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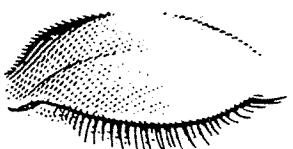
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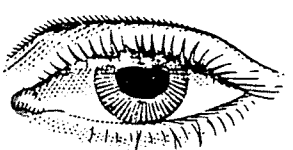
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Yours sincerely

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Re-zoning

Many of you may have seen the posters against the rezoning of St. Catherine's on the outskirts of Leixlip and wondered what they were all about. It is that time of the decade again when the local Councillors discuss the re-zoning of land in County Kildare. It will be the turn of Maynooth very soon. The Celbridge Area Committee of the County Council are to discuss the re-zoning of land in Maynooth possibly by the end of November. It is very important that local groups and individuals make themselves aware of and interested in this process.

Maynooth is a town that has grown rapidly over the last twenty years and will continue to grow, but growth should be planned rather than piecemeal. It is essential to remember that growth in a town such as Maynooth without the facilities to sustain the people who live here may lead to many problems later on. So become interested in your town and its future, get in touch with your local councillor for information and when the plan emerges express your opinion.

Summer Project

The summer project gives lots of fun and enjoyment to the children of Maynooth throughout the summer months. It would be a shame to see, its decline. As with all voluntary organisations it is difficult to retain membership over a long period and the summer project committee are now experiencing this problem. Parents who have had children in the project and who know how much enjoyment it gives should now think of going forward as committee members for it to continue successfully.

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Dear Editor

Recently a crew of Kildare "contractors" who were hired by Waterford County Council, were disconnecting a water supply in County Waterford, when they were surrounded and held captive in their Kildare registered van by angry residents. One wonders if this was the same crew who are alleged to have intimidated local Maynooth residents in the recent past. If it was I hope it has tamed their exuberance somewhat, or was it 'contractors' from Waterford?

Leo Armstrong


A Chara

For years we have had to endure heavy taxation and wage restraint to help rescue our country from bankruptcy and to provide for our less well off citizens. This was the "gospel" preached by consecutive governments; "there just isn't enough money to go around... when we examined the books etc etc..." Then they found millions to refurbish the Taoiseach's office and while social welfare recipients and old age pensioners got very meagre increases, they were even prepared to expose the taxpayer to a liability of over a hundred million punts in insurance cover for meat exports to Iraq. Then on the subsequent beef tribunal they ran up bills approximating thirty million punts, by literally giving the legal profession a blank cheque. There weren't too many difficult forms to be filled out or prying questions asked here.

So was it really a surprise when we heard that government ministers and top civil servants were awarding themselves without quibble a 20% wage rise? T.D's also gave themselves a generous increase. Financial rectitude took the day off to celebrate the Northern ceasefire. While they are waving the banner of peace before our eyes, we are waving it at the bank Manager, only he's not looking. Not content to smile into their pockets, what happened next only the smug Mr. Bern, Finance Minister, having greatly enriched himself, came on the "This Week" radio programme on Sunday 18th September to discuss spending cuts - no bother to him.

Must surely fill many people with unease and contempt for the way our democracy is being abused. We can now truly see who is really benefiting from the infamous national consensus, that has existed hitherto. This whole episode of wanton greed and detachment from reality means that when they start to preach about restraint again, their words will sound very hollow indeed. Yes, they have very hard necks and they have got away with this kind of thing in the past but I seriously doubt if they will find the people so understanding anymore. Even among sheep there is always a ram that will pucker you!

Yours
Willie Healy




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At present there is a Community group working in the cemetery. However, there is a need for greater effort by the Community to tidy up various areas of the cemetery, for example, around the Church and the older gravestones and the green area not as yet in use. To this end The Community Council has granted a sum of money to be used for refuse collection and grass and bramble cutting purposes. Individuals interested in helping in this project should contact the Community Council Office ph: 6285922.



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For your information the use of the Harbour Field is as follows:

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OMHAIRLE SÁBHÁILTEACHT ÁISIÚNTA

National Safety Council

Lectures on "Fire Safety in the Home" plus "Road Safety". September 1994 - March 1995. Dublin and a radius of 25 miles of City Centre.

The National Safety Council has set up a panel of speakers to give lectures on the subjects of "Fire Safety in the Home" and "Road Safety" to interested groups, as outlined above during the seven month period September 1994 to March 1995.

Their specialist speaker will undertake this lecture in the evening commencing 7.30/8.00pm on Monday through to

Thursday nights. The lecture will last approx 1hr. 15mins. and will be complemented by a video, question and answer session and leaflet distribution.

The availability of this service is confined to groups operating within a radius of 25 miles of Dublin City Centre and is totally free of charge. Booking should be made at least 14 days in advance of the intended night to avoid disappointment. It is envisaged that a minimum of 25 members would be present at the lecture meeting.

If any Resident Association, group or individual is interested in attending this lecture they should contact the Community Council before the end of October.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

The present Planning & Development Community Employment Scheme is finishing at the end of October. This scheme undertook work planned by the Tidy Towns Committee. It has been decided that the Tidy Towns Committee will now run this scheme themselves, starting hopefully in the New Year.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

At time of writing we are currently awaiting the results of the Bórd Fáilte Tidy Towns 1994 Competition.

We will of course publish these results next month with an invitation to discuss these results at an open meeting of the Tidy Towns Group.

Did you notice two new bins?!!! These bins after much discussion, have been provided by Kildare County Council.

This is the style of bin we would hope to see throughout Maynooth.

Finally, thanks to the S.E.S. workers and to all residents' associations and business premises who helped in any way to improve this year. We say a big "Thank You".

Richard Farrell,
P.R.O.



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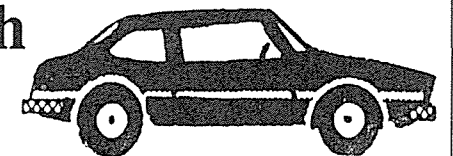
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BAND BULLETIN

This month's BULLETIN is in an In-Between situation where we can't report on the late September events and are too early to mention in detail the November happenings but here goes, I'll just press the keys and see what comes out.

Flag Week-End

We would like to thank all who supported our Annual Flag Week-End last month. I'm afraid we did not do as well as in previous years which was nothing to do with Public Support at all to do with Summer Holidays. So many of our members were away for that week-end that we just did not have the bodies to reach those who would have willingly filled our buckets. However we'll make sure to get it right next year.

The Curragh Races

That is by now an annual trip to the Moyglare Stud meeting the Curragh went very smoothly last month. We enjoyed the day, got a chance to have a flutter on hot tips on horses with cold feet and make sure that the weather was fine. Yes, as it may seem, it has not rained in three visits to the Curragh this year and the Racecourse Committee are finally thinking of adopting us.

Arda Band Concert

The Concert in the Aula Maxima on 30th September is just being organised at the time of writing and we hope to report a most successful night in the next BULLETIN

Coming Events

Two very important events in the Band's calendar, the Annual Mass for Deceased Members and our Annual Race Night take place in November and the dates for both will appear next month. In relation to the Race Night we have been very fortunate in the past to have had a queue of businesses and individuals all anxious to sponsor races or horses. If you would like to sponsor a Race (£50) or a horse for £10 you should contact Michael Dempsey (6286948) or Paddy Boyd (6285033) or 6289133 work) as soon as possible to make sure you are included.

That's about it for this month, see you all here again in November.

CELBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB

The Celbridge Camera Club held a very successful Annual Exhibition in the Slip Hall in Celbridge on the weekend of 3rd/4th September last. Over three hundred images on display covered a wide range of subjects. Best Overall was won by Liam Reilly of Maynooth, an acknowledged leading exponent of black and white photography.

The Club was founded ten years ago. Affiliated to the Irish Photographic Federation, it has become one of the top clubs in the country. It has a busy programme, in addition to competitions, of guest speakers, practical demonstrations and hands-on workshops.

There is a very strong social aspect to the club and an especially friendly ethos. Members come from a wide area of Dublin, Meath and Kildare. The vitality of the club owes a lot to a constant flow of new members, most of whom start with the Beginners' Course run each year. The course covers the very basics from pointing the camera to processing your first roll of film.

The Club meets on Monday nights in the Slip Hall beside Castletown Gates, at 8.00 o'clock and will be enrolling for this year's Beginners Course which starts on Monday, 19th September at 7p.m.

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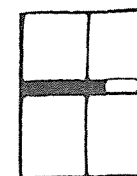
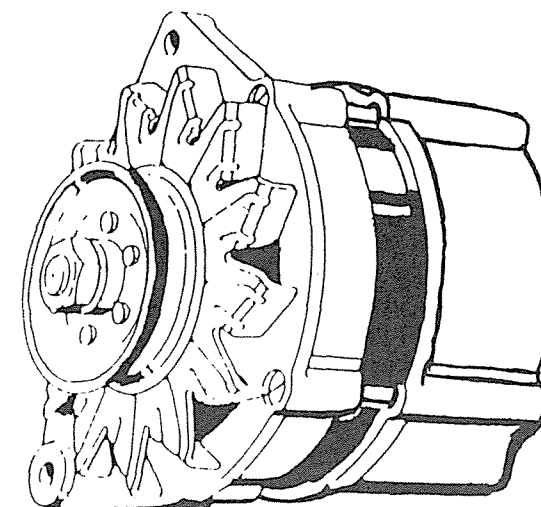
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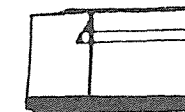
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N.I.C. NOTES

Women in the Home and Old Age Pensions

New regulations for Contributory Old Age Pensions have just been made. This should make it easier for people who take some time off work to care for family members to qualify for pensions. This new regulation will be of significance to a number of women who are now carers but some of the coverage it has received has suggested that it is much more significant than it actually is. (It applies in exactly the same way to men who are carers but, in practice, it is likely to affect far more women than men). It will affect people who are now carers and who will be in the future; it does not affect those who were carers before April 1994 and it will not be of much importance to those who give up work permanently. It will be of great importance for those who work outside the home for a number of years, then spend a number of years as carers and then return to the workforce. It will not affect most people for a long time as the principal beneficiaries are likely to be women who are now in their 20s or 30s.

One of the main requirements for qualifying for a COAP is that you have an annual average number of contributions over your life i.e. an average of 20 per year between the time of entry to insurance and the age of 66. Obviously, people who have a break in employment and are not getting a social welfare payment have greater difficulty in meeting this requirement. The new regulation provides that "homemakers" may have up to 6 of their homemaking years disregarded when their entitlement to pension is being assessed.

A homemaker is defined as a person who lives with and cares for a child under the age of 6 or lives with and provides full care and attention for an incapacitated person. The definition of an incapacitated person is the same as that which applies to the Carer's Allowance. A homemaker must live in the country and must not be engaged in employment except in employment of inconsiderable extent. This means that you can be working but not earning more than £30 a week.

From 5 April 1994, any contribution year spent as a homemaker may be disregarded in the calculation of the yearly average up to a maximum of 20 years. So, the fact that you do not have any contributions in those years will not affect your entitlement. If you have been working for, say the past 8 years and you stay at home looking after your children for the next 12 years (1994 - 2004) your average will be measured from 1986 to the time you reach 66 less 10 years. The effect is the same as giving credits for the years in question.

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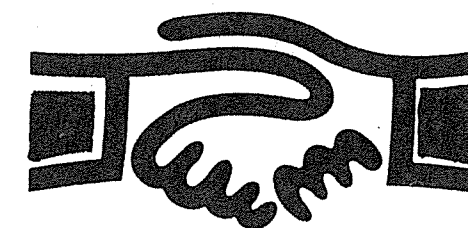
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GYMNASTIC CLUB

Gymnastics have been going in Maynooth for the past ten years or more and the number of children who have benefited from it are too numerous to mention. The classes continue from September to the end of June. We take part in Community Games Competitions and Class Competitions. There is also an Annual Kildare v Cork Competition and Kildare Inter-Club Competition.

Children (boys and girls) from the age of 3 years take part, and new members are always welcome.

Classes start back on Monday 19th September '94 in St. Mary's Parish Hall at 2 p.m. Enrolment any Monday in the Hall.
1st class from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
2nd class from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Boys and girls from age 3 years are welcome.

For information phone Des Hogan 045-31760
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I.C.A. NOTES

The September meeting of Maynooth ICA was held in our hall on Thursday 1st of September at 8.00 p.m. Our President, Imelda Delaney, welcomed the ladies back after the summer break. She had a special word of welcome for three ladies in particular. These ladies had come along to see what happens at our meetings as they are considering joining our Guild. Ladies, we were delighted to meet you and we look forward to seeing you again in October, as well as anyone else who may be interested in joining.

In August our Federation President, Mrs Nellie Dillon, experienced a very sad loss with the death of her husband, Tom. We extend our deep sympathy to Nellie and her family. Sympathy also goes to the family of the late Mrs Phil McGinn Grimes, who had been a member of Leixlip Guild and an excellent craft demonstrator.

Activities

Crafts are on in our hall on Monday nights starting at 8.00 p.m.

Badminton is on at the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10.45 a.m.

Drama rehearsals are in full swing in our hall on Wednesdays at 11.00 a.m. The Drama Festival will take place in Kiltel on 9th, 10th, 11th November.

Trip to New Zealand

The A.C.W.W. trip to New Zealand will take place in Jan/Feb 95. The cost will be approximately £1,500. Details can be obtained from Tully Travel at (0503) 31257.

Sew 'n' Show

Hickeys, in association with the Tallaght Choral Society are holding a Sew 'n' Show Competition on Tuesday 11th October at The Square, Tallaght, starting at 8.00 p.m.

There are great prizes for the winners and further details are available at any Hickeys store.

Brannaire Tests

Mairead Scanlon asked the members to let her know if they were interested in doing Brannaire tests. Tests are available in a variety of things from bread making to family cookery.

Guest Speaker

Mrs Nuala McNeely came along to our September meeting and spoke about the Tony Quinn System. Nuala showed a video of Tony Quinn and then answered lots of questions from the ladies. Thanks to Nuala and her friends for coming to our meeting.

Next Meeting

Our next Guild meeting will take place on Thursday 6th October at 8.00 p.m. in our hall. The competition on that night will be an "on the spot". Guest speaker Fiona Power from McDougalls will be giving a cookery demonstration. New members are always welcome.

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IRISH SOCIETY FOR AUTISM

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The development of independent living and vocational training skills are an important part of the life of Dunfirth.

Goods and Services provided by Trainees at Dunfirth Community.

1. Pottery and Ceramics:

The aim of this studio is to develop an interest in pottery and to develop the skills, knowledge and attitude required to become a worker in pottery/ceramics.

The ceramics slip casting unit brings to the programme a modern small scale production environment. Here the trainees partake in the entire process from raw materials to the finished products.

