Set Dancing and Ceilí Dancing in an atmosphere that is relaxed and easy-going. There is even a tea break just in case you might exert yourself on the dance floor.

Why not give it a try. Just drop in any Monday night and ask for Rita.

Children's classes in solo, ceilí and set dancing are also held each Monday night from 7.00 to 8.00pm in the Boys' School. All children are welcome.

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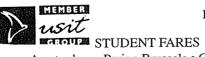
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#### MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

As I write up the notes, our audit is in progress. Mr. Denis Maguire is hard at work doing the accounts for last year. September the 30th is the end of the Credit Union Year. The Board are very happy to be able to have the audit commence so soon after the year end.

The 1993 - 1994 year has been a year of growth and change for us. We have seen a large increase in our membership and we have gone from a purely voluntary group to having one full time staff member.

We are still relying to a large extent on our panel of voluntary helpers. May we extend to them the sincere thanks of all the members.

All of this brings me to our 7th Annual General Meeting, Tuesday 22nd November, The Boys National School at 8 p.m. Remember it is your Credit Union. It is owned by the members, to be run for the benefit of the members.

Please make an effort to attend the A.G.M. Take an interest in how the Board are managing the affairs of the Credit Union on your behalf.

Once again this year we will be having a draw for a number of turkeys for members attending.

If you are good at the drawing or painting, this part of the notes may be of interest to you. Each year the Irish League of Credit Unions organise a poster competition. There are numerous prizes at local, chapter and national level. Some of the winning entries at national level will be used for the 1996 Credit Union Calendar. Application forms and entry details are available from the Credit Union Office.

That's all for this month.

See you all at the A.G.M. 22nd November.

Michael Mooney

#### MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Congratulations to Sarah Angel and Noeleen O'Brien who represented the club in the recent 'Club of the Year', and achieved a 'Highly Commended' for their beautiful exhibit. Our best wishes to Felicity Satchwell, who is competing in 'Flower Arranger of the Year' in Carlow on 19th.

The results of our club competitions for '93 - '94 are:-

Class A:- 1st Felicity Satchwell, 2nd Noleen O'Brien, 3rd Mary Cleary - Clane.

Class B:- 1st Annette Carroll, 2nd Kitty Core, 3rd Moira Baxter.

Class C:- 1st Maureen Stephens, 2nd Toni Reid, 3rd Maureen Fagan.

Our A.G.M. report and the Officers for year ahead will be in the December **Newsletter**.

On November 15th Imelda O'Reilly will be the Demonstrator at the meeting. Theme will be "Flowers Through The Ages". There should be especially beautiful arrangements on this night. Another big attraction on the night will be the Bumper Christmas Sales Table. So, get stocked up early this year with all the Christmas materials and accessories needed for your decorations

The meeting will be held as usual in 'The Divine Word Hostel' on the Moyglare Road, at 8 p.m. You are all welcome. Non-members pay £2 for a most enjoyable and relaxing evening, ending with a raffle for the arrangements, and a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits.

Remember - November 15th.

Moira Baxter, P.R.O.

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#### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

With the arrival of November comes the most important event in our calendar. I refer of course, to our Annual Sale of Work, (see ad. opposite page) the success of which determines the amount of fuel we supply and functions we hold during the year. Despite the ever increasing financial demands on your resources, you have been very generous to us in the past, and once again we ask you for your support.

We will be selling tickets for our Monster Hamper at Quinnsworth, from November 10th, the draw for which will take place on Sunday November 20th in the Parish Hall during our Sale of Work. In the same two weeks prior to the 20th, you can expect a visit from our committee members. As I mentioned in last month's issue, our members carry identification, and if you are in any doubt, don't hesitate to ask.

Hallowe'en is with us once again and alas so are the "Bangers". I would like to ask young people to keep their fun in perspective. Loud noises and bonfires can be very frightening to older people, especially those living alone. Enjoy the occasion, but temper this with consideration for others.

Finally, congratulation to Ms. Anne Daly, O'Neill Park, who celebrated her 98th Birthday on October 26th. Anne is Maynooth's oldest citizen, and very dear to us all.

#### MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT.

Following the disheartening news in last month's **Newsletter** re: the demise of Maynooth Summer Project, we are delighted to announce that we are back in action bigger and better than ever. We would like to thank all those who answered our plea for help and attended the last meeting. This enabled us to get off to a flying start and elect a new committee. So children, your Summer Project for 1995 is now secure, thanks to all who turned up, phoned or sent letters. The new committee is as follows:

Chairperson - Norah McDermott
Vice-chairperson - Madeline Stynes
Secretary - Karen Cullen
Minute Secretary - Mary McMahon
Treasurer - Ann King
Ass. Treasurer - Lorraine Butler
P.R.O. - Margaret Loane

Committee: Mary Flynn, Margaret Kirwan, Martha O'Rourke, Clare Higgins, Eamonn McKeogh, Clare O'Rourke, Cormac Bowell, Willie Healy, Breda Gormally, Mary Brady, Freda Kelleher, Sheila Jolley, Sheila Downey, Bernadette Sweeney, Michael Ruddy and Catherine Phillis. We will be holding our Christmas Fair as usual on December 8th but more about that in the next Newsletter. Meantime, make sure and collect all your unwanted items such as plants, bric-a-brac, toys, books, Christmas decorations and crafts etc. and pass them on to any committee member before December. We would like to thank all the past members of this committee for all the time and energy they put into the Project over the past ten years.

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This club is providing an opportunity for your teenagers to enjoy themselves in an alcohol and drug free environment, so why not come to the Students' Union one Saturday night a month and help us supervise our monthly disco. You may find yourselves enjoying the experience.

Mary Carroll, P.R.O.

#### PIONEER NEWS

The North Kildare/South Meath Regional Council of Pioneer Total Abstinence Association are holding their Annual Dinner Dance on Friday, November 11th, 1994 in Dowlings, Prosperous. The dinner will be at 9.00pm and dancing will follow at 10.00pm. Music will be provided by Johnny Kelly and his band and tickets will cost £12.00. Tickets are available from Owen Byrne & Leo McAtamney.

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#### Miss Royal Canal

Usually at this time we would be finalising the arrangements for the "Miss Royal Canal Contest" and fashion show, but not so this year - why? Because the function takes on a whole new format and will move to February instead. So beautiful Audrey Farrelly, our existing "Miss Royal Canal", has a slightly extended reign. The new format will entail a make and model contest. Girls and indeed boys from the second level schools and colleges in the Maynooth-Leixlip-Celbridge-Kilcock area will be able to design a trendy outfit, make it up and then model it on the night - the winner receiving a substantial prize. More details about this in the next issue. The function will take place at the Setanta House, Celbridge on Friday 24th February 1995 - just a few months away.

#### Committee

We welcome back to the committee some of its founder members, John Caulfield, Peter Finan, and Maura Cullen, all of whom have been recently co-opted, and look forward to working with them again.

#### **Christmas Raffle**

As usual, we will have our annual Christmas raffle and as always a number of excellent prizes will be on offer. The draw will take place, as always, in the Roost during a function with live music.

#### Works Update

#### Stone

We are in dire need of stone to complete the walls in the harbour. So if you know where there is any please let me know and we can arrange collection. Having made that appeal, I can state that work is progressing well in the Main Harbour while maintenance has been carried out at Pikes Bridge.

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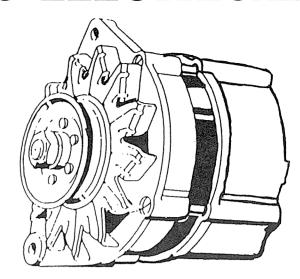
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#### Venture Scouts (16 to 19 years old)

On the second last week in August, Maynooth Venture Scouts went camping for six days in Lough Key Forest Park Campsite, Co. Roscommon. Eleven Venturers completed the six day camp despite terrible weather conditions for the duration. We went boating, fishing, hiking, bivouacking and rounded it all off with trips to the cinema and to "Waterworld" in Donegal. A good time was had by all, especially on the excursion to the, er, "Fishing Tackle Shop".

The newly elected committee is as follows: Chairman: Hugh Dwyer, Secretary: Dervilia McDermott, Treasurer: Brian McGlinchey, P.R.O. "The Killer Shadow".

#### Scouts (11 to 16 years old)

With exam results out of the way it's time to get down to some important business like checking the gear and doing necessary repairs. Before we do that let's get the work out of the way, there's a bike hike to be done, and an overnight hike from Enniskerry to Scouts' Hall, after that we can enjoy ourselves fixing the gear (we will talk about that on Thursday nights).

#### Cub Scouts (8 to 11 years old)

The Cub leaders are back in force after the Summer and the programme is up and running again with our regular meetings on Tuesday night and an overnight stay on 15th of October.

#### Beaver Scouts (6 to 8 years old)

Beavers meet on Friday nights and are into arts and crafts, playing games and going on day trips. On a recent visit to their meeting, I was amazed by the high level of artistic talent displayed and look forward to seeing that talent in Cubs, Scouts and in Venturers.

Thank you members of our community for supporting our Mile o' Money on Saturday 8th October.

And many thanks to the members of Maynooth Fire Brigade for giving your time to showing our Scouts your facilities and talking to them about Fire Safety. Not only are these people ready to run to our rescue but they will also give freely of their time to advise us.

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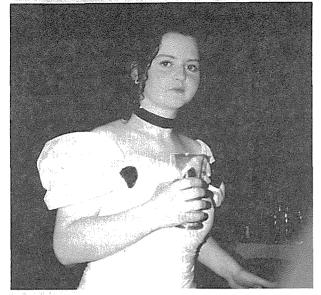
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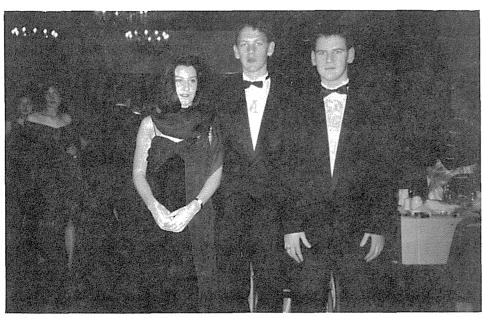
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We would also like to thank Thorntons Waste for agreeing to empty the three litter bins on the main Beaufield Road every week *FREE OF CHARGE*.

These bins were purchased by the residents of Beaufield to keep the litter off our green areas and not for domestic rubbish, as some people seem to think.

The committee has been in contact with our developer, Lark Homes, regarding the damage and dirt caused by construction traffic passing through the estate and we have been assured that this traffic will be diverted and the damage repaired.

The input of residents is vital to the improvement of our estate, so please do not hesitate in contacting us at any time with your views.

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- 1) Businessmen from farming backgrounds who wish to reside in the countryside and commute to Dublin.
- 2) Farmers, particularly local ones, when a suitable property comes available.
- 3) Investors requiring land as a good investment for the fu-

#### Recent sales listed hereunder confirm this trend:

Acres: 54 - Area: Old Carton, Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Sold at Auction £162,000 - Price: £3,000 per acre.

Acres: 22 - Area: Farmersvale, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin. Sold at Auction £70,000 - Price: £3,200 per acre.

Acres: 30 - Area: Kilcock, Co. Kildare. Sold Private Treaty £100,000 - Price: £3,300 per acre.

Areas: 23 - Area: Naas, Co. Kildare. Sold after Auction £75,000 Price: £3,250 per acre.

Acres: 20 - Area: Maine, Clonee, Co. Meath. Sold at Auction £86,000 Price: £4,300 per acre.

Acres: 30 - Area: Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Sold Private Treaty £120,000 Price: £4,000 per acre.

#### DUBLIN-MAYNOOTH BUS SERVICE

Two grievances: Firstly, availability of a bus from Dublin between 6-7p.m. daily. I travel quite often to Heuston train station arriving at 6p.m. I then need a 66 bus to get to Maynooth. The bus is full when it comes to Parkgate St. One evening I waited until the third bus passed me. I then had to take a bus down town and go to the terminus in Abbey St. Then, coming along home I was amazed to see a passenger getting off before the bus reached the end of the quays. The next to get off was just past Conyngham Rd. and at Chapelizod the bus was half empty. I discussed this problem with a seasoned traveller, I said "why wasn't there a 'minimum fare' like years ago" (I am a senior citizen by the way) and I was told that the way fares are fixed it costs nearly as much to go to Chapelizod as to Maynooth. My point is the bus fills up at Abbey St., people want to get home, they don't seem to mind paying, but this means that people travelling to Maynooth may be left behind. I think if there isn't a minimum fare there should be a rule for fixed first stop to eliminate this practice and allow the Maynooth passengers get home at a reasonable time.

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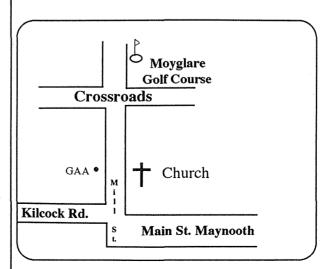
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My second grievance: The bus service to Castletown Estate. Leixlip, is serviced by a 66 bus, depriving Maynooth of eleven scheduled services daily from Monday to Friday. This estate should be included in the Leixlip services!! Why not?

#### EYE HEAR

#### Mick's Savings

On a recent sunny October morning I bumped into the ever pleasant and efficient postman, Mick Kelly. When I referred to the good weather he replied "Every day you wake up is a great day". So when the snow, sleet and frost comes, think of Mick's words.

#### The High Stool

A sing-song took place in Bradys on a recent Sunday night. Some west European culture could be heard resounding above the general hum. However, the proceedings did not reach a crescendo until Michael Dempsey raised the roof with "A Mother's Love's a Blessing". At this rate Mick is bound to hit the No. 1 spot by Christmas.

#### Car in Canal

In the early hours of Sunday 25th September two men had a narrow escape when their car left the road and crashed into the Royal Canal at a point three miles outside Maynooth on the Kilcock Road. They are lucky to be alive as this part of the canal is reckoned to be very deep. They do not appear to be of local origin and there is little information available about the accident.

Donal Finan is a man who can dress-up well when he wants to. Recently he was well turned out when he visited his 'local'. Everything went well until Larry McEvoy arrived with his dog. The craic started when the dog saw a reflection of himself in Donal's shiny shoes and nearly went berserk. This was surely not the kind of attention that Donal wanted.

#### GARDA TALK

#### 'Hitch Hiking'.

It has come to our attention that some people are hitching a lift home from the village late at night. There are obvious dangers involved. Before you 'hit the town' for the night observe the following:-

- 1. Do you have a lift home? If not, take a taxi, or if you intend to walk, only do so with a known friend.
- 2. Let someone know where you are going, with whom, and what time you expect to arrive home.
- 3. If delayed for any reason, telephone home. People do worry.

A little forward planning will avoid anxiety for others.

#### Retirement function for Sgt. Joe Canny.

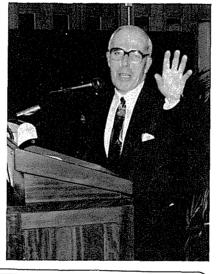
Ticket fever reached a pitch at Maynooth, for those wishing to attend Sgt. Canny's Official Retirement function. Sources say

that some people paid 'Black Market' prices for this prestigious event. This event will only be matched WHEN Kildare reach the All Ireland. Members of the Judiciary, Asst. Garda Commissioners, Officers, together with a large representation of Maynooth People were there to wish Joe and his family well in his retirement from the Garda Siochana. Thank you for your support, and apologies for those who failed to acquire tickets, as the demand outweighed supply.



A presentation to Carmel Canny by May Harren at Joe's retirement

Joe waving a last good bye at his retirement function at Westmanstown Leisure Centre



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Left-right seated: Leo and Eileen Mc Glynn. Back left-right: John Mc Glynn, Karen Conroy married to Robert Mc Glynn and Geraldine Mc Glynn married to Brian Brown. Karen is a member of Maynooth Community Council Staff.

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Have you noticed the number of uncared for dogs in Maynooth recently? Keeping a dog is a big responsibility and takes a lot of time and money. Sure, we can all say we have that time and feel the space in our back garden is big enough for "Spot". But have you thought about veterinary costs, food, the cost of a kennel, a lead etc. etc. etc....... the list goes on!

I got in touch with Frank Mitchell in the Dog Control Warden's Office recently to find out more about how they deal with stray dogs in our area. Seemingly there have been a lot of complaints from residents in certain areas of Maynooth about the extra stray dogs (of course these may not be strays at all but uncared for). The first thing Frank said is, "that any dog which is unaccompanied is said to be a stray". "Why then", I asked, "are they hanging around for so long". The reason Frank gave is that there are only two dog wardens for the whole of County Kildare who are employed by the Irish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. "We get the job done as well as we can with the limitations we have ..... we travelled to Maynooth a few months ago where in one day in one area we took in seven dogs of which three were reclaimed".

I asked him what happened to the dogs who were not reclaimed and he explained that under the Control of Dogs Act 1986 that the dogs are either re-housed or put to sleep after five days.

Are you still thinking of getting a dog for Christmas? Just remember that as well as the costs forementioned in this article you could also incur costs from the dog warden, these are an on the spot £25 fine for an unaccompanied dog or if your dog is seized by the wardens it would cost you £10 to reclaim and £5 per day or part (there'of) that your dog is in the pound. You also can be fined for not having a licence for your dog. On the last point, from October 17th last, the dog wardens have been checking licences so make sure you have yours if you don't want to incur a fine.

If you are still thinking of getting a dog for Christmas make sure you understand the responsibility and are prepared to take this on fully. Finally, Frank Mitchell at the Dog Control Warden's Office - Tel: (045) 81765 will be pleased to answer any of your queries or complaints at any time.

John McLoughlin.

#### **MUINTIR MAGH NUAD**



#### Michael Gillick

Michael Gillick is a man of remarkable energy and vitality with a rare sense of humanity and a remarkable commitment to the people of Maynooth, which he expresses through his tireless work as the Chairman of the local G.A.A. Club. Over a twenty year period he has become a leading force in this thriving and vibrant club. Mick, as he is known, was

born in a place called Killinkere, Co. Cavan in 1947. He comes from a farming background and attended for three years Kilnacrott Secondary School which has recently hit the headlines in relation to the Fr. Brendan Smith case That was after his time, he hastily added. He completed his Leaving Certificate at the Christian Brothers School in Kells. Mick started off by working in various jobs at home and later in Dublin. He always had it in his head to join An Garda Siochána; some of his uncles were already in the Force. In 1967 he commenced training in Templemore Training College and began his working career at Sundrive Garda Station where he undertook further training and routine Garda work. After six years he joined the Traffic Department at Dublin Castle. This work involved a lot of traffic duty and escorting V.I.P.s, including Pope John Paul II when he came to Ireland in 1979.

#### Promoted to Sergeant

After showing exemplary ability and leadership skills, Mick was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1983 and stationed in the Bridewell. Here he had a lot of involvement with the courts and met most of the top criminals at one stage or another. He met Martin Cahill (R.I.P.) known as "The General" whom he had earlier known as a lad in Sundrive Road. By now "The General" always kept his hands over his face and wore hoods. When Mick mentioned Sundrive Road to him, he briefly lowered his hands in a sign of acknowledgement.

1987 saw Mick being transferred to Store St. one of the busiest stations in Ireland. Here he encountered all sorts of rogues and villians who came into the city centre at one stage or another and it wasn't to do their shopping! His next posting was to Naas in January '94 and by the month of July he was in charge at Celbridge Garda Station. In these latter placements he experienced a better, more positive attitude towards the Gardaí.

#### Involvement in the G.A.A.

Mick has been involved with the G.A.A. all his life. With his native Killinkere he won a Junior Championship medal in 1971. He was a natural defender who revelled in the positions of full-back, corner-back and centre-half. In Dublin he played with St. Paul's. When he moved to Maynooth in 1974 with his wife Margaret and daughter Sandra, he was in a state of semi-retirement from the game. While going down town for a few drinks he met Tommy Fay, then club secretary and became involved with the local club. He began playing with Maynooth

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in 1975 alongside such players as Tommy Fay, Brian Redmond, Colm Feeney, Tony McTiernan, Sam Feeney and Martin Donnelly to name a few. That year, they got to the final of the Junior B Championship. In 1976 they went one better and won it outright. That same year they won the coveted Jack Higgins Cup by beating a formidable St. Kevin's side. In the following years his footballing career was coming to an end as he played up until the early '80s.

#### **Athletics**

Through his daughter Sandra, Mick became involved with Maynooth Athletic Club when it reformed in 1979. He became active at committee level and participated in five Dublin City marathons between 1981 and 1986. Mick, who has a good sense of humour and is blessed with a hearty laugh, recalls one marathon which was like going to hell and back. He sat down on the Howth Road drinking a cup of tea given to him by a sympathetic spectator, when he saw a patrol car pass by and recognised the driver. He reckons if he had seen it in time he would have been glad to finish the race in the back seat. He also participated in the Kildare championships with his club.

#### **Building the Club House**

Mick, who has always had a keen interest in Gaelic games, went to the A.G.M. of the club in 1984. In his own words, "by a strange sequence of events I ended up becoming Chairman and went home wondering what I had let myself in for". This was the Centenary Year of the Association and not a good time for taking over. That year, the club won the Junior B Championship and League. After this, they began to look at plans for the building of a club house which would be the centre of G.A.A. activities. Their facilities at this stage amounted to a field and dressing-rooms. Mick is full of praise for his predecessors. He described them as "the great people who went ahead of us and in the 40s and 50s had the foresight to acquire these fine grounds".

#### **Fundraising**

Mick, a man who keeps one eye on the future and another on a calculator, with his fellow club members embarked on a fundraising campaign by selling £100 tickets, which was common practice at the time. This draw was not as successful as expected but brought in a respectable £30,000. Knowing that they didn't have enough money to complete the project, they had to show that they were serious about going ahead with the project and decided to lay the foundation and build the basic shell of the premises. Mick along with other club members put in endless hours of voluntary effort in their attempt to complete the development.

#### The Final Shove

In 1988 the committee decided that they needed more funds and organised a fundraiser by selling £60 tickets which was more successful than the last, and brought in £35/36,000. At last they began to see hope of the building being completed. With the help of much appreciated voluntary efforts and borrowings, the new G.A.A. centre, which comprises of a lounge bar and hall, was opened to the public on the occasion of their A.G.M. in January '91.

#### A Public Amenity

According to Mick the G.A.A. Centre is a public amenity and while the G.A.A. are its governing body, he feels it should always be made available to the public as far as possible. He continued, "The G.A.A. from its very foundation is community orientated and we see the club house in the same vein". It acts as a focal point for the G.A.A. Club with the expansion of the population and new people coming to Maynooth. This fine facility is used by residents' associations, local groups, set dancing on Tuesday nights, music at weekends, big screen for TV sports, aerobics and darts.

#### **Future Plans**

Mick and his colleagues are in the process of acquiring an extra portion of land with the aim of developing a second pitch, which may not even be enough to cope with the club's requirements. The club at present, fields in or around ten Gaelic teams at all levels and you can double this when you include hurling teams as well. Mick confided that he had no difficulty whatsoever with allowing the Post Primary and Boys National School use of the grounds for playing and training. However, he added, "planners should have taken some cognisance of this when planning the schools. Between the two of them there are no playing pitches except one small strip of ground beside the Post Primary and the National School kids have to play in a car park". He continued, "but for the generosity of Maynooth College for allowing us to use the pitch at the Arts Block and the Salesian College in Celbridge we would be left in great difficulty. We owe our gratitude to them for their cooperation".

#### **Priorities**

Mick's main priority at the moment is the pitch development plans. Blueprints for a handball court had to be deferred for the moment but he hopes to get around to this in time and to expand the club's facilities.

#### Lack of Facilities

Mick sees Maynooth as a fast growing town and from a sporting perspective he regards lack of sporting facilities for younger people as a serious problem and one that will get worse as the population increases. He referred to the number of new housing estates being built and believes it will be 10-15 years before the full impact of the increasing younger population is felt. He noted that there are very few facilities in Maynooth or younger people to socialise in, apart from local hostelries and youngsters have to go out of town to attend discos.

#### Ambition

The greatest wish Mick has, is to see Maynooth win the Junior A Championship in 1995. The ultimate ambition for him and his fellow members, is to see Maynooth win the Intermediate title and attain Senior status. Hurling is making a major comeback in Maynooth with the Junior Hurlers after reaching the Kildare County Finals.

Continued

#### Features

#### Philosophy

Mick's main philosophy is one of unselfish service to his community. He quoted John F. Kennedy, "Do not ask what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country". He stated that "if more people gave 1-2 hours per week to whatever sporting, leisure, or community involvement they may have, they would lighten the load on everyone and Maynooth would be a better place to live in". Mick is surely one man who can say this without fear of contradiction.

#### **Sporting Family**

Margaret, Mick's wife, who comes from Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, is a well known active member of Maynooth Athletic Club and a competitor in various women's mini marathons. His daughter Sandra, is a competent athlete who has a Diploma in Business Studies, Sport and Recreation and is persuing a Degree in same. Niall has completed his Leaving Certificate and won a Minor Hurling Medal in the Kildare B Championship. Michelle is a talented athlete, big into camogie and walking races. Michael Jnr. is in 1st class at the Boys National School.

Mick enjoys country and western music and is particularly interested in step-dancing which takes place at the club house every Tuesday night.

Mick is a good family man and community worker with leadership skills. Having achieved the rank of Sergeant in An Garda Siochána and a longstanding chairman of the local G.A.A. Club, he is the living embodiment of the complete Irishman. He is a man who builds for the future and enjoys the challenges of life. Long may he stride around his field of dreams.

#### SPONSORED CYCLE IN BOYS' SCHOOL

The Boys' National School in Maynooth was a hub of activity on Sunday 16th October 1994, when a sponsored cycle was under way. There was a great turnout of parents and pupils as everyone congregated in the school grounds with bicycles and helmets, ready for action.

Two groups of cyclists participated in the sponsored cycle, the first being the younger group aged between 7 and 10 years. These children cycled approximately eight miles from Maynooth by Moyglare towards Kilcock and back by Moyglare to Maynooth. The second group were aged between 10 and 12 years and their course was approximately twenty five miles from Maynooth to Kilcock, Clongowes, Clane, Barberstown Cross, Taghadoe and back to Maynooth.

There were refreshments for the cyclists at the halfway mark and also at the finish. The Civil Defence and two ambulances went along with the cyclists and a Garda Squad led the older group along their twenty five mile route.

Apart from a few scrapes, which were promptly treated by the ambulance men, and a few punctures and broken chains, the cycle went very well and the school were very grateful to the large number of parents who turned up to escort the children. The sponsored cycle began at 2.40 p.m. and all of the cyclists had returned by 5.00 p.m. with a great feeling of achievement.

As soon as all the monies are in, there will be a draw for very nice prizes indeed. For every £5 a student collects in sponsor money he gets a ticket for the draw. There is a bicycle, £50 and five prizes of £10 value for the lucky winners of this draw. The school are very thankful to all of their sponsors, for their support in this very worthy event.



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## TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION - SIX MORE MARKS!!!

At first glance Maynooth Tidy Towns Association would appear to have enormous reason for celebration, having managed to score six extra marks for the second year in succession. While this is no mean feat by any stretch of the imagination, before Maynooth lets this good news go to its head the town should also note that out of the long list of towns in County Kildare, Maynooth is lodged very firmly on the bottom. The town might be going in the right direction but it has a very, very long way to go.

It gives great encouragement to see that progress can be accomplished and committee members should be delighted at the fruits of their labours. However, having said that, when one looks around the town it is very clear where improvements can be made. On the plus side, the basic shape of the town makes it not too difficult to improve. The grand broad tree-lined street is a marvellous foundation for the town to build on and is something a lot of towns must be very envious of.

