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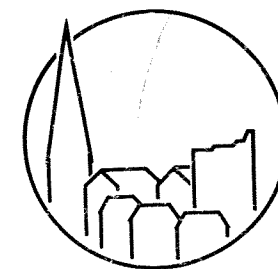
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the **Newsletter** exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with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

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.

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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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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 January.

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 newly-constituted 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.

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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-Chairperson - 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!

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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 Christmas 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 Bodinstown 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 Wednesday 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 refugees 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.

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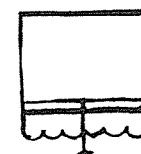
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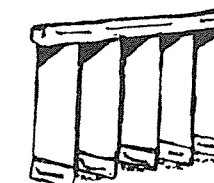
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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

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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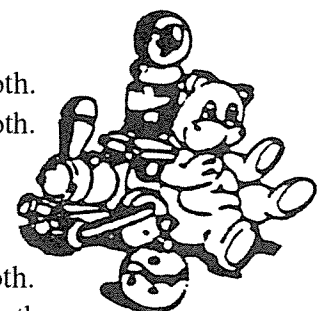
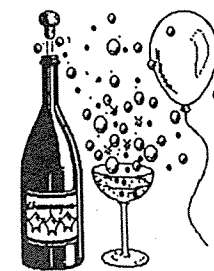
- 1st. - Monster Hamper - Lima Higgins, Greenfield, Maynooth.
- 2nd. - £50 - Aidan Siggins, 39 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.
- 3rd. - £25 - John Kiernan, Summerhill.

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.



Clubs, Organisations, Societies

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 non-alcoholic 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, McMyers, 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, Tinkerbelle 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.

*Hugh O Dwyer
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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 tranquility. 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 lymphatic 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".

Anne O' Neill



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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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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).

GARDA TALK

Safe Driving Precautions

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 contemplating 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 alert.
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 Gardaí 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 necessity, 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 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 momentarily and forgetting to replace them. Believe it or not, the alarm doesn't work without batteries and would just be a useless fixture.

If 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 !!

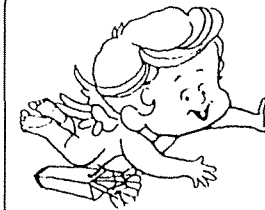
The basic things that Lenny referred to as priorities if a fire breaks out in your house are (1) Get everyone out of the house; (2) Call the Fire Brigade at once. Please note that all calls are taken in good faith. Even if you think there is a risk, don't be afraid to pick up that phone. And in case 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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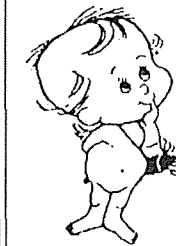
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HURRICANE NELLY

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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MAYNOOTH COLLEGE PLATE



Many years ago the College produced a plate, something like the sketch shown, perhaps to commemorate its Centenary in 1895. It was about eight inches in diameter with a serrated edge and bore a picture of the College.

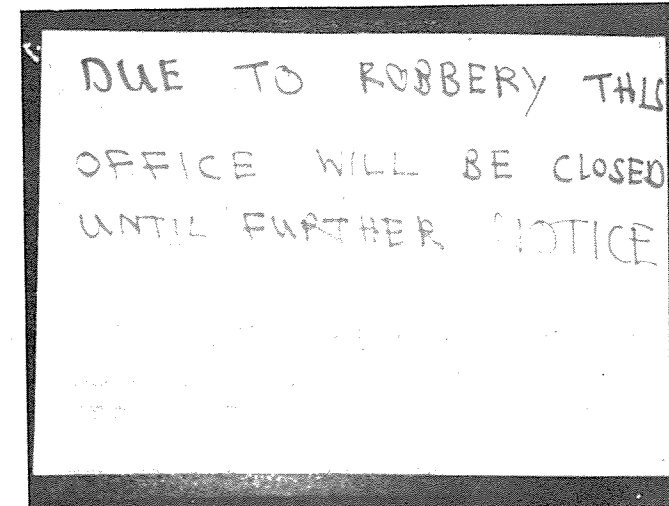
These plates were common in Maynooth houses in years gone by; but my enquiries so far have failed to locate one.