These products include:

Mugs,
Jugs,
Sugar Bowls,
3 different sizes of Vase.

There is also a programme for hand building. This includes coil building, slab building and press moulding.

The products produced in this area are:-

Coil Pots,
Slab built boxes
Press mould brooches.

2. Woodwork and Crafts.

The aim of the woodwork workshop is to develop in the Trainees the skills, knowledge and attitude required to become workers in woodwork.

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The Dunfirth Community

The basic philosophy of the Community is a recognition of the individuality of persons with Autism, their capacity to benefit from education, training and care, and their entitlement to participate in the development of society in accordance with their individual capacity and dignity as human beings.

To this end, the Dunfirth Community is committed to creating a home-like environment where management and staff are aware of the individual needs of people with Autism and the wishes of the parents. Staff and parents work tirelessly to achieve mutual respect and confidence in each other, so that the residents with Autism can prosper and develop in a stress free and pleasant ambience.

As one recent visitor to Dunfirth commented "Dunfirth is a green oasis where people with Autism live, work, laugh and sleep with love and respect."

Vocational Training

The development of real work, leisure and recreational skills in people with Autism is an important and significant way of improving the quality of life of our people.

The ISA in conjunction with the National Rehabilitation Board and with assistance from the European Social Fund now has 18 of our 27 residents in vocational training modules which incorporate; Horticulture - Farming - Poultry Management - Pottery - Joinery - Social - Leisure and Recreation skills. Our objective is that some of our residents can find meaningful employment in supervised work situations or co-operative ventures under the management of the I.S.A.

Odyssey

The opening of a retail shop "Odyssey" at 35 Main Street, Leixlip, Co. Kildare, a local village close to the Dunfirth Community is another milestone in the Society's programme to develop a wide range of opportunities for people with Autism. It is separate from all other projects and activities which come under the umbrella of the "Irish Society for Autism" services. It is independent in its planning and control systems and part funded by The European Horizon Initiative.

What is Autism?

Autism is a mental disability which impairs the natural instinct to relate to and communicate with fellow human beings. Those affected are born without, or lose early in life, the ability to make sense of the world around them. They do not understand how or why to use speech and gestures; They show little curiosity or imagination and seem indifferent to the usual two-way process of communication. Continued

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People with Autism live in a world where everyday images and sounds can seem frightening and confusing. No wonder their behaviour is sometimes perplexing and disruptive. No wonder they sometimes withdraw into the lonely isolation of repetitive and obsessive behaviour, temper tantrums and outbursts of deep despair.

What can be done?

With the right care and special education and training, children and adults with Autism can be helped to make the best use of their potential. And any progress, however small, improves the quality of their lives and relieves some of the anxiety and strain felt by parents and carers.

Expert care, education and training can help to overcome the social isolation, learning difficulties and communication problems that devastate the lives of those with Autism. Sadly however, the combined resources of statutory and voluntary sectors still fall far short of the recognised need, thus only a very small number of people with Autism are receiving specialist help.

Now, more than ever before, because of major changes to the co-ordination of service provision in this country, it's up to organisations like the Irish Society for Autism and its affiliates to take the lead in developing relationships with statutory bodies and other voluntary agencies, to ensure that those affected by this perplexing condition can be reached and helped.

Irish Society for Autism (Head Office)
Lower O'Connell Street,
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Naoise and Michael at work in
Odyssey, 35 Main Street, Leixlip

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Saturday 12/11/94

Outing to People's Gardens, Phoenix Park, Dublin. Meet People's Gardens (Phoenix Park, Main Road), 10.30 a.m.

DECEMBER 1994

Saturday 10/12/94

Display and talk, "Beginning Bird-watching", Ballyfermot Library, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin. 2 p.m.

JANUARY 1995

New Year's Day, Sun 01/01/95

Outing to St. Stephen's Green, and Ivy Gardens, Dublin. Meet at St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street entrance. 2 p.m.

Tuesday 17/01/95

Slide Show and talk on "Irish Bats" by Dublin Bat Group, Spa Hotel, Lucan, Co. Dublin, 8 p.m.

Saturday 21/01/95

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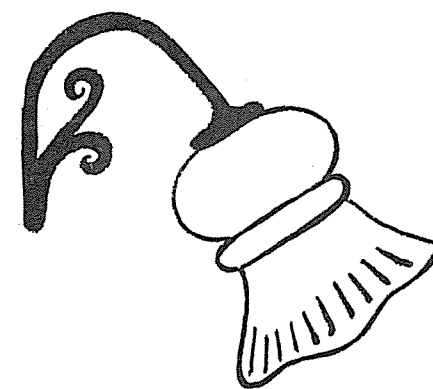
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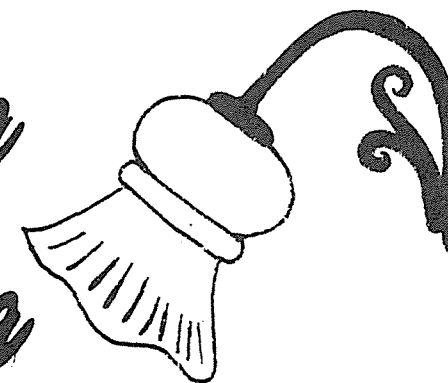


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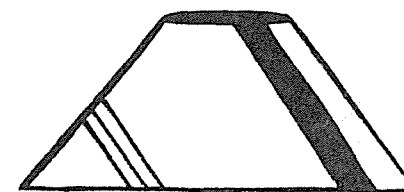


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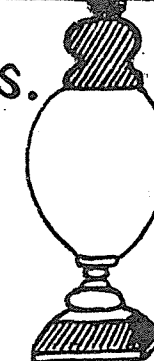


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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE

Our morning club is once again in full swing and we welcome back all the familiar faces and indeed the new. Our twelve people who were on holidays in 'Kerdiffstown House' enjoyed their week immensely. This was due in no small way to the attention given by Margaret Kelly and all the stewards and the friendliness of the Dunboyne Senior Citizens, whom they know so well. They shared the week also with some charming people from Navan, Ashbourne and Belfast. How about that for cross-border relations! I take this opportunity to thank all who helped to make their stay a pleasant one, not forgetting our own committee, who visited Kerdiffstown each evening to keep up the vital contact and assurance that is so important to some while away from home.

It's down to business again now, and as you read this item, we are planning our "Sale of Work", scheduled this year for Sunday November 20th. So before that date you may all expect a house call from one of our committee members or helpers, all of whom carry identification, so don't hesitate to ask if you are in any doubt. This annual venture as you know, is our main fund raising event, and I trust you will be as generous and supportive this year as you have been in the past.

Meanwhile our Halloween Party will be held on Sunday, October 23rd in the Post Primary School at 3.30p.m.

The focus in September/ October is of course on education, so with that in mind a group of our Senior Citizens are taking part in the Adult Education Programme, which is now in progress in the M.A.D.E. centre, Moyglare Road. This is all part of the 1993 "European Year" strategy of integrating all age groups in the community. In the last few years our older people have taken part in all aspects of community life. All age groups have a vital role to play in society and I look forward to the day when we can drop the "discriminatory labels" and respect each other what ever our age. Until that day perhaps we should take on board Carmel Reilly's suggestion and I quote "We are not 'Older People' any more but 'recycled' teenagers".

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to Mary Lawless and her family on the untimely death of Maurice.
Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam.

MAYNOOTH CASTLE COMMITTEE September 1994

It was with great sadness that we learned of the resignation of our chairman Msgr. M Ledwith. His chairmanship, co-operation and interest in the Castle was a major contribution to the success of the committee's achievements. We take this opportunity to wish Msgr. Ledwith, health, happiness and every good wish for the future and to thank him for all his help and unstinting support over the past five years. Go raibh míle maith agat agus slán!

The Maynooth Castle Committee has now reached the end of stage one and enters the very vital stage of stage two!

To recap on stage one. The committee has succeeded in taking the Castle out of limbo, where the Office of Public Works were the guardians of a National Monument, but were not in a position to do anything about it because the Castle did not belong to them. Now that the castle has been preserved as an amenity for the people of Maynooth and Ireland, the Commissioners, recognising the importance of Maynooth Castle, in Irish history, has received funding of £1,000,000. The first money to be spent was to appoint consultant architects who were commissioned to draw up a plan for the development/restoration of the castle. They have consulted with all aspects of the local community and it is envisaged that their report will be ready shortly.

Stage two of the Maynooth Castle Committee will be to ensure that, at this crucial time, the local input be available at all times. The next Castle Committee meeting will be held in October and the planning of phase two and the organising of an open public meeting will be on the agenda. At this public meeting it is hoped to have the Director of National Monuments, Mr Dermot Burke, and the Architects present to answer any and all questions the public may have.

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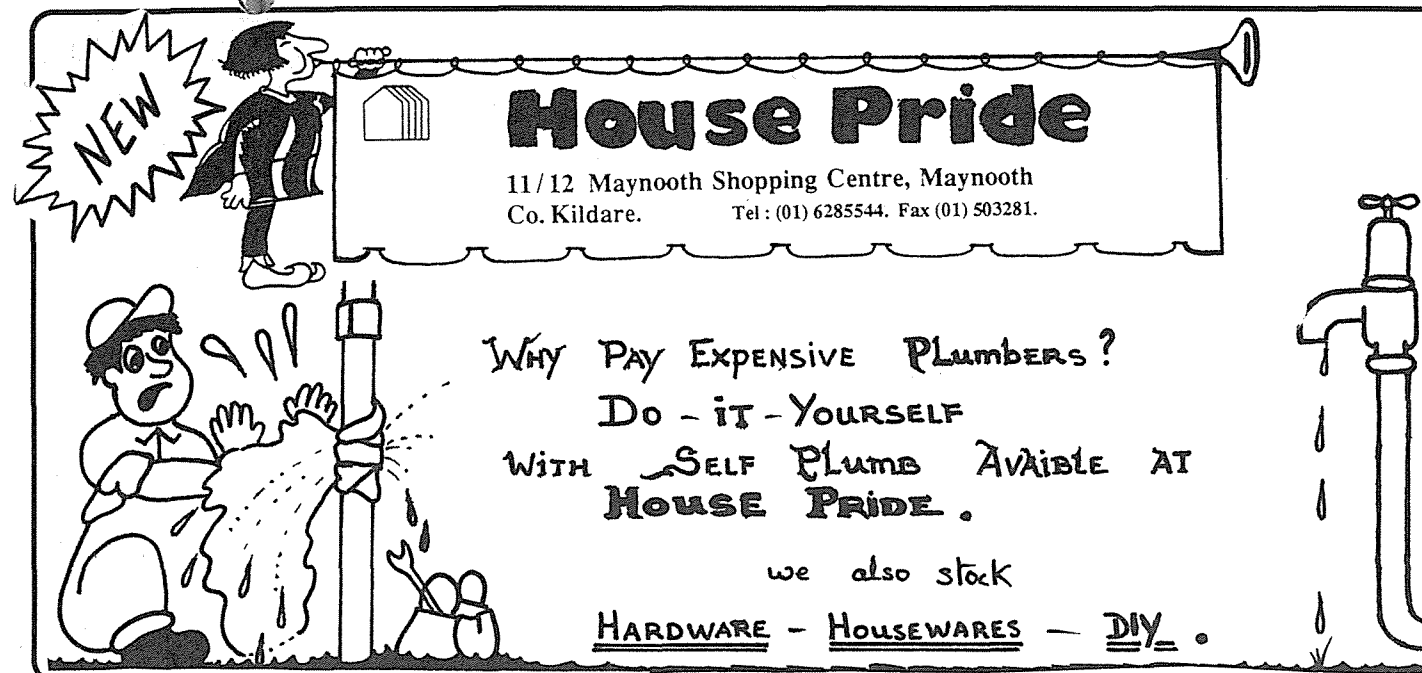
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

1994 year has finished and we are now about to start the work for the 1995 Games. We would like to thank all of those who helped in any way with the 1994 Games.

For a successful 1995 Games we will need a lot more help from parents or anyone who is interested in training teams.

The disciplines in Community Games are Football, Rugby, Table- Tennis, Hard-court Tennis, Hockey, Camogie, Hurling, Volleyball, Soccer, Rounders, Badminton, Pitch & Putt, Basketball, Handball, Chess, Draughts, Swimming, Gymnastics, Art and Athletics. Our A.G.M. will take place on the 5th October in the G.A.A. premises at 8.30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing an increase in members at this meeting.

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

I hope you will bear with me this month. It is my first venture to print. We have been spoiled over the past couple of years, Emer McDermot looked after the input to the *Newsletter*. The directors of Maynooth Credit Union wish Emer and her family a very happy and productive two years abroad.

Since we commenced our extended opening hours, we have had quite a large increase in membership. If you are not yet a member and would like more information on the Credit Union please call into our office any time we are open, (times listed elsewhere in this issue) or give us a ring 6286741 and we will forward details.

We have recently introduced two new services for the benefit of our membership. You can now join the V.H.I. as part of the Credit Union Group Scheme and we have started up the Home Union House and contents insurance. Details of both of these services are available from our office. Now that the schools have re-opened and the Late Late Show is back on our TV screens it is time to start thinking about Christmas. If you intend to apply for a loan for Christmas please apply early.

I will call a halt for this month, I look forward (if I am let) to talking to you all again next month.

Michael Mooney

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

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Rest in Peace.

After many years of eventful summers for the children of Maynooth, our Projects are in great jeopardy. The prospects of carrying on next year are very very slender indeed.

At our A.G.M. held on September 14th, which was advertised in the September issue of the *Newsletter*, we invited parents to attend, hoping that some would join the committee and bring continuity for future years.

Our A.G.M. saw founder members and long-standing committee members resign for personal reasons, most feeling that they could not commit themselves any further. The number of remaining committed voluntary members are now so low it would be impossible to try to continue without more people helping from start to finish.

Every Project needs planning and organizing, together with the manpower to implement and run such ventures. We cannot consider planning another Project unless more people become involved.

We will hold another meeting on October 12th at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. hall in the hope that this article may bring the help needed.

Don't forget, the projects are for your children, and without an input from parents it will be the children that are being deprived during their summer holidays.

Volunteers should attend our next meeting or make contact with us through the *Newsletter*.

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB 1994-1995

The **first term** consisting of ten weeks commencing Saturday September 10th will run until Saturday November 19th. **Please note that there will be no swim on Saturday October 29th** (the October bank holiday weekend).

The fees for this term are as follows:

One Child: £27 Three Children: £74
Two Children: £50

Fees are due by Saturday 1st October and may be paid to any member of the Committee or the bus supervisor. Please note that because we are a non-profit-making club, once a place has been booked for a term the full term's fee is then due.

N.B. Parents who will receive the duty roster for this coming term are asked to ensure that they take their turn or make alternate arrangements to swap with another parent on the duty roster.