Maynooth people should be made aware that their town is a place of real national importance in a way that most other places of its size are not. The existence of St. Patrick's College in the town means that Maynooth is frequently the focus of both national and international interest because of conferences or synods which are held there from time to time. Occasions of this nature put the town in the spotlight, so if it is looking dowdy and untidy it is not just the pride of the town that is at stake but that of the country. Local residents should also be made more aware of the very historic position which the town holds. This is a further cause of tourist interest and also further reason why the town should be determined to do better than it has been doing.

It is great to hear that plans are in train to have 'The Thing', the town's most unsightly eyesore, removed and to have a small park put in its place. This on its own should be worth at least an extra fifteen marks. If the centrally-placed derelict house is not about to be removed then it should be brightened up in the manner that derelicts all over the country have been treated—pieces of hardboard are often installed in the windows of these houses with pictures of curtains where the concrete-block windows are at present. Not only does this brighten up what is otherwise an eyesore but in some cases the clever artwork used can add an amusing touch. The state of the Main Street footpaths at present is deplorable and if the County Council could be persuaded to renew them this could give the town a much-needed uplift.

However, major jobs like renewal of footpaths and the removal of the toilets are things which are outside the scope of the town's residents to remedy but that is not to say that they do not have an important role to play. What they should be persuaded to do is to be more litter-conscious. If they are not near a litter bin then they should bring their litter home with them. This message should be brought home more strongly, especially in the schools. It is expected that this type of advice is constantly being given by teachers, but an occasion

like this, immediately after the Tidy Towns Competition report, is a time when the message should have stronger relevance. Sitting on the bottom of the list of towns in Co. Kildare is not a place where Maynooth should be satisfied to remain: a determination to achieve a place much higher up the list and more in keeping with the town's status should be the aim of everybody in the town.

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The last workshop held in the library was a great success under the guidance of Sheila O'Hagan, an award winning writer and poet. So successful was it that Sheila is returning to run a new workshop from November 1994 to February 1995. This creative writing workshop will consist of three different areas in the programme which are as follows:- 1) Discussing a piece of writing by an established writer. 2) Looking at a technical part of writing i.e. structure, style, imagery, thought etc. 3) Reading and constructive criticism. Having attended the last workshop myself, I can really recommend this one. These workshops will be starting on Monday 14th November from 7pm to 10pm in Maynooth Library and will continue at two week intervals. Further information can be gained from Maynooth Public Library Tel: 6285530.

If Monday night doesn't suit you, there is another writing club on Wednesday night in Celbridge called 'The Gateway Project'. They meet informally every second Wednesday evening in Celbridge House to enjoy each others' work, listen to guest speakers and go to readings. For this Wednesday night group, all information can be got from Colette at 6243091 (evenings) or Cathy at 6270062 (evenings).

Beginners are very welcome to either of these workshops, so come out of that closet and put your pen to paper ..... who knows, you could be the next James Joyce or Maeve Binchy going into the year 2000.

#### TRAIN DELAYS FOR COMMUTERS

Commuting is a tiresome business at the best of times but delays can make the whole procedure quite unbearable. For Maynooth commuters delays in the train service have been the cause of a great deal of dissatisfaction.

Having heard of these complaints a comment was sought from Maynooth Railway Station. But while waiting to speak to a representative of Iarnróid Eireann, it became apparent that there was either a considerable change in the train timetable or quite a long delay for commuters waiting for the 10.31 train from Sligo. The latter was in fact the reason for the rather irritated crowd as the train was 45 minutes late.

Another example of the late running of trains was on Monday 10th October. A colleague, starting a new job in Dublin, went for the 8.10 train from Maynooth. Although this train arrived on time, it didn't leave Maynooth until 8.25. This is hardly a reliable form of transport for someone trying to make an impression in a new career.

Having contacted Cyril Ferris, the relevant Press Officer in this area, we were informed that overcrowding and delays were unfortunate but that Iarnroid Eireann have realised the extent of these problems on the Sligo-Connolly line. To combat same they have assigned a quality team to look at improving things like signalling. Hopefully this will improve Customer Service and all you commuters out there should have a safer and more efficient journey. If you have any further complaints you can take them up with the Rail Passenger Section in Connolly Station.

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'Til next year,
Tommy Daly

#### LILY

Now, in the dark, gloomy evenings of October it seems more real than it did back in July. I have told no one this ghost story. But I know it's true. I have the photograph.

It was one of those perfect days last summer when it was great to be free of work. Four of us had taken off for a few days in Clare, staying in a friends cottage near Kilkee. After a lazy breakfast which stretched well into the morning, we decided to drive up along the coast towards the Burren, taking in the sights along the way. At Lahinch we swung inland and promptly got lost in a maze of narrow country roads enclosed in towering green ditches. The whole area seemed deserted, the only houses along the roadside were crumbling cottages, long since abandoned by passed generations. After some time, we came upon a tiny, ruined church which we had passed twenty minutes earlier. We were definitely lost. Michael, our so-called navigator, came in for some good humoured criticism but when he suggested that it was time for our picnic lunch, no one disagreed.

I parked the car outside the rusty iron gates of the churchyard and the four of us had lunch of beer, fruit and sandwiches sitting on a tombstone near the south-facing wall of the church. We talked about the Cooke family who had kindly provided our dining table and whose collective bones lay just below our food - Thomas (died 1818), Sarah his wife (died 1831) and their son William (died 1826 aged 9 years). Sarah had been left alone when her young son followed his father to an early grave.

After lunch we wandered around the over grown churchyard, beating back the grass and nettles to reveal hidden tombs, stained with lichen, telling more sad stories of death and loss. The church itself was an eighteenth century building. The roof had collapsed and the floor was strewn with large stones which

had fallen from the upper walls. In one corner, Anne, who had entertained us with ghost stories over lunch, spotted a relatively recent grave marked with a crumbling wooden cross. Tied to this cross was a piece of cardboard on which was written 'Lily, died 1983, aged 8'. We all agreed that this was the strangest grave we had come across. It seemed to be at least sixty years later than anything else we had seen. And, it seemed desperately sad that the tragedy of a child's death should be marked by nothing more than two lengths of wood and a piece of cardboard. Was Lily an abandoned child? Had she met a violent end? Stumbling around the uneven floor of the church we speculated on her fate.

Just as we were about to leave, I noticed a gaping hole in the floor of the church where a stone slab had been moved sideways out of position. "Obviously the entrance to the crypt", Michael said, half seriously, half joking. Personally, I had enough and was keen to get out of this gloomy place and drive off through the sunny Burren, which, after all, had been the point of the day's expedition. But, surprisingly, Anne and Catherine, insisted on exploring whatever lay through this black hole in the floor. Anne clambered through first. She reported back in a muffled voice that the space below the floor was about six feet in depth, there was standing room for one but that she couldn't see a thing apart from the faint outline of something white on the floor of the crypt. We took it in turns, one at a time, to climb down and report back what we saw. Michael stayed a little longer than Anne so that his eyes became accustomed to the darkness. "I think I see a shroud on the floor" he shouted back. When Catherine climbed down we thought she wasn't coming back. When she eventually emerged she just said - "Skulls, there are skulls down there, piled up, over in the corner, you've got to see them".

It was my turn. I wasn't what you'd call enthusiastic. As the only one with a camera I agreed to go down and take one quick photograph. Then I was out of there. Back to the real world. I climbed down and for a few seconds could see nothing. "Any sign of Lily down there?", Micheal's voice boomed down from above. I panicked, fumbled for my camera, pointed it and snapped. The crypt was filled by the white light of the flash. White bones, hollow eyed skulls danced before my eyes. I was out of there.

A week later I had the film developed. Pictures of west Clare, the Burren, three very merry customers of some Kilkee pub well after closing time. And the photo from the crypt. Bones on the floor, three skulls lying on there sides in the corner. And at the back, a young girl in a pink frock, sitting on a brass handled coffin, a white ribbon in her hair, grinning......

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| Presentation of<br>Buildings | 40 | 31 | 31         | Presentation of Residential Areas | 30 | 20 | 21 |

#### **EFFORT:**

Thank you for completed questionnaire, detailed comments and map which were very helpful during the course of adjudication. The adjudicators appreciate that the Tidy Towns Committee are working on a Plan of Action for the town and you may be aware that the County Council have been written to with regard to the adjudicators visit during the year. The town of Maynooth could be a very tidy town and the adjudicators would love to see Maynooth doing well in this competition. This will only be achieved if you can overcome the barriers which are preventing you achieving higher marks. It is disappointing to see the local authority not giving adequate resources to maintaining the approach roads or tackling the toilet area which has been going on for years. Cobble locking in limited number of areas - wouldn't it be nice to continue this throughout the main street. Keep up your efforts for 1995.

#### TIDINESS:

Litter was evident in parts on the left hand side approaching from Straffan. The bus stop by T. Flood Bookmakers was also strewn with litter. The cobblelocking noted by Travel Options and the florists is very attractive. The main street was generally litter free but visually appears to be a bit untidy due to the uneven footpaths - cobblelocking would greatly improve this. Overall, litter isn't too bad in Maynooth this year.

#### PRESENTATION OF BUILDINGS:

A large number of shutters were noted this year, which is a bit disappointing. Again, there are some very nice premises but there is still some room for improvement. Some premises that deserve a mention include: Hula Bou; Fusciardis; J. O'Neill; Denis Enright; Dawsons; Barrys, Katies Flowers; Movie Masters; The

Shop. The new campus was well presented at St. Patrick's College, Keeley's; the Parrish Hall was tidy; St. Columbans; Moyglare Nursing Home was very good; the Castle was also quite good as were the grounds of Maynooth College. The Garda Station was a nice presentation, as was the Credit Union. Also good were Caulfields, Brady's Elite Confectionary, Just Gifts, Frank Regan, Donovans, Caddyschack, CPL Motor Factors (nice). The Mill Wine Cellar was also an attractive building but litter was noted outside it. Some premises that could be improved are:- T. Flood Bookmakers, Leinster Arms (perhaps the plastic canopy could be replaced with more traditional materials); Nuzstop (litter noted outside it); Westend Carpets; Quinnsworth; the Mart; Cassidys; St. Vincent de Paul (was okay but entrance was quite bad); school next to St. Mary's Parish Hall; Church of Ireland (to the left of the college entrance was not well maintained); a lovely stone house is noted near the playground but it needs more attention. Advertising was also noted on the eve of premises approaching from Leixlip, this should be addressed. Some signs that could be improved include New World; Gerard Brady and Paddy Power. There is room for improvement in this category.

## PRESENTATION OF NATURAL AMENITIES:

All the amenity areas in the university grounds were all very well maintained as was Fitgerald's Castle, well done. It was nice to see the seating outside Cassidy's. The canal slipway area was also quitegood. The playground continues to be an eyesore - the adjudicators did note developments here with the building of a stone wall in progress. Pitch & Putt grounds were okay and the Carton amenity Walk was better this year. The area outside the toilets still remains an eyesore.

## APPEARANCE OF APPROACH ROADS:

Approaching from Galway was quite good with the grass at the triangle cut this year, well done. Approaching from the convent, at the Maynooth sign, grass had been cut-was quite good initially but on the right hand side verges, nettles were noted and weeds and grass going along the kerb further in. Apart from not cutting verges this approach was okay.

approach was okay.

Approaching from the Pitch & Putt verges had been cut, well done - new wall, unfinished development was noted. Approaching towards the college entrance, footpath is needed on the left hand side, the grass by the stone wall at the bridge was quite bad, should be removed. Litter was noted on the footpath on the right hand side. Approaching from Leixlip, the road had been cut on both sides. Outside the Mart is quite bad though, which takes from the overall welcome into the town. The adjudicators feel that more of an effort is needed here and perhaps the County Council could play a greater role in this.

## PRESENTATION OF RESIDENTIAL AREAS:

Overall, quite a good performance in this section. The majority of the parks were very well presented, congratulations. Carton Court was good as was Straffan Way, Rockfield Manor Avenue. Rail Park was good but the entrance needs to be improved. Manor Court, the park next to St. Columbans was good. Opposite the castle the private residential house - the gardens were excellent; Parsons Lodge, Woodlands, Cluain Aoibhinn, new apartments were also noted near Quinnsworth. A few parks that need more attention are Meadowbrook Close where the entrance was quite bad, Greenfield Drive and Laurence Avenue where the sign needs to be replaced. Generally, a good performance in this section.

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#### Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr.20)

As winter closes in, snuggle up tight to your favourite polar bear in your little log cabin up in the mountains, away from everyone and everything. But be careful of renegade squirrels out on their last few raids for food for their long sleep. They will eat you out of house and home (which just happens to be made of acorns). Use a varnish that's laced with arsenic.

#### Taurus (Apr. 21 - May 21)

You are feeling all listless and melancholy this month, in stark contrast to last month. All you feel like doing is sitting by rivers and being sad. Well cheer up! There is nothing worse than looking like you are something out of a really "deep" French film-noir production of 'The Little Mermaid'. Liven up and stop feeling sorry for yourself, or else, everyone will squash you to a pulp and you won't care 'cos you just think everyone is out to get you (which is true, but we won't make you paranoid, will we?)

#### Gemini (May 22 - June 21)

Your split personality is now prevalent this month! Your mind is saying one thing and your body is doing another. You need to be careful of that, especially when you go to the toilet! Leave your phone off the hook and use the Postal Service. That way, at least your multiple personality letters, which are very confusing for the recipient (especially when the writing style fluctuates between typed and hand scripted, depending on your persona for that particular moment) will arrive a lot later so you can warn your friends (or not, depending of course, unless you're in your psycho persona!). Keep smiling, people will wonder why!

#### Cancer (June 22 - July 23)

The crab is at it again! Just 'cos you have a thick outer shell doesn't mean that everybody else has! Once again, you are digging your pincers into anyone and everyone you can. But Beware!

People are not very fond of being manhandled or mauled, so you are liable to end up part of a lobster stew. Be wary of large, boiling saucepans!

#### Leo (July 24 - Aug 23)

You've got health problems this month. Be careful not to do anything strenuous. Basically, the world is going to end for you (and everybody else, but I'm not saying it in every horoscope, just in case I'm wrong!) sometime around the end of the month. But if you were born on the cusp, you'll be okay! You can take shelter in your cupboard under the stairs, (or, if you live in a bungalow, in the hot press) and the Apocalypse will pass you by! N.B. If the world doesn't end Looloo takes no responsibility for the actions of certain maverick Leos who take matters into their own hands.

#### Virgo (Aug - 24 Sept 23)

You are riding the crest of a wave at the moment. The water is beautifully blue and cool and clear. But be careful of the vicious surf board snapping sea monster who is liable to crush your wind surf board and throw you in the drink where you'll be seduced by a ravishing mermaid, which could be pleasant, depending on your persuasion. So, if you play your cards right, you could still ride the wave and fall, unwittingly, of course, into the sea and meet the mermaid/merman! You lucky thing.

#### Libra (Sept 24 - Oct 23)

Well, after last month, I guess I'm not the most favourite person of Librans at the moment. Well, this month, you are being blissfully charming to all and sundry. You're intelligence and beauty radiates from your person and touches everyone you meet. People are flocking around you to bask in your aura of magnificence. By the way, I'm a compulsive liar!

#### Scorpio (Oct 24 - Nov 22)

Okay! After the trauma of last month, you have a settled month ahead. What you need is a new idea! Go out and buy a new pair of gloves, (especially at this cold stage of the year in Maynooth), to make you feel special. It's time to broaden your horizons. Take up a hobby

such as train spotting. Then you'll have an excuse to buy a new anorak and thermos flask. Be careful not to get run down by a diesel engine. Messy!

#### Sagittarius (Nov 23 - Dec 21)

Beware of the temptation to make a commitment you can't follow through. Now is not a good time to get married or to take out a mortgage. It would be far simpler to go out and take a bare-foot walk through the frost - covered grass at five in the morning. That'll wake you up to reality pretty quickly. (Especially if you are in your birthday suit and your neighbour finds you).

#### Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 20)

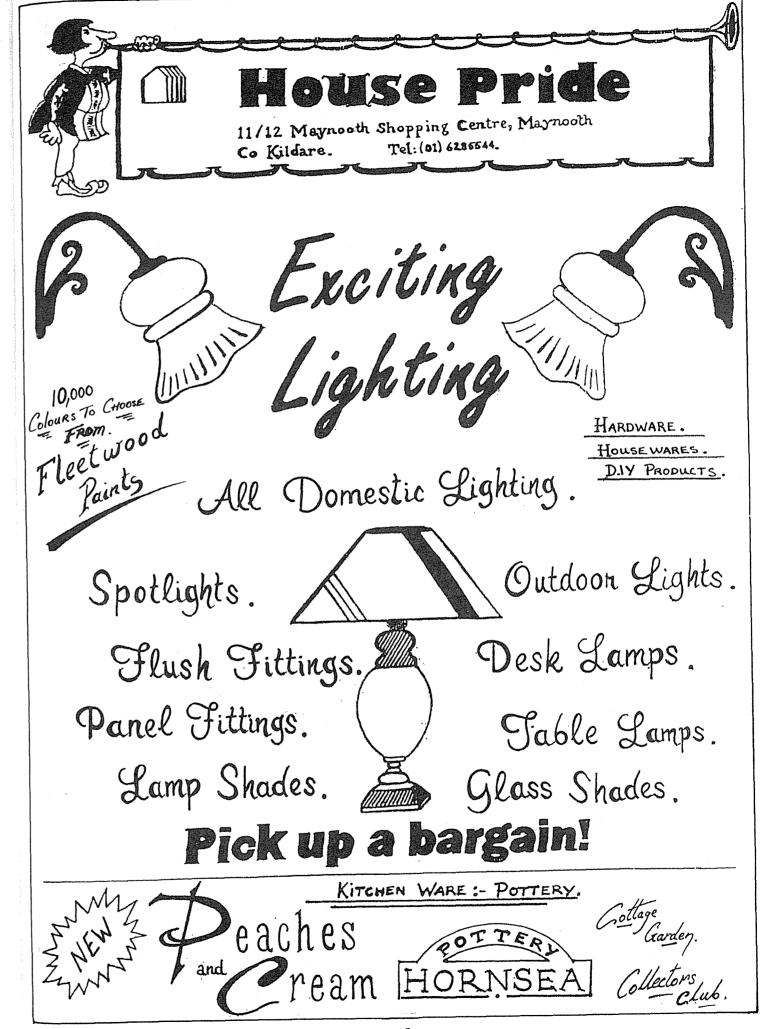
You are all in a tizzy this month. Nothing is going right for you! Everyone hates you! And you are as narky as the goat that represents your sign. Get out and get a life (and a personality!). Is it any wonder everybody has dumped you and moved on? You need to indulge in needless wanton behaviour, such as aimless comfort-eating (of rice-cakes to be safe!). Be wary of making too many phone calls. People will hang-up on you!.

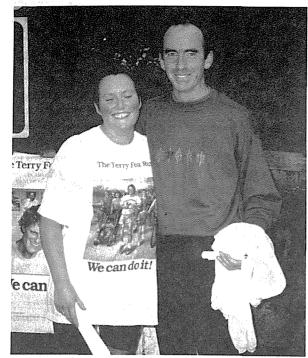
#### Aquarius (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

You are bouncing full of energy this month, you sad individual. So run a marathon, or something energetic like that. You make me sick! Why can't you be like the rest of us? Boring, lethargic and couch potatoes!! It's far more interesting and fun to sit in front of the T.V. and watch people running a marathon rather than doing it yourself. The most taxing thing you have to do is change the channel on the remote control (which can be pretty tiring, especially if you don't have a remote control).

#### Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Like the name suggests, you are swimming in deep water this month. We are in a spot of bother aren't we? Well, all you can do is swim upstream against all of the rabble and eventually you'll find the rich feeding ground, (before everyone else, naturally). Beware of the Cancerians because they are out to dig their claws into your, eventual, good fortune. Cut their legs off.





• Pat and Siobhan Mahon - 1st couple to complete the Terry Fox Run



Orlagh Travers, Patricia Moynan organisors
 & Bernard Durkan at the successful run.

#### TERRY FOX FUN RUN IN MAYNOOTH

On behalf of the Irish Cancer Society, we would like to say **thank you** to all the people who supported the run in Maynooth on the 25th September. This was the 2nd year for the event to take place and although the weather let us down, nearly 150 people took part, with a total raised to date approximately £1,600.

Finally, we would like to especially thank Paul Davies from Maynooth University for all his help. Councillor Bernard Durkin T.D. and John McGinley for supporting the run. Carton Demense for the use of their beautiful, picturesque estate and all the people who came out on such a dreadfully wet day.

Thank you all very much.

Patricia Moynan, Orlagh Travers



· A group of participants in the Terry Fox run.

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## Know Your Rights October 1994

#### Question

My daughter is a single parent with a six year old child. She is presently receiving the Lone Parents Allowance of £76.20. She has been offered employment with a voluntary organisation under the Back to Work Allowance Scheme for which she would be paid £100 gross. What would her overall financial position be if she took this job?

#### Answer

Under the Back to Work Allowance Scheme lone parents aged 23 in receipt of the Lone Parents Allowance will retain 75% of their social welfare payment for the first year and 50% for the second year.

This scheme is designed to encourage growth in certain industries and was initially limited to certain sectors of employment outside the PESP areas. However, we understand that there is no restriction now provided the work being offered is new work, does not replace existing jobs and is likely to develop into a lasting job.

The Back to Work Allowance is paid by means of a book of payable orders which can be cashed at a nominated post office (just like the LPA).

This allowance will not be subject to PRSI or tax but earnings from the job will be. In your daughter's case her income will be as follows.

£ 57.15

| (75% of LPA in 1st year)<br>(50% of LPA in 2nd year)<br>Gross earnings from job<br>PRSI 5.5%          | £100.00<br>£ 5.50                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Net earnings                                                                                          | £ 94.50                                                   |
| Tax Free Allowance (TFA) Personal Allowance One Parent Family Allowance PAYE Allowance PRSI Allowance | 1994/95<br>£2,350.00<br>£2,350.00<br>£ 800.00<br>£ 286.00 |
| Total                                                                                                 | £5,786.00                                                 |

Back to Work Allowance

#### Total divided by 52 to get weekly TFA of £111.27

The Back to Work Allowance is not subject to tax. As her TFA is greater than her £100 earnings from her job she pays no tax.

|                        | £ | 151.65 | • |
|------------------------|---|--------|---|
| Net pay                | £ | 94.50  |   |
| Back to Work Allowance | £ | 57.15  |   |
| So, her income is:     |   |        |   |

As her total income is below £250p.w. she will retain all her secondary benefits:

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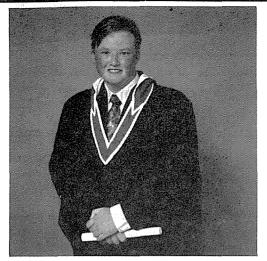


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### Graduations



•Peter Cassells graduated with B.A. Hons. Degree in History and Geography.



•Alvean Duffy (Kingsbry) with mother Bernadette graduated with a B.A. in History and Classics



•Patrick Kelleher 19 Rail Park graduated from Waterford Regional College with a B. Sc. Hons Degree in Construction Management.

#### **CONFERRING OF DEGREES**

This year is the first year that the University has decided to split the conferring of degrees to graduates into two sessions: one in September, for those who passed their exams in the summer and one in November for those who achieved success in the Repeat examinations which were taken in late August/early September.

Thankfully, the usually inclement weather that seems to take up residency for conferring, stayed away for the September ceremony, for the most part anyway. Those who graduated on Saturday afternoon were not so lucky.

Roughly, about 600 graduates were conferred this September, from Science, Arts, Finance (etc.) A number of local people graduated with various degrees and diplomas. Paul Bolger (pictured below), a blow-in by his own description, originally from Tipperary but now living and working in Maynooth, for the Community Council, graduated with a B.Sc. Dudley O' Donnell from Rail Park also graduated with a B.Sc. and Peter Cassells of Celbridge Road graduated with a B.A. Hons Degree in History and Geography.

Catherine Howard-Williams graduated with a B.A. on Saturday and her mother Joan, also graduated on the same day with a College Diploma in Local History. Both are from Carton Estate.

The conferring ceremony itself was a rather quiet affair, except for the fanfares provided by The Maynooth Brass Band, and the hustle and bustle of previous years' ceremonies seems to have been absent

We wish all of the Graduates the very best of luck in all of their careers and good wishes for the future. Go n'éirigh an t-ádh leo.



•Paul Bolger graduated with a B.Sc. Degree.

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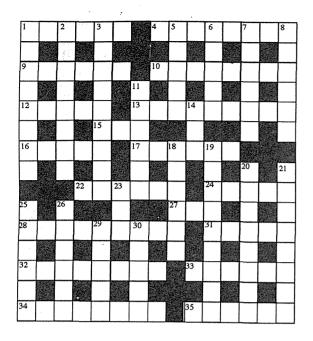
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### Crossword No. 84



Entries before 5pm Friday, 18th November

| Name:    |                                             |      |
|----------|---------------------------------------------|------|
| Address: | <br>*************************************** | <br> |
|          |                                             |      |
|          | <br>                                        | <br> |

#### Across:

- 1) You should have had tea before you had the lesson, we hear (6)
- 4) It's accepted and cleared that you had a feed (8)
- 9) Sad nap for the Bears (6)
- 10) 3.14 select balancing (8)
- 12) I rent the gas (5)
- 13) Netting (9)
- 15) You'd be in this if Jim did'nt do it (3)
- 16) Gee!The South East is where the birds flew to (5)
- 17) A definite check for the prisoner (6)
- 22) Tasted what was said (6)
- 24) ......of my eye, you were a fruity temptation (5)
- 27) Part of the milk churn came from Greece (3)
- 28) Drop the H  $^{2}$ 0! (9)
- 31) Put at ease even though it's so hot (5)
- 32) She sprints singly towards the east (8)
- 33) This is more indistinct than I thought (6)
- Cusp sets a goal to catch out those that one believes to be guilty. (8)
- 35) Three in a race (6)

#### Down

- 1) Stopping the extras going on (8)
- 2) Eastern nun took deed which wasn't really wanted (8)
- 3) The sensation one had when the earth sensed one? (9)
- 5) In principle I had zero maximum (5)
- 6) Is Ron hot and heavy or what ? (5)
- 7) Mr. Baba doubles his reasons for not being at the scene (6)
- 8) English year to get involved (6)
- 11) Did the man in 26 down exit after passing this remark to the tea lady ? (6)
- 18) There's mould on the east side of this component (6)
- (9) Sent altar boy to make what the priest said understood (9)
- 20) Work at the post office and sing against (8)
- 21) There Ted, I know you're tied up now (8)
- 23) Is he an alien life form? (3)
- 25) .....like we did last summer (6)
- 26) One in ten of the Secret Service drink from these (6)
- 29) Scouser in a hurry after football, we hear (5)
- 30) State positively before tea that one is turning away (5)

#### Solution To No. 83

Across: 1. Dosage; 4. Obstruct; 9. Aromas; 10. Hard Luck; 12. Trend; 13. Entertain; 15. Pot; 16. Roger; 17. Treble; 22. Extend; 24. Order; 27. Irk; 28. Commotion, 31. Adieu; 32. Existing; 33. Little; 34. Nonstick; 35. Mend it.

Down: 1. Drafters; 2. Stone Age; 3. Grand Prix; 5. Beast; 6. Tudor; 7. Uvulas; 8. Taking; 11. Nettle; 14. Ebb; 18. Ending; 19. Lookalike; 20. Addicted; 21. Proudest; 23. Tot; 25. Screen; 26. Amnion; 29. Octet; 30. Ionic.