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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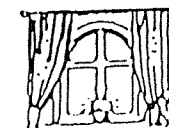
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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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 winning 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 Commene 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

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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 enhancement 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 Square, Dublin.

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 future.

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PREDICTIONS FOR 1994 (part 1)

January.

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.

February.

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. Kil-dare reach the League Final. There is much excitement in the county and hopes are high. Dublin win the final 3-19 to 0-5.

May

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 thingamejig. 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 Quinn, 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'Connell 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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DECEMBER RELEASES

- 1 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 3
- 6 Death in Small Doses
- 6 Murder Between Friends
- 7 Swing Kids
- 7 Cemetery Club
- 8 Groundhog Day
- 8 Frozen Assets
- 8 Lucky Like
- 8 A Bear Named Arthur
- 8 12.01
- 9 Solar Crisis
- 15 Falling Down
- 15 Map of the Human Heart
- 22 Cliffhanger
- 22 Benny and Joon
- 29 Prophet of Evil
- 31 The Last Hit
- 31 Interceptor
- 31 Fire in the Sky
- 31 The Temp

JANUARY RELEASES

- 5 Close to Eden
- 5 An Innocent War
- 5 To Be The Best
- 5 The Last Action Hero
- 10 The Vanishing
- 10 Hostile Intent
- 10 Intent to Kill
- 10 In Too Deep
- 17 Blood Stream
- 17 Blue Flame
- 17 Betrayed By Love
- 18 The Assaassin
- 18 Street Wise
- 19 Day of Atonement
- 19 Jason Goes To Hell
- 19 The Hidden 11
- 21 Bodysnatchers
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ignore both rhyme and metre's call,

Unite, bad poets of the world
to honour Great McGonagall."

Stuart Lane does not ignore metre's call in these poems. He casts a wry eye not only over the world of bad poetry but in his parodies of the various genres in this collection, he shows us that he has both wit and style. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading "Blood and Guts". I hope this is the first volume of many more to come. This book makes ideal reading for the festive season.

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PLAY REVIEW "THE FAITH HEALER"

Maynooth College 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.

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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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Serves: 6
Prep: 15 mins
Cook: 30 mins
Cals per portion: 420

A simple baked version of pasta carbonara - pasta in a cream and egg sauce.

1 lb/450g pasta shapes
2oz/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.

QUEEN 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 1 1/2 pint (845 ml) oval pie-dish.

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 golden-brown.

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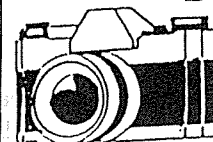
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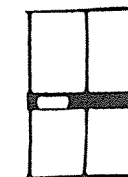
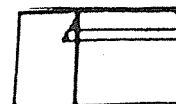
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The first of January may herald the start of a new calendar year but, as far as the gardener is concerned, spring is more often than not regarded as the start of the gardening year. Nonetheless, in January some plants do begin to flower, snowdrops, 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 rigorously 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 scrambled 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.