Margaret O'Neill
Claire O'Rourke. P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH / KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Hope you all had an enjoyable summer, and congratulations to all of you who received Leaving and Junior Cert Results. Our first disco for over fifteens will be held in October. Correspondence regarding the club should be sent to the club secretary, Melanie Oliver, 40 Maynooth Park, Tel. No. 6285918. Parents, if you want your teenagers to enjoy themselves in an alcohol and drug free environment it will cost you nothing, just a few hours every month helping to supervise our discos, and you will find it a worthwhile and rewarding experience.

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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

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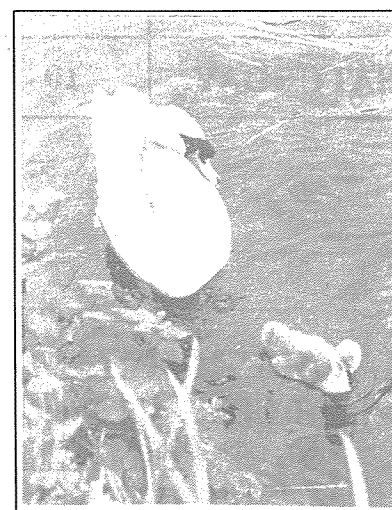
Steam Train

Once again this year's trip was a great success with over six hundred people enjoying this nostalgic trip. This year we had a different engine and coaches to previous trips but none the less it was equally enjoyable. Our photo shows the current "Miss Royal Canal", Miss Audrey Farrelly, meeting the crew of the Steam Train after it arrived in Maynooth.



Swans

Our swan family had one cygnet this year and so far the cygnet is fine. It would appear that a second swan family has taken up residence south of Mullen Bridge (on the Straffan Rd.). Our photo shows the swan with the cygnet.



Works Up-date

Work is continuing at the main harbour. The wall between the harbour and the harbour field is now almost complete. It is expected that the main harbour area will shortly be tarmacadamed and fitted with street lights. This will be a joint effort but more about this later. A new works scheme has been set up in conjunction with FAS and this will enable the work at both harbours to be completed.

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Carton

On the subject of Carton Harbour, it has come to notice that a large number of the reflective post markers have been removed from the fencing. Motorists and other visitors are requested to cease this obnoxious foolhardy practice as they are placing other lives in danger. I don't think it is necessary to elaborate on this point.

Committee

If you have recently moved to Maynooth, or are a long-time resident, and have an interest in the Canal and its refurbishment then we would like to hear from you. If you are interested just contact the undersigned at (01) 6286372

Gerry Fitzpatrick
P.R.O.

SCOUT NEWS

Sponsored Parachute Jump

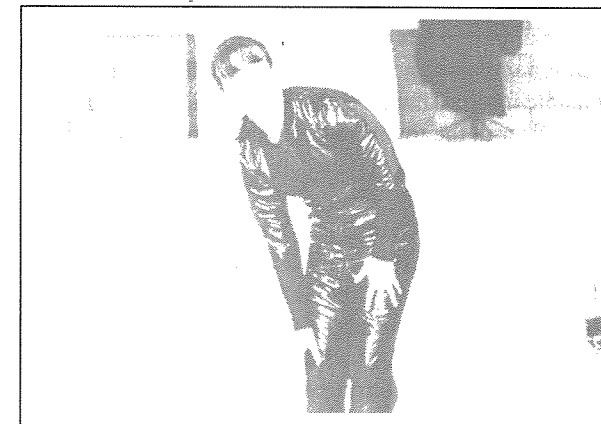
A sponsored parachute jump to raise funds for the scouts of Maynooth was organised and on the 10th September 1994 Emer Gaffney, a 14 year old patrol leader, made a tandem parachute jump from 9,000 ft.

The day began at 9.15 a.m. when a small convoy of supporters left from the Greenfield shops and arrived at the Irish Parachute Club at 10.15 a.m. Once at the airfield, we found that Emer was becoming a bit nervous about the whole idea. One did not need a degree to figure this out, all you had to do was count the amount of times she visited the Ladies Room. Then came the moment when training began. This was where the supporters came into their own (somebody had to guard the exits to stop her getting out). To shouts of encouragement like "grab her", "don't let her out" and "get the harness on her" the training was completed. Now we had a long wait for the rain and high winds to die down. At 3.45 p.m. we got word that the first two jumpers were to get set and at 4.00 p.m. off they went to 9,000 ft. This was the time when Scout Leaders and parents got nervous as we knew she had never been higher than the top of the stairs at home — would she or wouldn't she jump? All our questions were answered when we saw two specks leave the plane to begin 20 seconds of freefall before the parachute opened. We all went crazy and all was going well until the wind began to rise again and they started to drift away from the landing field. At one stage we thought they were heading back to Maynooth. Finally they landed a couple of fields down the road and the first words out of Emer were "when can I do that again?"

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Irish Parachute Club, who did an excellent job in preparing her for the jump and for bringing her down safe

To the people of Maynooth who supported us so generously, I also say thank you, for without your support, it would not have been possible.

Yours in Scouting,
Cathal Gaffney ASL

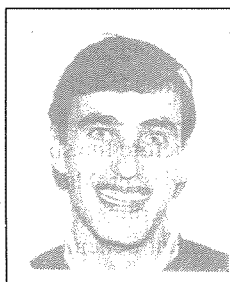


Emer getting ready for the take-off

STUDENTS - THE RETURN



That time of year has come around again, October, the beginning of the new college year in Maynooth. First years will start on



the 3rd & 4th October while the rest of the students return on the 4th.

Amidst all the hustle and bustle there is the stability of the Student's Union, set up to help the students in all aspects of college life. With Mags Murphy and Ronan Barry as President and Vice President respectively it would seem the students will have plenty of services available to them throughout the year. With anything from counselling to secretarial services the Union aims to help the students through any problems they might encounter along the way.

Ronan and Mags photographed above are both on The Maynooth Community Council and thus are aware of the ongoing problems encountered between students and locals alike.

They can be open to criticism and always stress the importance to students of a good relationship with the Town.

This is always brought up in orientation week for first year students where they get an induction to college. It is also highlighted in the Student Newsletter as a message to all students.

Mags and Ronan feel that overall the students are quite a good crowd, there's just a few bad apples in the barrel who make everyone else look bad too. The amount of incidents in the town dropped in 1993 - 1994 compared to the previous year. It is sometimes forgotten that the students do a lot of good for the town. Aside from putting a lot of money into Maynooth they are involved in local activities such as the running of the local scout troop and in the College itself they have set up a Campus Watch similar to Neighbourhood Watch in housing

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areas. The students are issued with cards showing an internal and external phone number. In case of any incidents on campus these numbers can be rung confidentially and the person responsible for the rumpus could face disciplinary action. The liaison officer in the town for Campus Watch is Garda Martin Caine.

Mags Murphy and Rónan Barry are always open to suggestions on how to improve relations between the students and the people of the Town. With the bicentenary coming up both should be integrated and hopefully this may be a stepping-stone to a better future for both the town of Maynooth and the College.

STUDENTS' UNION - GRANTS

University can be a very expensive place of learning. For just one year, it is estimated at £5,000 for fees and living expenses. To help many students and parents with this financial burden, the Higher Education Grant Scheme was formed. While this is commendable and has helped in the past, the structure can sometimes fall short of its aim.

Even before the start of the academic year the Grant Scheme is showing problems. It is the hope of the Students' Union that the Government will issue the recommendation to improve the Grant Scheme as promised, so that the problems can be tackled.

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Estate:

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Congratulations:

Congratulations to all estate teenagers who received the Leaving Cert and Junior Cert results. It would appear that the estate had a very good result rate. Well done to all. To those going back after Junior Cert - continued success, and to those with Leaving Cert completed - Good luck on which ever path you choose.

Sports Day:

The sports day took place in August and a good afternoon was had by all. The weather held up. Jim O'Keeffe had the Green in impeccable condition (as usual) for the occasion and proceedings commenced just after 2p.m. The under four race (mixed) saw Zoe O'Neill, Aiden O'Neill and Jonathan Shiels take joint first place, while in the under six race (mixed) Samantha O'Neill won with Owen O'Melia and Daniel O'Donnell (no, not the singer) in joint second. The under eight girls race saw Suzane Harney beat her sister into second place while in the same age group for boys Barry Harney took first place from Neil Cooney in second and Paul Clerkin in third. On then to the under ten race (mixed) this was a close contest with the judges almost "calling for a photo", before placing Brian Shiels first and Judith and Joseph Glennon joint third just behind Alan Filbert who was second. In the under twelve race mixed Brian McLoughlin crossed the line first closely followed by Heather Cooney in second and Andrew Lynch third.

The three-legged race came next and the winners in the under eight section were: First Paul Clerkin and Barry Harney, Second Kenneth Corbally and Neil Cooney and third, Laura and Suzanne Harney. The under ten section was won by Joseph Glennon and M. McLoughlin, second, were Alan Filbert and Brian Sheils while Orla Clerkin and Judith Glennon were third. Tanya Corbally and Brian McLoughlin were first in the under twelve section with Andrew Lynch and Heather Cooney second and Alan Filbert and Louise Harney third. The obstacle race five-seven years was won by Louise Harney with Paul Clerkin second and Daniel McDowell and Neill Cooney joint third. In the nine-eleven year obstacle race Brian McLoughlin won from Brian Sheils and Louise Harney. This was followed by the Mummy's race which had a small field and so was declared a draw. And so the "Big Race" the Daddy's Race which would consist of two lengths of the green. "Daddy" O'Donnell set off at a blistering pace pursued by "Daddy" Clerkin but in the closing stages "the odds on favourite" pulled away for a clear win only to be disqualified after a "stewards inquiry" by the Ladies committee for cheating. The name of the "odds on favourite" has been withheld "to protect the guilty".

The day finished with the "Aqua Fantastic" followed by a Bar-B-Que. Thanks to all those who helped out and the Ladies committee for catering. Despite his many pressing engagements Chairman Thomas McMullon arrived back in time to present the children with their medals.

Estate Tour

This year's tour saw the children visiting Mosney, Birchalls provided the luxury coach and the crew departed at 10.a.m. A good day was enjoyed by all and the coach arrived back at the estate at 6p.m. The supervisors say they had a busy day attending to their charges but "informed speculation" suggests that some time was found to visit "Dan Lowrey's". The committee would like to thank Eileen Fitzpatrick whose astuteness contributed to considerable financial savings for the association on this tour.

Gentle Reminder

With the clocks changing soon residents are asked to exercise caution in their vehicles at school times.

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Back again after the holidays. The estate is looking good. Thanks to anyone who helped in any way this year.

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Two Days In the Life of a Commuter

Every day hundreds of Maynooth people undertake the journey to work in Dublin. Most travel by car, many take the train and some catch the 66. Whatever the mode of travel the daily commuter will spend about two hours en route, five days a week, forty-five weeks a year.

That's twenty-eight full days a year covering about seven thousand miles!

So, what's the best way to make this arduous journey? The answer is - it depends. If you work in the city centre then parking can be a major problem and the option of driving in every day is simply not realistic. On the other hand, if you work in an area of the city which entails a train and bus trip then driving seems much more attractive.

Below is a commuter's diary taken on two consecutive days in early September. Day 1 saw our guinea pig catch the 8.09 train from Maynooth in the morning and return on the 5.55 in the evening. On Day 2 he drove to work.

Day 1

- 7:58 Left home in Cluain Aoibhinn and drove to Main St., Maynooth. Bought daily paper. Parked car beside Geraldine Hall and crossed bridge to train station.
- 8:07 Boarded train.
- 8:13 Train departed Maynooth station 4 minutes late. Read paper on the journey to Connolly Station. Train became increasingly full after Leixlip.
- 8:58 Arrive in Connolly Station minutes late.
- 9:15 Sitting at desk having walked from Connolly.

- 5.30 Leave office and walk 1 mile to Connolly.
- 5.46 Arrive at Connolly and stand on platform awaiting arrival of Maynooth train.
- 5.57 Train arrives and seat secured.
- 6.08 Train departs 8 minutes late.
- 6.41 Train arrives Maynooth, behind schedule.
- 6.50 Arrive home having walked to car and driven home.

**Total travel time: driving + train + walking =
2 hours and 37 minutes.**

Day 2

- 8:00 Leave home at start of journey by car to office in Dublin Castle.
- 8:10 Join tailback into Leixlip.
- 8:21 Pass roadworks at other side of Leixlip. Traffic very heavy and slow moving.
- 8:31 Long queue at traffic lights at Palmerstown.
- 8:39 Pass Heuston Station. Traffic backed up all along the quays.
- 8:53 Park car in office carpark.
- 8:57 Sitting at desk.

- 5:20 Leave office.
- 5:24 Get into car and start journey home. Traffic very heavy along the quays.
- 5:40 Pass Heuston Station.
- 5:46 Traffic backed up through Palmerstown.
- 5:55 Join tailback going into Leixlip which stretches back beyond the Spa Hotel..
- 6:07 Finally pass through Leixlip.
- 6:12 Join tailback into Maynooth which starts just beyond Doyle's Mart.
- 6:18 Arrive home.

Total travel time: 1 hour 55 minutes

Conclusions

Travelling by car saved this commuter 42 minutes. On the day he drove he arrived at work earlier, worked a few minutes longer and was able to leave somewhat earlier than on the previous day. The down side was the sheer hassle of driving through very heavy traffic for most of the 30 miles in and out to Dublin though he indicated that the traffic was particularly heavy on the day in question. When travelling by train he read the daily paper in relative comfort on the inward journey and arrived relaxed in his office. On the way home he snoozed for most of the journey! 12 minutes were added to the journey time by both morning and evening trains leaving behind schedule.

When interviewed, our commuter stressed that he would not consider driving if his employer did not provide free car parking. The 1 mile walk from Connolly Station to his office was a major disincentive in travelling by train. A better train service in the morning - with a train at 8:30 - would be an incentive to leave the car at home.

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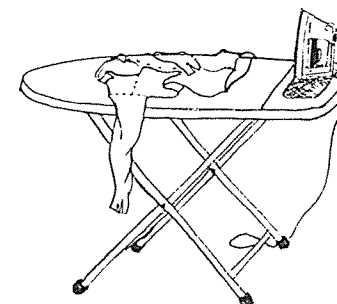
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EYE HEAR

The First Flight

All summer long little birds have been leaving their nests and taking that first flight. In the human kingdom last month many parents sadly saw their little "goslings" go on that first voyage. Seeing little boys and girls waddling into BIG school with bags bigger than themselves is a heartrending sight. Maynooth's parents have been great in turning up to school to acclimatise their little ones. Among them are some of Maynooths busiest citizens such as Dr. Maurice Cowhey and Tom Geraghty.