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#### Stuffing

25g/1oz butter

2 tbsp oil

1 large onion, peeled and chopped 2 garlic cloves, peeled and chopped

700g/11/, lb parsnips,

trimmed, peeled, finely chopped and tossed in 2 Tbsp lemon juice 100g/4oz fresh white breadcrumbs 1 (350g/12oz) can chestnuts, roughly

chopped 6 tbsp fresh chopped parsley

1 egg, size 2, lightly beaten

#### Goose

1 (4.6kg - 5kg/10-111b) oven-ready goose with giblets (remove and reserve for gravy) 1 large orange, halved 2 tsp olive oil 450g /1lb red-skinned dessert apples, cored and cut into wedges

#### Gravy

1 carrot, chopped

1 large onion, peeled and sliced

6 black peppercorns

1 bay leaf

2 Tbsp plain flour

flat-leaf parsely to garnish

#### Method

For stuffing, melt the butter and oil in a large deep frying pan. Add onion, garlic and parsnips. Cook gently for 10 minutes until parsnips are tender. Cool. Place mixture in a large bowl. Stir in breadcrumbs, chestnuts and parsley. Season and mix thoroughly. Pour in beaten egg and mix well to bind. Preheat oven to 220°/425F/Gas Mark 7.

To stuff goose, place bird on a large board and loosen flap of skin covering neck cavity. Spoon half the stuffing into cavity. Smooth skin back down over stuffing and under bird. Secure with cocktail sticks if necessary. Place orange halves in body cavity. Shape remaining stuffing into 16 walnut-sized balls. Cover and chill.

Weigh stuffed goose then place on a rack fitted in a deep roasting tin. Rub the skin with olive oil then with 2 tsp salt. With a fork, prick skin all over. Place goose in oven. Roast for 30 minutes, reduce heat to 180°/350°/ Gas Mark 4 and cook for a further 15-20 minutes per 450g/1lb (approx 2<sup>1/2</sup> hours for this size bird). Cover loosely with foil if goose overbrowns. Baste with its own fat several times during cooking. Drain off excess fat if necessary. Insert a skewer or knife tip between thigh and breast meat - when the juices run clear, it is cooked.

Place stuffing balls in a shallow roasting

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tin with 2 Tbsp of goose fat. Cook for final 25-30 minutes of goose cooking time, adding apples to tin after 10-15 minutes, until stuffing balls are crisp and golden and apples soft and golden.

Meanwhile, make the gravy. Place giblets in a pan with the carrot, onion, peppercorns and bay leaf. Add 850ml/1 1/ <sup>2</sup>pt. water. Bring to boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer for about 2 hours. Strain stock, discarding giblets, vegetables, peppercorns and bay leaf.

When goose is cooked, remove and stand it on a serving platter covered with foil. Drain off all but 2 Tbsp of goose fat from tin. Place tin over a medium heat, stir in flour. Cook for 3 minutes until starting to brown, stirring and scraping any sediment from base. Gradually stir in 600ml/1pt of giblet stock. Bring to boil, stirring until thickened. Arrange stuffing and apples around the goose. Garnish with parsley and serve with gravy.



#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Iced chocolate chestnut bombe

225g/8oz plain chocolate, broken into pieces 1(1 litre) carton vanilla-flavoured ice-cream 1/2 (1 litre) carton strawberry-flavoured ice-cream 1/2 (435g/15.3oz) can sweetened chestnut purée 150ml/1/4 pt double cream raspberries and sprigs of mint to decorate.

#### Method

Melt the chocolate in a heatproof bowl over a pan of very gently simmering water. Meanwhile, line a 1.4 litre/2 1/2 pt pudding basin with foil, pressing it down as smoothly as possible (leave some hanging over edge). Brush a thin layer of melted chocolate all over the lined basin. Leave to dry then apply another layer. Repeat until all the melted chocolate has been used. (If it starts to set before it has been used, remelt over hot water).

then carefully spread an even layer of icecream over the base and up the sides of the chocolate-lined bowl. Place a 600ml/1pt bowl inside. Freeze for approx 1 1/2 hours until solid.

temperature. Remove basin from freezer and pour a little boiling water into the smaller bowl. Quickly swill it around then drain water away. Gently loosen smaller bowl from ice-cream then remove it completely. Spread a layer of strawberry icecream evenly on top of the vanilla ice-cream. Freeze for approx 1 hour until solid.

Place chestnut purée in a bowl. Whisk double cream until soft

off foil. Decorate with raspberries and mint sprigs. Cut into slices.

Allow the vanilla icecream to soften slightly at room temperature,

Allow the strawberry icecream to soften slightly at room

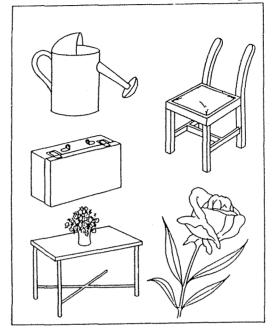
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To serve, turn out bombe on to a serving plate and carefully peel

## Children's Corner



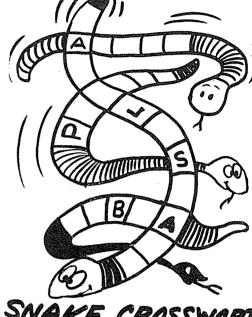
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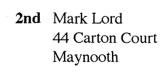
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2nd Stacey Mc Govern 820 Old Greenfield Maynooth

#### **3rd** Chris Hodge Ballynare Kilcloon

**3rd** Ciara Leavey 839 Greenfield Maynooth

55



## **GARDENING HINTS**



#### Flower Garden

Some plants will be coming into flower now, for instance Mahonia 'Charity' and M. Lomarii, the autumn-flowering cherry (Prunus subhirtella autumnalis), some of the late varieties of Calluna vulgaris and Erica carnea, and Jasminum nudiflorum in sheltered places. Border digging and manuring can continue. Tulips can be planted, and there is still just time to plant narcissi and hyacinths. Outdoor chrysanthemums will now come to an end and the stems should be cut back to leave a few inches, lifted and boxed into compost, and placed in a cold frame until mid December.

Hardwood cuttings of shrubs, including roses can still be taken and put in a trench out of doors in a sheltered place, lining the bottom with sand, and stripping the lower leaves off the cutting. Climbing roses can be pruned and ramblers should be given the finishing touches.

#### Lawn Care

Established lawns will have their last cut, if they have not already had it, first sweeping off leaves; in fact leaves should be removed constantly as they encourage worms and suffocate the grass so that it turns yellow. They make good compost, except the leathery ones, such as laurel, bay and holly; beech, oak, elm, lime and fruit tree leaves are all good, however.



#### Fruit Garden

As soon as the leaves have fallen, and the last of the crop is picked, the top fruit can be pruned this month and any time

during the winter from now onwards, following the winter pest and disease spraying. Pruning is done to prevent shoots and branches becoming crowded and disease ridden, and to induce the production of new growth, which will crop well and regularly. Unpruned trees become a tangled jungle of growth, live and dead, full of pests and diseases, and bearing too much fruit which does not ripen or is too small when it does. Bud pecking by birds may start this month and proprietary bird repellents are advisable. Formally trained apples and pears can have the summer pruning finished now so as to leave stubs 2 - 3 in. long.

If blackcurrant pruning was not done in August, it can be done now, and summer pruning of redcurrants and gooseberries can be completed as with top fruit. The old fruited canes of raspberries are cut out now, if not already done, together with those of the autumn fruiting kinds. Strawberries should be well established, and may be strawed to prevent weed growth. Vegetable Garden

Vegetable garden tidying can continue, together with digging and manuring. Celery can be lifted, leeks should be ready - they are a useful vegetable as they will go on right through the winter. Spinach and spinach beet are equally obliging. Lettuce sown in September, such as 'Winter Density', if cloched early this month, will survive the winter well and be ready for cutting in March. They have the further advantage that they have a very pleasant nutty flavour. October lettuce sowings will need transplanting to their permanent positions and protecting.

## Winter colour - indoors and out

#### Another side to heathers

Heather is one of those native plants which has few faults. Specialist nurseries and good garden centres sell a wide range of them to give colour to your garden all year round. Look out for winter flowering *Erica x darleyensis* and *Calluna Elegantissima*.

But there are also heathers from warmer climates that make excellent houseplants. The pretty pink *Erica Hiemalis* is widely available from now until Christmas. These plants are acid lovers, so use rainwater rather than hard tap water. Keep them moist, but allow the compost to dry out a little between each watering.

On both types of heather, once flowers have faded they should be clipped back to encourage the formation of new shoots.

Even though the colour is so welcome in winter months, heathers are not often used in flower arrangements because they tend to drop their bell-shaped flowers almost immediately. However, if you cut strays not yet in full flower and stick the woody stems in half an old potato they will last much longer.







### How to ...look after garden tools

- 1. If you keep your tools clean and tidy, you not only make them last longer, you also reduce the risk of accidents. Hang what you can on the wall of the shed or garage rather than stock long-handled tools against the wall.
- 2. Check over machinery before the lawn mower and hedge trimmers get put away for winter. Servicing can be expensive so get an estimate first and consider whether it might be worth buying a more up-to-date model.
- 3. Clean your metal tools with an oil rag after use unless they are stainless steel they just need a wash. Sharpen spades, shears and secateurs. Bamboo canes can be cleaned and stored in plastic drainpipes.

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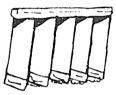
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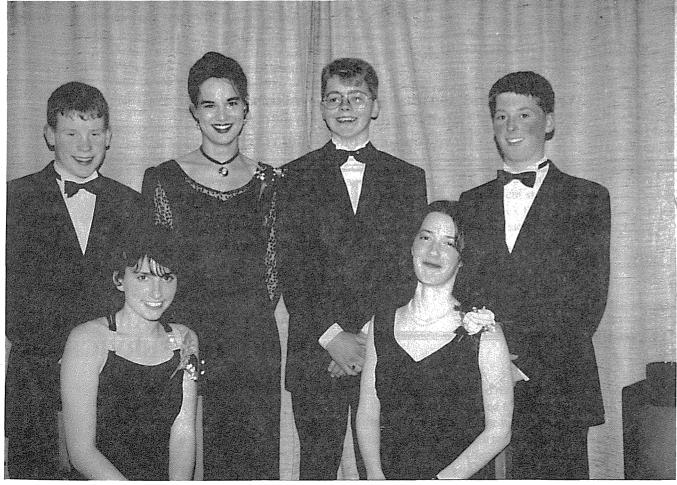
#### MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Forty four golfers turned out for the Presidents (John Carey) Prize at Edenderry Golf Club on 24th September. Played in ideal conditions the eventual winner was Willie Moore our present captain with a fine score of 43 pts. Our final outing takes place to Portarlington on November 5th, Tee Time 11-1 p.m.

#### Presidents Prize (J. Carey) 24th September 1994

| 1st Overall:                          | W. Moore 43 pts. |                 |                   |  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| Class 1:                              | 1st              | G. Coulton      | 45 pts (N.Q.)     |  |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 2nd              | F. Dooley       | 41 pts (N.Q.)     |  |
|                                       | 3rd              | S. Ferney       | 39 pts            |  |
| Class 2:                              | 1st              | J. Greene       | 42 pts            |  |
|                                       | 2nd              | B. Desmond      | 40 pts            |  |
|                                       | 3rd              | K. O'Brien      | 39 pts            |  |
| Class 3:                              | 1st              | M. Foy          | 43 pts (N.Q.)     |  |
|                                       | 2nd              | J. Byrne        | 40 pts            |  |
|                                       | 3rd              | T. Flatley      | 37 pts            |  |
| Front 9:                              | J. Mo            | oore            | 18 pts (4th Hole) |  |
| Back 9:                               | R. D             | elemere         | 23 pts            |  |
| <u>Visitors</u>                       | 1st              | B. Condron      | 36 pts            |  |
|                                       | 2nd              | O. Larkin       | 33 pts            |  |
| Vets. Prize:                          | M. D             | empsey          | 33 pts            |  |
| 2's Club:                             | O. L             | arkin (Visitor) |                   |  |

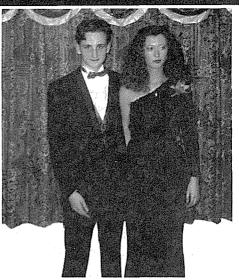
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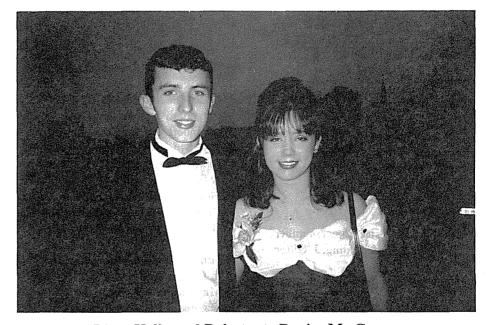
L-R back: Edward Cusker - Miriam Gormally - Sean Bennett - Michael Pierse. L-R front: Vivienne O'Connor - Catherine Devanney.



•Carrie Lynch and Peter Burke



•Rohan Igoe and Audrey Cannon



•Liam Kelly and Debutante Denise Mc Carron



•Kathryn Walsh - Amanda Tobin - Stepanie and Caroline Thompson

#### MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Annual Dinner Dance will be held on Friday 9th December in Club House.

Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 11th December in Club House at 11.30 a.m. All members are welcome to attend.

#### Minor Football League Maynooth 2-7 Round Towers 1-6.

Maynooth had a good win over Round Towers in Minor Football League. This puts Maynooth in with a chance of making the play-offs of the League. Best for Maynooth: H. Nevin, S. Noonan, T. Fay, M. Nugent, T. Farrell, P. Flood, R. Murphy.

#### **Cappagh Football Tournament Final**

Maynooth Junior B Team won the Cappagh Football Tournament on Sunday 9th October when they beat St. Kevin's by 1-14 to 6pts. Maynooth, playing the best football, were ahead at half time by 6pts to 4pts. Maynooth got on top at midfield in second half and went on to an easy win. Best for Maynooth: T. Farrell 3pts, D. Flemming 1-2, S. Molloy 3pts, D. Cusker 2pts, M. Nugent 3pts, R. Barry 1pt, F. Devereux, M. Flaherty, R. Murphy, K. Dunne, J. O'Toole.

Underage Training is back in our field on Moyglare Road every Saturday morning. Hurling under 11 to under 15 at 10.30am. Football under 8 to under 14 at 11.45am. Any senior players wishing to help train our under age players please come along to field on Saturday mornings. You're more than welcome.

**Lotto Results - 18/9/94** - Jackpot £1260 - no winner, numbers 9-16-20, 5 x £10. E. Fagan, P. Daly, M. Goulding, J. Gilton, F. Falon.

**Lotto Results - 25/9/94** - Jackpot £1310 - no winner, numbers 6-11-23, 5 x £10. Padraig Sweeney, Paul Curtis, J. Gilton, M. O'Donnall, Fiona Nelson.

Lotto Results - 2/10/94 - Jackpot £1360 - no winner, numbers 10-26-27, 5 x £10. Dennis Cooper, M. O'Donnall, Rose Hayes, Monica Carr, Danny Casey (Sen).

**Lotto Result - 9/10/94** - Jackpot £1410 - one winner, numbers 11-20-30. Won by David Corcoran, 277A Greenfield, Maynooth.

#### Maynooth G.A.A. U.13 Football League 19/9/94 Cappagh 0-1 Maynooth 7-8

Maynooth's opening game in the winter league resulted in a comprehensive away win against a very feeble Cappagh side. The early exchanges were fairly even but once Maynooth got into their stride the result was never in doubt. William Farrelly and Barry Doyle lorded it at midfield and kept the home defence under pressure all through. All the forwards got on the scoresheet with Karl Ennis, Aiden McCarron, Seán Lennon and Conor O'Malley leading the way. The defence had an easy evening but John Fagan, Stephen McDermott, Daragh Carr, Alan Geoghan, Noel Healy, Patrick King and Conor Diggins dealt capably with anything that came their way. Scorers: S. Lennon 2-2, C. O'Malley 2-1, K. Ennis 1-2, T.

Halton 1-1, A. Mc Carron 1-0, W. Farrelly 0-1, D. Lawler 0-1.

#### U.13 Football League 24/9/94 Maynooth 0-6 Naas 0-4

This was a very close exciting game played in very windy conditions in Maynooth. The home side had first use of the strong breeze and built up half time lead of 0-6 to no score. They dominated in most areas but the forwards were guilty of some wayward shooting. A six points lead did not look sufficient facing the breeze for the second half and when Naas scored a couple of early points Maynooth looked to be in trouble. However they restricted Naas to two further points. Naas piled on the pressure for most of the second half but the Maynooth defence with John Fagan in goals Daragh Carr at full back, Shane Pidgeon right full, Alan Geoghan left full, Patrick King and Conor Diggins playing superbly, held out for a great win. Apart from those already mentioned Peter Kinsella, Paudge O'Sullivan, Aiden McCarron and sub. Mark Kavanagh played well.

Scorers: T. Halton 0-2, A. McCarron 0-2, P. Kinsella 0-1, S. Lennon 0-1.

#### Under 21 Football Championship Maynooth 1-9 Ellistown 1-7

Maynooth scored a good win over Ellistown in first round of U.21 Football Championship. Ellistown were the best team up to half time and lead by 1-4 to 3pts. On change of ends Maynooth brought K. Killoran to Mid Field and from this Maynooth got their goal through Paul Flood. Points were scored by both teams and with 5 minutes to go were level with some great free taking by Paul Garvey which helped Maynooth. A first round victory:- Maynooth Scores: P. Garvey 8pts, P. Flood 1 Goal, M. Nugent 1pt: Also to play well was our Full Back Line D. Horne, P. Burke, M. Noone, K. Killoran, J. Nevin. On going to press our next game was V Kill.

#### Junior Hurling Championship Semi-final Replay Played in Leixlip on Sunday 9th October. Maynooth 3-8 Kilcock 1-7

Maynooth Hurlers qualified for a meeting with Clane in the final of the Junior Hurling Championship. Kilcock started the best and were 1 goal and 1 point ahead after 10 minutes. Maynooth got their first score through Tom Coffey, a point, after 12 minutes. Further points by Kilcock left them ahead after 20 minutes by 4 pts. But Maynooth fought back and got a great goal by Mick Barry. By half time Kilcock lead by 1-5 to 1-2. Kilcock goal coming from J. Keenaghan. On the change of ends, Maynooth with points from Frank Desmond and another goal from Mick Barry left Maynooth 2 pts. ahead 10 minutes into the second half, Kilcock fought back and Points (2) from their star player John McGee left the sides level with 15 minutes to go. Kilcock moved their full forward to centre forward. Maynooth's Killian Fagan followed him and from this point Maynooth fought hard and were rewarded with a goal by Eamon Twomey and points by Frank Desmond. Maynooth were on their way to a great victory:

Maynooth scorers were Frank Desmond 7pts., Mick Barry 2 goals, Eamon Twomey 1 goal, Tom Coffey 1pt. This was a great team effort as the complete panel helped out.

Kilcock: John McGee 4pts., John Keenaghan 1 goal, T. Lynch 2pts., D. Angling 1pt. also to play well were E. Lynch, F. Spellman, D. O'Brien, P. McInerney and D. Brown. Continued

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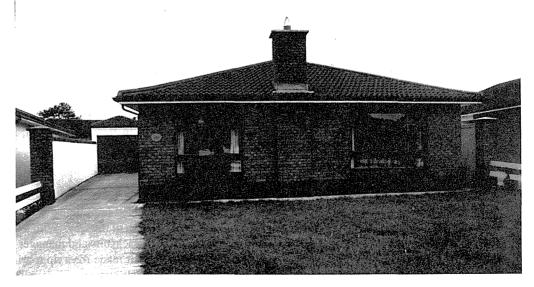
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#### North Kildare Football League U.11 (19/9/94) Maynooth 8-8 Kilcock 3-4

Played on a miserable wet evening this was a very close first half with Maynooth 2pts. up at half-time. However the second half was a great team performance with goals and points coming from all angles.

Team: A. Sweeney, C. Carr, P. O'Rourke, A. Molloy, S. Healy, D. Adderly, K. Gannon, M. Sweeney (1-2), D. Connellan (1-1), P. Ennis (1-2), A. Baxter (1-0), D. Comerford (0-2), F. O'Gorman (1-0), E. Holmes (2-0), B. Downey (1-1).

#### North Kildare Football League U.11 (8/10/94) Maynooth 7-5 Nass 3-5

A great display by the defenders made sure Maynooth turned over at half-time with a lead of 4pts. Naas started the second half strongly, scoring a first minute goal. However, Maynooth responded by scoring five well worked goals.

Team: A. Sweeney, F. O'Gorman, P. O'Rourke, K. Gannon, P. Sheehan, G. Quinn, B. Coffey, M. Sweeney (2-3), D. Connellan (2-0), D. Comerford (0-1), P. Ennis (0-1), S, Healy (1-0), E. Holmes, B. Downey, P. Brouchan (2-0).

#### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Our 25th Anniversary celebrations commence on Saturday 29th October and continue on Sunday 30th October. A number of events have been arranged and some more are in the pipeline and have yet to be finalised. All club games have been cancelled for that weekend to allow players and other members take part in the festivities without affecting their performances and commitment to looking after their respective club duties. Among the activities planned are a football marathon followed by a table quiz for the junior members of the club.

Former club players are being invited back to re-form some of the club teams from the past and they will be pitting their skills against each other that weekend. The ladies of yore are also being catered for with the former ladies team once more dusting their boots etc. to join in the fun.

The highlight of the weekend will be our dance in the Students' Union featuring the Guinness Jazz Band by kind permission of Arthur Guinness, Son & Co. Ltd. Admission will be by ticket and can be obtained from any committee member.

Our ladies double winning team of League and Shield will be presented with their trophies as will the Schoolboys' League winning team. The Senior Player of the Year Awards will also be presented. The evening's entertainment will begin at 8.00 p.m. sharp and a great evening's enjoyment is predicted. If you are a former club player why not dust down those boots and dancing shoes and help us to celebrate our Silver Jubilee. We hope to meet many old acquaintances from yesteryear and relive some of the glories of the past.

#### Some match results of the past few weeks.

#### Leinster Junior League Div. I Sarto Celtic 3 Maynooth Town 1

A last minute goal put a flattering look on the scoreline for Sarto Celtic. Having gone two goals down it looked as if Maynooth were in for a hiding. To their credit they fought back for Ger Thompson to score the best goal of the game with a cracking right foot shot. A last minute penalty sealed Maynooth's fate after a battling performance. Ger Thompson was in outstanding form and got good assistance from Killian Fagan and John O'Neill.

#### **Leinster Junior Cup**

#### Town Celtic (Carlow) 2 Maynooth Town 3

Maynooth shaded the first half exchanges but were unable to capitalise on their advantage. The home side took a surprise lead in the second half but Kevin Breslin equalised. Celtic regained the lead from a free kick but Robbie Moran brought us back to parity once more. Martin McTernan scored the winner with an excellent free kick near the end. Despite the disappointment of defeat, the home club kindly treated us to refreshments before our journey home.

#### **Div. III Private Grounds**

#### Maynooth Town 2 Sandyhill F.C. 2

This was a very tight affair as the scoreline indicates and a draw was a fair result. Conditions were bad for good football and the play was scrappy at times. Maynooth's defence was in top form throughout with Darren Moran outstanding in goal. Colm Carroll and Mick Faherty were Maynooth scorers.

#### Ranelagh Celtic 2 Maynooth Town 2

Yet another draw for Maynooth in this division who are being dubbed the draw specialists. The number of points dropped in draw games could cost Maynooth dearly when the season draws to a close. Maynooth had to withstand severe pressure from a very workmanlike home side and showed battling qualities in holding out for a draw. Colm Carroll and Barry Farrell scored for Maynooth.

#### D.D.S.L. U/16 Neville Cup Castle Celtic 1 Maynooth Town 6

Maynooth advanced to the next round with this easy win over Castle Celtic. Niall Daly scored first for Maynooth after 20 minutes and further goals followed from Barry McKeown (2), Donncha McCarrick, Martin Byrne and David Coughlan. A sound all round team performance by Maynooth who had excellent performances in Barry McKeown, Alan Nugent and Niall Daly.

#### U/11 O'Leary Cup Maynooth Town 3 Lucan Utd. 0

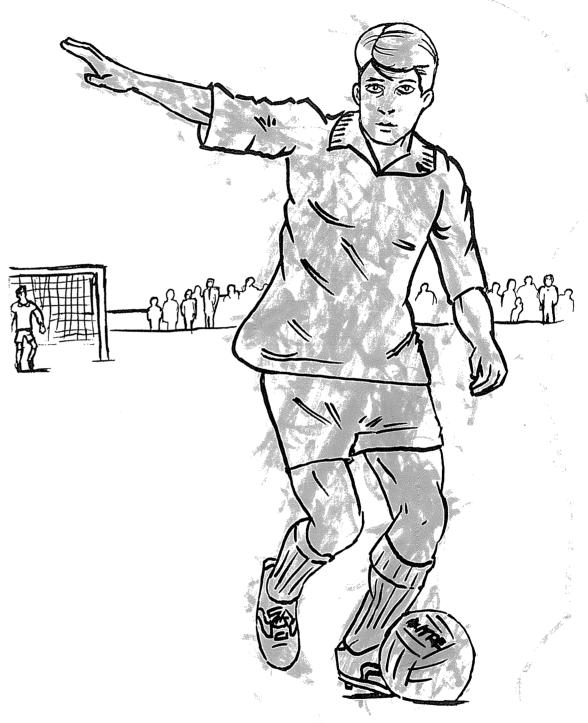
This game took an added importance when nominated as the *Evening Herald* Match of the Day. With a new set of playing gear, football, subs' tracksuits and manager's jacket the prize for the winning team it made for a rip roaring game. After a scoreless first half, goals by David Harper, Thomas McGovern and Dean Conway ensured that the valuable prize for the winning team came to Maynooth. A proud day for Managers Tony McMahon and Eugene O'Neill.

The club was saddened by the untimely death of Joe (Dodo) Murray recently. Dodo as he was affectionately known was a former manager of the club and was successful during his terms as manager and coach. To his wife and family we extend our deepest sympathy.

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#### ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK OF ENTRANTS

This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds. Closing date for receipt of entries is Friday, 18th November, 1994, by 5 p.m.

The club would like to wish a very happy retirement to Sergeant Joe Canny. Since taking up his position as Sergeant in Maynooth Joe was always most helpful and courteous to us whenever we needed him. Joe is not going out to grass just yet so we wish him every success in his new appointment. We would also like to welcome Sergeant Peter Kearney and wish him well in his promotion to the rank of Sergeant. Peter is no stranger to Maynooth so we look forward to him cementing the already sound foundation laid between the club and the local Garda Siochána.

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25th Anniversary Celebration Dance

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#### TUG-O-WAR REPORT

The scheduled Hitchin' Post Cup had to be abandoned after some members of the local side objected to the status of the visiting team, many of whom had travelled from Rochford Bridge, Co. Westmeath. Locals believed rightly or wrongly that some of them were affiliated.

In all fairness the odds were tilted against the local side as the visiting team appeared to be what's called in the sport to be a "packed team". It is not fair to apportion too much blame as this was after all an "open" event. However, at time of writing consultation is taking place about re-running the competition on a "closed" basis with made-up teams from the local area.

The main thing is that we all pull together and get a bit of craic out of it. That's what it's all about.

Willie Healy

## TUG-O-WAR

The Hitchin' Post Cup '94 will be re-run on Sunday 30th October at 3 p.m.

It will be a closed competition. Teams representing pubs and clubs in Maynooth and Leixlip are welcome.