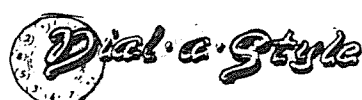
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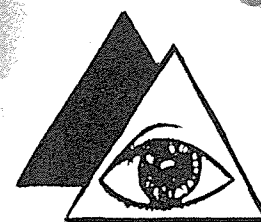
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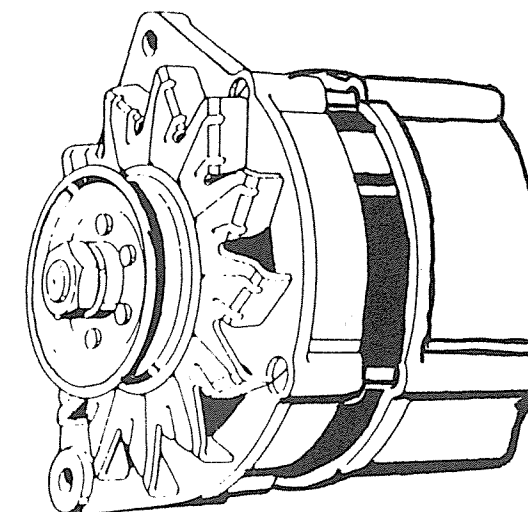
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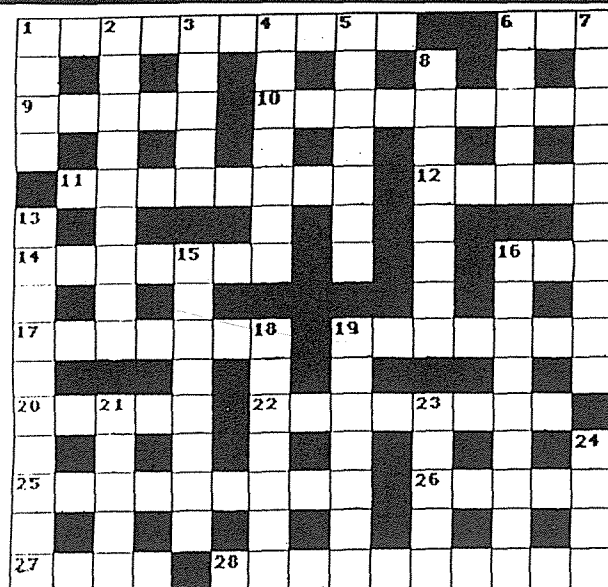
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ACROSS

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. Thor 14. Eels 16. Reds 18. Heathery 20. Aerobics 21. Announce 23. Otters 25. Dabble 26. Nobles 28. Occult.

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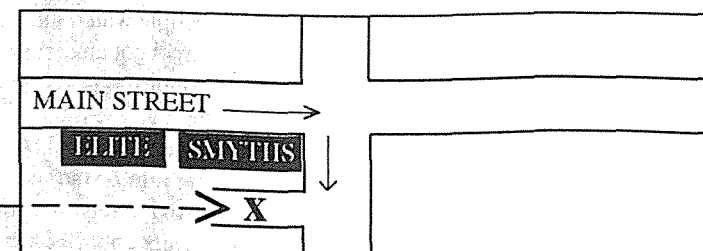
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COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

One of the gréat 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 near-sighted 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 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

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!

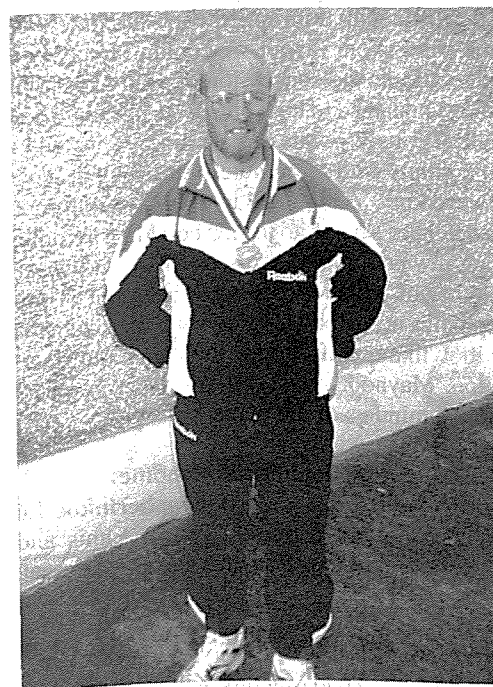
Meanwhile the happy Irish party headed back to St. Patrick's Hotel and proceeded to drink the bar dry having restrained themselves this far.

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) Kilkenny 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 comfortably 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 Sallins 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, Molloy, 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; Pascal 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.