Many have enjoyed hearing about Humpty Dumpty again and how he had a very nasty accident. The age old question still arises; did he fall or was he pushed? Whether Humpty Dumpty makes a satisfactory recovery or not, diminishes in significance when one wonders can those days of innocent abandon ever be recaptured again?

Man of Steel

That man of steel David Jolley is at it again; running in the New York Marathon on November 6th. He is running the highways and the by-ways on those spindly legs of his. He is involved in an effort to raise £3,000 for Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin and has already raised £900 from a sponsored run held on Saturday July 30th. Other collections have taken place at The Square, Tallaght on Saturday September 17th and at Maynooth Shopping Centre on September 22nd and 23rd. He is now running over 80 miles per week in his noble quest. We wish him an injury free build-up to the big day.

Gallant Heroes

Maynooth's junior "A" squad went down fighting in the final against Two-Mile-House in Newbridge on September 4th. They honoured Maynooth when they stepped out on the centre stage of Kildare football. Having played and ran their hearts out to bring glory to Maynooth that they didn't succeed was not for want of trying. In their endeavours this young team raised the Maynooth flag on the high plains of bravery and have at the very least won the more precious prize of discipline, supreme fitness and stamina. In doing so they have uplifted the hopes of their people and their day will come.

Dublin is Downed

As everyone knows Down beat Dublin in the All-Ireland Football Final on Sunday September 18th by 1-12 to 0-13. Much sympathy goes to the Dublin squad who have come so near so often to winning the coveted prize. However, on this occasion they met their match and hitting decent Leitrim men in their backs is not going to help any team to win an All-Ireland.

Future Thinking

A youngster asked a good question; if in the year 2010 we have cars that can fly, will we have to do our driving tests again?

FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL

On Thursday 1st. September schools started back again after the summer holidays (short summer as it was!!!). On Friday 2nd., it was that day for the new starters and we were up there with our camera amid the laughs and tears of the "new kids on the block" both in the Boys and Girls National Schools in Maynooth.

One thing a lot of parents felt was that pre-schools and play-schools were a big advantage as they started off the process well for the break from family to school.

The kids seemed to be enjoying themselves immensely and the teachers were coping well with those kids who just found it hard to settle.

Do you remember your first day at school? Well, looking at the way the kids here enjoyed themselves things have changed quite a lot for the better with plenty to do and more enjoyment for the kids.

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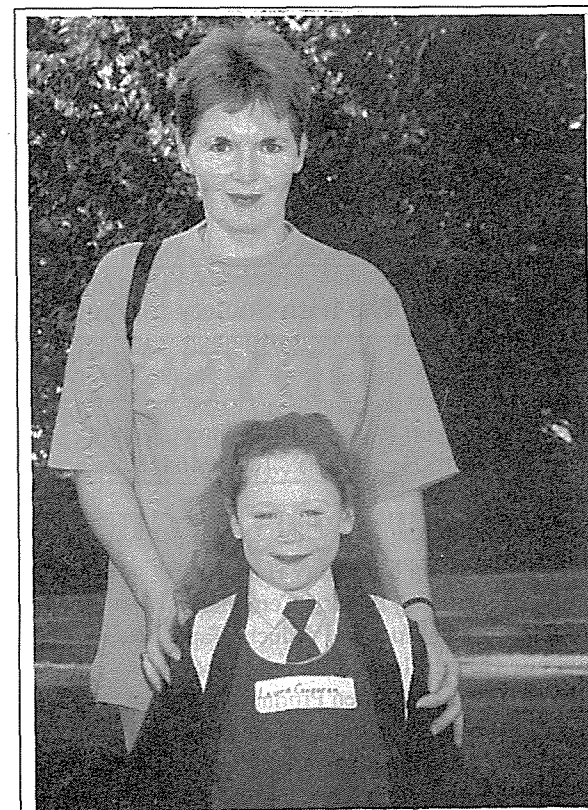


*All smiles from
Darragh Boylan with his mum
at his first day at school*

*Jamie Donnelly
had his brother Mark
and his mother
with him
on his first day at school*



Deirdre Lawless on her first day with mam



Laura Corcoran with mum on her first day

GARDA TALK.....OCT '94

Halloween.

A special appeal to Parents to keep a close eye on their children during this festive period. Know where they are, and who they are with. While it should be an enjoyable time for most regrettably, for some householders, it presents an element of fear especially among the elderly. If you live close to an elderly neighbour, make that special effort to ensure that annoyance is kept away.

Bonfires that are not controlled are extremely dangerous. Fireworks are illegal and each year result in numerous accidents involving children.

Back to school

It never ceases to amaze, each day children (young and not so young) running out in front of cars crossing the road, despite a pedestrian crossing in the middle of the town. While our schools Liason Officer will be lecturing on road safety, it behoves all parents to issue guidance to children walking/cycling to school.

Welcome

A warm welcome to all students who return to studies at St. Patrick's College. Again this year, we will be involved at Orientation day, to offer assistance and advice. We look forward to meeting the Student's Union, and thank them for their excellent co-operation.

Finally, there are a limited number of tickets available for the Presentation Dinner dance to mark the retirement of Sergeant Canny, on 12th Oct, at Westmanstown. Please call to the station, and we will issue on first come, first served basis.

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HELP FOR RWANDA

Pictured below are Emma Fleming, Ruth Cahill, Ciara Maher, and helpers, who held a cake sale at 63, Maynooth Park on Saturday 6th. August and raised £37.00 for the Rwanda Crisis Appeal. This amount has been forwarded to Concern.

All the buns etc. were made by the girls themselves, so well done girls and many thanks to all who supported this fundraiser.



MAYNOOTH FOR RWANDA

Maynooth for Rwanda.....Nine teams attended our 80 question quiz on USA '94 World Cup on Friday, 26th August, we raised £176. Many thanks to the GAA Club. Thanks also to the Community Council which sponsored the prize money.

Our thanks to Ultra Vision at Maynooth Shopping Centre, The Mill Wine Cellar, Mill Street, Donovan's Newsagents and Maynooth GAA for donating raffle prizes.

Ben and Paul Daly, John McGarry, Brian and Darina O'Malley, Declan O'Connor and Caoimhe O'Sullivan.

Declan O'Connor.



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IRISH GUIDE DOGS MAYNOOTH/LEIXLIP BRANCH

On behalf of the above group we would like to thank all who have contributed to our Guide Dog replica in the Mall at Quinnsworth Maynooth. Sadly we have to move him to safety as he was tampered with by persons unknown, however we hope you will continue to support the Guide Dogs wherever you see them as all monies collected go directly to the Training Centre in Cork. All the branches are run by voluntary helpers.

R. Jackson (Hon. Treasurer)

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JUNIOR CERT RESULTS

There were cries of joy and screams of glee in Maynooth Post Primary School as the students received their Junior Cert Results on 15th September, 1994. Many 5th years hugged their peers as they realised how well they had done in this national exam. One was in no doubt as to the precise time that the students received their results as the screams could be heard outside the school as teenagers were running through the main hall in every direction, jumping for joy.

The headmaster, Thomas Ashe took it all in his stride, as he has so many years of this behind him. He was just happy to see his students so pleased with their results.

However, just like many other years before, there were a few forlorn faces as some pupils didn't do as well as others. Just as it is great to get good results in subjects, the right grades can determine whether a student can continue to study a subject for the Leaving Cert.

Overall the results seem to have been very good from Maynooth Post Primary School and there were a lot of happy pupils celebrating on Thursday night.



Niamh Mulready, Emma Fahy, Sandra Brady, Clare Duke & Ruth Smith, looking jubilant after receiving their junior cert results

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LIFE IN ROMANIA

Having completed six weeks in Romania, I can now tell you a little about my stay here. When taking a career break of one year from work I decided to spend 4 months of it working as a volunteer in an orphanage in Romania.

I leave for work each morning at 6.45 a.m. and get home about 5.30 p.m. but the work is very rewarding. I look after seventeen children in my wing, all failing badly, and all handicapped either physically or mentally or both. It's my job to spend my time stimulating them as otherwise they lie in cots rolling from side to side and looking vacant. The children range in age from three to eight years and have been institutionalised since birth. With the weather being so good we can take them outside on the grass for some of their stimulation. All of the children's clothes are old and patchy and everything is cut up and made into trousers and tops. We take in our own basins, soap, sponges and towels for looking after the orphans. I know the names of all my charges now and am getting to know all their personalities.

Like anywhere else we have good days and bad days. We have to be very careful with our diets otherwise we end up with bad tummies. Our stable diet is potatoes, eggs, tuna and pasta. Foods like ice-cream and chocolate are very expensive. My grasp of the Romanian language is also coming on and I now know a lot of phrases and this is great in dealing with the children. All my babies have something special about them, even if life is not normal for them.

I do hope the rest of my stay here will be as rewarding as the first six weeks and I'm looking forward to the challenge.

Anna Marie McDermott.



Anna Marie with three of her babies having their weekly splash in a paddling pool

LUCKY ESCAPE BY CYCLIST

Young Stephen Donovan aged 10, was knocked off his bicycle after being struck by a motor car at Straffan Road, Maynooth, on Thursday, September 1st. He was coming down the Straffan Road, towards Maynooth, near the Maxol Service Station, when the accident occurred.

Stephen was thrown from his bike and knocked unconscious by the impact. He received immediate attention from the Maynooth Ambulance Service and was taken under Garda escort to Crumlin Hospital.

The lucky young boy regained consciousness later that evening much to the relief of his worried parents, Gerry and Hilary Donovan, from Greenfield. Stephen is now home and appears to be making a satisfactory recovery. All his family and neighbours are delighted with his progress. All the prayers of his fine people have been answered.

MAYNOOTH STUDENT GOES TO GREECE

Shirley Valentine where are you? We have one of our own in Maynooth by the name of Carol Clifford who, on the 9th September, headed off to Greece for three months.

But it will be no holiday for Carol, who just recently finished an Arts Degree in Greek language and Greek and Roman Civilization and is currently doing a Masters in Greek Language. Carol will be doing a three month course in Greece under the E.C.T.S. (European Credit Transfer Scheme) which she is eligible for through being a registered student. Through this scheme, whatever work Carol does out there is credited towards her M.A. here. This course is grant aided and takes place in Athens University. Her accommodation is arranged out there with the Y.W.C.A. (Young Women's Christian Association) where she will be located with all other Erasmus students for her stay. The latter mentioned, Erasmus is a direct exchange programme with other Colleges in Europe to improve cultural understanding of other countries.

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MAYNOOTH MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE GROUP

We wish to warmly welcome the peace process in the North including the I.R.A. complete cessation of military operations. Our group has been active over the past six years on cases including the Winchester Three, Birmingham Six, U.D.R. Four, Judith Wall etc. We believe that a major factor contributing to such cases was the existence of repressive legislation in Britain, in the North and here in the Republic; such legislation includes the Prevention of Terrorism Act, non-jury courts, Capital Offences against the State Act, restrictions on broadcasting etc.

Combined with this the often brutal tactics of the security forces and the anti-Irish bias in the British Media, ensured that justice for defendants before the courts was a scarce commodity.

Accordingly we now believe that the on-going peace process must provide for the removal of all such legislation, this democratisation of the legal systems in Britain and Ireland will play an important role in restoring belief in the rule of law by those sections of the community who have suffered.

Finally we wish to state that we feel that the forum for Peace and Reconciliation should be expanded to enable people at community level to be involved in the process. Such involvement can play a major role in uniting people within the North and between North and South.

H. Dunne (Hon. Sec.)

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER CONFERRED ON SAME WEEKEND.

On Friday the 23rd of September and Saturday the 24th of September 1994 a mother and daughter will be conferred in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. Joan Howard-Williams, her parchment in **Local History** and Kathryn Howard-Williams was awarded an honours degree in **Geography** and **Anthropology**. Local history has played a big part in Joan's life since coming to Maynooth 26 years ago. Kathryn is at the moment in Jersey surrounded by prospectuses trying to make up her mind about her post-graduate studies. How and ever as Kathryn is not yet 21 she has plenty of time!

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THE LATE PADDY AND MARY TOBIN - GOOD LIVING PEOPLE WHO WERE DEDICATED TO THEIR FAMILY

This year the people of Maynooth saw some of their saddest days when they suffered the loss of two great and respected people with the untimely deaths of Paddy and Mary Tobin of Main Street.; a mere ten weeks apart. This very close and devoted couple, who did everything together were called to God together and in their short lives epitomised everything that is good in Maynooth family life.

Paddy (native of Maynooth) was suddenly called to God on Thursday April 28th '94, aged 51 years. Requiem Mass was concelebrated at St. Mary's Parish Church on Sunday 1st May by Very Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. and Fr. William Holmes, followed by funeral to the family plot in Laraghbryan Cemetery.

He is very sadly missed by his sorrowing mother Dinah, sons Patrick, Gerry, Shane, John and Ross, daughter Bernadette, his brother Michael, sister Joan, aunts Mary and Rosie (who were proprietors of Mooneys Restaurant, a venue Paddy and Mary loved to frequent.) He was predeceased by his daughter Joan, his sister Helen, brother Gus, and his father John Tobin.



Paddy & Mary

Mary

Paddy's beloved wife Mary (native of Summerhill, Co. Meath), aged 54 years, passed to her eternal reward, after a long illness on Wednesday July 6th '94. Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Cogan c.c. on Saturday July 9th, followed by burial in the family plot at Laraghbryan Cemetery. Her sad passing is deeply regretted by her heartbroken family (named above) also, sisters Jenny and Katie (both living in Summerhill), brother John, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, grandchildren Leanne and Amanda, relatives, neighbours and friends. She is predeceased by her mother Mary and father Bill Balfe, her beloved daughter Joan, brothers Patsy and Laurence (Bunny). There were very large attendances at both removals and funerals as a measure of the affection and esteem with which Paddy, Mary and their family were held in the community.

Special Efforts

Paddy and Mary are greatly missed by the relatively young and heartbroken family which they leave behind, for they both had played a great part in the lives of their children. They always made special efforts for family get-togethers, anniversaries, birthdays, social outings and holidays.

Christmas was always a special time in the Tobin household. Paddy and Mary made it special as the whole family gathered around the Christmas tree and exchanged presents. This is something which will be sadly missed by their brave and close-knit family who live and work locally. They have always enjoyed having visits from Michael and Joan who live in England. Last Christmas Eve the family experienced a sad premonition when Paddy collapsed going to Mass with his young sons, John and Ross, aged 14 years.

Heartbreaks

In 1978 Paddy and Mary who were very religious and good-living people, experienced deep heartbreak with the loss of their daughter Joan aged 7 years. This loss was eased for them with the births of John and Ross in 1980. Recently Mary showed great courage and fortitude on hearing of Paddy's sudden death while knowing that she herself was seriously ill.