Teams will be made up on the day.

Venue: Beside Hitchin' Post

## Political Party Notes

#### LABOUR PARTY NOTES

#### **Developments at Railpark Lane**

Arising from concerns from residents of Railpark Lane, Minister of State Emmet Stagg T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley have contacted Kildare Co. Council concerning the dangerous condition of Railpark Lane which is being used by developers without any regard to local residents.

#### Ramps get the Go Ahead

Cllr. John McGinley has advised that Kildare Co. Council have finally given the go ahead for the provision of two ramps at Pound Lane/Double Lane. The ramps should ease the problem of speeding in the area and make the area safer for pedestrians.

#### **By-Pass to Open in December**

Kildare Co. Council has advised that the Maynooth By-Pass is expected to open on December 19th. If the good weather continues the Council are confident of meeting this date.

#### Further Housing in Maynooth

Branch members were pleased to learn that in addition to the six houses being built by Kildare Co. Council at Greenfields, Maynooth and which are due for completion shortly, the council has agreed to build a further six houses under its 1994 Housing Construction Programme.

#### Labour Advice Service

Minister of State Emmet Stagg T.D. continues to be available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields.

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Tom Nolan, 284 Greenfield October 4th. Best wishes from "The Brady Bunch".

Congratulations to Anna who celebrated her 16th birthday on the 3rd of October. From Yvonne, Elaine, Caroline, Brenda, Jacintha, Mark and Brian.

Birthday Greetings to Phillip Mc Carron on his 6th Birthday on 31st October. Lots of love from Mammy, Daddy and all the family.

Happy 6th Birthday Philip, from all the Nolan gang next door.

#### **SYMPATHIES**

Sincere sympathy to the sons, sisters, daughter-in-law, grand-children, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of the late Patrick Goggin, Killeaney, Maynooth and formerly Ballinskelligs.

Sincere sympathy to the sons, sister, daughters-in-law, grand-children, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of the late Jack Fitzgerald (ex Seanad Eireann, Meath County Council and Central Council G.A.A.), Kilcloon, Dunboyne, Co. Meath.

#### **BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE**

Belated birthday wishes to our loving son Patrick Kavanagh who would have been 2 years old on the 9th of October last. From Mammy and Daddy.

Precious memories silently kept, of a loving son we will never forget. Love Mam and Dad.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The wife, son and daughters of the late James Timmons, Ladychapel, Maynooth, wish to express their most sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple P.P. and Fr. Cogan C.C., Dr. Cowhey, doctors and nurses of Blanchardstown Hospital. Those who attended the removal and Funeral Mass, those who sent Mass Cards, Letters of Sympathy, Perpetual Enrolments and Floral Tributes. All our neighbours and friends who were so kind and supportive. Please accept this acknowledgement as a personal expression of our sincere gratitude. The holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

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Thank you, Tom Geraghty

#### **SYMPATHIES**

Brother-in-law, nieces, nephews of the Marsh and Murtagh families, relatives and friends, staff and students at Maynooth, bishops and priests of the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore of Rev. Thomas Marsh D.D., Maynooth College and Ardfinnan.

Sister, nieces, relatives, nephews and friends of Mary (Minnie) Dunne, Moyglare Nursing Home.

Son, daughters, daughter-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Mary (Molly) O'Rafferty (nee Whelan), Moyglare, Maynooth.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

**First Anniversary** - Remembrance (R.I.P.). In loving memory of our baby son Kevin Finlay whose first anniversary occured on November 12th 1994. All our love, mammy, daddy and your sister Rachel.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Greenfield, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with and supported them in their recent sad bereavement, all those who called to our home, attended the removal, Mass and funeral. All those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy and floral tributes. To Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan and Dr. Maurice Cowhey, the Ambulance Staff, Maynooth Gardaí and the doctors and nurses of the Meath Hospital. A special word of thanks to all our wonderful neighbours, friends and relatives for their much needed help and support. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

The wife and family of the late Maurice Lawless, of 861

James Canny, Killeen, Corofin, Co. Clare. The tragic death of James Canny, brother of '94 Sergeant Joe Canny, took place on the 2nd November, 1994, following an accident.

The brothers, sisters and relatives of the deceased wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their sad bereavement, those who made the long journey to Co. Clare and attended the removal, the funeral Mass and burial and all those who sent mass cards, wreaths and floral tributes.

The holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

The wife and daughter of the late Vincent Burchell wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal and funeral, those who sent flowers and Mass bouquets, doctors and nursing staff of JCM Blanchardstown. Fr. Reilly, the Lucan Pitch and Putt Club, past members of Celbridge Boxing Club, Leixlip Golfing Society, Celbridge Golfing Society, Leixlip G.A.A., Gardener Merchant Intel, Cedar Park residents, relatives, friends and neighbours. As it would be impossible to thank everybody individually, we hope that this acknowledgement will be accepted by all in grateful appreciation.

The wife, son and daughter of the late Joe (Dodo) Murray, O'Neill Park, Maynooth wish to thank all who sympathised with them in their recent sad loss. To those who attended removal Mass and funeral, those who sent mass cards and floral tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. Cogan, Fr. Monahan and Fr. McGrail, Mrs. Ita McCormack and the organist, Padraig Carney and the ambulance crew, the staff of the Hitchin' Post, the Catering Manager, supervisors and staff of the Catering Department, Maynooth College, Maynooth Golfing Society, G.A.A and Soccer clubs. To Marie's friends who did Trojan work over the three days and continue to be so supportive. To Olive's friends and colleagues in Télémecanique, Derek's friends who helped in so many ways, the neighbours in O'Neill Park, especially the Murphys and McLoughlins. To all our friends and extended family who travelled long distances to be with us on those dark days.

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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 some-thing 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

#### Maynooth - A Year of Muck but no Money

Maynooth for the next year will have all the appearance of a city like Cardiff in England or Dresden in Germany, being rebuilt after the last war.

Dec 9c

Don't go out in your best gear, especially if you live on the Straffan/Celbridge Road and you have to cross Mullen Bridge. Great care will need to be taken that you are not covered from head to toe by a bus or a lorry sending mud all over you. Be it going to Mass, or you have a date, you would be well advised to give yourself extra time. . . the single line traffic will hold you up over the coming year.

As the saying goes, "it's an ill wind that blows no good". Garages with car wash units plus launderettes will "Clean Up".

It is a pity that with all this work going on around us, with millions being invested, there is no reduction in the dole queue in Maynooth. This surely highlights how massive European investment in an area can have very little benefit for locals.

#### **Dangerous Toys**

Christmas is such a special time for children. We must all be on the alert for dangerous toys which have sharp edges or small detachable parts which could be swallowed by a child. Caps off colouring markers, wheels or hard sweets all pose a danger.

#### Fire Safety

Every Christmas, unfortunately, fires claim lives due to poor connections or overloaded sockets. Christmas lights can be dangerous if they come into contact with decorations or tinsel or if they do not meet safety standards. Always plug out appliances before going to bed. A fire alarm makes a very suitable gift.

#### **Christmas Wishes**

On behalf of the Community Council, the office staff and the editorial team, we wish you all a very Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year. This year we hope you have enjoyed reading the Newsletter as much as we have enjoyed bringing it to you. Thanks for your support and special thanks to all our contributors and advertisers. This Christmas we all join in celebrating the new found peace in our land. Long may it continue.

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## Letters to the Editor

#### Dear Editor,

I wish to put forward the following letter to all Citizens of Maynooth.

Calling all Post-box connoisseurs! What has happened to our cultural integrity? Where have our fine Post-boxes of yore disappeared to? Has no one any interest in the aesthetics of Post-boxes any more? It's not that long ago that myself and my fellow enthusiasts scoured the length and breath of the nation in search of the great 19th century free standing pillar box. I can not help but vent my anger at the eye sore which stands awkwardly outside our Post-Office. Such a creation would not be found gracing the pages of Felicity Shouldice's "Great Irish Post-boxes (1871-1926) - The Complete Collection".

Even allowing for the ravages of time this "Post-Box" would appear in Colonel Trevellion Oakeshot's "Modern Irish Postboxes (1948-1973) - A Post Modern Enigma"; and rightly so! The ignorance of some people towards the beauty and heritage attached to one of our most beautiful structures never ceases to amaze me. The thrill of back-packing into remote country villages and the exhilaration of locating a never before seen type of box, and then the sheer joy of hoisting the lid and logging the box number and maker's stamp - pure perfection. It makes all the pressures of life tolerable just to see the Wilsonian 1892 semi-erect box. The pleasures of the far more documented train spotting are only secondary luxuries in comparison with measuring the dimensions of a Nicolbite wall box (known to lay people as the post box embodied in stone walls). We collectors (humorously) refer to this particular model as the 'Post-link' in comparison with the modern-day cash link machines.

It's time the people of Maynooth got together and campaigned for the removal of this so called 'Post-box'. It would appear, that if action is not taken, this monstrosity could take the place of the soon to be destroyed public toilets as the local eyesore. So come on all citizens of Maynooth, we can do it if we stick together. Happy logging to young and old.

Yours collectingly Walter Cooper-Kehoe.

Dear Editor,

#### To all the people of Maynooth

My recent retirement from An Garda Síochana was marked by a magnificent function at Westmanstown Garda Sports Centre on the 12th October. Myself, Carmel and my family were very honoured and privileged to be recipients of such an outpouring of spontaneous generosity of friendship, kindness and goodwill from all sections, interest groups and organisations of the Maynooth Community in a very public forum. Only too well am I aware that this momentous occasion in my lifetime was the result and culmination of organisational hard work and commitment involving the combined, unified skills of my ex-garda colleagues and the fine people of the locality. Through your columns I am grateful to avail of this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks and gratitude to my successor Sergeant Peter Kearney and his Garda comrades at

Maynooth Station and the various people who organised the event and of course a very special word of appreciation to all the people who supported the function by attending in such large numbers. I wish to assure everyone associated in any way with this unforgettable night that I will forever be indebted for such a public display of loyalty, comradeship and affinity.

Slán and God's blessing on you all for the future.

Yours sincerely, Joe Canny

#### Dear Editor.

Last month you kindly published my letter announcing that the Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group was hosting a meeting to discuss ways for the local community to make a contribution to the peace process. I am now pleased to report that an extended group has agreed to submit a paper to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation. This paper will cover issues of removal of emergency legislation, language, culture, education and community affairs and jobs, justice and inequality in the North. We hope, with your permission to publish some details of our contribution in next month's issue of the **Newsletter**.

Michael Quinn

#### Rollards

Did you hear about the Kerryman who built a £50,000 bridge across a river on his land to get to the other side?

No

He put a fence up to stop himself from crossing.

The above is a Kerryman's joke and is not based on reality but Kildare County Council went one step further than the Kerryman and actually spent public money and built a bridge and immediately placed bollards to prevent traffic from crossing.

As a result, the Ambulance, the Fire Brigade and Gardaí are now compelled to go through traffic-jammed Maynooth to an emergency in Old Greenfield. Where minutes, indeed seconds, may be vital to save a life, Kildare County Council, in their wisdom and on the advice of a few people have put the lives of the rest of the residents living in Old Greenfield in a life and death situation. Coalmen, milkmen, insurance people and all other business people serving this area are also inconvenienced. Futhermore, this situation will be compounded with the work on the railway bridge where there now exists single-line traffic.

Is it too late for common sense to prevail? At least remove the bollards during the work on the bridge.

Leo Armstrong. Michael J. Walsh.



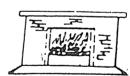
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## STRAFFAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

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The work includes almost a mile of new road, two new bridges - one across the railway and one across the canal - and substantial refurbishment to the town square.

Unfortunately, there will be unavoidable disruption of traffic during the construction period which is expected to be completed by Christmas 1995.

The present single lane traffic in force on Mullen Bridge will be required until Autumn 1995.

Additionally, there will be unavoidable traffic restrictions while drainage pipes are being laid through the town square and while the square is being refurbished.

#### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

We held an open meeting on the 10th of November in the Maynooth Post Primary School.

The object of this meeting was to discuss the 1994 Tidy Towns Progress Report and our plans for 1995.

We welcomed and were very appreciative of the advice given by deputy Bernard Durkan, T.D., Cllr's John McGinley and Catherine Murphy. Apology received from Gerry Brady.

Also present were Senan Griffin, Chairperson Maynooth Community Council, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary Maynooth Community Council, and Tony Bean, Chairperson Planning and Development Committee.

We were very disappointed at this attendance and feel Maynooth Residents would have benefited from seeing a video charting the work done and what is necessary for 1995.

A major concern is because of the delay in the Straffan Road development and the removal of 'The Thing' (Toilet Block). The work of the Tidy Towns will be severly limited due to the ongoing civil engineering work on the Straffan Road.

We will try to ensure that this work will have a minimum effect on our work next year.

Finally, may I thank the Maynooth's **Newsletter** Editorial Staff, County Council Staff, Officers for their support during the past year, those who helped in any way to make Maynooth a tidier and better place to live during 1994.

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#### **Press Release: Sheltered Housing**

A unique statutory and voluntary partnership has been evident in Co. Kildare in recent years. The latest development is an ambitious project undertaken by the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club working with other statutory and voluntary agencies. They have come together to build a scheme of sheltered houses for the elderly in Maynooth, Celbridge and Clane. The Presentation Sisters, the Eastern Health Board and Kildare County Council have generously donated sites for the houses and day centre and the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club have undertaken to raise a substantial sum of money to complement the generous allocation from the Department of the Environment. The Eastern Health Board is fully supportive of the project, as sheltered housing is one of the key elements in the care of the elderly and will provide an important link in the provision of Community Services for this group of people. The provision of a day centre will be warmly welcomed by the local voluntary groups looking after the elderly, the coordinator of these services for the elderly being Dr. Grogan, of the Eastern Health Board. Our senior citizens will be facilitated to live with pride and dignity in the community, contributing as functionally active members of our society.

Co-operation is the key stone to the success for a venture such as this. Dr. Rosaleen Corcoran, Director of Community Care and Medical officer of Health for Kildare who co-ordinated this project paid tribute to all involved for their generosity and time. Denis Cogan, architect for Kildare County Council, is responsible for the design. She paid particular tribute to Sr. Acquinas and the Sisters of the Presentation Order, Maynooth, for their generosity, patience and support in the last few years; the Chief Executive Officer of the Eastern Health Board, Mr. Kieran Hickey, for his support; the County Manager, Mr. Kavanagh and his predecessor, Mr. Ward; the Department of the Environment and Minister Stagg for his help.

Her final tribute was to Lion President Gerald O'Sullivan and the members of the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club for their foresight in undertaking this project, maintaining their tradition of voluntary activity to the community, that has come to be synonymous with this Lions Club.

In response to Dr. Corcoran, Lion President Gerald O'Sullivan pointed out the object of Lionism is to serve the community in their designated areas. I don't think we can promote this principle in any better way than by undertaking the task as set out above. The members of Maynooth/Kilcock have taken this project on board with great enthusiasm and look forward to its completion with the help and generosity of you the people.

The fund raising effort has already started with over £10,000 being contributed to date. On Sunday 18th of December next our campaign goes into **overdrive** when we host a **Monster Sponsored Walk** on the new Maynooth/Kilcock by-pass. We expect to raise £20,000 on the day. The Dublin and Kildare senior Gaelic football teams are lending their support and will walk with their fans from opposing ends of the carriageway to meet over the river Liffey where it divides the two counties. Great fun and craic will be had by all. The proceedings will be set in train by our own Minister at the Department of the Environment, Emmet Stagg, T.D. As the walk gets under way

to the sounds of the Maynooth Brass and Reid Band striking up the Radetsky March.

We expect to obtain the support of many of our celebrity friends who will join us on the day. Names to be announced on our next bulletin.

Lion Cecil H. Lyons P.R.O.

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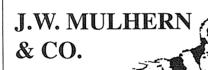
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Well, here we are at the end of another year with our band still intact, the "Thing" still standing, the town still in Dr. Nelligan's "waiting room" looking forward to the by-pass and both the town and the college looking forward to the Bi-centenary celebrations. Hopefully, we (the band) may have some part to play in the aforementioned celebrations.

#### **Band Mass**

Our Mass this year was once again something to remember with our younger members playing a very important role in the readings, the Offertory procession and the music. A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple for all his kind words and, in particular, for the imparting of his knowledge of the band's history to the congregation. This helps a great deal to impress on the people of the town the importance of St. Mary's Band to the town of Maynooth, the part we have played in local and national history and, not least, the part we have played in giving the children of the town and the surrounding areas a social outlet in times when there was very little else for them to do. We helped to give them a musical education while keeping them "off the streets", thereby providing a very necessary social service. We sincerely hope that the tradition of the Band Mass and the band itself will continue in Maynooth for many, many years.

#### Race Night

Friday the 18th was our Race Night and once again our gallant supporters turned up in force, found parking eventually among the 120 horse boxes and had a little wager, a little lager (or whatever) and loads of craic. A special word of thanks to Paddy Desmond, our M.C. Race Reader and auctioneer all rolled into one, who sometimes toiled manfully in the darkness as did a lot of the racegoers when it came to picking a winner. All in all, a great night was had by all and our bank debt has almost ridden off into the sunset. We're nearly there at last.

#### Christmas

Christmas in Maynooth means carols for the band, and this year, with the rapid expansion of the town, it's going to be a mammoth task to call to see everyone in the few nights allotted to us. We will be hopefully calling on your estate sometime on the 16th, 17th, 18th, 22nd or 23rd December, while we will be in Ouinnsworth Shopping Mall on Christmas Eve morning. Please try to be as generous as Santa allows you and then we can have our Christmas Present — a clean sheet with our bank manager.

#### **Christmas Morning**

Don't forget another of our traditions, our Christmas morning parade after 11 a.m. Mass. We have "for more years than I care to remember" braved snow, frost, rain and the odd sunny morning to preserve this tradition and we hope to see as many of you there as possible to whet your appetite for the Christmas dinner. Don't forget, our New Year's Eve ringing in the New Year in the Square. This is where locals mingle with

"tourists" from Leixlip, Kilcock and Celbridge to say hello to 1995 — and this year to say good bye to the Square as we have known it for many, many years.

#### Reunion Dance

We have at last set the date for our 40 years Reunion Dance. It's on Saturday, 11th February, 1995, in Harry's, Kinnegad. During the past 39 years many men and women have passed through the Bandroom door and we would like to see how many on 11th February. There is limited accommodation on the night so we would like you to contact any band member to put your name down as soon as possible. Tickets will be available shortly after Christmas and prices, phone numbers, etc., will all appear in our January Bulletin.

Finally, could we thank all who have given us so much support, financially and otherwise, in 1994. It has been a difficult year and we really appreciated your help. Can we wish you all a very happy, holy and peaceful Christmas and lots of happiness, prosperity and success in 1995.

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A particular word of thanks is due to the sponsors:

Mr. and Mrs. J. Duignan, who donated the bicycle. Quinnsworth, Mallen Oil, Jim Cosgrove, Derrinstown Stud. A.I.B., Mr. Brian Connaughton, Newtown Stores, Mr. Paddy Lavin, Moyglare Rd., Premier Dairies.

#### ST. MARY'S B.N.S. PARENTS ASSOC.

A new committee has been elected for the forth coming year. Ms. Evelyn Cooper gave a talk to sixth class boys on "Personal hygiene and basic facts of life" which was very informative and will hopefully become an annual event. The Annual subscription envelopes will be sent out this side of Christmas and our Annual Fund-raiser will be held sometime in the Spring. More news to follow.

M. Quane P.R.O.

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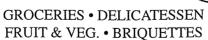
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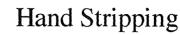
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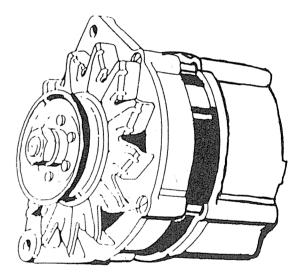
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The course covers all aspects of Social Welfare, Health, Family Law, Taxation and Part-time Employment. Members attending this course will receive their certificates before Christmas.

The centre is open to the public on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10.30 am - 12.30 pm; Wednesday afternoon from 2.30 pm- 4.30 pm; and in the Library on Tuesday from 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm. We expect to be open full time early in the New Year.

This month we started a free legal service through a barrister who works on a voluntary basis. This service is available from 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm on the second Thursday of the month. The accountant may be seen by appointment.

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#### I.C.A. NOTES

November was a wonderful month for the Maynooth Guild of the ICA. The ladies in our Drama Group did us all proud in the ICA Drama Competition on Wednesday 9th in the Kilteel Hall. Our group took home two of the top awards with a production of the one act play 'Slander' by Seamus Burke. May Haren beat very strong and experienced opposition to take the coveted "Best Actress" award and the play also won the prize for "Best Set". Congratulations to May on her award and to our producer, Marion, and to everyone else involved in the production. Well done, ladies.

#### Crafts

Wednesday 16th November saw the start of the morning craft sessions in the ICA Hall. Crafts promotor, Mary O'Gorman, hopes this time may suit ladies who are unable to get to our Monday night classes. The new sessions are on each Wednesday morning from 10.30 to 12.30 and the Monday night group meets at 8.00 p.m. Members are welcome to attend one or both classes and, of course, new members are always welcome.

Mary tells me that the outfit to be made for the National Make and Model Competition '95 is an "Outfit suitable for a Visit to Aras an Uachtaráin".

#### **Badminton**

The badminton group meets each Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10.45 in the parish hall. I was delighted to see two new members there when I dropped in on Marion and the girls in early November. I look forward to meeting all new members and anyone else interested in joining our very active Guild at our December Guild meeting.

#### **Bilingual Competition**

Bord na Gaeilge togeather with the ICA have organised a bilingual competition, closing date for which is 15th December. The competition is for a bilingual plan 'for the development of culture and crafts in your own area'. Please limit entry to 800 words. Pictures and sketches can be included. Prize for the overall winner is a scolarship to Seachtain na Gaeilge in An Grianán.

Further details available from Veva.

#### Rent of ICA hall

Any person or group interested in renting our hall should contact our secetary, Madeleine Stynes, Moneycooley, Maynooth. Madeleine holds the keys to the hall and she can be contacted by 'phone at 6286443.

#### **November Meeting**

At our November meeting each year we take a little time out to remember and pray for our deceased members. This year our Ecumenical Service was conducted by Rev. Gavin Williamson and Fr. John Dunne. Our thanks to both for a lovely service.

As well as prayer we also had entertainment at this meeting. The entertainment was provided by our very talented Drama Group, who put on their one act comedy play 'Slander'.

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#### **Next Meeting**

Our next Guild meeting will be on Thursday 1st December at 8.00p.m. in the ICA Hall. The competition for that night will be a 'Homemade Christmas Card'. The new I.C.A. Handbook and Constitution are now available and can be ordered at this meeting. Ladies, you are reminded that the Federation meeting is on in the Curragh on Saturday 3rd December at 3.00p.m.

I look forward to seeing a large attendance at our Christmas (December) Guild meeting and I would like to take this opportunity to wish our members, families and friends a Very Happy and Peaceful Christmas.

Connie Harpur, P.R.O.

#### MATURE STUDENT SOCIETY PRESIDENT

For the first time and on the bi-centenary of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, a Mature Students' Society has been formed.

The new president, Leo Armstrong, an ex-member of our staff and still a member of the editorial board of the **Maynooth Newsletter,** was elected with a landslide victory.

Having approximately three hundred mature students attending the college and numbers growing each year, Leo felt there was a real need for a mature students' society. Many mature students are married with families of their own and unlike the younger students face greater demands on their time and energy. For this reason and many others, such as adjusting to academic life, helping with grant problems and forming studygroups plus of course entertainment, Leo hopes that life for mature students will be a happy one in St. Patrick's and therefore much more rewarding.

We wish Leo every success in his year as president of the Mature Students' Society.

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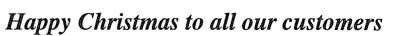
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On Wednesday the 9th November 1994 an informal meeting was held. This meeting was to introduce Mr. Shane de Boacam to representatives of the town of Maynooth. The firm of architects, Shane de Boacam and Maher, were commissioned by the Office of Public Works to prepare a plan for Maynooth Castle.

Mr. de Boacam informed the meeting that his proposals were almost ready for printing and then the proposals would be presented to the Commissioners for their consideration. He then proceeded to outline his thinking on Maynooth Castle. He felt, as we all did, that the Castle could not be taken in isolation, but in context of the whole town of Maynooth. He introduced a whole new thinking on Maynooth town which would truly make the town an integrated and exciting place to live! The expectation is that the proposals will be printed and with the Office of Public Works in early December.

When we have printed proposals we will publish a resumé in the **Newsletter** for everyone to read. It is hoped that not later than the end of January the Office of Public Works will then present us with their thinking on these proposals. When all parties have had time to assimilate the plans an open seminar will be held and attended by National Monuments Director, The Commissioners of Public Works, Maynooth Town, St. Patrick's College Maynooth, Kildare County Council and all interested parties.

Any enquiries to Gerald Howard-Williams, Administrator, 6289239

#### MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

At the committee meeting after the A.G.M. the following Officers were elected: - Chairperson - Maureen Stevens, Vice-Chairperson - Noeleen O'Brien, Secretary - Felicity Satchwell, Assistant Secretary - Sarah Angel, Treasurer - Margaret Howe, Assistant Treasurer - Annette Carroll. The remainder of the committee are, PRO. - Toni Read, A.O.I.F.A. Representative - Imelda Desmond, Competition Secretary - Mary Doyle, Sales Table Personnel - Moira Baxter & Amanda Harris, Hostesses - Carmel O'Leary & Betty Farrell, Charity Table Organiser - Mary Cleary.

#### **November Meeting**

This was held on Tuesday 15th and was well attended. A demonstration was given by Imelda O'Reilly on "Ideas for Christmas" which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. She also judged the Club Competition based on the theme "Peace" - a petite exhibit. The winners in each class were:-

Class A. First - Mary Doyle, Second - Mary Cleary, Third - Mary Costelloe, very highly commended - Sarah Angel and highly commended - Betty Farrell.

Class B. First - Maureen Stevens, Second - Moira Baxter, Third - Kitty Corr and very highly commended - Annette Carroll.
Class C. First - Toni Read and Second - Phyllis Reid.

#### **December Meeting**

This will take place on Tuesday 13th at 8pm in the Divine Word Hostel. The demonstrator will be Teresa Collins and her theme "Christmas". The December meeting is party night and promises to be a great evening. There will also be a "Bring & Buy for Charity".

The club competition will be "A Christmas Scene" - an exhibit to include a home-made figurine. Class A & B space 30" and Class C space 24". The plant competition is for a potted plant.

The admission for non-members who will be especially welcome is £3.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody a Very Happy Christmas and a Very Peaceful and Prosperous New Year.

Toni Read P.R.O.

#### MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK NO-NAME CLUB

Welcome to our new hosts and hostesses and welcome back to those who are returning for a second term as hosts and hostesses. Special training was undertaken by these young people on Saturday 12th November in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. The club wishes to thank all the outgoing hosts and hostesses for their contribution to the running of the club. We expect to run our Christmas Disco on 17th December. The club extends a warm welcome to our new Committee members and new helpers, and hope we will see even more adults joining us. Anyone interested can contact Melanie Oliver at 01-6285918, or Garda Martin Caine at 01-6286234. Club Dances are held once a month at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth for those youths who are over fifteen years of age. The Chairman and Committee, wish each and everyone Peace and Happiness this Christmas.

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A big thank you to all who participated in the Children's Book Festival — both to the children who did such wonderful work and the parents who encouraged them. Also thanks to the schools — the Boys' National School and the Presentation Convent — for participating in the Inter-Library Quiz, which after a long battle was finally won by Kilcock.