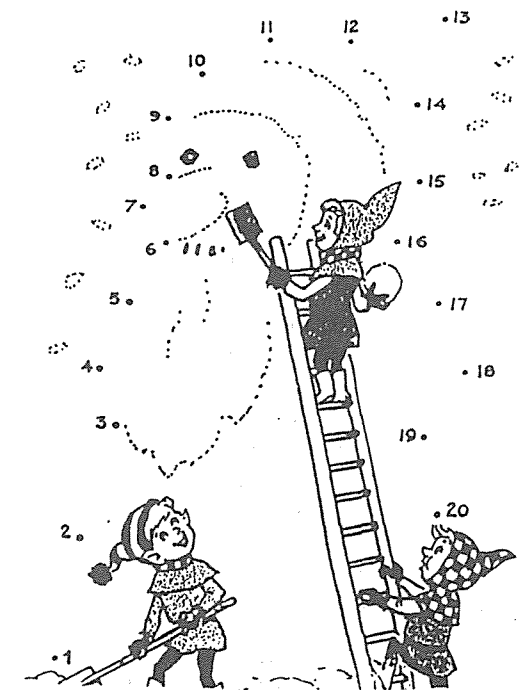
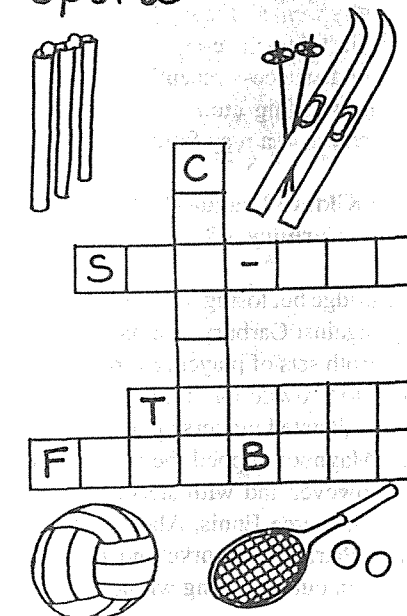
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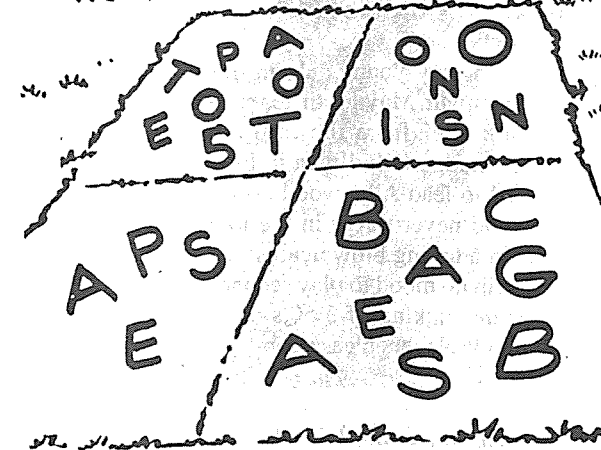
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8 - 12 YEARS

- 1st **Mark Cummins**
 Crewhill, Maynooth
- 2nd **Eibhlin Carr**
 6 Rockfield Manor, Maynooth
- 3rd **Sallyann O'Reilly**
 493 Mariaville, Moyglare Rd., Maynooth

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 Under 14'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 mid-field 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 Row 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 from 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.

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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.

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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.

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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 school-boys 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 Seagrang Utd. 2

(Seagrang 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. Seagrang 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

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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. Seagrang 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. Seagrang got a late equaliser to force the game into extra time which proved scoreless. In the resulting penalty shoot-out Seagrang 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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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 Kilcloone. XXXX

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 wishes from Sylvia and family.

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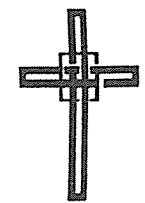
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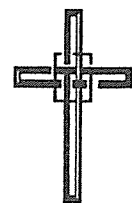
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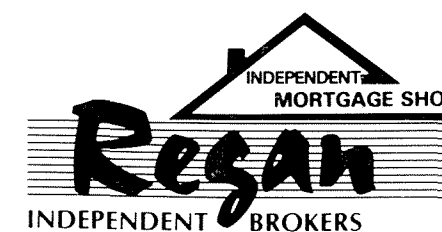
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