Shared Interests

Paddy and Mary were a couple who had many shared interests and who liked to do things together. During holiday times and at week-ends they liked to go caravanning around Ireland and especially to Wexford and Ferrybank Caravan Park. The Commodore Public House was their favourite venue for meals and refreshments. They could always be seen at week-ends socialising with their family and neighbours in Caulfields bar and lounge.

In their early days they worked in the Leaf Chewing Gum Factory, Kilcock. They enjoyed going dancing in Kilcock and attending Leaf dinner dances.

Work

Mary who was devoted to her family and a dependable neighbour worked in Maynooth College for 20 years. A woman of strong faith, she never missed Sunday Mass. She enjoyed great friendships with the staff she worked with and student priests over the years, many of whom attended both funerals.

Paddy who was a quiet and inoffensive man, worked with the E.S.B. for 35 years. He initially worked as a linesman but was better known in recent years, as the Meter Reader for the Leixlip/ Maynooth district. In the course of his work he visited every house in Maynooth and was very popular with local people.

Vintage Cars

One of the great passions in his life, which Paddy shared with Mary, was his love of vintage cars. He collected models, attended car rallies shows, and was the proud owner of a Morris Minor. He often felt honoured to provide cars for family weddings. Paddy and Mary were avid followers of the G.A.A. code. They went to matches together and Paddy is reputed to never have missed a match in which Kildare were playing. He could

be seen regularly playing football and hurling with his younger sons John and Ross in the college grounds. In years past he was very involved in training under-age players with Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

Good Neighbours

Paddy and Mary enjoyed the fellowship and support of good neighbours, when they lived in various parts of Maynooth, including, Leinster Cottages, Cluain Aoibhinn, Newtown, and finally at Main Street.

Paddy and Mary have made an endearing impression on the minds and hearts of those who knew them. Their memories will be forever cherished in the hearts of their loved ones.

The entire community again joins in extending their sincere condolences and sympathy to their family. May they rest in peace.

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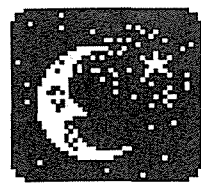
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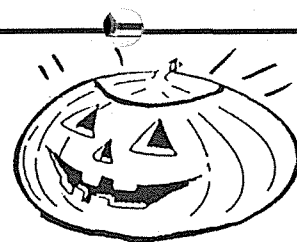
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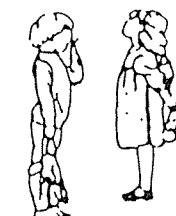
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PROFILE OF A COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT WORKER

Community Employment (C.E.), which replaced the old Social Employment Scheme, has been of great benefit to a lot of people in Maynooth. One such person is Seán (Buggy) Horan, who has been on the Royal Canal Scheme for the past year.

Buggy, who worked in the Mill for 20 odd years, had been unemployed for about three and a half years. It becomes harder as the years go by to gain further employment, as a lot of employers prefer to take on younger staff. As Buggy said himself, he thought he'd never get a job again.

However, Buggy got this chance to work again on the Canal Scheme, where he has learned a lot of new skills. When I asked Buggy how he found the scheme he said: "It's good, it keeps a fellow occupied. You get a great chance to learn new skills. It's really what you make of it yourself . . . if you're not happy at it you might as well stay at home." He said that he'd recommend going on Community Employment to anyone if they are willing to learn.

I spoke to his supervisor, Kevin Breslin, who said: "Buggy is very conscientious about his work. At present he is doing stone work, through building the wall. He gets on very well with the other workers and, for himself, working full time has given him something to build on. All in all, I'm very pleased with Buggy on the scheme."

I asked Kevin how the scheme was progressing and he said that they never thought the work would have progressed to the level it has at present. He stressed that it's quite a heavy workload in that their jurisdiction is from the 13th lock on the canal (which is at Intel) to the 14th lock (Jackson's Bridge). Everyone puts great effort into the work of building walls, fixing benches, filling in pot holes, landscaping, weeding and the upkeep of Pike's Bridge, to name but part of the work being done. He was delighted that for their new scheme starting on October 3rd they have been granted approval for 30 workers. This is an increase of ten from the last scheme.

Buggy got an extension on the scheme for another twelve months, which made him very happy. If you think you'd be interested in joining this scheme why not contact Kevin Breslin at the Porta cabin down by the canal. Your hand could mean a lot to the great work being done.



Buggy at work

PUBLIC HEALTH CARE IN MAYNOOTH

An Eastern Health Board source has confirmed that there are approximately 400 nurses in the Eastern Health Board area with 38 in the Kildare region. Occasionally the Public Health Nurse in Maynooth might be supplemented with temporary help, when the Superintendent has the resources. The Eastern Health Board is anxious to have sufficient nurses to meet the desired ratio of nurses to population but to do this they would have to get approval from the Department of Health for new posts. Even though there were advertisements in the national newspapers recently for more nurses in the EHB, these are to fill vacancies that presently exist and not to create new posts for more nurses.

Sixty-eight years ago there was one Public Health Nurse in Maynooth. There was just the bare town with a few houses around, no estates and a small population. Today there's still only one nurse, the only improvement is that she has a car to get around the vast area she has to cover. We are supposedly a nation moving forward with the times but for Maynooth and many towns like it, with regards to the Health Care system, time has stood still.

Maynooth town has seen a rapid increase in population in recent years. In response to this many businesses have set up in the town and are successfully-run enterprises today. However, one business which is a thriving concern is not getting the attention it deserves: Health. Our large population is served by only one hardworking Public Health Nurse, covering amongst other things, baby clinics, eye clinics, immunisation clinics and visiting the sick. This is theoretically a nine-to-five job but in fact it could often run to a lot more.

Health is not something one can put a time limit on. People don't choose to be sick within certain hours and if some people cannot be reached between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. how does one choose who should take priority? It's a tough decision and one which might not need to be made if the Eastern Health Board provided adequate health care to the Maynooth area.

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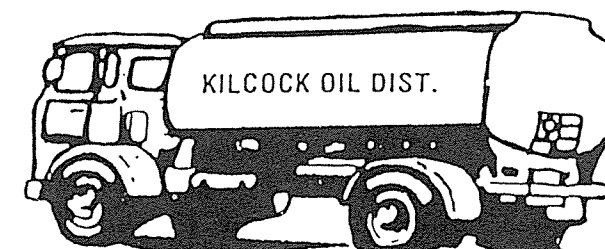
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SIGNALMAN RETIRES

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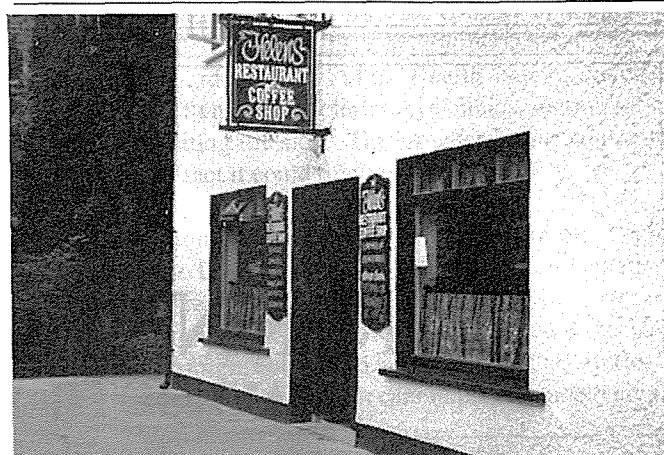
STREET TALKING

New Restaurant Opens

Monday 5th September, saw a new restaurant opening in Maynooth. Yes folks, now you have another place to sample; under the name "Helen's Restaurant and Coffee Shop". This restaurant is situated just outside the gates of the College and is under the management of Helen Keaveney from Dunboyne. Her chef is Damien Maguire, who is ably assisted by Andrew Ashe in delighting their customers with traditional Irish home cooking.

The décor of the restaurant is bright and vivacious with that Irish country diningroom look. I ate there myself for lunch and was very ably served by Deirdre O'Sullivan, Helen herself and her daughter Deirdre. The selection for lunch was fantastic, with plenty of homemade delights and a price that met the satisfaction of a poor man's pocket!!! (ahhh!) I trust that business will keep up well for them . . . if that Monday is anything to go by, I don't think they should have many problems.

Why not pop down yourself and sample their delights. Their opening hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day at the moment. But, who knows, with your custom those hours could increase in the future!



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If you want to change your life for the better and learn a flexible approach to slimming which fits into your lifestyle, then Unislim is the sensible option. For the month of September, Unislim are having a Special Offer of only £4.50 to join, which includes the first attendance. If you require further details telephone Unislim on Freefone 1800 757577.

ADVERTISING IN VERSE

There has been a spate of advertisements recently using verse as a format. May I be permitted a verse about all this verse.

It seems that of late the advertisement trade,
has been bombarding us with a rhyming tirade,
Yes it seems what finds favour at this point in time,
With advertisement people are couplets that rhyme,
While it's not my intention to take them to task,
There's one sardonic question I'm tempted to ask,
If of projected sales they achieve just a fraction,
Will that be described then as ad-verse reaction.

Tommy Campbell
Graiguepottle.

TWO NEW BINS FOR MAYNOOTH



Yes folks! Maybe our articles are being noted like that on the lack of dustbins on the Main Street of Maynooth. Just you look at the photograph a new bin, hurrah!!! In fact two new bins were installed, one at the phone boxes opposite Travel Options and the other outside The Roost. However, I rang Kildare County Council to see if they

were replacing some of the other decrepit looking bins we have at present further up the Main Street. The basic answer was no, due to lack of monies. Maybe something will be done when the by-pass is finished but until then we just have to make do with what we have. It's a pity really that with the 200th Anniversary of the College coming up the street can't look a bit better. In saying this compliments must be given to Kildare County Council on this initial move.

John McLoughlin

VANDALS DESTROY FLOWERBEDS IN SQUARE

Mindless vandals have struck again in Maynooth town as the hard work of the Larine Court Resource Centre was undone by thoughtless actions on Monday 29th. of August. The flower beds in the Square were destroyed as every flower and plant was ripped out and strewn around the Square itself.

Such futile acts cannot go unnoticed in a town that is striving to create a fresh image, with a lot of people putting great effort into making Maynooth a nice place to live. One hopes that such incidents will be few and far between and confined to a minority in the area.



The renewed flower bed

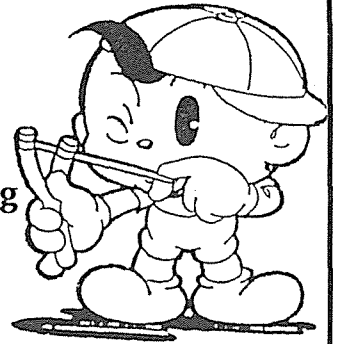
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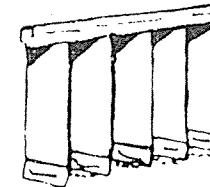
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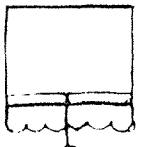
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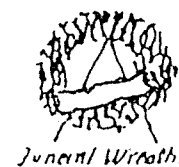
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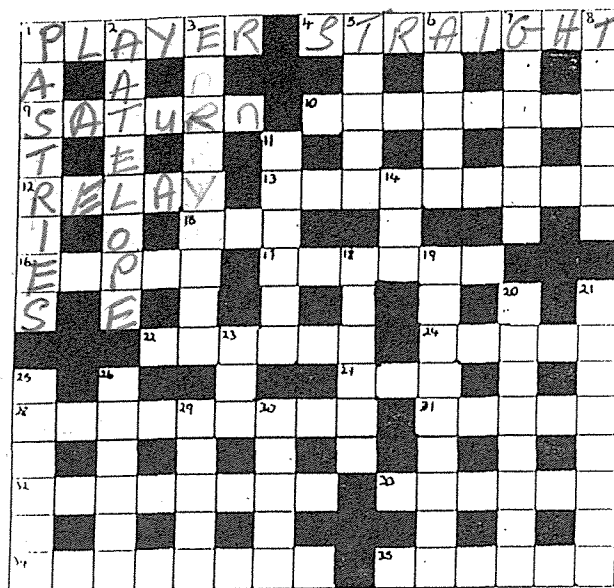
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Kevin Murphy, O'Neill Park, Maynooth. Phone: 628-6399

Crossword No. 83



Entries before 5pm Friday 14th October

Name: _____

Address: _____

Across:

- (1) Different ages do take a different quantity of medicine. (6)
- (4) The first two of the obstacles cut the tail off the truck on the street to block the way (8)
- (9) Scents of Italy? (6)
- (10) An unfortunate concentrated stare, we hear! (4,4)
- (12) The natural way that's in at the moment may be cool! (5)
- (13) Go in to obtain, at the end, a way to please. (9)
- (15) Turn top could be on the stove. (3)
- (16) _____ and out! (5)
- (17) Learner in a beret mixed up the upper pitch in music. (6)
- (22) So, after doing a long stretch you've given up waiting. (6)
- (24) Be silent in the commons. (5)
- (27) Partially annoy Captain Kirk perhaps. (3)
- (28) Movement at the end could cause a disturbance. (9)
- (31) Goodbye!! (5)
- (32) Singe six on the stove for being there. (8)
- (33) Bo Peep? (6)
- (34) Not to adhere and end up with this pan. (8)
- (35) "If it's not broken, don't ____ _" (4,2)

Down:

- (1) People breezing in to draw up plans. (8)
- (2) A time which was quite hard. (5,3)
- (3) Sounds like a rather posh motor event. (5,4)
- (5) Beats the animal. (5)
- (6) O! you turd _____ to become a King like that! (5)
- (7) Small bits of tissue that hang at the back of the throat. (6)
- (8) Thank you your majesty for robbing my land!!! (6)
- (11) An annoying plant! (6)
- (14) The bed and breakfast near the sea is in recession. (3)
- (18) A happy one keeps everyone smiling. (6)
- (19) He's doubling up his act!!! (9)
- (20) Sounds like Richard and Edward could be hooked, in short!!! (8)
- (21) Could this be the moment you recieved your Diploma, at last you drop the establishment. (8)

- (23) Alcoholic beverage for a baby? (3)
- (25) Examine blood carefully. (6)
- (26) The innermost of two membranes enclosing an embryonic reptile. (6)
- (29) The month in which E.T. will join this group of singers. (5)
- (30) I coin a phrase in Greece. (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 82

Across:

1. Timing, 4. Ransomer, 9. Errors, 10. Assisted, 12. Inane, 13. Notations, 15. Law, 16. Alone, 17. Intent, 22. Assent, 24. Those, 27. Ago, 28. Pictorial, 31. Rille, 32. Culpable, 33. Hoopla, 34. Sodomite, 35. Essene.