A sincere thanks also to our sponsors, without whom there would be no prizes for the Book Festival, to Maynooth Post Office, Maynooth Bookshop and the A.I.B., Maynooth.

There was a very high standard among the entries: the General Knowledge Quiz was won by Paula O'Donoghue, the Pictorial Ouiz was won by Stephen Conneely. There were four winners in the Colouring Competition: Lydia Farrell, Fiona Canning, Matthew O'Gorman and Adrian Harpur.

The Writers' Workshop has commenced its second year in existence. It will be run by Sheila O'Hagan and will cover poetry, fiction, drama, feature and humour writing. It will run until February, 1995.

Some new titles added to stock include the following: Judith Krantz, Lovers; Olivia Goldsmith, Fashionably Late; Anne Rice, The Oueen of the Damned: Brendan O'Carroll, The Mammy; Len Deighton, Faith; Sidney Sheldon, Nothing Lasts Forever; Thomas Walsh, Favourite Poems we Learned at School; Anna Pasternak, Princess in Love; Tim Heald, A Life of Love, Barbara Cartland; Paddy O'Gorman, Queueing for a Living. There have also been many additions to the children's library.

And don't forget it's still only £5 per year for an adult to join; £10 for a family; £2 for a senior citizen and £1 for a child.

We sincerely wish all our borrowers and browsers a very happy Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Margaret Walshe-Gannon

#### MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The Committee would like to remind members that the Society will sit every Sunday morning during December from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in the Band Hall for members wishing to pay their annual subscription.

The Committee wish all their members a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Gearóid Mac Teigrnáin, Chairman. P. Nolan, Secretary. K. Murphy, Assistant Secretary.

#### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Once again I'm happy to report on a very successful Sale of Work. Our profit for the day including our ticket sales was £4,096.39. This is an event of which you can all be proud. Without the support and generosity of the community as a whole, all our efforts would be futile. So, many thanks to all who bought tickets, contributed in the house-to-house collection or came on the day. A special word of thanks to all those who gave their time to help on the stalls and, indeed, all the young people, scouts and scout leaders who eased the burden on our committee. Congratulations to the winners in the various draws (on opposite page).

Our Christmas party will take place in S.V.D. House, Moyglare Road, on Sunday, December 11th, at 3 p.m.

Our club will close for Christmas on Thursday, December 15th, and will re-open on Tuesday, January 10th, and I take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a peaceful Christmas and all the best for 1995.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the O'Rafferty family on the death of their mother, Mary, and to Mrs. Lily O'Connor on the death of her sister, Mary Dunne. May they rest in peace.

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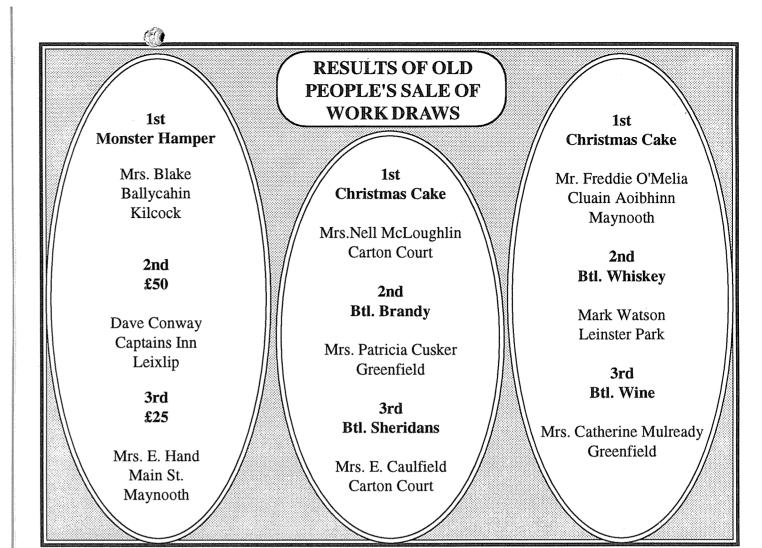
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#### MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Just a gentle reminder that we have started our agenda for the 1995 Project, thanks to all interested persons.

Your continued support is again required this year and we look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas Fair on December 8th in the Boys' National School, Maynooth. Doors open 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Margaret Loane, P.R.O.

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Our Christmas party for the kids is on Wednesday 14th December 10-12 noon. Santa will have a little gift and there will be goodies. Tickets £1 each, available now.

Does any of the above interest you? If so, please contact me. All new faces welcome.

Diann McCann P.R.O. 628 9247

# PRESENTATION CONVENT PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION MAYNOOTH

Our most recent fundraiser was a Cake Sale held in the school on October 28th. A cake sale is one of those events that involves parents, teachers and pupils and we would like to thank one and all for making it such a success.

Also during October each 6th class student was asked to design a Christmas card. Two designs were to be chosen for printing and sold to raise funds for the school. The winners of the competition, Ciara O'Neill and Laura Noone, each received a book token for their trouble.

Thanks to all the 6th class girls for their entries, which were of a very high standard indeed. The two designs are now printed as Christmas cards, courtesy of the Cardinal Press and are on sale in the school at £1 per pack of eight cards.

Our AGM will take place on November 22nd and so we, the outgoing committee, would like to say THANK YOU to all

who helped and supported us during the past year. We hope that support will continue in the future.

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#### Residents' Associations

# KILCOCK MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

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This is the club's seventh pantomime to date. We hope this pantomime will be as big a success as our previous productions.

Dick Whittington is played by Brian O'Rourke, this is Brian's first year with the club. Tommy the Cat is played by Lorraine Murphy. Some of our cast include: King Rat: Olivia Murphy; Mr. Fitzwarren: Ian Murphy; Alice: Sharon Murphy; Sarah (the cook): Caroline Corbett; Jack: Willie Bermingham; Captain: Bernie Byrne; Mr. Mussell: Carol Ryan; Fairy: Ann Mallon; Sam Seaweed: David McTiernan; Sultan: Maurice Nolan; Town Crier: Peter Brady.

Our chorus, including our junior chorus are: Michelle Groarke, Ann-Marie Phelan, Evita Teelin, Aoife Dunne, Catherine Kieran, Orla O'Rourke, Laoise Cassidy, Yvonne Lynch, Denise and Yvonne Brady, Jenny and Mark Seery, Sally-Ann O'Brien, Laura Geoghan, Sarah Cusack, Deirdre Anglin, Gillian McTiernan, Nuala Lynam and Serena Nolan.

We are pleased to have Brian Brady as our director again this year. Brian, from Naas, is married with one daughter. This is Brian's third production with the society.

Helping us with music this year is Kevin Walshe. Kevin, from Maynooth, is no stranger to the stage as he has worked for clubs to as high a level as "Tops of the Town".

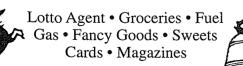
Tickets are priced at £2 for children and £4 for adults. Family rates and group bookings are available. For further information, please contact: Bríd Anglin, (01) 6287767; Sharon Murphy, (01) 6287828; Oonagh Brien, (01) 6287097.

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# GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

We had our Annual Estate Winter and skip clean up on Saturday, 19th November. This was primarily organised to clear the estate of leaves, broken branches etc. - not for residents to clear their garages of rubbish, broken furniture, etc. That said, we thank those residents who helped committee members clear the pathways and roadways of leaves and pruned trees, etc. We welcome new families who have moved to the estate and also our student residents.

We sympathise with those families who have been bereaved in the recent past.

Finally, on behalf of the Greenfield Estate Residents' Association we wish our members, residents, **Newsletter** editorial board, Community Council officers, staff and members a Very Happy and Peaceful Christmas.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

#### LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

We are looking forward to a happy Christmas this year when at long last we hope to get the Christmas present we have waited for over so many years - our Ramps. The signs at the time of writing are looking good and they should be there in time for Christmas.

At our last open meeting the job of Hon. Secretary was "inherited" by Barney Boyd from his brother Paddy. Paddy originally accepted this tough post "by default" as there were no other takers but found that his heavy commitments with the band did not allow him to do the job as well as he would have liked. Barney has in turn taken the position "by default" and hopes he can keep things going until the AGM in June.

His first task will be to organise the second annual social outing to Harry's in Kinnegad on Friday, 16th December. Tickets are £14.95 each and a bus is being provided free by the association. If you intend going please contact Barney or Elaine Bean without delay as numbers are strictly limited.

Finally, may we wish all our residents a very Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

# MEADOWBROOK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION A.G.M.

There was a good turn-out at the Meadowbrook Residents' Association Annual General Meeting in the G.A.A. hall on Monday 24th October. The outgoing committee, many of whom served since the associations' founding three years ago, provided an up-date on their activity during the past year and with items on the agenda such as the proposed Link Road it proved to be a profitable meeting.

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### Residents' Associations

John Cleary, Treasurer, provided a statement of income, mostly through subscriptions and expenditure. He suggested that as more households than the 28 subscribers were asking for the Association's equipment, the new committee might consider a membership card for use when hiring. Following this, Maria Lynch, Secretary, spoke on the first year's operation of the neighbourhood watch. Winter was found to be the worst time for vandalism and the main problem was that offenders were difficult to "Catch in the Act". Better lighting on the drive and common sense security were some of the solutions given to the problem. Colm Horan, Chairman, noted the decline in break-ins since neighbour-hood watch began. However, vandalism, especially in the drive had not abated. A petition between Meadowbrook, Beaufield and Kingsbry was suggested to get full-time gardaí in Maynooth. On the subject of broken trees, Colm noted that no one area, age or sex was responsible....girls from Straffan Way had been caught vandalising within the estate. The final feeling was that if residents report all incidents to the guards and the Neighbourhood Watch as well as petitioning Kildare County Council, security in Meadowbrook may improve.

John Curran, road representative for the 'Close', spoke on the social activities for the year. The clean-up day and barbecue, given the weather, was seen to be a success. The table quiz raised £52 and was enjoyed by all. Some names were sought for next years 7-a-side football side and the hope Colm expressed that a ladies team might evolve wasn't exactly encouraged by the ladies in attendance. The treasurer appealed for more voluntary grass cutters...however, a consensus was reached that most would be prepared to pay more subs if a contractor would keep the common areas. It was agreed to cost it, get quotes when the difficult issue of the green areas completion was resolved.

A survey at the last A.G.M. revealed the stream, planning permission for a pub/hotel and the Link Road as the salient issues for the Association. The stream was considered unsightly and dangerous. Either landscaping of banks or piping in of the river, which Kildare County Council said would be too costly, were suggested. Colm pointed out that the Council were called out to exterminate rats last year.

The concern of certain householders for their foundations due to flooding, it was suggested, would be worsened by the halfmile of motorway draining into the stream. The Council stated that last year's severe floods were due to a blockage at Greenfields Lane. If this occured again, with the streams extra load, there may be serious problems. The planning permission for the pub/hotel was objected to by the Association after 70% of householders objected. Kildare County Council agreed on the grounds of the extra traffic, unsociable hours, noise and a possible devaluation of local property. The builder, Lark Developments, appeal lodged with An Bord Pleanála was rejected. Objections to the builder's work included the finish on the stream, vandalised trees, broken walkways and the poorly finished green areas.

On the subject of the Link Road, joining the Meadowbrook Road, to the Straffan Road, the last survey revealed that over 65% of residents were against it. Although the road was included as a proposal in the original site map, all residents, including the 35% in favour, expressed concerns as to its impact on the area. Firstly, it was felt that the Meadowbrook Road, being the only link to the motorway on that side of town, and considering a seven year old plan to pedestrianize the town centre, would take not only all the commuting traffic from the adjoining estates but possibly commercial traffic also. Not only would this heavy traffic bisect and illegally split-up the estate, an objection the Kildare County Council responded to by citing how this had also been done to Palmerstown and Lucan, the extra traffic was also felt to be a safety hazard among the growing number of children in the estate. Considering the evidence in favour of the roads construction - the site exists for the road, the foundations of the Meadowbrook Road were built to hold the slip traffic (it's 7' deep - all others are 3') and it's proposed on the original plans - many Resident Association members felt their time would be better spent concentrating on the safety rather than the prevention of the road. A great amount of debate ensued on all the issues and it was agreed to meet again to decide a plan of action.

'Student's' were the sole issue in any other business. The football and hurling played on the Avenue was considered dangerous, noisy and played too late. Colm was keen that the situation didn't develop into an "us and them" scene, however, a great deal of frustration was evident as residents felt themselves powerless to stop the noise. It was agreed that another meeting was needed to further discuss the issue. Finally, Colm requested names for the committee members 1994/ 1995. Unfortunately, there was a reticence or, more likely, a cautious reserve in view of the work to be done from those listening and the election had to be postponed. Whoever is elected, it must be said that if the enthusiasm displayed in A.G.M. is anything to go by, then the incoming committee can be relied on to spearhead another challenging and productive year for the association.

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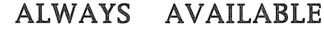
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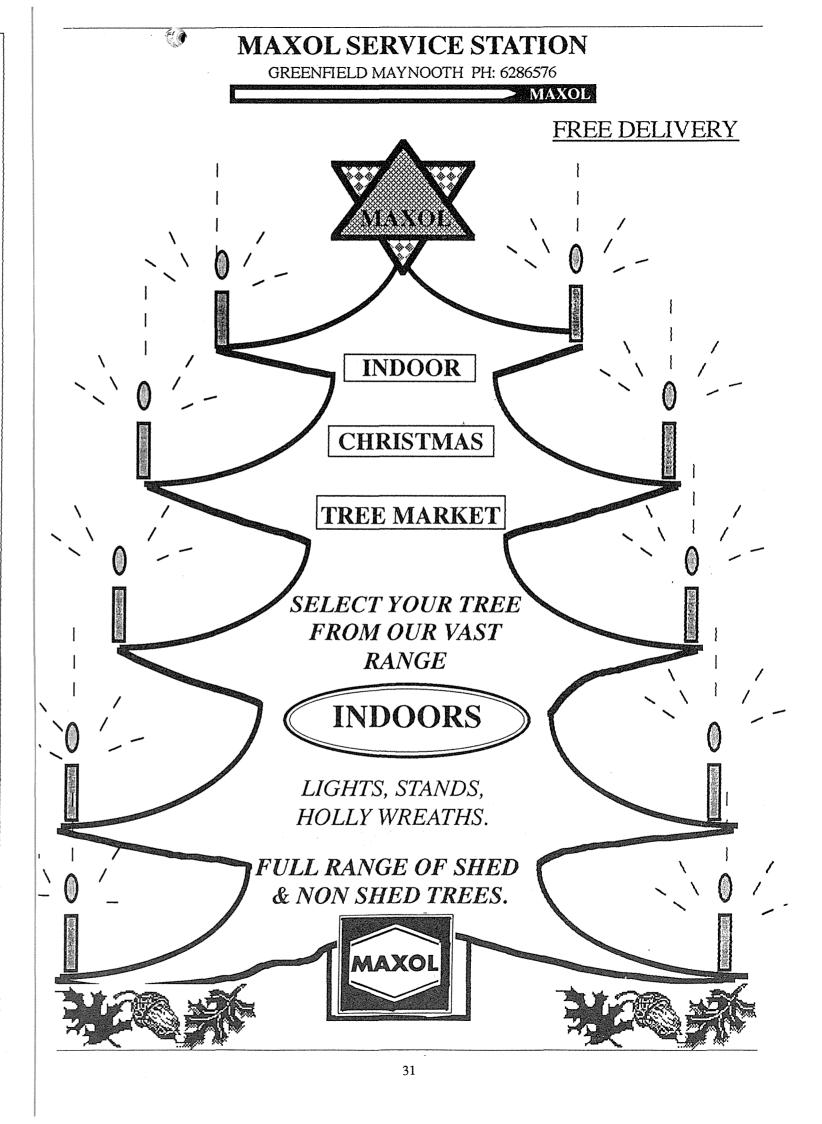
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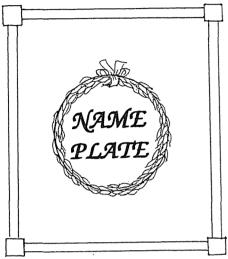
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Anyone with any ideas or donations for this very worthy cause should contact Garda Martin Caine or Maynooth Community Council at 6285922.

#### **BORD GAIS LAUNCH**

Bord Gáis were promising to improve the way we cook, heat and live in Maynooth at the launch of their service in this area on Tuesday, 8th November. The start was delayed to wait for the end of the parent teachers' meeting, then Pat Walsh, General Sales Manager, introduced his colleagues; Mark Houlahan, provision of gas to new houses - Jimmy Farrell, provision of gas to existing houses and the first speaker, Michael Boyle the Sales Liaison Manager.

Talking us through the slide show, Mr. Boyle went through the background of Bord Gáis. Things had come a long way from when Daniel O'Connell was the first manager of Dublin Gas and all gas was dirty and dear, as it was manufactured from coal. Discovery of the Kinsale Head Gas Field in 1971 by Marathon Petroleum led to the foundation of Bord Gáis the state's natural gas authority. 140 miles of pipeline, built at a rate of 1 mile per day - took Gas to Dublin at a time of severe smog. The rapid uptake of natural gas from 180,000 in 1987 to 240,000 in 1994 - concurred with the massive falls in smog and winter smoke levels. Thus, said Mr. Boyle, we see how natural gas is both an economical and natural product.

Speaking on natural gas's uses, Pat Walsh showed us slides of efficient and stylish cookers (a showroom will be opening on the Main Street). "Heating your home shouldn't cost the earth"

went the slogan and we were shown numerous gas boilers, both cupboard and floor types, all having greater outputs than their oil counterparts. On fires, we were shown three main types. The first, an open real flame fire that behaves exactly like a coal fire; like a coal fire it looses a lot of heat up the chimney. Then two real flame fires which hold on to the chimney heat by either a convection box or by covering the entire effect with glass. Considering also the gas tumble drier and immersion (1/3 the cost of their electric counterparts), he said the running costs of cooking and heating with gas were much less than with other fuels.

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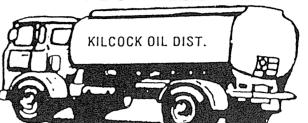
Tying up loose ends and answering questions Bord Gáis guaranteed the supply - when Kinsale finishes, the network is connected to Europe and Asia via an undersea connection to Moffat in Scotland (the 2nd biggest engineering feat in the history on the state); the safety - everything's done to international standards; every two years an external consultant is employed to check the standard of all Bord Gáis's work; and the price "natural gas will remain competitive with all other fuels" is their promise.

Presently, gas is being brought from the Straffan Road and will be installed in and around Rail Pk., Laurence Ave., Maynooth Pk., Carton Court, Beaufield, Newtown Court, College Green and Cluain Aoibhinn in the coming weeks. Other estates such as Rockfield, Kingsbry, Meadowbrook, Woodlands, Ashleigh Court and Moyglare are phase 2. At the moment they cannot be connected as control hasn't yet passed from the builder to the Kildare Council. Sales people will be calling to these areas with details and prices - Bord Gáis expects a high uptake following the earlier canvass of Maynooth. As regards the work of installation Cllr. John McGinley has been heard saying the people of old Greenfield seemed happy enough with the temporary disturbances. So we can all look forward to these "Mole hills" appearing here and there over the Christmas. Finishing the meeting, Bord Gáis held a draw for the "50/50 cash-back teddy" clocks and plates. Mrs. Martina Finnan was the lucky winner of the big prize, the entire bear family. Let's hope the rest of Maynooth comes out as well as no doubt the children will this Christmas thanks to Bord Gáis!

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#### LAUNCH OF "CAMPUS WATCH"

Crime was the issue in St. Patrick's College on the 20th October with the launch of **Campus Watch**, a new effort to combat crime both on and off college grounds. Mr John Lamb, the college's head of security, introducing the scheme, spoke of the need for co-operation between all students in combating crime. Originally conceived at Dublin City University as a 'College Neighbourhood Watch' and currently up and running in U.C.C., U.C.D. and U.C.G., **Campus Watch** hopes to involve the entire student body in preventing attacks and vandalism by generating participation and improving communication in all groups.

The foundations for Campus Watch were laid by a cross-section of college staff. Three to four years ago, following a spate of serious attacks on female students, the Students' Union began the S.C.A.R.E.D. (Students Concerned About Rape) group to raise student awareness and urge safety. Following the appointment of Mr Lamb, a framework of security cameras were installed in the new campus. Their worth was shown on their first night of operation last February, when three people were detained for stealing bicycles. Currently the staff are investigating car thefts revealed on the new cameras.

During the launch Mr Lamb noted the important work done by Mrs Marie Kelly, Residents Officer, and the valuable cooperation of the local guards, in particular Garda Martin Caine, the out-going sergeant Joe Canny and his successor Peter Kearney, in setting up Campus Watch. Following this, Superintendent Walsh (Naas) congratulated all those involved, noting how Campus Watch would "consolidate the relationship between Gardaí, students, clerics and security staff." The scheme's main aim is "to prevent crime of all sorts.....violence against property and persons.....within and outside of the campus." Wishing all those involved the best of luck with the endeavour he jokingly offered one word of warning to Garda Caine. "don't be telling all the students to put their bikes in the station!"

Launching Campus Watch, the newly elected Master of the college, Dr. Smyth, welcomed those present - Chief Superintendent Faughan, Superintendent Walsh, Garda Arthur Reilly (Juvenile Liason Officer), Sergeant Bill White (Crime Prevention Unit) and singled out Garda Martin Caine for praise saying how in his close liasing, he was almost a "resident on campus". He welcomed "Campus Watch as fundamental to the basic idea of collegiate well-being".... "Essential to the growing college of now four thousand students, five hundred full-time and five hundred part-time staff was caring for other students". In this he hoped for a Campus Watch "that's more than a sign.... it must be an active thing", generating participation and improving communication in all groups.

John Lamb now expects that in addition to the college's eighteen security officers, there will be an extra eight thousand eyes on the look out thanks to Campus Watch. The rule from now on will be "if you see it .... tell us!". Speaking to students after the launch the reaction was very positive. If not victims themselves, they had friends who had suffered theft, assault or violence. In addition to using internal security's number (3929) if they saw any suspicious activity on campus, they would take precautions regarding their personal safety and the security of their property. Hopefully, Campus Watch will have a

visible impact detering crime against students both inside and outside of college grounds and as part of the **Neighbourhood Watch** network in Maynooth as a whole. The immediate affects of **Campus Watch** may be summed up in the words of Dennis Clohessey, the Students' Union's ex-vice president, "I think we've seen the end of fear on campus which was very apparent two or three years ago. There's now a comfortable atmosphere for students on campus thanks to **Campus Watch.**"

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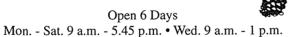
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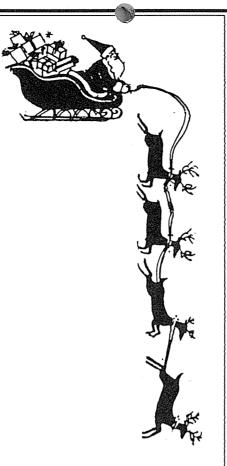
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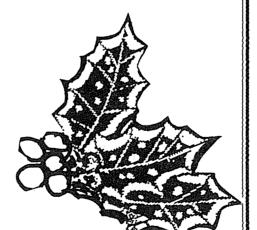




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Panic! Panic! It's only x amount of shopping days to Christmas (insert your own value for x depending on when you are reading this!). You know that you've forgotten *someone*. Is it Auntie Concepta's pink leg warmers? Uncle Fred's Swiss Army knife (with the tweezers, naturally!)? Or is it that gorgeous set of cream silk lingerie for that ever so special person; yourself? (Unless of course, you are male, but we won't talk about that, will we?)

You've made your list! You've checked it twice. (That phrase is quickly becoming a cliché). You've decided on your naughty or nice presents but there is still something missing. You have purchased all of the alcohol that you could possibly consume over the holiday season plus two extra bottles of whiskey. You've taken all of the figurines off the mantlepiece and stuck the 'phone in the hall cupboard (for safety's sake, when the party really hots up!). You've welded the fridge door open for easy access to the alcohol contained within but, STOP!!! There are no crisps!! "Aaargh", you scream! You kick into over-drive! Panic! Panic! Crisps! Crisps! Car! Start! Misfire! Start! Misfire! Curse! Kick! Scream! Run! Shops! Closed! Curse (again)! Bus! Late! Swear (at bus driver)! Thrown off! Slip (on ice)! Pain! Hobble! Supermarket! Search! Frantic! Panic! Abuse! Push! Shove! Pass the Turkeys! Hams! Puddings! Almond Santas! Faint! Trample! Crush! Find! One packet left! Reach! Gone! Murder the thief! Kick! Punch! Scrape! Arrested! Gardai! Station! Cell! Cold! Plead! Apologise! Release! Run! Find crisps in press at home where you put them two weeks ago! Curse! Relax! Drink! Sleep!

Then in the morning you wake up and realise that there's nobody partying, yet! You 'phone your parents to wish them a happy Christmas and they quietly inform you that it's only November! So, you silently kick yourself on the shin and sit down and watch some t.v...but! You realise you've forgotten the cat's present ...!

# COFFEE MORNING FOR ST. BRIGID'S HOSPICE

The North Kildare branch of the Friends of St. Brigid's Hospice, The Curragh, Kildare would like to thank all those who held coffee mornings in the Maynooth and Kilcock areas on 6th October 1994. There was a fantastic response and the total collected was £1,435.08.

Thanks also to Quinnsworth, Maynooth, for their contribution towards this worthy cause.

As with any other cause this would not have been so successful without such great public support so thanks to all those who attended the various coffee mornings in the Kildare area.

#### **COONAN PRESS RELEASE**

#### £7,000,000 Development for Maynooth.

Glenkerrin Homes Ltd., who recently developed Charter House, Maynooth, a conversion of the old Presentation Convent to a luxury Apartment Development, have lodged an application with Kildare County Council for the development of a 6.4 acre site at Straffan Road, Maynooth.

The application includes a shopping centre comprising 12,000 sq. ft. supermarket, shopping mall with 9 shop units and seven offices; a nineteen bedroom hotel with restaurant, function room, bar and lounge and 72 one and two bedroom apartments.

Ray Grehan speaking on behalf of Glenkerrin Homes Ltd. said he was delighted to bring a second prestigious development to the town within such a short period and hopes to start the development of the supermarket and shopping complex in Spring '95 and have it completed by September to coincide with the completion of the Straffan Road link to the new motorway.

The site is located in a strategic position in the town beside the Main Street and both rail and bus stations. It is also within half a mile of the intersection to the Lucan/Kilcock motorway which will by-pass the town and is scheduled to open before Christmas.

The last substantial urban site in Maynooth is certain to become the focal point of the town and will link the existing Main Street with many new residential developments which are combining to make the town one of the fastest growing presently west of Dublin.

Paul O'Loughlin & Associates, 38 Upr. Clanbrassil Street, Dublin 8 are architects to the development.