Down:

1. The Final, 2. Martagon, 3. Nerveless, 5. Asset, 6. Stint, 7. Motion, 8. Radish, 11. Unwise, 14. Age, 18. Totals, 19. Notorious, 20. Collapse, 21. Delegate, 23. Sir, 25. Specks, 26. Scaled, 29. On Aim, 30. Islet.

There was no winner of Crossword No. 82.

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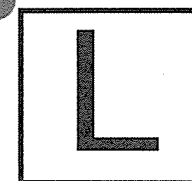
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Prep: 15 mins
Cook: 40 mins



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1 cauliflower
1 lb/450g sausage meat
2oz/50g salted peanuts, chopped
1 egg, beaten
1 onion, chopped
2 tsp/10 ml dried oregano
black pepper
2oz/50g Cheddar cheese, grated
3 tomatoes, skinned and sliced
1 tsp/15 ml chopped fresh parsley
3 pt/1.75 litre ovenproof dish

Preheat the oven to Mark 4/350F/180C. Wash the cauliflower and break into florets. Cook in boiling salted water for 10-15 minutes or until tender. Drain and place in the bottom of the ovenproof dish.

In a bowl, mix together the sausage meat, peanuts, egg, onion, oregano and pepper. Spoon over the cauliflower, sprinkle over the grated cheese, place the sliced tomatoes on top, sprinkle with parsley and bake in the oven for 30 minutes. Serve hot with jacket potatoes.

HONEYED APPLE CAKE

175g/6oz self-raising flour
1 tsp baking powder
175g/6oz soft margarine
175g/6oz caster sugar
3 eggs, size 3
1/2 tsp almond essence
450g/1lb cooking apples, peeled, cored and thickly sliced
2 Tbsp demerara sugar
2 Tbsp clear honey

Method:
Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas Mark 4. Grease and base-line a 23cm/9in square loose-based cake tin (at least 7.5cm/3in deep).
Sift the flour and baking powder into a bowl, add margarine, caster sugar, eggs and almond essence; beat until creamy.

Spoon into tin and level surface. Arrange apples in rows on top and sprinkle over half the demerara sugar.

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Bake for 45-50 minutes until golden brown and firm to the touch. Cool in the tin for 10 minutes then carefully turn out. Brush with honey and sprinkle the remaining sugar on top. Serve warm or cold, sliced, with cream if liked.

Makes 8 slices
Cost per slice : 20p
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TIPSY TRIFLE

Fresh fruit and a dash of sherry.
Serves: 6

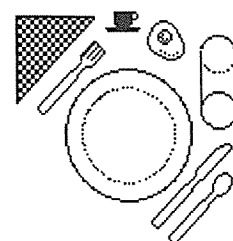
3 trifle sponges, broken into pieces
3fl oz/75ml sherry
6oz/150g seedless grapes, halved (plus a few whole grapes to decorate)
1 tbsp lemon juice
4 tbsp custard powder
1 pt/570ml skimmed milk
Artificial sweetener
6 tbsp whipping cream
1/4oz/7g flaked almonds, toasted

Place sponges in a serving dish and sprinkle with sherry. Leave to soak for 30 minutes.

Scatter halved grapes over the layer of trifle sponges and sprinkle with lemon juice. Blend custard powder with 2-3 tbsp of the milk. Heat remaining milk until boiling and stir into the blended custard powder. Return to the heat and cook gently stirring, until thick. Stir in artificial sweetener to taste and pour custard over fruit and sponge. Leave to cool, then chill until custard is set.

Whip cream until thick and pipe swirls on trifle. Decorate with almonds and grapes.

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GARDENING HINTS



The atmosphere about the garden now is that of clearing up after the party; the guests have made their bow and graced the scene, they have been fed and watered and now they are leaving, and only the debris remains to be sorted and cleared away or used.

The perennials will mostly have finished flowering and need cutting down, with the stakes and supports put away in a dry shed until next year. Now and next month are times to move and divide, and to act upon notes made during the season as to where plants should really be growing, and which ones will never do and can be thrown out. The large clumps can be split, and the best pieces from the outside replanted, the centre being thrown away.

Edges of beds and borders can be straightened and re-cut, and the last remnants of the annuals and bedding plants lifted and put on the compost heap. Dahlias should be cut down after they have been blackened by the first frost, the tubers dug up and shaken free of soil, then labelled and stored in a dry cool place through the winter. In mild winters they will live in the soil without lifting, to shoot again without difficulty next spring.

This is the month for bulb planting, leaving it to the end, however, if the weather remains warm. Narcissi, hyacinths, scillas, snowdrops, crocus and grape hyacinths can all go in. Leaves will need sweeping up everywhere, particularly from the lawn. Tender shrubs, conifers and other evergreens, and hydrangeas can be planted this month, and propagation of most shrubs, including roses, by hardwood or fully ripened cuttings, can be started, as soon as the shoots are mature, putting them in a trench out of doors.

October is a suitable time to prepare the sites where shrubs are to be planted next month. This preparation is very important, and does a great deal towards ensuring that the new shrub will survive and thrive; so often it dies through being planted in badly drained soil that is starved of plant food, or short of humus, as well as being in all probability totally different to that in which it was growing in the nursery. The hole should be dug out two spade's depth deep and at least 4 ft wide, the bottom forked up and well-rotted organic matter mixed with it. The excavated soil is then returned, making sure that the topsoil remains on top, and mixing with it all, more compost, manure and leafmould.

A proportion of half and half is about right. Doing all this a month ahead gives the soil time to absorb the new material and settle after digging.

From now until late February, lawns can be made by laying turf, provided the soil is not too wet nor too cold. The spring bedding plants should be planted as soon as possible where they are to flower, for instance wallflowers, forget-me-nots, polyanthus and double daisies, perhaps leaving room among them for tulip planting in November.

Christmas Hyacinths

Indoor Hyacinths are great to have around Christmas when they can be used either for yourself or as ideal Christmas gifts. If you want these to flower in time for Christmas, they should now be planted in suitable conditions indoor, i.e. the pot should be placed in a cool dark ventilated place (temp. 40°- 50°F) until growth commences. When sprout is approximately 3" high the pot should be brought into a warm room and kept in subdued light. When the flower begins to show colour, place in a cooler spot for long-lasting beautiful blooms.

Vegetable Garden

The last of the potatoes having been lifted and beet, carrots etc. safely stored, the ground should be dug, trenched and manured. Cut down globe artichokes and withering asparagus. Endive may be lifted and planted in a cold frame.

Cauliflower seeds can now be sown (for wintering in frames), lettuce (under cloches), sweet peas (in pots in cold frames).

Security in your Garden

By planting some of the following plants and shrubs you can provide your home with extra natural protection:

- **Common Holly** (Ilex aquifolium) It would be a brave burglar who would tackle this.
- **Purple Berberis** (Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea') has a thorny stem.
- **Mountain Pine** (Pinus mugo 'Mughus') is dense with sharp, long needles.
- **Creeping Juniper** (Juniperus horizontalis 'Wiltonii') is like a blue, thorny carpet.
- **Juniper** (Juniperus x media 'Old Gold') has prickly foliage.
- **Firethorn** (Pyracantha 'Orange Flow') has a thorny stem, as the name implies.
- **Golden Bamboo** (Phyllostachys aurea) forms thick clumps.
- **Giant Rhubarb** (Gunnera manicata) has sharp hairs on its stems.
- **Blue Spruce** (Picea pungens 'Globosa') is not very big but strong and spikey.

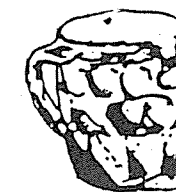
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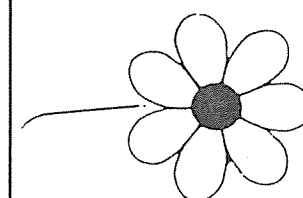
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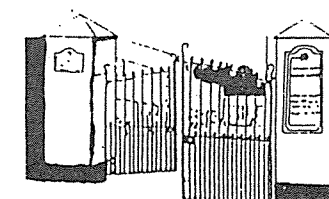
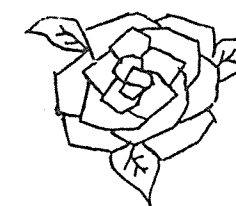
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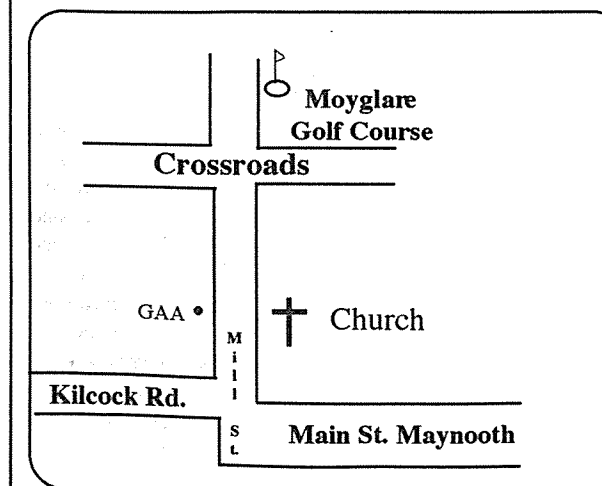
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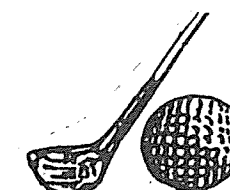
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Aries (Mar21 — Apr20)

This month, prepare yourself for a shock! The man/woman (delete as appropriate) of your dreams is going to knock on your door and then collapse as a result of a mis-guided I.C.B.M.! If you were born on the cusp, beware of large furry objects floating about five feet off the ground when you are coming back from the pub on Saturday nights.

Taurus (Apr21 - May21)

Like the name suggests, your bull like tenacity allows you to pursue your wildest expectations! Unfortunately, you behave like the afore-mentioned bull in the proverbial china shop and wreck everything in the process. Take heart, however, because if you wear clean underwear, you can get hit by a bus.

Gemini (May22 - June21)

This month, do your friends a favour, and consider committing yourself to an institution for the month (preferably longer, but we won't push our luck!). All your irritating idiosyncrasies are to the fore this month and face it, you are far better off committed, rather than floating free on the streets where you are more than likely going to be lynched for your sickening behaviour. A skinny-dip would be beneficial.

Cancer (June22 - July 23)

"Money, Money, Money" (Ah! Good old ABBA, who thought they'd ever die?). That is the bane of your life at the moment! You never have enough (what's new?) and robbing a bank is out of the question, since you'll ruin your newly coiffed hair-do (which you spent last weeks' wage packet on!) by wearing a balaclava. Not to worry, you can complain like the rest of us about the increase in "Lotto" numbers and decrease in our chances of winning from zero to zero minus Fifty billion! Ah well, it could be worse! You could be waiting for back-tax from the Beef Tribunal.

Leo (July 24 - Aug 23)

Aaaah! Poor Leo! The lion has a thorn

stuck in its foot! And, unfortunately, you've got no mouse to take it out for you (which is not surprising since you've been a complete pain in the rear-end recently). You'll just have to suffer until it goes septic and has to be surgically removed, then the thorn can be removed as well. Avoid everything to do with farm animals/implements this month. They are detrimental to your sanity.

Virgo (Aug24 - Sept23)

My, my! Aren't we being very bold this month? You may think that you'll get away with it, but you won't! It's time to stick your head in the sand and expose your nether regions to the taunts and jeers of passers-by (face it, with nether regions like yours, they scream to be ridiculed!) So, remember the green cross code and you might get a "Judge" badge! (Younger viewers! Make your elders squirm with age by getting them to sing the theme song).

Libra (Sept24 - Oct23)

It is a well known fact that I do not like Librans! (If you lived with three of them for two years, you would understand my sentiments). Once again, Libra, you moody and selfish vain sign, you are probably reading this in front of the mirror admiring yourself, or else you have recorded it and are listening to it, because you love the sound of your own voice. Face it, you are ugly and no-one finds your hairy facial warts attractive, even if they are plastered over with cover-stick! A paper bag would be a good investment.

Scorpio (Oct24 - Nov 22)

It just isn't your month, is it my dears? You're gaining weight, your nails keep breaking and you can't get your hair to stay in place no matter how much gel you use. Don't worry, all will be revealed towards the end of the month (around the 31st). When suddenly, at midnight, your face will go green and your Hoover will do strange things like fly around your sitting room (with you on top of it, screaming malicious threats to anyone who tries to rescue you from your obvious distress) and then you'll fly into the night cackling gleefully! Do not fret, it will pass (until next year). Enjoy!!!

Sagittarius (Nov 23 - Dec 21)

Your friends are jealous of your wit, charm and intelligence. Their eyes are like sharp knives in your back, but you don't care. Life is a peach at the moment. But Beware! Your next door neighbour is going to infiltrate the Chinese Nuclear Programme and they will retaliate with 2, five -megaton bombs which will miss his house and demolish yours. My advice: Move!

Capricorn (Dec22 - Jan20)

Get out! Enjoy life a little. Get some fresh air. Take a long walk, but beware of illegal dead tree-leaf smugglers! They are tenacious and will not let anything stand in their way, including unwary Capricorns or any other sign for that matter!). I advise you to avoid these ruffians at all costs. Do not approach them and ignore any offers of cheap mulch for your gardens! Use your own.

Aquarius (Jan21 - Feb19)

You may be the water carrier, but you aren't feeling very solid this month are you? Maybe it has a lot to do with all of the alcohol that you are prone to drinking. (Especially during major events such as the World Cup, Eurovision, unlocking the front door without having to break the window etc.). Calm down, take it easy, relax! A good massage will do you the world of good (only if it's given by the "woman" from the "Xylitol" ad).

Pisces (Feb20 - Mar20)

Last, but certainly not least, Pisces. My favourite sign. You are just perfect the way you are. There is absolutely nothing you should change about yourself, except, maybe, your dress sense, which is appalling this month. All those clashing colours and unkempt hair!! You really should know better. Anyway, I digress. Everyone loves you and you love everyone, except Gemini, who is just being obstreperous this month! And, I swear, I'm not biased. Just look out for the reckless telephone poles that try to surround you when you are in your daily trip from the forest after dining with the Three Bears (of Goldilocks fame). They want to curb your happy-go-lucky nature. Just follow the yellow brick road to Grandma's house and click your purple stilettos five times and say "there's no place like Maynooth" (too true!) and quick as a flash, you'll be among the rain and muck filled streets and passages of home again.

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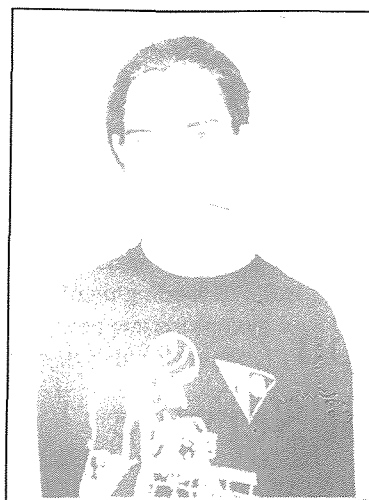
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Who would have thought that we would have someone in Maynooth bringing home a trophy from a European Championship!!

Yes folks, it is true. From 11th to the 16th of August the Women's National Volleyball Team travelled to Ertvelde, Ghent in Belgium to represent Ireland in a Div. 1 International Club Tournament.

Maynooth Girl Miriam Gormally who hails from Carton Court, Maynooth

is described as the tallest player of the squad with the biggest jump and also with "unlimited potential."

The trophy they brought home was the FAIR PLAY Trophy which is awarded to the team with the best conduct, attire and co-operation. This was awarded to one team out of 175 which was a great achievement. Also, there were 25 teams in their division from which they came a commendable 5th place.

I spoke to Miriam shortly after her return and she had quite a lot to say about the status of volley ball as a national sport in Ireland - basically it's not recognized!! You may well ask how Miriam got involved in volleyball. Well, she got involved through the Community Games and from that went to Regional Trials. She didn't find this satisfactory though as training was only once a month. Therefore she stopped for a while but missed the sport and got involved with a club in Naas which is the nearest one to her. Miriam has to travel twice a week for training sessions.....pure dedication!!! Isn't it a shame there's no club in Maynooth.

The team she plays for consists of members 14yrs and upwards with some very good up and coming juniors.

A week before they were due to go to Belgium Miriam twisted her ankle but luckily enough all was well by the time of the trip and she was able to go out on the court to do Maynooth proud

It was the first time the Irish National Anthem was played at this European Competition. The team did us very proud being the only one to sing their Anthem.

If this team did us so proud by bringing home a trophy out of 175 teams in Europe, why is this sport so far down the list (virtually unknown) in the field of Irish Sports? Why aren't there more facilities for team training in Ireland? The answer to both of these questions is lack of money. Surely the Minister for Sports and Recreation in Ireland should be recognising more sports in Ireland besides GOLF especially when we have a national team. This particular team was hard set to go to Belgium due to lack of monies which meant they had to fund-raise themselves through selling booklets from door to door and collecting money outside Quinns worth to name but two of their fund-raising ventures. Even with the money they raised they only had enough to pay for accommodation and flight. They ended up having to buy their own food.

The team is looking for sponsorship for next year already. Maybe the Minister for Sports and Recreation should stand up and pump some money through to this sport in Ireland. Otherwise, it's up to you business people out there and people of Maynooth to put your hands in your pockets to sponsor a world class team. Don't let Miriam and her team down!

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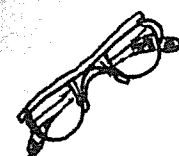
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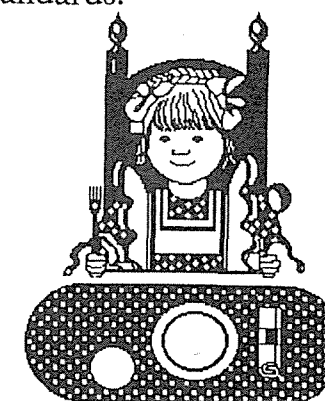
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Sports News

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

We had the usual turnout for our A.G.M. in August. The elected committee are Ann Kinsella **Treasurer**, Phil Mc Loughlin **Secretary**, Emer Sherwin **Match Secretary**, Sandy Nolan **Chairperson**. We're delighted to see some new members and hope they enjoy the coming season with us. We hope to have at least four teams and it's looking good so far. New members always welcome any Tuesday night from 8.30p.m.

BOXING

McMahon Marches On.

Welterweight Jimmy McMahon from Mulhussey has punched out the headlines all over New York with a great six points' victory over the hard-hitting Bobby Heath at Bally's Park Place on August 26th. The victorious local lad dedicated his victory to the memory of Joe Doherty who died recently in New York and who was a great fan of Jimmy's from the early days.

Details of the fight have been carried in newspapers such as "The Irish Echo".

Jimmy, who recently celebrated his 25th birthday, used an effective left jab to tame Heath and stretch his unbeaten record in the pro. ranks to 15 fights.

He established the jab early in the first round catching his opponent in rapid fire.

According to reporter Jay Muamba from New York, "when Heath a Philly fighter tried to get past the jab to land the vaunted overhand rights that he used to stop four of his first seven opponents going into the match, McMahon deftly countered with rights of his own."

Using clever footwork to gain better angles McMahon methodically, if not easily, won the first two rounds with his superior boxing technique.

The third round developed into a slugging match as Heath went to the body but McMahon countered with some good left hooks to the ribs and sharp left right combinations to the head.

The Maynooth man returned to his boxing mode in the fourth and fifth rounds, catching his opponent with a barrage of effective right hooks, uppercuts and jabs.

By the sixth round McMahon had his work done, piling up enough points to win, which was confirmed by the three judges.

After the fight a jubilant McMahon felt he had increased his rating with a convincing win over a boxer with solid credentials.

He commented, "he was a winning fighter who had knocked four guys out, so I just thought it was time for us to step up and go in and beat somebody who has a good record."

Jimmy, who fights again on October 7th at the Westchester County Centre N.Y., was full of praise for his Irish supporters and the customers of the "Merry Ploughboy", "The Kerry Hills" and the "Woodside Lounge".

Heavy-Weight Connections

In his corner during the fight, Jimmy had two heavy-weight connections, manager Teddy Atlas, who trained Mike Tyson and who earlier this year coached Michael Moorer to WBA and IBF world heavy-weight crowns. He also had the services of Al Gavin who is WBC heavy-weight king Lennox Lewis's cutman.

Teddy Atlas said, "Jimmy had to fight a smart fight and he did." He continued, "he fought a guy who knows how to fight, a guy who was a winning fighter, calculating, clever and a good puncher."

There are the words of a man who knows and around here we all know that Jimmy is a man of rare character and enormous strength who has already set standards that few morals can ever dream of achieving. Long may his success continue.

Willie Healy

JUNIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

Maynooth v Kilcock Played in Leixlip on Saturday 10th September.

Maynooth 2-9 v Kilcock 2-9

Following a tough and exciting hour's hurling, Maynooth and Kilcock finished level. Kilcock started favourite to win this match but Maynooth had other ideas. From the start, Maynooth playing good hurling were first to score but Kilcock fought back to lead by 4 pts. to 2 pts. after 15 minutes Maynooth fought back to score a good goal by Mick Barry and by half time Kilcock were 2 pts ahead. Score Kilcock 1-6. to Maynooth 1-4. After the break good hurling was played by both teams and with 10 minutes to go Maynooth were 5 pts. ahead. Their second goal coming from Peter Leacy. But Kilcock fought back for a draw. Maynooth Scores: Francis Desmond 6 pts., Mick Barry 1 goal, Peter Leacy 1 goal, Tom Coffey 2pts., S. Noonan 1 pt. Also to play well: John Cushan, Paddy Boyce, Killen Fagan, Pascal Ennis, Paraig Ward, Hugh Nevin, John Nevin.

PLEASE NOTE that our underage training has changed from Salesian College back to our field on Moyglare Road. Hurlers U/11 to U/16 10.30 a.m. Footballers 8 to 14 11.45 a.m. every Saturday. Anyone wishing to help out with this training is more than welcome.

Lotto Result 21-08-1994 Jackpot £1060. Numbers 7/18/23
No winner: 5 x £10.00 Teresa Long, Jim Treacy, John Saults, Mick Gillick, Eddie Dunne

Lotto Result 28-08-1994 Jackpot £1110 Numbers 9/19/30
No winner: 5 X £ 10.00 Mick Murtagh, Pauly Kerin, Frank Buckley, Anna Kelly, Paul Doran.

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Sports News

Lotto Result 4-09-1994 Jackpot £1160. Numbers 6/20/26
No winner: 7 X £10.00 Lize Dempsey, Josephine Moore, Mrs. Dowling, Catriona Fitzgerald, Emma Sherry, M. England, Mick Gleeson.

Lotto Result 11-09-1994 Jackpot £1210 Numbers 3/7/21
No winner: 5 X £10.00 Isabelle Leplat, Nuala Geoghegan, Mrs. Dowling, May Mahoney, Bridie Anne Mee.

North Kildare U/11 Football League.

Maynooth 1-5 V Celbridge 2-6

This was a game Maynooth should have won only for the bad shooting of their forwards and by half time were 3 pts down. The second half was no better with lots of chances being missed.

Best for Maynooth were: G. Quinn, D. Addgaley, P. Ennis 1 goal and 1 pt. M. Sweeney 2pts, D. Comerford 1pt, D. Connellan, F. O'Donaghue, P. O'Rourke 1 pt.

1st Team

(1) Sallins Tournament

Maynooth 2-17 v Sallins 1-8

Scorers: P. Garvey 5pts; J. Riordan 1-2; J. Edwards 3pts; Joey Nevin 3pts; K. Killoran 2 pts; P. Ennis 1 goal; D. Mahony and T. Farrell 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth:- Seanie Molloy; Mick Noone; Paul Stynes; Killian Fagan; Joey Nevin; Pascal Ennis; Joey Riordan, Ken Killoran and Joey Edwards.

A big improvement on the game against St. Peregrine's with all and sundry anxious to get "in the frame" for the Junior A final. The team played some fine, flowing football which left Sallins "trailing in their wake". The forwards revelled in the open spaces, were hungry for the ball and kicked some excellent scores. They also linked very well together, something which has been noticeably lacking in their play of late.

(2) League v Grange (away)

Maynooth 1-16 v Grange 2pts

It is never easy to go to the South of the County and pick up League points but Maynooth managed to do this with some style when landing out a 17 point "drubbing" to intermediate side Grange. While the home side were short some of their more talented players so were Maynooth and it was a major boost to see the players introduced i.e. Seanie Molloy, Hugh Purcell, Liam O'Toole, Enda Lyons, Noel Reilly and Thomas Farrell do so well. The 2 pts secured should leave Maynooth safely "ensconced" in division 2 for another season.

Best for Maynooth were: - S. Molloy, P. Ennis, D. Mahony, Fagan, Joey Nevin, Joey Riordan, Purcell, O'Toole, Mahony and John Nevin.

Scorers: Riordan 1-4pts; Joey Nevin 5 pts; Purcell 3 pts; Edwards 2pts; John Nevin and K. Fagan 1 pt each.

Confey Tournament

Maynooth 13pts v Confey 6pts

Maynooth were never really extended in this "limb-loosener" before the County Final joust with Two Mile House. The team ran out easy winners although never displaying the fluency which was a feature of their recent displays against Sallins and Confey.

Scorers: P. Garvey 5pts; John Nevin 3pts; L. O'Toole 2pts; J. Riordan; P. Ennis and J. Edwards 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Ken Killoran; Mick Nevin; J. Conway; M. Noone; M. Kelly; D. Mahoney and S. Molloy.

Tom Flood Cup: Result to Date: Caragh (holders) Have reached Final and Maynooth play Ardclough in Semi-Final.

MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

No doubt you have noticed the closing in of the evenings and with that comes the reduction of the playing day. Sadly, we must tell you that Maynooth Pitch and Putt will close earlier in the evening as a result. However, unlike last year, when circumstances went against us, we hope to have an extended playing season this year. To this end we have prepared temporary greens for winter play. We would hope to delay playing on these for as long as possible. We feel sure that all players will appreciate this move in order to maintain the high quality of our main greens for next season.

During the last two months we ran a number of very popular competitions for the under 16s combined with the fact that we offered a very reasonable rate to all under 18s. We hope that through these channels the appeal of pitch and putt will spread. It is only necessary to look back at the achievements of some of our players at county level to realise the level of talent that is in the community.

Results of the Under 16s competition were as follows:

July event — Winner: Michael Flynn. Runner-up: Colm Cahill.
August event — Winner: Trevor Cassidy. Runner-up: Michael Flynn.
End-of-Holidays event — Winner: Michael Flynn.
Runner-up: Dermot Moore. Currently and up until November we are running Sunday competitions. These are open to all and handicaps will be applied to each player in the event. Entry to the competition is simply by completing a scorecard for a game played on the day and the card with the least strokes on it will win. To date the winners have been — September 4th, Trevor Cassidy; September 11th, Aiden Garvey.

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MAYNOOTH & DUBLIN GO DOWN TOGETHER

Maynooth's bid to lift the Junior A Championship came unstuck at the final hurdle against a more experienced and physically stronger Two Mile House side.

Conditions were almost perfect for the game although a strong breeze blew towards the "scoreboard end" of the ground. Two Mile House had first use of this breeze and were quickly into their stride. They dominated the early exchanges, coming out on top in a number of the individual tussles. During this period of dominance a series of clear-cut chances were set up for their forwards but many of them were squandered through rank-bad shooting.

To their credit Maynooth stuck doggedly to their task and as the half progressed were giving as good as they got. They were within 4 points of Two Mile House with 2 minutes to go to the interval - a situation with which their mentors and supporters would have been more than happy given that wind advantage was to follow in the 2nd half. It was at this point that disaster struck however. A very promising Maynooth attack, which had been built up cleverly from the back, was not "finished off" and in a swift counter-attack Two Mile House swept upfield. Several Maynooth players were caught "on the back foot" and when the ball was eventually worked to corner forward Pat Coady, he had no difficulty in lashing it past the hapless Eammon Sheeran. Although Pascal Ennis was to fire over a great point just before the break Two Mile House were now 6 points to the good and clearly in the driving seat.

On the resumption, Maynooth's task was made even more difficult when Donal Burke, the Two Mile House corner forward, who had led Maynooth's defence a merry dance during the opening half, was fouled twice in succession. He kicked over the resultant frees which left Maynooth 8 points adrift. It was at this stage of the proceedings, however, that the side's character, which had been severely tested throughout the Championship campaign, was well and truly revealed. The switch of Pascal Ennis with Joe Conway effectively shackled Donal Burke while Mick Nevin continued to dominate his opposite number Joe Tompkins - he restricted him to a single point for the hour; a noteworthy achievement in itself. With Mickey Noone making timely interceptions in the corner and Kelly, Stynes and Mahony surging upfield at every opportunity, the forwards were finally getting something like a decent supply of the ball. It was now panic stations for Two Mile House as the Maynooth attack, driven on by Fagan and with huge contributions being made by the Nevins, Garvey, Riordan and Purcell, slowly but surely, hauled back the 8 points deficit. The lead was whittled down to 3 points and the margin would have been even closer - and possibly, the game turned around completely - if what looked like a perfectly legitimate goal by Fagan was allowed to stand. In addition some gilt-edged chances were not taken at this stage and a number of balls were kicked straight into the goalkeeper's hands when points were there for the taking.