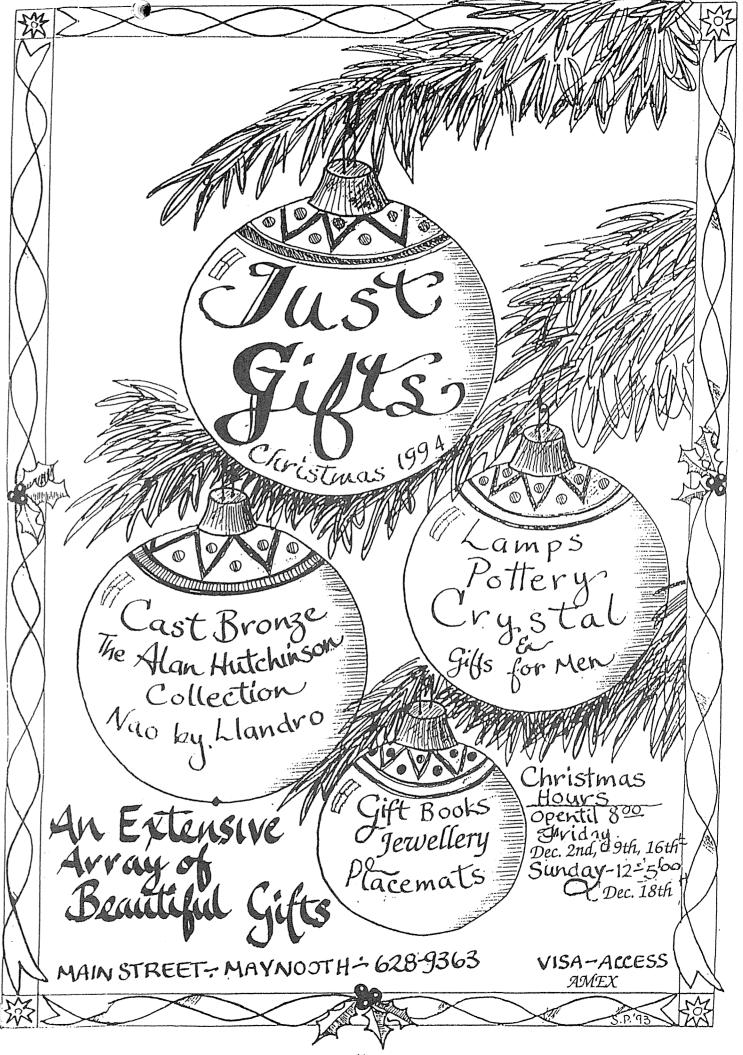
Willie Coonan, Coonan Estate Agents, Maynooth, who have been appointed sole agents for the development commented that he was extremely positive about the prospects for same taking into account the location of the site, the attractiveness of the development and the fact that Maynooth is becoming the premier town within 20 minutes of the city centre - combining as it does an expanding University, excellent work prospects with Intel 2 miles away and a first class communication system to the city with its motorway, rail and bus services serving same.

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#### DAVID JOLLEY DEFIED INJURY IN **NEW YORK MARATHON**



Dave Jolley led the New York Marathon for the first five miles and if he had suddenly recovered from injury he could have won it, now read on.

Local man, David Jolley faced a daunting task in the run up to the New York Marathon. which took place on November 6th last. As well as raising £3,000 for Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin,

Dave was plagued by a serious injury to his left ankle. On investigation the injury turned out to be a stress fracture caused by an accumulation of two heavy years' mileage and racing, indoor and outdoor without getting a proper break. It could not have happened at a worse time for David who needs running as a fish needs water.

#### Eamonn Coughlan Team

Nonetheless, as part of the Eamonn Coughlan team, David and a party of 45 runners and fundraisers left Ireland on Wednesday 2nd November, bound for the U.S.A. That night they checked into Fitzpatrick's Hotel, New York.

On Thursday November 3rd they attended a reception and dinner hosted by the Chemical Bank, main sponsors of the Marathon. The event was attended by Ireland's leading athletes, Sonya O'Sulllivan, Marcus O'Sullivan, Ray Flynn, John Tracey and also Greta Weitz. On Friday morning they enjoyed a breakfast sponsored by McCann Irish Oatmeal (so instead of caviar, David got the biggest bowl of porridge he ever saw).

That same day, Dave and his team-mates had the arresting experience of being taken away in three Police Vans. However, they were not being detained (so he claims) but were being taken on a tour of the famed city, courtesy of the New York Police Department. They were shown the massive Command and Control centre of the N.Y.P.D. Later they boarded two police launches for a tour up river past the Statue of Liberty. With temperatures of 78°F this proved to be a brilliant trip.

#### **Heavily Plastered**

On Sunday November 6th, the morning of the race, Dave got up early. Due to injury, his leg was heavily bandaged and strapped tight. He had to walk around the room to get used to the strapping. All through the trip, Dave and his team-mates received V.I.P. status. At 7.30 a.m. they were brought by bus to the Sheraton Hotel and from there by convoy out to the start of the race, at Verrozano Bridge, which joins Staten Island and the mainland.

#### **Special Permission**

Due to Dave's injury, Eamonn Coughlan used his influence to get special permission for Dave and a team-mate to walk the race and more especially to start the race 50 minutes ahead of

the field. So the Maynooth man led the race for the first five miles, albeit walking, before being caught by the pack. The first three athletes home were of Mexican origin. Dave completed the race in just over 6 hours.

#### Special award

Back at the Fitzpatrick Hotel there was an award ceremony and meal. Eamonn Coughlan presented Dave with a special award for his brave effort in the face of adversity. Later the happy throng went on a New York pub crawl, entertained by Dave's renowned vocal and guitar skills. As there is no closing time in New York it was 4.30 a.m. when they staggered

#### Customary breakfast

Dave touched down at Dublin Airport at 6.20 a.m. on Tuesday morning 8th November where he was greeted by his wife Sheila. Later that morning they enjoyed a customary hearty Irish breakfast in Kehoes Restaurant, Main Street. His long journey was over.

Looking back, if Dave had suddenly recovered from his injury, with a 50 minute head start he could have caused a major upset in the New York Marathon - think about it! I know Mick Gleeson will.

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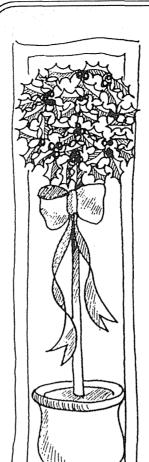
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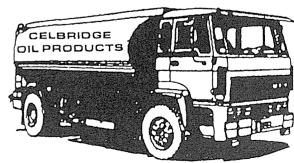
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#### Top Gun

Maynooth has its own "Top Gun" in the person of young 19-year-old Micheal Meally, of Rail Park. Micheal, who is a Second Lieutenant in the Air Corps, was presented with his Pilot Wings at a passing-out ceremony held at Baldonnel on November 7th last. He was one of eight recruits specially selected two years ago. He has already flown an Italian single-engine plane and a Fuga jet in training. He is son of proud parents Micheal and Delma Meally. So, when you hear a jet fly over, it's just Micheal checking out the home place. P.S. Permission for a low fly-by denied.

#### **Political Activist**

Young Brid Hanniffy of Kingsbry, who is in second year studying Arts and Politics at UCD, is becoming quite a political activist of late. She travelled to Cork for two weeks to assist the local branch of Fine Gael during the recent by-election. Her mission was a success with the election of Hugh Coveney.

#### No De-fence

What hope has Maynooth of ever doing well in the Tidy Towns with youngsters going around destroying ever-green hedges. Once attacked these hedges are ruined. Maybe it has something to do with the hit song "Don't fence me in".

#### **GARDA TALK**

Christmas is almost with us again, and we appeal to motorists not to drink and drive. Drink driving and excessive speed are all factors in serious injury traffic accidents. The Gardai will operate random checkpoints to enforce the road traffic code. Ensure that your actions will not bring tragedy to others. 'Safe Motoring'.

#### **Crime Prevention**

A good neighbour is someone who will look after your property while you are away and report suspicious callers before waiting to see that in fact they were burglars. No person is better positioned to spot something unusual or out of place in a neighbourhood than one of its residents. Be a good neighbour, and in this season of goodwill pay special attention to the elderly living among us. Drop in for a chat. Make sure they have basic needs of food, heat and comfort.

#### By-Pass

At the time of writing, the new by-pass is scheduled to open on the 19th December 1994. A welcome relief to Maynooth and its residents and the Gardai. Hopefully the parking cones can enjoy a rest also. A special word of thanks to Kildare County Council, contractors and all concerned with this project for their kind assistance to us.

#### **Business Premises**

In the run up to Christmas, we make a special appeal to the business community to take extra precautions. Remember the criminals will also do their shopping. Report suspicious activity to the Gardai immediately. It is better than passing such

information after an event. The prevention of crime through a process of community involvement is paramount, if we are to succeed.

#### Thank you

And finally a sincere thank you to each and every resident of Maynooth, for the assistance and co-operation afforded to the Gardai for 1994, and we look forward to the excellent relationship between Gardai and the community for 1995.

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However, what has been outlined above is one thing, another is to be on a bicycle behind a livestock lorry continuously discharging liquid manure along the length and breadth of our Main Street. As a result of this discharge shoppers are left trying to step across this smelly effluent and must be wary of every car and lorry that it does not send this liquid flying all over them.

Over the past couple of months livestock lorries passing through Maynooth have discharged the effluent on the Main Street. Please, we do not need it on our street - better on the land.

Leo Armstrong

#### MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### First Year Mass

The first year mass at Maynooth Post Primary School was celebrated on Thursday 6th October 1994. The celebrant was Fr. David Boylan and the liturgy of the word was carried out by first year students representing all five first year classes. This is an excellent way to begin the academic year. It is also an opportunity for parents to meet teachers and vice yersa.

It was a very successful evening which was rounded off with refreshments and light conversation. Our thanks to Fr. Boylan and to the teachers of religion for their excellent organisation and hard work. Credit is also due to the students who participated in the readings, prayers of the faithful and offering of the gifts. The ceremony as enhanced throughout by the wonderful singing of the choir. Our congratulations to all of the students whose behaviour was exemplary.

Finally, we must thank the Home Economics Department and their assistants for providing refreshments, the caretakers for their co-operation and the parents for their large attendance.

#### **Success in Leinster Vocational Schools Ladies Football**

Maynooth Post Primary School's Ladies Gaelic Football team had a good win in their first outing of the year, defeating a good Longwood Vocational School by 1 goal-9 points to 2 goals. It was a good display overall with Ann Marie Snee, Emma Kilduff and Mary Maguire being the best for Maynooth on the day.

Maynooth team: L. Kearney, T. Kearney, U. Burke, P. Burke, C. Tolan, M. Maguire, C. Cassidy, P. Purcell, A. M. Snee, M. Flood, E. Kilduff, A. Fahy, E. Fahy, S. Weld, V. Breslin. Subs: K. Furlong, E. Mahony, S. Healy

#### Congratulations to Leaving Certificate Students.

We would like to wish our students who sat their leaving Cert in 1994 best wishes with their future studies. Best wishes also to our students who are repeating in order to accumulate more points and to those who have succeeded in getting employment and apprenticeships. To one and all we wish you well in the future.

U.C.D. Alison Barry, Catherine Cooke, Patricia Egan, Owen Creevey, Ben Creighton, Allen Gaffney, Senan Griffin, Stephen Kinsella, Niall Minogue, Barry O'Brien, Barry Ryan.

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LSB Orla Doran.

#### Monster Draw.

Many thanks to all who helped in any way to make this Draw such a tremendous success. To those who bought and sold tickets and to those who helped to organise the Draw: as a result of your efforts, students of Maynooth Post Primary School will benefit from the extra facilities provided from the proceeds of this Draw. Well done one and all.

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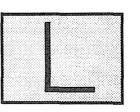
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#### **Success in Science Ouiz** Kildare Regional I.S.T.A. - BAYER

The Kildare Regional final of the I.S.T.A - BAYER Senior Schools Science Ouiz was held in the Cross & Passion. Kilcullen on Friday, November 11th. Twenty six teams entered and it was a very enjoyable and exciting evening. The winning team from Maynooth Post Primary School (Elizabeth Whittaker, Morven Duffey and Jason Devine) was presented with a trophy, a framed certificate and cash by Mr. Philip Bergin from BAYER LTD.

#### Full Results and Prizes

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- 2. St. Kevin's Dunlavin 3 X £40 plus £300 School Prize.
- 3. Naas CBS 3 X £20 plus £200 School Prize.
- 4. Patrician College Newbridge 3 X £10.
- 5. Cross & Passion College, Kilcullen 3 X £10.

These five teams have qualified for the National Final in Trinity College Dublin on Saturday, November 26th 1994. All Ireland final took place on Saturday 26/11/1994 at 2.00p.m. in Trinity College.

#### School Debs Ball

The 18th Annual Debs took Place in the Keadeen Hotel Newbridge on Friday 14th October. As usual, it was a splendid and glamorous occasion and as always, proved to be one of the highlights of student life in the Post Primary School.

Mr. Griffin, the year head, had everything organised to perfection and was presented with a gift from the students, to mark the special effort and attention which he has given them from their first year in the school.

#### **Debating Success**

Three teams from Maynooth Post Primary School, competed in the first round of the Leinster Schools Debating competi-

Bryan Durkin and Hugh Denman, Elizabeth Whittaker and Clare Duke and Meadbh Flood and Finola Griffin, debated with skill and fluency. Competition was stiff this year, with over 120 schools competing. Finola Griffin was chosen to compete in the second round which should take place before Christmas.

#### **School Tour**

This years school tour was to Holland and London. The 76 students and ten teachers departed on Thursday 27th of October and arrived in Noordwijk in Holland. This was our base for our trips to Amsterdam, the Hague and Rotterdam. We had the experience of seeing Amsterdam from the canal boat trip. We visited Anne Frank's house, the Rijksmuseum, which houses famous paintings by Rembrandt. One of the highlights was the water park where both staff and students enjoyed slides and water falls, travelling at 60 kilometres per hour.

On our way home, we stopped over in London where we saw 'Starlight Express' the Lloyd Weber musical in the Apollo Theatre in Victoria.

Michael J. Walsh.

#### REVEREND THOMAS MARSH R.I.P.

#### - Teacher and Friend

It was nine thirty on Halloween night. Students and regular customers began to gather in 'The Roost'. Awaiting some young friends, Fr. Tom Marsh was in his usual seat. Before they arrived, he had a massive heart attack and quietly slipped, in the words of a friend, from "one heaven to another".

Tom Marsh was well known in the town of Maynooth, since he joined the staff of the College in 1976. A native of Ardfinnan, Co. Tipperary, he was ordained at St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny in 1957. After completing his doctorate in Maynooth in 1959, he worked for some years in England, before returning to teach theology at St. John's College, Waterford for fourteen years. In 1978 he was appointed Professor of Dogmatic Theology by the Pontifical University.

In 1979 the Pontifical University accepted the first intake for its Bachelor of Arts and Theology degree. Right from the beginning, Fr. Marsh took these students into his care. Mostly young and female, many found theology difficult, especially when combined with one or two Arts subjects.

Fr. Marsh was a brilliant teacher. He brought both clarity of thought and presentation to some of the most abstract areas of dogma. While he loved to push his more able students academically, he took a special interest in the weaker ones.

Outside of class hours, he was available as tutor, pastor and friend. Aware of the fragility of human nature, there was nothing they could not tell him. While he enjoyed a lively argument in class or 'The Roost', he appreciated honesty and confidentiality in personal matters. In this area his comments were always relevant and to the point.

But the erring student could always return. All year round, he met them on and off campus. Over a pint, a cuppa or a cigarette, he always shared their dilemmas and enjoyed their company. While he always looked like the absent minded professor, he never spoke down to his listeners, be they students, staff or town's people.

Fr. Marsh's concern for his students did not end with Graduation. Aware of their difficulties in finding work mainly as catechists, he used his extensive network of contacts to find them jobs both in Ireland and in England. Even after fifteen years, he could recall who among his students were working and where.

Reflecting his love of Gaelic games, his coffin was draped in the colours of his local G.A.A. club. The shock and sadness that his sudden death brought permeated both the town and campus of Maynooth. At his funeral mass Bishop Lee of Waterford and Lismore recalled Fr. Marsh's help to him as a clerical student in Maynooth and in later life. He referred also to his scholarship and his last book, 'The Triun God': published just before his death.

It seemed fitting too, that the most beautiful wreath came from one of his 'Prodigal Daughters'. Along with hundreds of B.A. Theols past and present, she travelled many miles to see an old friend and teacher laid to rest close to all his favourite haunts.

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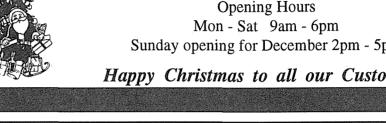
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#### ROCKFIELD LODGE PATH

The Liffey Champion reports that the residents of Rockfield Lodge were threatening to block up a walkway into Rockfield Avenue. The issue of the 'ongoing bitter battle with the Council' seems somewhat confused. As the situation stands the builder, Patrick Mooney of High Degree Construction, has, in his own words, "done what I've planning permission for" and built a two metre path at the apex of the horse-shoe shaped estate.

After the completion of this path Mr. Mooney, at the request of some residents, put in two separate planning applications. Firstly, to build a house on the pathway site or to divide the site as gardens between the adjacent properties. The builder was not surprised when both these applications were refused and comments that a council official, Willie Hanegan, was recently out looking at the estate and was "pleased at how Rockfield has turned out". He feels that he's done the work according to original plans, points out that the lane is similar to two or three others in the estate and has even lodged the unsuccessful application in consideration of residents' wishes. On the closure of the lane, Mr. Mooney says that it's exactly as required, two metres wide, and that neither he nor residents have the right to block up open spaces.

Audrey Graham, speaking on behalf of the Rockfield residents, claims that originally a narrow path was to be built and that the existing two metre path is a menace: "it won't be long before motorbikes and cars begin to use the wide, grass verged path". Chief County Planning Officer, Philip Jones, comments that "it is a well lit piece of open space through which a lane goes and shortens the distance for people living in that particular area of the estate". Audrey complains that the area is very poorly lit; residents have to put on their own porch lights to brighten the dark cul-de-sac. She also complains of rowdy youths and speeding bicycles using the path. The shortcut, facilitating non-lodge residents walking to nearby shops, schools and public transport brings a more favourable response from those living behind the lodge, many of whom I found very glad of it. However, another Lodge resident, Caroline Youngson, said initially it was not a problem, but when her two young children Georgina and Elizabeth began using it to get on to the busy avenue, she saw it was a safety problem. Caroline's neighbour Geraldine Downing, also complains of the extra noise that the lane brings through the quiet cul-de-

Councillor John McGinley felt that the issue may be resolved once Maynooth's development plan is adopted. However, it remains to be seen if the Council's policy to avoid pathways through housing estates, means pathways, with full planning permission, within housing estates. With some residents determined to block 'the path' and the builder unable to block 'the space' it seems that the issue may remain confused for some time to come.

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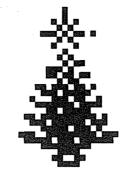


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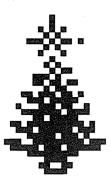
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#### TIDY TOWNS MEETING (10th Oct 1994)

Under the menacing Liffey Champion headline "The dirtiest town in Kildare", the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee met to discuss the adjudicators' report in the Post Primary School on Thursday, 10th October. Although the marks were up 6 to 128 from the previous year we still scored the lowest marks in the county.

Richard Farrell (P.R.O.), discussing the abridged report printed in last month's **Newsletter**, pointed out the areas which had let the town down. Litter was a problem on the Straffan approach and outside T. Flood, Bookmakers. Mr. Farrell pointed out the fact that two new bins had been installed and at least another seven should be on the way. Shutters were mentioned as a problem on the Main Street. On amenities, unfortunately the playground near the Harbour Field was not under the committee's

control, but they have written to Bord Fáilte on the matter. The approach roads were bad entering from Dublin (Mart) and Kilcock.

On a positive note the new cobble-locking outside Katie's Flowers, the new canal wall and improvements in the Carton Walk were commended. The presentation of residential areas scored very well. 21 out of 30.

Presenting a video, the Chairman Bob O'Reilly and Mr. Farrell showed the work done by the S.E.S. Scheme on Carton Walk. Areas which need special attention are outside the Mart and the approach road from Kilcock. The Main Street was recorded early on 16th April and 19th September, both showed overflowing litter bins, receipts from the bank's service machine and take-away cartons strewn over the Main Street. On this point Councillor John McGinley said it was vital to have a street cleaner Saturday and Sunday. Also that the much unloved toilet block was finally coming down next year. On Geraldine Castle he noted how £1 million was being given not to modernize the castle but "to keep the ruin in ruin - but usable". He felt that in the light of the Bi-centenary of the college next year, it was the Kildare County Council's policy "to make Maynooth a university town". However, he warned that the Council's temptation to just "do-up" the main approaches and street for visitors to the college would be detrimental to Maynooth overall.

Cllr. Murphy noted how the Council weren't doing their part in upkeeping the town. The local authority don't do common areas and therefore aren't freeing people in residential areas to do other jobs. Bernard Durkan agreed that the criticism of the local authority was valid, it had an unwillingness to zone in on particular problems. However, he said, Maynooth was "the least public spirited town in the county as far as litter was concerned". Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin (Secretary, Community Council) retorted that if the town was more beautiful there would be less litterbugs and a greater tendency to help out.

On other subjects: The Laraghbryan Cemetery, although the responsibility of the local authorities, had been cleaned up by the Tidy Towns Committee. However, now the committee had taken action they had received a letter from the Office of Public Works to cease all work. The feeling from the floor was that now "we've started doing something for ourselves we should keep going". Street signs - nothing can be done to remove the billboard on the Leixlip approach but the smaller ones, being there less than five years, may be contested. The Main Street - the by-pass will make this a secondary road which the Council are obliged to bring up to standard and maintain. Carton Avenue - the chairman of the Planning and Development Committee, Tony Bean, noted how the adjacent job was far from satisfactory, the contractors are being taken to court and also a very old carriage stone had been removed.

Closing the meeting, the committee discussed how to increase participation and attendance. On the poor co-operation of the Council, Cllr Murphy, said the Bi-centenary was a good opportunity to get as much as possible for Maynooth out of funds. If we don't get the money beforehand, she pointed out, our opportunity may be lost. Generally, it was decided to keep up the pressure on the Council, to do as much for ourselves as possible and keep up the effort for 1995.

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Directed by Mark O'Shaughnessy, an up and coming name in Irish Theatre, and acted out by two reputable actors, Paul Bolger, who works in Maynooth's Citizens' Information Centre, and Lynda Phelan, a final year student in the college, the play was set in a pub and focused on the relationships between the different couples we see every day therein including the landlord and landlady who were the link roles within the play.

The setting and set design brought the audience into the atmosphere of the play immediately. The set was simple yet complex being made completely of newspaper, a simple example of how recycled material can be utilized for excellent effect. The audience were made a part of the play by being seated at tables as if they were customers in the pub. From the very moment we entered the play area both Paul and Linda were in character as landlord and landlady, ensuring that their customers (the audience) were satisfied.

Paul and Linda displayed their excellence in acting by playing all the parts in the play. This included a change of actions and emotions in each role which would be difficult for any actor to cope with but both Linda and Paul had no difficulty with this.

The feelings portrayed in the play were both comical and emotional with characters suffering emotionally from loneliness, depression, male dominance, female dominance, loss or dependency. The comical parts of the play held a certain emotional side as well which was brought out extremely well by the actors.

The director, Mark, certainly made a masterful play into a perfect production. Let's hope it won't be long before Threadbare Theatre Company are back in Maynooth with another ingenious production.

One of the plays which is coming up in the near future is Frank McGuinness's 'Factory Girls' which will be performed by the Roscian Players. This is a play not to be missed, so for further information on this production and others just get in contact with Maynooths Students' Union at 6285222.

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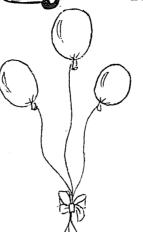
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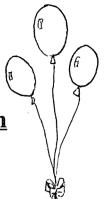


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The golden orbs of light glow in mystery, Shadows move on special journeys.

Lights glisten in windows so welcoming, I wonder would they let me in.

Even the canal is decked with colours spectacularly

For the eternal voyage of the magi.
I walk up along its ancient track
With the worries of the world on my back.
Maybe up here reindeers are hidden,
In a field with elves a-feeding!
I look for their tracks among the leaves
And think I hear distant jingles in the breeze.
But now I must return to get ready,
For the clock is ticking steady.
Before I make Brady's by 10.59,
I have many duties both earthly and divine.

All the wise birds return to the Roost For the stories told here are the truest, As bells a-ringing and people singing Enhances slow rhythmic drinking.

The most religious man, there I could find, Was Pius Kelly so decent and refined.

John O'Rourke looked all of a captain on deck,

But the customers were like escapees from Star Trek.

Sean Farrell resembled St. Joseph himself And had large stocks of mir on every shelf. Ken Tracey and John Burke were planning a card game

And Noel Flynn said he was all for the same!
Norah McDermott and the council crew
Were banded together for a finishing up 'do'.
Freda Kelleher had the camera out,
'Snapping' the Christmas frolics all-about.
Feeney and Kelly the plumber, were doing

Having circumvented the taps with their own pipe-line.

"Anyone for the last turkey?"
Asked Peter Riordan looking perky.

The wind swept me into the Leinster Arms Where I was bespelled by its warmth and charms

With Aidan Garvey and Maura Dunne, The festive celebrations had begun. Kevin Donovan was talking to Kevin McNamara,

Beside them a man slept in a wheel-barrow. This special night all through the house,

Dermot and John were pouring a mighty big

Mick Fanning looked as distinguished as

And with Andy Graham celebrated the year's endeavour.

Andy said, "Santa would come down the railway lines,

So that he wouldn't get any speeding fines" Some new residents were flashing the dosh And then the old crowd, are slightly more posh.

I entered into Caulfields too And stood amid its venturous crew. As I had a cool bottle out of the fridge Someone said he saw JCB's attacking the bridge.

John McGinley rallied, 'the bridge is under attack.

Come on lads we'll try to win it back. For every man who supports the cause, a bollard

Shall be his just reward",

Gerry Brady said "We'll strike a deal" And Bernard Durkan delivered a mighty spiel:

"There's peace in our country now don't go to war

Rest for a while 'til I buy ye a jar".

The Connollys and Dempseys had the bar well surrounded.

And plenty of craic in their midst abounded. Christina Saults, Willie and all;

Political fall-out was far from their stall. Vincent Hannify and Des Madden were not far away

Their crowd too might soon have their day Sean and Patricia Condron were with the Ní Bhrolcháins

Of this drinking pond they are noble swans Mrs. Carey was talking to Martin and Sean Shur we could have stayed here until dawn.

In the G.A.A. Centre they were singing carols megaphone;

Mick Kelly was leading baritone.
The year's campaign was far behind,
Now they'd relax, plan, and unwind.
A statue of Mick Gillick they were preparing
But they used too much cement and it became

Pat Nevin and P.J. Bennett disowned the shuttering.

Noel Kerins.

But it didn't stop the lads from muttering. The 'generals' were having heavy talks:

Connolly, Diggins and Devereux, the silver fox.

"They all jumped on the bandwagon", said Denis,

"Ineverknew Leitrim had fans so numerous",

In Brady's the lads wouldn't talk to me, Lest I tape-recorded or breached confidentiality.

The chat was of the weather or would there be snow.

Sometimes, there was a hint as to whether I had somewhere to go.

In the corner a journalist was gagged and bound

He had just enquired if Nicholas was around? When I started to sing, Noel, he saw red "With this carry on, no one will get home to

Up spoke Eamon Gallagher "Now lower the trottle

"'Harvey' to him; now have another bottle".

Jim Carthy sang 'Me and Bobby McGee', for his friends Exclusively,

His voice went deep and low and rose most eloquently.

Mick Scanlon, Paddy Nolan and Denis O'Sullivan too

Were celebrating the victory of a dog called 'Scooby Doo'.

Eddie Halligan checked his stomach with a pressure gauge.

He said "I'm nearly full, I'm at the top-up stage".

Watching the proceedings sat Tom Nolan and Paddy Boyce,

In all these glad happenings they did so rejoice.

Larry McEvoy with his tinsel hair Among this throng is a key player.

Jim McDermott has them all weighed up, He looked at them coyly as he drank his sup. For the paper, Geroid McTernan was keeping apace,

The news of Maynooth he telexed to Naas. As I left everyone was saying 'Harvey' to each other,

Instead of more pleasant greetings, brother to brother.

I fell into a ditch on my way out of town And saw the silhouette of a cat looking down.

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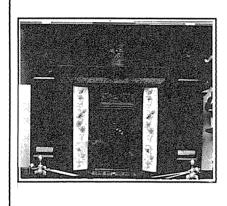
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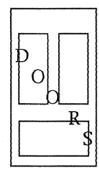
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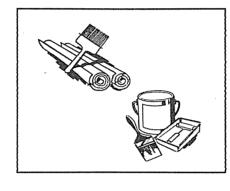


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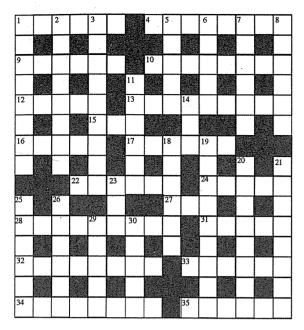
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- 10) Really stirs it between the agates (8)
- 12) Grow up without West for the band (5)
- 13) Things that stir the mind may be thus (9)
- 15) The force wrongly said to be a source of free clothing (3)
- 16) Take care of visually (3, 2)
- 17) Give offence, but only barely (6)
- 22) Ma is up to some good down south and entertains (6)
- 24) We hear plumbers are needed for these in Wales (5)
- 27) Could she grow on you? (3)
- 28) Present-day (9)
- 31) Is back to her and can't hold water (5)
- 32) Reg and others in it for the organised group (8)
- 33) Forms words inaudibly with these apertures (6)
- 34) I sat and consumed 500, and was satisfied (8)
- 35) Planted editor in the end, to see five hundred top tennis players (6)

#### Down:

- 1) There's always only one of them in any group, even if they are old-aged pensioners (8)
- 2) Not right to be ajar (4,4)
- 3) Up high and doing very well (2,3,4)
- 5) Unfinished N-E growth for the dark individual (5)
- 6) More than expected (5)

- 7) Little bird chomped to give an interesting item of scandal (6)
- 8) Expends carelessly the narrow body parts, we hear (6)
- 11) Stops cases out east (6)
- 14) Though it may be very small can be extremely important (3)
- 18) Demand in sore, we hear (6)
- 19) It may emanate from the convent conflagration (4.5)
- 20) Drove the editor crazy (8)
- 21) Silly to begin with but finally figured out (8)
- 23) That short day last month (3)
- 25) Scratches a few points (6)
- 26) You won't be wrong with plenty of light (6)
- 29) Samuel's degree creates a dance (5)
- **30)** Man. Utd.'s Paul x 1,000 provides the meat for the dinner (5)

#### Solution To No. 84

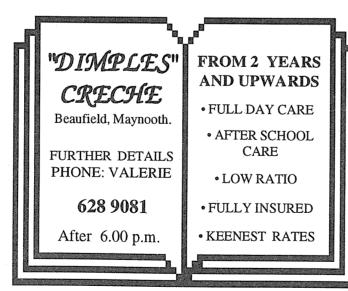
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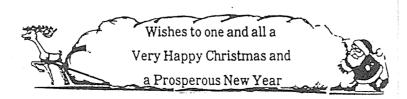
1] Taught; 4) Validate; 9) Pandas; 10) Pivoting; 12) Inert; 13) Enmeshing; 15) Fix; 16) Geese; 17) Inmate; 22) Stated; 24) Apple; 27) Urn; 28) Waterfall; 31) Sooth; 32) Spinster; 33) Hazier; 34) Suspects; 35) Legged.

#### Down:

1) Toppings; 2) Unneeded; 3) Heartfelt; 5) Axiom; 6) Irons; 7) Alibis; 8) Engage; 11) Sexist; 14) Tethered; 18) Module; 19) Translate; 20) Opposing; 21) Tethered; 23) Alf; 25) Twists; 26) Steirs; 29) Rushe; 30) Avert.

Editors Note: We appologise that the clue to 14 down was inadventently ommitted in Crossword No. 84.





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ome on, come on, wakey wakey"! she said, giving him another nudge. Santa stirred from his sleep. "Don't you realise how much work has to be done" said Mrs. Claus, as she was cooking his breakfast. "What do you mean" said Santa. "Look at the size of you, you've done no exercise since last year after all that pudding and mince pies you've eaten, and as for the poor reindeer they haven't been out for a run for weeks". "But I've been working so hard going through all the christmas lists for ages now" said Santa, "I've hardly had time to do anything else". "Well" said Mrs Claus, "It's not far away from Christmas Eve and you haven't a lot of time left".

"Right I'd best get started" he said, putting his breakfast dishes in the sink....

He went out to the shed and called out to the reindeer one by one.

"Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen and Rudolph, we're going for a run".

Santa was nearly knocked over in the reindeers' excitement, they couldn't wait to go out for a practice run. The reindeer were soon hitched up and ready to go. "Up up and away" Santa roared as they climbed towards the sky.

"Where are we heading" said Rudolph. Santa thought for a moment, "lets go over to Maynooth and see what's happening". "Okay", said Rudolph, "Left at the next set of clouds". Within a short while they were flying over Maynooth and looking down over the town. Santa Claus saw that all the children in Maynooth we re being very good, and he knew that they would be very happy this Christmas.

"Lets head for home", said Santa and they returned to the North pole, tired and weary from their long journey.

NOW remember children if you look real carefully some day you may just see Santa and his reindeer practising up high in the sky.

Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year from all in



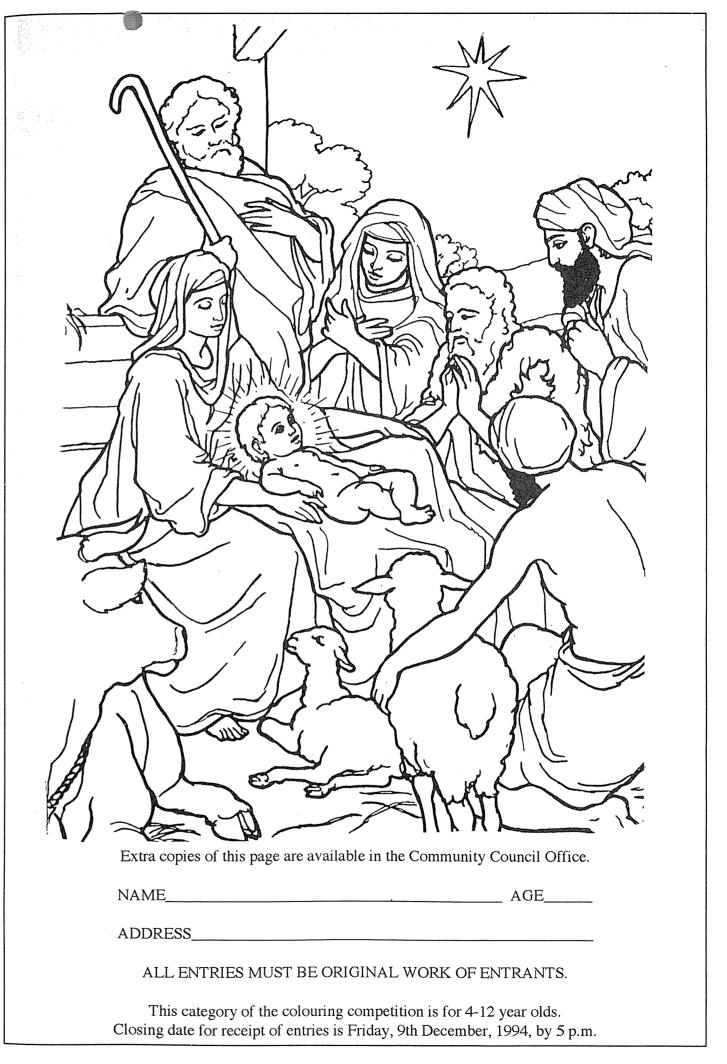
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# **Gardening Hints**

#### Colour Now

lowers for picking for Christmas celebrations will be in all the best gardens; there will be a few roses here and there, the Hellebores (Christmas roses) will be in bloom, so will Viburnum tinus, winter jasmine, mahonia, Erica cinera and its varieties, primroses and violets in sheltered places, sedums, pansies, to say nothing of the greenhouse offerings. A very useful plant for Christmas decorations is Skimmia which is grown for its foliage and bright crimson berries.

#### **Christmas Pot Plants**

The showy Christmas cactus, Schlumbergera x buckleyi, looks superb in a hanging basket or in a container on a shelf, where the trailing stems will make a stunning display. It flowers from November until late January if watered regularly and kept at a minimum of 13C/55F while flowering. Reduce watering in February and March.

Often, sadly, one of December's disasters is the death of expensive pot plants, such as the Christmas cactus, acquired as Christmas gifts. Other such plants include the azaleas, poinsettias, and cyclamen, at the height of their flowering season, covered in bloom and apparently in the best of health. They are in fact extremely fit, but the change from nursery greenhouse conditions to those of the home, particularly at Christmas time, is often too much for them. In no time, buds and flowers have dropped, leaves withered and fallen, and a few stark bare stems are all that is left of a once beautiful plant. One is so occupied at Christmas with other things that plants have all kinds of extreme and distasteful conditions to cope with, and it is no wonder that many succumb.

Smokey, dry atmospheres often predominate; although the temperature may be well up, it will be too high near radiators, electric or coal fires. Conversely, window-sills behind drawn curtains where pot plants are often put, can be death traps of freezing air, as the outside temperature drops swiftly to or below freezing, as it can easily do at this time of year.

In all the excitement nothing is more likely to be overlooked than watering, and an azalea in full bloom will want a big drink at least every day; cyclamen also flag extremely quickly with their leaves turning yellow. Plants may also suffer from being given liquids other than water at this time of the year! Draughts are a further menace as doors constantly open with the arrival and departure of guests and family; one way and another, all pot plants have a hard time of it.

Try to remember at any rate, to review the water needs every day; bring the plants in from the window-sills when the curtains are drawn. Spray them lavishly every day with clear water, or pack really damp peat all around the container and keep it damp. Keep them somewhere out of the line of draughts and away from fierce heat.

Then leave the garden alone, except for the greenhouse, enjoy Christmas, hibernate a little as all sensible animals do in the short dark days, and come back to it with a refreshed mind in the New Year when the days begin to lengthen.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL & A HAPPY NEW YEAR





#### How to Plant a Christmas Tree

Last December I purchased a small rooted Christmas tree for the house and was delighted with it. Not only was it easy to transport home but it had all the advantages of a real tree with its lovely aroma permeating the room all during the festive season. In addition, I was able to plant it in the garden after the Twelfth Night.

You can also plant a Christmas tree in the garden and dress it up with weather-proof lights for the festive season.

- Stand the tree in a frost-free place overnight with its roots in a bucket of water to give them a good soaking before planting out.
- Dig a hole several inches wider and deeper than the tree's roots.
   Fork over the soil at the base.
- Place the tree in the hole. Add the potting compost used in the pot the tree came in — or from a tomato growbag — around the roots.
- •Replace half the soil from the hole you've dug, while making sure that you keep the tree vertical.
- •Use your foot to firm soil gently around the roots.
- •When the hole is half full, add the remaining soil.
- •When the filling is complete, firm the soil again and water.

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#### Mulligatawny

#### Serves 4

25g/1oz butter 1 onion, chopped 1 carrot, chopped 2 teaspoons curry powder 1/2 teaspoon garam masala teaspoon ground cumin 1/, teaspoon grated nutmeg 1 cooking apple, peeled, cored and coarsely chopped 2 beef stock cubes 85ml/3 fl oz sherry 2 teaspoons tomato purée Shredded cooked chicken (optional) 100g/4oz cooked rice (optional) 4 tablespoons yogurt

- 1. Melt the butter in a saucepan and cook the onion and carrot over a moderate heat until the onion is translucent.
- 2. Stir in the curry powder and stir-fry for 2-3 minutes, then add the garam masala, cumin, nutmeg and apple, stir well and cook for 1-2 minutes. 3. Make up beef stock with 1 litre/13/, pints boiling water. 4. Add the sherry and tomato purée to the saucepan, stir well, then add the stock. Boil, cover and simmer for 10-15 minutes.
- 5. Purée the soup, return to the saucepan and add the cooked chicken or rice or both. Reheat and serve in hot bowls with a tablespoon of yogurt in each.



#### Turkey Stir Fry

#### Serves Two

4oz (100 g) mangetout 1 red pepper 1 yellow pepper 5 spring onions (scallions) 6oz left-over turkey 1 teaspoon ground ginger 2 tablespoons Hoi Sin Sauce 1 tablespoon cider vinegar 1 teaspoon brown sugar 1 tablespoon soy sauce A little oil This recipe is unbelievably

quick and full of lovely, bright, fresh vegetables plus a delicious sweet-sour sauce.

The secret of stir-frying is a very hot wok or frying pan and ingredients which are cut to roughly the same size and shape so they cook evenly.

Wash and deseed the peppers. then wash and trim the spring onions and mangetout. Then cut the peppers into thick strips and the spring onions into 1.5inch (4cm) lengths.

Cut the turkey into strips about the same size and thickness as the peppers. In a cup mix together the ginger, hoi sin, vinegar, sugar and soy sauce.

Heat the oil in the wok or frying pan and when it is really hot, add the mangetout, peppers and spring onions then stir-fry for 30 seconds. Add the turkey and stir-fry until

the turkey has heated through.

To top things off add the soy sauce mixture and stir briskly so the ingredients are coated in the glossy, sweet-sour sauce. Serve with lots of plain boiled

#### Low-fat Christmas pudding

This pudding doesn't keep as well as a traditional one. Make just one or two weeks in advance.

Serves 4-6 450g/1 lb wholemeal breadcrumbs

225g/8oz currants 225g/8oz sultanas

100g/4oz apple, grated not peeled 100g/4oz bananas, chopped 100g/4oz Brazil nuts, chopped

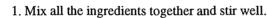
225g/8oz soft brown sugar

Juice and zest of 1 lemon 3 tablespoons mixed ground spice

25g/1oz almonds, chopped 3 eggs

275ml/9fl oz milk 1 teaspoon salt

Butter for greasing



- 2. Put the mixture into a greased pudding basin (quantities are enough for 1 x 2.25 litre/4 pint basin or 2 x 1.2 litre/2 pint basins.)
- 3. Steam for 3 hours, cool and store in an airtight container in a dry place until Christmas. Then steam for 1 hour, turn out and serve in the traditional way.

### Turkey Tips

- Fresh or frozen: Supermarkets and butchers sell plenty of fresh turkeys in the run-up to Christmas. Choose a plump bird with an unbruised skin and if you buy from a butcher ask him to remove the wishbone for you — it makes carving much easier. If buying a frozen bird in advance, make sure you have space to store it in your
- Which size: A 5.4kg/12lb turkey will feed 8 with plenty left over for sandwiches on Stephen's Day. For 12-14 people, buy a 7.2kg/16 lb bird and for 4-6, a 3.6kg/8lb bird will do. Adjust the cooking times accordingly — remember to weigh the stuffed bird and allow 20 minutes per 450g/11b plus 30 minutes at 180C/ 350F/Gas Mark 4.
- Thawing: If you buy a frozen bird, ensure that it is thoroughly defrosted before cooking. There should be no ice crystals inside the body and the legs should move freely. Also remember to remove the giblets. Keep the turkey well covered, especially in the fridge.

| Weight            | Fridge               | Cool place  |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| 2.7-3.6kg/6-8lb   | $2-2^{1}/_{2}$ days  | 15-18 hours |
| 3.6-5.4kg/8-12lb  | $2^{1}/_{2}$ -3 days | 18-24 hours |
| 5.4-7.2kg/12-16lb | $3-3^{1}/_{2}$ days  | 24-26 hours |

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# St. Patrick's Carol Service

St. Patrick's College, Maynooth

The Annual Carol Service will be recorded on Wednesday 14th December, at 7.30 pm in the College Chapel. As the opening event of the Bicentenary celebrations, the occasion promises to be memorable. This year's performance will be for students and guests of the college, however limited tickets may be vailable on application to the President's office. Fortunately it will be broadcast on R.T.E. television on Christmas Eve.

The college choirs, comprising of the University Choral Society, the Chamber Choir and the Seminary Choir, accompanied by brass, timpani and the organ will be directed by Professor Gerard Gillen. Soloists have yet to be chosen from among the choirs and rehearsals are ongoing.

The choir expect to have a busy year with the Bicentenary celebrations, climaxing in their National Concert Hall performance next November. They will be performing a new piece especially commissioned from composer John Buckley for the occasion.

Other events include a production of Mendelssohn's 'Elijah' on St. Patrick's weekend. The forthcoming lunchtime concerts are held in the college's Education Hall and are open to all.

5th December Toni Walsh: Mezzo Soprano

Alison Young: Pia

Piano

12th December

Louise Higgins: Violin

Darina Gibson:

Piano

19th December

The Shantallagh Singers, Galway (College Chapel)

### Sports

#### **BADMINTON CLUB**

We would like to remind anyone interested in playing badminton to drop down to St Mary's Parish Hall any Tuesday from 8.30p.m.

As always, new members are welcome to come and join the club at any time.

This year we will be having our Christmas booze-up in the G.A.A. on Tuesday night, 20th December. Hope to see all members past and present there for a fun night. We'll take this opportunity to wish everyone a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

#### BASKETBALL MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY UNDER 19 BOYS' BASKETBALL

Basketball has grown in popularity in Ireland over the years, with many young people following the Irish Leagues as well as American stars, particularly with the successful opening of the National Basketball Arena in Tallaght. Maynooth Post Primary senior boys are also enthusiastic about learning and playing, and so a basketball team is now up and running and will be playing in the Schools' Midlands League.

Mr. Tom Ashe, Principal of Maynooth Post Primary and Mr. John Holt, Head of Sport, Maynooth Post Primary along with local Garda Martin Caine have successfully negotiated with Maynooth College to make available the use of the full size court so that the team can train in a proper facility. It is only with the use of the hall that the team can train to the best of their potential and a special thanks to Dr. W. J. Smyth of Maynooth College for offering this service to the school.

For any team to progress, it is essential to have a coach and it is with great thanks that we have the services of Vinny Watchorn from Lucan, coach of Westlink Ladies' Basketball Club, also of Leixlip Amenities Centre Basketball teams. His dedication to developing basketball among young people speaks for itself, as the boys show great discipline and improvement in their game.

Sponsorship is hard to come by, particularly when a team is newly formed, and it is with great thanks to the following local businesses that we have been able to buy a strip for the team.

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#### Evelyn McGrath

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Westlink Ladies Basketball Club would like to thank the following local businesses for their donations of spot prizes for their recent pub quiz in the Foxhunter, Lucan.

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#### MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

The Society's Christmas outing (Sponsor Pat Dunne) took place at Portarlington Golf Club on Saturday, 5th November. Played on a superb course in summerlike conditions, a most enjoyable days golf produced a thrilling finale to the season. Congrats to Gerry Coulton who won with a terrific score of 40 pts. The final day also produced our Matchplay Winners - W. Moore and T. Sheehan - runners up, M. Scanlon and F. Dooley and our Golfer of the Year (Green Jacket) went to Liam Farrelly on the very last day's card. The society would like to thank once again our Sponsors for the year and indeed the members/ visitors who helped to make it a memorable year's golf. Finally, the committee and members would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest sympathy to the wife and family of Joe "Dodo" Murray, founder member and Past Captain whose untimely death has left a great void in our society.

Secretary: G. McTernan, Treasurer: S. Tracey, Captain: W. Moore, Vice Captain: T. Moore.

Saturday, 5th November Christmas outing to Portarlington. (Pat Dunne Sponsor)

1st overall G. Coulton 40pts

Class 1 - 1st L. Farrelly 37pts, 2nd R. Delemere 36pts (Back 9), 3rd T. Moore 36pts

Class 2 - 1st B. Dempsey 39pts, 2nd T. Sheehan 38pts, 3rd C. Feenry 37pts.

Class 3 - 1st T. Flatley 36 pts, (back 9). 2nd S. Tracey 36 pts, 3rd J. Bryne 35pts.

Front 9 - S. Moore 19pts (back 2)

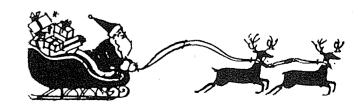
Back 9 - G. McTernan 19pts.

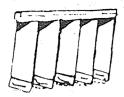
Visitors - B. Condron 33pts.

Match play Winners - W. Moore and T. Sheehan.

Runners-up - M. Scanlon and F. Dooley.

Golfer of the Year - Liam Farrelly





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Tom Flood Cup
(1) Semi Final
Maynooth 4.9 - Ardclough 1.6

**Scorers:** Joey Riordan 3.5; Seanie Molloy 1.1; Noel Reilly, David Mahony and Joey Edwards 1pt each.

**Best:** Conway, Ennis, Kelly, Dunne, Killoran, Purcell, Riordan, Molloy and Burke.

#### (2) Final Caragh 2.12 - Maynooth 3.8

Having comprehensively outplayed Ardclough in the semifinal Maynooth lost the final to intermediate side Caragh. Again it was a game that should have been won by the home side, who were 2 points to the good at half time despite having played against a very strong wind. On the change of ends instead of taking the game by the 'scruff of the neck', Maynooth allowed Caragh to dictate the exchanges with Ciaran Conlon and Denis McCormack very prominent. Maynooth made far too many mistakes including the concession of two soft goals. Furthermore they didn't play as a team with little or no combination or back-up play. It was only in the latter stages when they realised their predicament that the 'Crom Abús' showed any urgency in their play. During a spell of sustained pressure they reduced the deficit from 5 points to a single point. Unfortunately it was too little too late and the Prosperous side went on to claim the silverware.

**Maynooth's scorers were:** - Purcell 2.0; Riordan 1.2; Garvey 4 pts; Killoran and Joey Nevin 1 pt each. Best on the day were Ennis, Noone, Kelly, Fagan and Stynes.

Caragh's best were: - Ciaran Conlon, Philip Casey, Conor Armstrong, Denis McCormack and Pat Dunne.

Leixlip 2.4 - Maynooth 5.9 North Kildare League U-11 (22-10-94)

Played on a damp Saturday afternoon, Maynooth, from first

to final whistle, put in a great team performance with Patrick O'Rourke at fullback and Morgan Sweeney at midfield outstanding.

Team and scorers: A. Sweeney, P. O'Rourke, A. Molloy, K. Carr, P. Sheehan, G. Quinn, K. Gannon, D. Adderley, M. Sweeney (1.2), D. Comerford (1 pt), P. Ennis (3.4), J. O'Neill, E. Holmes (1 pt), B. Downey (1 pt), P. Broughan (1.0).

#### North Kildare League U-11 (5-11-94) Maynooth 5.9 - Carbury 5.9

Conceding a first minute goal and a point soon after, Maynooth had a lot to do against a very lively Carbury team. However, with a four goal performance from Morgan Sweeney and Pierre Ennis kicking six great points some from 40 yards, it ended all square after a very exciting game of football.

**Team and scorers:-** A. Sweeney, K. Carr, A. Molloy, P. O'Rourke, P. Sheehan, G. Quinn, K. Gannon, M. Sweeney (4.0), D. Adderley (2pts), S. Curran, P. Ennis (6 pts), J. O'Neill, E. Holmes (1.1), B. Downey, P. Broughan.

#### U-13 Football 15/10/94

#### Maynooth 2.12 - Skerries Harps 1.5

Maynooth travelled to Skerries for a friendly and had a good win over the home side. With Peter Kinsella and Barry Doyle on top at midfield the forwards got a good supply of the ball and all six combined for some well taken scores. Skerries had a good spell midway through the second half but could find no way past the Maynooth defence with goalkeeper John Fagan, Daragh Carr, Shane Devereux, Conor Diggins and Noel Healy in splendid form.

Scorers: - P. Kinsella 1.1, M. Kavanagh 0.2, C. O'Malley 0.2, D. Lawler 1.0, C. Diggins 0.1, K. Ennis 0.1, T. Halton 0.1, A. McCarron 0.1, J. Connolly 0.1, S. Lennon 0.1, N. Browne 0.1.

**Team:** - J. Fagan, S. Pidgeon, D. Carr, S. McDermott, S. Devereux, C. Diggins, N. Healy, P. Kinsella, B. Doyle, K. Ennis, T. Halton, A. McCarron, M. Kavanagh, J. Connolly, C. O'Malley. **Subs:** - M. Dolan, S. Lennon, D. Lawler, I. Murray, N. Browne, S. Fleming.

Maynooth G.A.A. U 13 Football in Balyna 22-10-94

#### Balyna 1.15 - Maynooth 0.6

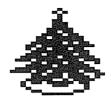
An under strength Maynooth team travelled to Balyna and were well beaten by a very strong home side. Scores were level in the early stages but as the game wore on Balyna began to dominate and only for some brilliant saves by goalkeeper John Fagan and good defensive work by Thomas Halton, Tommy Masterson, Shane Devereux and Noel Healy the score would have been much greater. Peter Kinsella and Conor Diggins had their moments at midfield and best of the forward line were Karl Ennis, Mark Kavanagh and David Campbell.

Scorers: - K. Ennis 0.2, M. Kavanagh 0.2, D. Campbell 0.1, J. Connolly 0.1.

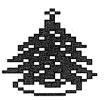
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#### U - 13 League 5-11-94

#### Maynooth 6.11 - Allenwood 2.4

A much stronger Maynooth side ran out easy winners against a lively Allenwood in the fifth round of the under 13 league. With the hard working Peter Kinsella and the stylish William Farrelly on top at midfield the forward line, brilliantly led by David Campbell and ably supported by Karl Ennis and Aiden McCarron picked off some great scores. The defence after a shaky opening quarter settled down well and dealt capably with anything that came their way.

**Best for Maynooth:-** Apart from those already mentioned were John Fagan, Alan Geoghan, Daragh Carr, Padraig O'Sullivan and Shane Devereux.

Scorers: - D. Campbell 1.3, S. Lennon 2.0, P. O'Sullivan 1.0, C. O'Malley 1.1, P. Kinsella 0.2, J. Connolly 1.0, K. Ennis 0.3, W. Farrelly 0.1, A. McCarron 0.1.

**Team:** - J. Fagan, A. Geoghan, D. Carr, S. McDermott, S. Devereux, C. Diggins, P. O'Sullivan, P. Kinsella, W. Farrelly, K. Ennis, D. Campbell, A. McCarron, S. Lennon, J. Connolly, C. O'Malley. Subs: - N. Browne, A. Nolan, I. Murray.

We would like to wish all our members, supporters, players, sponsors and all who helped our club in any way in 1994 A Very Happy Christmas And Prosperous New Year. See you all in 1995.

# Maynooth G.A.A. Golf Society: Result of outing to Kilcock Golf Club on 5th November, 1994:

Overall winner: - T. Fay (5) 41 pts.

Class 1:- 1st P. Comerford (13) 39 pts, 2nd E. Ledwith (8) 36 pts, 3rd D. Roberts (9) 35 pts.

Class 2: - 1st E. Dunne (16) 37 pts, 2nd M. McInerney (17) 35 pts, 3rd E. Fagan (17) 32 pts.

Class 3: - 1st V. Mulready (20) 25 pts, 2nd J. Butler (24) 25 pts, 3rd M. Gahan (18) 24 pts.

1st Nine:- J. Ryan 19 pts, 2nd Nine:- M. Doran 15 pts.

Ladies: - O. Roberts. Non prize winners: - N. Kerin and M. Ledwith.

Officers elected at our Annual General Meeting held in G.A.A. Club House on Monday 14th November. **President:** - Eddie Dunne, **Captain:** - Tommy Fay, **Secretary:** - Matt Doran, **Treasurer:** -Brendan Farrell, **Committee Member:** - Danny Casey, Sen.

We wish all golfers a Very Happy Christmas and a good golfing New Year.

**Lotto Result - 16-10-94: -** Jackpot £400. Numbers: 8-21-22. No winner.

5 x £10. Liam Leacy, David Carey, Aiden O'Rourke, Kit Edwards, Bernie King.

**Lotto Result - 23-10-94:**-Jackpot £450. Numbers: 19-20-30. No winner.

5 x £10. Eamon Dunne, May Mahoney, Ann Marie Lynch, David Jolly, Marine Doyle.

Lotto Result - 30-10-94: -Jackpot £500. Numbers: 2-18-30. No winner.

5 x £10. Martin McInerney, Catherine Flatherty, Séan Darcy, Dennis McCarthy, Colette O'Shea.

Lotto Result 6.11.94 Jackpot £550. Numbers 7-14-16. No. winner. Turkey: Tod Burke, Ham: Liam O'Toole, Btl Whiskey, Dan Casey (Jun.).

Lotto Result 13.11.94: Jackpot £600. Numbers 1-8-21. No winner. Turkey: Pauline Kerin, Ham: Ted Connolly, Btl Whiskey Pauline Burke.

We hold our Annual General Meeting on Sunday 11th December in Club House at 11.30 a.m. Mass for deceased members at 9.45 a.m.

We hold our Annual Dinner Dance on Friday 9th December in Club House at 8.30 p.m.

# Under 21 Football Championship Quarter Final Maynooth 1.9 Kill 1.6

Maynooth reached the semi-final of Under 21 Football Championship for the second year running where they will meet the winners of Ballykelly v Sallins. If Maynooth get over this game they will meet Kilcullen in the final.

The match v. Kill did not come to life till fifteen minutes from the end when Maynooth found themselves 2pts. down. At this stage Maynooth's David Mahoney playing at half back broke up field to score Maynooth's goal. From this stage to end Maynooth held out for a good win.

Maynooth Scorers:- Paul Garvey, 5 pts; David Mahoney 1 goal; Mark Nugent, 2 pts.; Joey Nevin 1 pt.; Hugh Purcell 1 pt. Also played well: Peter Burke, Ken Killoran (Man of the Match), G. Horn, Paul Flood, Mickey Noone.

#### Maynooth Win Junior Football League 1994 Maynooth 1.13 Leixlip 1.5

Maynooth won the replay of Junior Football League Final played in Maynooth. Making three changes from drawn match, bringing in E. Lyons, T. Farrell and D. Murray. It was D. Murray's free-taking that was the difference in the end. He scored five points from frees and by half time Maynooth had a two point lead - Maynooth 7 pts. Leixlip 1.2pts. Maynooth got on top in second half through the good work at centrefield by F. Devereux and D. Casey and gave their forwards plenty of ball and they took their scores well and ran out good winners in the end. Maynooth scorers: D. Murray 5 pts.; D. Fleming 1 goal 1 pt.; M. Nugent 3 pts.; M. Faherty 2 pts.; T. Farrell 1 pt.; F. Devereux 1 pt. Also played well: G. Delaney, P. Burke, P. Kearney, E. Lyons, G. Horn, D. Casey.

The Maynooth team: 1. G. Delaney, 2. P. Burke, 3. K. Dunne, 4. P. Kearney, 5. G. Horn. 6. J. O'Toole, 7. E. Lyons, 8. F. Devereux, 9. D. Casey, 10. M. Nugent, 11. M. Faherty, 12. T. Farrell, 13. D. Faherty, 14. D. Murray, 15. D. Fleming.

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Front L - R: Tom Coffey, Paraic Ward (Capt.), Mick Nevin, Joey Nevin, Sean Cushen, Paddy Boyce, Tom Farrell.

Maynooth Win Kildare Junior Hurling Championship Junior Hurling Championship final played in Leixlip on Sunday, 22nd October. Maynooth 1.13 pts. Clane 0.3 pts. Maynooth won this Junior Hurling Championship Final, their first since 1966, Maynooth having won Senior Hurling Championship in 1896, 1913, 1914, 1937, 1939 and Junior Hurling Championship in 1955, 1957, 1966 and now 1994. Maynooth were on top from the start, and playing with the wind were first to score a point by Joey Nevin after three minutes a further point by Tom Coffey and then a long clearance from Mick Nevin found Thomas Farrell and he cracked it to the net for Maynooth's only goal in the 10th minute and further points by Joey Nevin and Mick Barry in 11th and 12th minutes left Maynooth leading after 15 minutes by 1.4 to nil. Clane tried hard but Maynooth's defence held at bay and further points in the 16, 21, 23, 25, 27 minutes left Maynooth well on top before Clane got their first and only point of the first half by Joe Gleeson in the 29th minute to leave the half time score Maynooth 1-9 pts. Clane 1 pt. After the break Clane played with the wind but it was Maynooth who scored first, a point by Tom Coffey in the 32nd minute. Then Clane, playing their best hurling, scored 2 pts. in the 36th and 37th minutes by M. Ennis and P. Smith. But Clane could not add any more scores, because of Maynooth's defence well marshalled by Man of the Match Mick Nevin at centre half back and Killian Fagan at full back. It was not till the 53rd minute that Maynooth scored again, a point by Tom Coffey and further points by Thomas Farrell and Frank Desmond in the 54th and 56th minutes sealed victory for Maynooth, a victory well deserved on their performance. This win, the first in 28 years, will be a great help for our under age teams which are going very well at present.

Best for Maynooth: Tom Coffey 6 pts., Thomas Farrell 1 goal 1 pt., Joey Nevin 2 pts., Mick Barry 1 pt., Mick Nevin 1 pt., Johnny Nevin 1 pt., Frank Desmond 1 pt., Also to play well goalkeeper Andrew Fay, Paddy Boyce, Killian Fagan, Sean Cushen, Jimmy Cahill, Pascal Ennis, Hugh Nevin. For Clane best: J. Gleeson 1 pt., M. Ennis 1 pt., P. Smith 1 pt., P. Cribbin, R. Muloney.



Pat Nevin Manager Maynooth Junior Hurling Team with Paraic Ward Captain after Maynooth won Junior Hurling Championship. At back is selector Roddy Molloy

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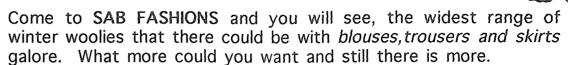
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#### MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Leinster Championship at Carbury 6/11/94

Results

Girls U.9

(13th) Muire Ennis.

Boys U.11

(43rd) Philip Campbell, (58) Sean Moriarty.

Girls U.13

(17) Lynn Brennan, (33) Alanah Murphy, (53) Niamh Moriarty.

Boys U.13

(6) Conor Diggins, (25) Karl Ennis.

Boys U.17 (8) Martin Cunningham (1st) Co. Team.

Novice

(9) John Campbell.

#### Kildare B. Championship at Salesian College 13/11/94.

John Campbell showed tremendous form by winning a gold medal in the Intermediate Eight Thousand Metre Championship at wet and windy Salesian College. Liam McNamee also finished strongly to take a bronze medal.

#### Results

Girls U.9

(5) Pauline Cushen

Boys U.9

(3) David Baxter

Boys U.11

(4) Alan Baxter

Girls U.13

(7) Ciara Baxter

#### Intermediate

(1) John Campbell, (3) Liam McNamee

We wish all our club members a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year. Go easy on the turkey.

# Kildare Cross Country Championship (Edenderry) 16/10/94

Thirteen athletes from Maynooth took part in the Juvenile Championship in Edenderry and came away with seven individual medals and a silver and bronze in team events. Muire Ennis U.9 and Therese McInerney U.13, both making their debut in Cross Country, won gold medals, while Patrick O'Rourke and David Campbell won silver in their respective events.

Results as follows

Girls U.9

Muire Ennis (1st), Shiován Nevin (11th).

Boys U.11

Patrick O'Rourke (2nd), Phillip Campbell (5th), Sean Moriarty (15th), Team (3rd).

Girls U.13

Therese McInerney (1st), Lynn Brennan (3rd), Alanah Murphy (8th), Niamh Moriarty (15th), Team (1st).

Boys U.13

David Campbell (2nd), Conor Diggins (3rd), Karl Ennis (Joint

**Boys U.17** 

Martin Cunningham (3rd).

#### Cross Country Kilcock 23/10/94

The second Kildare cross country championship, for Juvenile and vets, took place in Kilcock and Maynooth Athletes took home 5 individual medals plus one team award. David Campbell U.12 and Lynn Brennan also U.12 took gold medals, while in the mens vets Liam McNamee O.45 won a gold medal and John Campbell O.35 took silver.

#### Results

Boys U.10

P. Campbell (3rd), D. Baxter (14th).

Girls U.10

P. Cusheen (19th).

Boys U.12

D. Campbell (1st), A. Baxter (9th), S. Moriarty (12th).

Girls U.12

L. Brennan (1st), P. Byrne (5th), A. Murphy (6th).

Boys U.14

C. Diggins (4th), D. O'Rourke (6th).

Girls U.14

M. O'Sullivan (4th), N. Moriarty (12th).

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J. Campbell (2nd) O.35, L. McNamee (1st) O.45.

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With the fine weather of the past weeks it has been possible to open fully on the good greens. Early closing was the only problem due to the short days. Our hope would be to continue in this way right through the winter unless restricted by bad weather.

On my own behalf and that of Thomas, I would like to thank all our players from far and near, people who organised groups and who took part in competitions for their support during the year. We wish you a happy and enjoyable Christmas and look forward to your company in the New Year.

We will be closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day re-opening for St. Stephen's Day.

#### MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Our second term begins on November 26th and will continue for ten weeks. Fees and dates for Christmas holidays will be given to members. Our senior group are taking part in their life saving programme about this time. We wish them every success. On behalf of our members and committee I would like to wish our colleague Claire O'Rourke a speedy recovery. Also, we take this opportunity to wish all our members, swimming instructors, bus drivers, the staff of Stewart's Hospital swimming pool and all parents who helped with the bus runs, a very happy and peaceful Christmas. Also, best wishes to the staff of the **Newsletter** for Christmas and continued success in the New Year.

Claire O'Rourke Margaret O'Neill P.R.O.

#### MAYNOOTH TAE KWON-DO

Members of Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School took part in an 'open' martial arts tournament which was held in The National Basketball Arena at the end of October. It was an all-day event and Maynooth's delegation did quite well.

Taking prizes were:

Donal McCarthy: 1st in Patterns. Catherine Duff: 3rd in Patterns.

Emma Kilduff: 3rd in Patterns and 2nd in Free-Sparring.

Keith Fleming: 2nd in Free-Sparring. Joanne Smith: 2nd in Free-Sparring.

Stephen Hallinan: 1st in Free-Sparring.

Eloise Mac An Airchinnigh: 1st in Free-Sparring and 2nd in Patterns.

This was an excellent overall result for Maynooth. The members will now compete in our own National Championships on December 11th. One of the school's black-belts, Cian McGinley 1st Dan, is presently in training to represent Ireland in this year's European Junior Championships which may be held in Romania or Spain. Fund-raising is underway, but we are always anxious to hear from potential sponsors!

In the course of that busy weekend in October, the founder of Tae Kwon-Do in Ireland, 8th Degree Master Ki Ha Rhee set a grading examination for the R.I.T.A. Maynooth's Tae Kwon-Do instructor Gerard McClelland, came through this examination and has now been promoted to 4th Degree Black Belt. This was a fine achievement and Gerard's next task is to become an International Instructor.

Assistant Instructors Sean Foy 2nd Dan and Antoinette Mooney 2nd Dan, are taking on beginners from age 8 to 14 on Mondays in the Parish Hall, Maynooth, at 6 pm.

Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School has become very very strong over the past number of years and is looking ahead to many more in the promotion of self-defence in the area.

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Our recent cabaret show to celebrate our 25th Anniversary was a huge success. Held in Maynooth College Students Union Complex and featuring the ever popular Guinness Jazz Band the show was one of the most enjoyable functions held at the venue for a long time.

Our thanks to the college authorities for the use of the premises for the event. Our thanks also to Guinness, Ireland for providing the entertainment and to Sean Fagan whose persuasive powers acquired the Band for the evening.

We were honoured by the attendance of a number of officials from the various leagues. Among the attendance were Sean Brodie (Dublin Women's League), Richie Kennedy and Bill Whelan (Leinster Junior League), Shay Weafer (Man. Utd. Supporters Club), Deputy Emmett Stagg T.D. (Hon. Club President), John and Eithne Carey (Club Sponsors), Noel Brady Clock House (Club Sponsor).

In his welcoming address, Chairman Michael Dempsey thanked the large attendance for their support on the evening and for the last twenty five years. His wish for the future was to win some of the major senior trophies and reinstate ourselves among the top junior teams in Leinster. Our ladies team and schoolboys have been among the honours in recent seasons and we hope to reap the benefit of those successes in the near future.



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It was good to see some of our former players once again taking part in the festivities. Players of former years dusted down the old boots and bandages to do battle once more.

Our under eighteen team of a few years back took on the 2nd team in the morning game where a close encounter saw some exhilarating football played in sporting fashion. In the afternoon our 1st team played our 1977 Sheeran Cup Final Team. Every effort was made to ensure a draw but with the light fading the final whistle was blown. The final score is still in doubt and is going to arbitration for final settlement.

Our senior player of the year awards were held over for the evening celebrations and were made during the cabaret interval. 1st team player of the year went to Fergal Barton while Dave Faherty took the 2nd team award. Presentations were made by John and Eithne Carey (Sponsors).

Niall Naughton received the Schoolboys U/15 player of the year while Antoinette Mooney received the ladies award. Presentations on behalf of the club were made to the Leinster Junior League, John and Eithne Carey, Bradys Clock House, Man. Utd. Supporters Club in recognition of their support down through the years. A special long service award was made to Paul Mc Court. Richie Kennedy presented the club with an inscribed silver salver in recognition of the club's continued membership of the Leinster Junior League.

The club would like to extend the compliments of the Festive Season to all our friends and supporters.

The bad weather is beginning to take its toll and a number of games have already been postponed.

#### F.A.I. Junior Cup

#### Maynooth Town W.O. St. Aengus Mountrath (Scr.)

This eagerly awaited 1st round clash fell through on the eve of the game with our Co. Laois opponents having difficulty in fielding a team.

#### Leinster Junior Shield

#### Maynooth Town 1 Park Orient 3

Maynooth will feel disappointed at going out of the shield in such tame fashion. We could never stamp our authority on the game and as a consequence paid the penalty. A Barry Farrell goal just wasn't enough to ensure our passage to the next round.

#### Division I

#### Maynooth Town 2 Sarto Celtic 3

Tony Kearns was Maynooth's man of the match with two expertly taken goals but his efforts were all in vain. Sarto would not give up the cause and battled away to grab a fortunate win with two late goals.

#### Division III

#### Maynooth Town 4 Cuffe Celtic 2

Maynooth only had to play at half pace to take both points in a tame encounter.

Goals by John Geoghegan, Tony Kearns, Barry Farrell and Colm Carroll made up the home scoreline.

#### **Division III**

#### Maynooth Town 2 St. Vincents 0

This was a very good performance against noted tough rivals St. Vincents. A sound team effort with goals from Barry Farrell and Michael Murphy ensuring two valuable points.

#### U/16 Coca Cola Cup

#### Maynooth Town 7 Kilnamanagh 3

After an evenly contested first half, Maynooth pulled out all the stops after the interval to run out easy winners. A feature of the game was a hat trick each for Jason Miley and Niall Daly. Martin Byrne completed the Maynooth scoring.

#### U/11 B1

#### Lucan Utd. 0 Maynooth Town 4

It looked as if this would be a close game at half time with neither side able to break down stubborn defences and the scoreline remained blank. Maynooth hit top form after the break and goals by Dean Conway (2), Joe Fleming and Gary McMahon ensured a good win.

#### U/13 B1

#### Maynooth Town 2 Mountview 0

Goals by Thomas Geraghty and Andy Madden gave Maynooth two much needed points in a hard earned win over stubborn opposition.

#### U/16 B

#### Maynooth Town 1 Neilstown 1

A lone goal by Alan Doyle gave Maynooth a share of the points in this dour battle against a very strong Neilstown side.

#### U/11 B1

#### Bohemians 0 Maynooth Town 3

This was a cracking performance by Maynooth who never allowed the opposition to settle into their usual free flowing style. Two goals by Gary McMahon and one by Dean Conway gave Maynooth victory.



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# MAYNOOTH SWIMMING AND WATER POLO CLUB

St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

On behalf of the swimming and water polo club in the college, I wish to sincerely thank all the businesses in the town for your support in our recent table quiz. The quiz itself was an outstanding success with a turnout in excess of one hundred and seventy people. I hope, therefore, that your business will receive an increase in turnover due to the publicity we were more than happy to give you. The prize that you donated was gratefully appreciated by both the club and the prize-winners.

In my capacity as the club's president I look forward to a close working relationship with yourself and the other businesses in the town. The money raised by the quiz will be put to great use in the coming weeks in our efforts to increase awareness of the college and town, in the forth-coming water polo tournament in Clonmel. I would hope that at some stage in the not too distant future that your kind support could be relied upon again.

Siobhán McLoughlin President

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#### TUG-O-WAR REPORT

#### The Hitchin' Post Cup

The Hitchin' Post Cup was re-run on Sunday, 30th October. Due to the holiday weekend it was not as well attended or as successful as we would have wished. However, two local sides put on a tough and entertaining display and with their presence, dedication and commitment helped save the tournament.

It was a day on which Maynooth tug-o-war was on trial. The competition was in jeopardy. To the rescue came men like Martin Tarpey, Eamon Gallagher, Des and Tom Madden. Michael O'Rourke returned from his sojourn in Co. Clare.

Larry McEvoy, in the spirit of the occasion, split up his forces in an effort to provide two fairly equal teams. Later Larry's generosity proved not to be to his advantage but his sportsmanship and help was appreciated by all.



Back L - R: Eamon Gallagher, Seamus Cawley, Sam Feeney and George Gallagher, Middle: Declan Dufficey, Des Madden, Chris Morohan and Donal Finnan. Front: John Gallagher, Michael O'Rourke (Capt) and Ray Leavey.

#### The Teams

The rope was laid out and on one side we had Brady's 'A' comprised of George Gallagher, Michael O'Rourke, Anthony Mooney, Donal Finnan, Raymond Leavey, Tom Ward, Liam Fitzharris and myself. Our coach was John Gallagher with young Jonathan as waterman. The opposing side were the Hitchin' Post made up of Larry McEvoy, Peter Dommigan, Martin Murray, Eamon Gallagher, Martin Tarpey, Paddy Reid, Tom Corscadden and Ray Ward. Coach was the renowned P.J. Bennett with Des Madden assisting with the smooth running of the competition. The man in the middle was referee Declan Dufficy from Leixlip.

#### Contest

The contest got underway with some tough holding as the two teams got to grips with each other. Brady's gained some early ground but McEvoy and his mates used their weight to pound them with a rapid succession of heaves. (One of them was an even bigger heave than what recently took place in Fianna Fail.) Brady's were in trouble and anchorman

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No-one looked forward to the next pull. Both teams were visibly tired as they changed sides. In the second pull the eyes were bulging in the contorted faces of the Brady's team as they knew they were in a battle. The Hitchin' Post team piled on unrelenting pressure anchored by the legendary Martin Murray, combined with the strength of Peter Dommigan, the former Sallins puller, and the giant figure of Larry McEvoy. However, they were well balanced by Michael O'Rourke who is fast becoming the No.1 anchorman in pub pulling along with the iron willed George Gallagher on the rope and the well respected Liam Fitzharris were giving nothing away. There was little between the teams and all it took was someone to slip and fall on the opposing side to give Bradys the edge and after much struggling they inched past the red flag to claim victory.

Raymond Leavey, making his debut, along with Martin Tarpey, Eamon Gallagher, Tom Madden, Paddy Reid and Anthony Mooney all gave good accounts of themselves and without their help the competition would have had to be abandoned. Capt. Michael O'Rourke proudly brought the Cup back to Brady's where locals are conspiring to keep it for the next hundred years. The tug-o-war people are very grateful to Ken Mulvany of the Hitchin' Post for his generous sponsorship of the event. He is considering backing the event next year if it is run earlier and better planned. This gives us all something to look forward to in 1995. There were some great celebrations after the event with sing-songs in the Hitchin' Post and Brady's.



Brady's Team mates, Michael O'Rourke (Captain) and George Gallagher (Manager) share the Hitchin' Post Cup.

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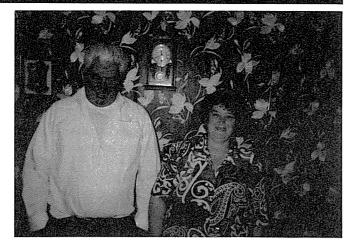
On behalf of all involved in the tug-o-war, I wish to thank most sincerely all our sponsors in 1994, without whose help we would have nothing to crow about. They are: The Hitchin' Post, The Roost, Brady's The Clock House, The GAA Club, The Leinster Arms, Caulfields and Brendan Cawley, we do not forget your help.

#### Season's Greetings

On behalf of our members I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thanks for your participation and support, this year. We need more pullers, more singers and more new songs for the next season. Roll on 1995. Also congratulations to Larry and Kay McEvoy who recently celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary.

Willie Healy.

### Political Party Notes



Larry and Kay McEvoy of Greenfield who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on October 30th.

#### DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

#### Maynooth Faces Rezoning Threat.

Maynooth could become an indiscriminate sprawl of housing estates, if land rezoning proposals currently before Kildare County Council are accepted. The Council will be considering a new development plan for the Maynooth area at its meeting on December 2nd. Applications by local landowners for the rezoning of up to 500 acres of land will be before the Council. This will include, for example, most of the land along the Dublin Road between Maynooth and Carton Estate.

Maynooth has experienced a very rapid housing development in recent years. Despite this, there is still sufficient land left which was rezoned under the previous development plan to accommodate a further 5,000 residents. Democratic Left believes that this should be adequate to cater for the growth of Maynooth over the next five years. Any further development will put an intolerable strain on local services (schools, water supply, sewerage, roads etc.) and on the quality of the environment.

#### **The Development Plan Process**

After the County Council reviews the draft Development Plan in December, it will be placed in public display in Maynooth Public Library for a period of three months. Any community group or member of the public may examine the plan and make representations to the County Council if they wish. These representations will be taken into account when the County Council discusses the plan for a second time after this three-month period has expired. The plan, as amended, will then be put on public display for a further period of one month before the Council makes its final decision.

A major weakness with this arrangement is that the proposed rezonings will not be included when the draft plan is first put on display - these are only included for the second display period. This leaves local groups and individuals very little time to consider the proposals and organise opposition (if they so wish). Accordingly, Councillor Catherine Murphy will be proposing at the December meeting that a map including all the rezoning applications which have been received so far should be put on public display immediately.



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#### Political Party Notes

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#### **Proper Planning Needed**

It is important for the public to appreciate the need for proper local planning. First of all, planning should be in the broad community interest, not in the interest of particular groups, such as property owners or developers. Planning needs to be balanced, so that housing is provided in tandem with the services which housing requires, such as shopping, schools, and transport. Planning also needs to be environmentally sensitive. Green belts are needed to maintain the separate identities of communities. If all the rezoning proposals for the Maynooth area are accepted, Maynooth and Celbridge will become a single built-up area.

#### **Community Involvement**

It is vital that the local community be properly consulted in the planning process. The public must be in possession of accurate and impartial information in order to allow them to participate effectively in this process. Communities must also be prepared to organise themselves in defence of their interests. In the recent review of the Leixlip Development Plan, the views of the local Councillors were overridden by Councillors from other parts of the county who showed no concern for local wishes. This is a denial of democracy.

Councillor Catherine Murphy will be contacting Residents' Associations and other groups in Maynooth advising them of the progress of the plan and inviting representations. In the meantime, if any individual or group requires further information on the issue, Catherine Murphy may be contacted at 46 Leixlip Park, Leixlip (Tel: 6244903).

#### MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

#### **Maynooth Development Plan**

The Celbridge Area Committee will be considering the rezoning applications on 2nd December. There are applications with Kildare County Council for the rezoning of 500 acres from agriculture to housing. The existing zoning in Maynooth allows for the near doubling of the present population. Cllr. John McGinley will not be supporting this proposed massive scale rezoning which would turn Maynooth into a concrete jungle.

#### The Square Maynooth

The toilet block will be demolished within the next 6 months as part of the Straffan Road Project. Cllr. John McGinley has asked Kildare County Council to scrap their plans for a pagoda and fountain for the square and to instead adopt the plain approach proposed by the Office of Public Works.

#### Main Street Footpaths

The Department of the Environment has recently made £500,000 available to Kildare County Council for use in the three towns of Maynooth, Leixlip and Kilcock. Cllr. John McGinley has proposed that a significant proportion of this be used in Maynooth in view of the Bi-centenary celebrations. The County Manager has agreed to this so Maynooth can look forward to the undergrounding of E.S.B. wires, re-paving of footpaths, installation of appropriate lights and street furniture within the next year.

#### The Castle

£1m is due to be spent by the Office of Public Works on this project. Cllr. John McGinley attended a presentation of the plan by the Office of Public Works on 9th November. The essence of the plan is to create a public park in the Parson Street/Castle Area by removing the college gates and the railings around the castle and St. Mary's Church. The keep of the castle would be roofed with a flat lead roof and rooms would be created inside the keep. The plan is far thinking and very impressive and will transform Maynooth into something which we can all be proud of. Cllr. John McGinley will be ensuring that Kildare County Council's plans for Maynooth are in line with the Office of Public Work's plans.

#### BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Ashling Bean at Nuada Dunboyne Rd, Maynooth, who celebrates her 9th birthday on December the 14th. with love from her daddy, mammy, brothers Brian, Conor and grandparents.

Happy Birthday to Jim Smyth (Butcher) Main Street, Maynooth, who celebrates his birthday on the 16th of December. Best wishes from all his customers and friends.

Birthday greetings to Clare McTernan, Greenfield whose Birthday was December 12th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, brother Gerard, grannies and grandad.

Birthday greetings to Trevor Naughton, Greenfield age 13, on November 19th and his sister Aimée age 5, November 29th. Best wishes from Mammy, Daddy, brother Darran and sister Cheryl.

Belated Happy Birthday to Antoinette on her 18th Birthday from Mam and Dad, Martina, Jackie and Tony. Happy Birthday Paula from Anto.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Martin Foy Parsons Street Maynooth and Margaret Martin St. Patrick's Park, Celbridge who were married in St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge on Saturday October 29th. Their Reception was in the Hotel Keadeen, Newbridge and their Honeymoon was on Canary Island. They will live in Newtown Court, Maynooth. Best wishes from your families and all your friends.

Congratulations to Alan Bradley who has now opened the Kiosk at Maynooth Railway Station. Good luck from his family and many friends.

To congratulate Eileen Reidy from Travel Options of Reidys Public House in Celbridge who got engaged to Douglas Walsh from Maynooth Park son of Tom and Breda Walsh. They got engaged in Cyprus and hope to marry in June '96. This comes with Best Wishes from the girls in Travel Options and their families and friends. Eileen is the youngest daughter of Mick and Mary Reidy.

Congratulations to John and Audrey Lamb on the birth of their baby twins Sean and Shannen, a little brother and sister for Nicole. Love from the Kilduff family of O'Neill Park.

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