When Liam O'Toole's goal-bound drive and Paul Garvey's follow-up effort were charged down by a resolute Two Mile House defence Maynooth's followers, in the large attendance, began to sense that it was not going to be their day. So it proved to be and with the game entering injury time and Mick Kelly on the ground receiving attention play was inexplicably allowed to continue. In the confusion which followed Joe Tompkins took a quick free to Pat Coady, whose speculative shot seemed to deflect off a Maynooth defender on its way to the net.

So it was a case of what might have been for the "Crom Abús" and while the post-mortems will no doubt continue, for some time to come, any impartial observer at the game would have to conclude that it was won and lost in the 1st half. During this half Maynooth's lack of experience was painfully evident as the game seemed to simply pass them by. The 2nd half performance on the other hand was full of grit, determination, resilience and no little skill which must give great encouragement to all connected with the side. For the bulk of this half Maynooth looked by far the fitter, more potent outfit but they had simply left themselves with too much to do. A valuable lesson should therefore have been learned and if fully absorbed, there is no reason why - given the obvious talent in the side, the age profile of the players and the potential of many of those waiting in the wings (12 Subs were tagged out for the Final) - Maynooth cannot bounce straight back from this reverse to claim the honours in 1995.

Junior A Championship Final v Two Mile House at Newbridge

Team: (1) Eamon Sheeran (2) Joe Conway (3) Mick Nevin - Captain (4) Mick Noone (5) Mick Kelly (6) Paul Stynes (7) David Mahony (8) Killian Fagan (9) Ken Killoran (10) John Nevin (11) Joey Nevin (12) Pascal Ennis (13) Paul Garvey (14) Joey Riordan (15) Joey Edwards.

Subs: Liam O'Toole for Joe Conway; Seannie Molloy for Ken Killoran; Hugh Purcell for Joey Edwards; Noel Reilly, Eamon Dunne, Enda Lyons, David Faherty, Thomas Farrel, Mark Nugent, Michael Faherty, Peter Burke, John O'Toole

Score: Two Mile House 2-8pts Maynooth 8pts.

Scorers: Paul Garvey 4pts; Pascal Ennis; Joey Riordan; Joey Nevin and Johnny Nevin 1 Pt. each.

Best for Maynooth: Mick Nevin; Mick Noone; Mick Kelly; David Mahony; Killian Fagan; Pascal Ennis; Paul Garvey and Joey Riordan.

Best for Two Mile House - were: Declan Colbert; Maurice Colbert; Pat Coyle; Donal Coyle; Alan Leavy; Donal Burke; Martin Andrews; Martin Tompkins and Pat Coady.

Referee: Noel McCormack (Rathangan).

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Match reports and club news are very easy to write when there is something exciting to relate. This is gladly the case this month when our Ladies team have emulated another great team by completing the double. Sporting the colours of Aston Villa, they have set a standard that their more illustrious male counterparts would find difficult to emulate. Having gone through their season without defeat makes their feat all the more commendable with such a strong panel of committed players at her disposal. Maynooth's version of the "Manageress", Frances Kearney, was always left with a difficult decision on match days. The team selected on the day was always accepted gracefully by the other panel members who were always most vociferous in their support for their colleagues.

Having been vying for top spot throughout the season with Mountview of Clonsilla, the clash between the two sides was eagerly awaited. Maynooth had drawn 4-4 with their rivals at Clonsilla earlier and another close contest was expected at Maynooth. What was to be expected as a cliffhanger turned out to be a total anti-climax. Maynooth were totally dominant and such was their superiority, the opposition found it difficult to accept their lesson in all that is fine in the game. Stepping outside the accepted standard of fair play Mountview began to display the more sinister aspects of the game which would not be accepted at any level. With Maynooth remaining calm in the face of severe provocation the opposition turned to the referee to vent their anger.

With five minutes remaining in the first half the overworked referee was left with no option but to abandon the game. Maynooth were subsequently awarded the points by the League legislators who it is hoped will take appropriate action to ensure such unsavoury incidents do not occur again. It is to the credit of the Maynooth girls and indeed a measure of their discipline that they kept playing football and did their talking with their feet.

As fate would have it both teams were paired together in the Intermediate Shield Final and this was a game everybody wanted to see at any price. Maynooth clinched the league the week before the final by having a comprehensive win over Coldcut Ladies at Maynooth to ignite an evening of great celebrations. A large following attended the final at Civil Service ground, Santry. Once again, Maynooth proved their class when accounting for their bitter rivals. See match report.

The Maynooth panel is made up of the following players who have brought this double honour to the club:-

Ginny Breslin: A solid defender who likes to use the ball when tempting the opposition into blind alleys.

Geraldine Breslin: A late addition to the panel who has slotted in well when called up.

Shelley Breslin: The most mature player of the lot who uses her experience and guile to great effect.

Maeve Flood: The female version of Ryan Giggs who has as lethal a left foot as the Man. Utd. star and a nicer hairstyle.

Marie Grehan: A valued member of the panel who has scored some spectacular goals at vital stages of games.

Leeane Hughes: If Maeve is our Ryan Giggs; Leeane has proved to be the Andrei Kanchelskis of the team with her piercing right wing runs.

Irene Kearney: The diminutive Irene has performed heroics throughout the season and rarely misses a tackle.

Laura Kearney: Leads the forward line well and sets up many goals for her eager colleagues.

Tracy Kearney: Tracy forms a very formidable centre-back partnership with Ginny and her long throws are reminiscent of the Mick McCarthy era.

Emma Kilduff: A very speedy midfielder player who always lends support to her front players and sets up many chances.

Ann Lyons: Regular keeper Ann is affectionately known as "Baggy" Bosnich because of her many great saves and long relieving clearances.

Antoinette Mooney: The Captain of the team and the main fulcrum on which the team is so well balanced. Dictates the game from her midfield post and also the leading scorer.

Karen Mulhern: Another valued member of the panel who has filled a number of positions in emergency.

Clair McCarrick: Also a valued panel member who is gaining valuable experience in her first season.

Leah Newman: A versatile panel member who has always performed admirably when called upon.

Brid Ann O'Shea: One of the main reasons why the opposition find it so difficult to score goals. Spots trouble long before it happens and is always prepared.

Paula O'Shea: Forms a very formidable combination with Antoinette and shares the midfield duties with great enthusiasm.

Joanne Smith: Apart from her defensive duties Joanne has taken over in goal when Ann was not always available and proved to be more than adequate.



Match Reports:

**Dublin Womens League: Intermediate Div.
Maynooth Town 6 - Mountview 0**

Two goals each by Antoinette Mooney and Leeane Hughes with one apiece from Emma Kilduff and Maeve Flood were the highlights of a game already described. It was an assured performance by Maynooth who gave a display of everything good in the game much to the chagrin of the opposition.

Maynooth Town 9 - Coldcut Ladies 0

Maynooth never had to be at their best to totally outclass poor opposition in clinching the League title. Goals were scored at

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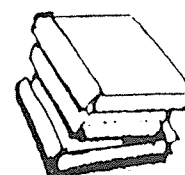
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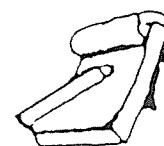


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random and the scoreline could have been much greater if Maynooth had increased the tempo above first gear.

Dublin Women's League Intermediate Shield Final Maynooth Town 5 - Mountview 1

A large following travelled to Santry for the eagerly awaited final and were treated to some exhilarating football by a very determined Maynooth side.

Maynooth opened the scoring through Antoinette Mooney in the 16th minute and this score was added to by Maeve Flood in the 32nd minute. Shelley Breslin gave Maynooth a valuable half-time lead with a third goal in the 40th minute. Mountview mounted a brief comeback after the break but this was only short-lived for Antoinette Mooney restored Maynooth's advantage with a solo goal fifteen minutes later. Antoinette deservedly completed her hat-trick five minutes from full-time to cap a fine individual performance.

This was a top class all-round team performance with many stars but none better than Antoinette Mooney, Ann Lyons, Paula O'Shea, Ginny Breslin, Tracy Kearney and Maeve Flood.

Great credit is due to Frances Kearney who has prepared her panel with great professionalism and has justly reaped the benefits of some hard work.

While the ladies were setting such high standards in league and cup finals our other teams were performing in the more mundane atmosphere of the early league stages. Some results to date are as follows:-

Leinster Junior League Div. 1

Mourne Celtic 4 - Maynooth Town 4

Maynooth held a two goal advantage three times during this game and only came away with a point for their efforts. Two goals by Anthony Smith and one each by Michael Maher and Kevin Breslin made up Maynooth's scoreline.

Maynooth Town 2 - Cardiff F. 2

Maynooth snatched a draw from the jaws of defeat when scoring two goals in the dying minutes of an absorbing encounter. Maynooth had much the better of the play at times but were unable to convert their overall superiority into goals. Cardiff held a two goal half-time lead but Maynooth never shirked the fight and battled back admirably to snatch a dramatic draw. Anthony Smith threw Maynooth a lifeline when he reduced the arrears from close range and man-of-the-match Ciaran McAtamney popped up with the equaliser with a crashing shot in the dying moments. Mark Murray, Ciaran McAtamney and Fergal Barton were tops for Maynooth.

Yellowstone 1 - Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth were good value for this win and showed good form in a hard fought win against wily foe Yellowstone. Mark Murray was in top form in goal and got good support from Gerry Thompson and Joey Dempsey. Two excellent goals by Anthony Smith and Killian Fagan paved the way for this win.

Div. 3 Private Grds.

Blackhorse F.C. 1 - Maynooth Town 3

A good away win with Maynooth showing good early form. Barry Farrell opened the scoring for Maynooth followed by a John Geoghegan solo goal to give us a two goal interval lead.

Mick Faherty increased the Maynooth lead midway through the second half and a late consolation goal by Blackhorse did nothing to take from a top performance. John Geoghegan, Mick Faherty and Derek Dolan were best for Maynooth.

Borough F.C. 2 - Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth had to battle hard to share the points in this evenly contested game. Goals by John Murray and John Geoghegan were the main features of a battling performance.

Maynooth Town 3 - Drumfinn Celtic 3

Maynooth took an early lead but soon found themselves 3 - 1 down following a spell of whirlwind pressure by Drumfinn. We weathered the storm in gallant fashion and battled back for a share of the points. Maynooth scorers were John Geoghegan (2) and Colm Carroll.

Schoolboy Results

U/11 B1

Maynooth Town 1 - Loughlinstown Boys 0

This game seemed to be heading for a draw until Gary McMahon scored a late winner for Maynooth to grab the points. Simon Fagan, Ciaran McCullough and Martin Conway had excellent games for Maynooth.

U/13 B1

Maynooth Town 4 - St. Martin's Boys 6

Indecision in defence cost Maynooth dearly in a game which could easily have been won. Andy Madden played gallantly for Maynooth but was unable to inspire his colleagues to victory.

U/14 D

Maynooth Town 3 - Mount Merrion 1

This result could have been so much different but for a number of top class saves by Maynooth keeper John Clarke. Stephen O'Sullivan was rock solid at the heart of Maynooth's defence and gave a top class performance. Chris Arthurs, Alan Geoghegan and Peter Kinsella scored the home goals.

U/16 B

Maynooth Town 3 - Valeview/Shankill 2

A top class game which will hardly be bettered. Niall Daly gave Maynooth an early lead following a Donncha McCarrick cross but fell behind to two quick Valeview goals. This team of Maynooth did not win their league for two seasons running without having to show fighting spirit. This spirit was again evident when John O'Shea equalised and Aidan O'Brien grabbed the winner. Keeper Alan Doyle, Jason Miley and David Coughlan were best for Maynooth.

U/13 B

Maynooth Town 5 - Rathcoole Boys 4

A high scoring game in which Maynooth just deserved to shade the verdict. A hat-trick by Andy Madden and two by Trevor McMahon were the main features of this win.

U/11 B.1

Maynooth Town 6 - Lucan Utd. 2

Maynooth settled down after a shaky start and ran out easy winners against Lucan Utd. Simon Fagan was outstanding in defence and David Geraghty and Thomas McGovern also prominent.

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Broadford Rovers 2 - Maynooth Town 4

Maynooth got an early shock when going behind in the first minute but within five more minutes the margin was reversed with Maynooth going into a two one lead. Two further goals by Maynooth and a late penalty completed the scoreline in a very exciting game. Scorers for Maynooth were Martin Byrne (2) David Coughlan (1) and Barry McKeown (1)

U/11 B.1

Maynooth Town 2 - St. John Bosco 4

This was a disappointing result for Maynooth following earlier good performances. St. John Bosco took their scoring chances better than Maynooth and reaped the benefit of accurate marksmanship.

TUG-O-WAR REPORT

How I became tug-o-war correspondent for the Maynooth district is difficult to fathom back through a haze of fog created by many, many pints and endless mists of time. I always know that I am on the right track if Larry McEvoy isn't waving his gigantic fists at me.

Ballyboggan

It was great to see so many familiar faces as our troops lined out against tough opposition in Ballyboggan on Sunday 11th September. Our team gave a gritty performance only just narrowly missing the prizes. The name Brady's was heard yet again on tug-o-war turf. The team comprised of Frank Kilrane, Peter Dommigan, Willie Healy, George Gallagher, Seamie Ryan, Mark McEvoy, A.N. other (a freelancer) and Michael O'Rourke. Our coach was P.J. Bennett.

The great tug-o-war maestro Sean Hyland and Leo Hynes helped the winning team from Rochford Bridge to victory.

We may not have won the tug-o-war contest but we won the sing-song afterwards in McGovern's of Moyvalley. As Arnie would say, "We'll be back".

The Hitchin' Post Cup

Now it's, heels dug in, for the Hitchin' Post Cup on Sunday 16th October at 3p.m. This will be a competition for Men and Women. Mentors will meet soon to discuss rules of admission. There will be an admission charge of £1.00. It will take place at the Amenities Centre, Leixlip. So come along and support the local side in the defence of their title. Win or lose there will be one hell of a hooley afterwards in the Hitchin' Post, where we will end the year on a high note.

Willie Healy.

LABOUR PARTY NOTES**Public Lighting To Be Provided From Bond Bridge To Railway Station.**

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley, the Managing Director of Iarnrod Eireann has asked the Dart Operations Manager to provide him with an estimate for lighting this footpath.

Hopefully, the installation of the public lighting will take place soon and thereby ease the hardship of Iarnrod Eireann's customers.

Maynooth Development Plan.

If the handling of the Leixlip Plan is anything to go by the residents of Maynooth had better be prepared for re-zoning on a massive scale.

It has been the practice heretofore in Kildare that the Area's recommendation was endorsed by the full Council. Deputy Bernard Durkan has broken that custom and practice by pushing for the re-zoning of St. Catherine's Park, Leixlip from the green belt to housing. This is despite the opposition of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council, the County Council Officials, the Leixlip Chamber of Commerce, the Leixlip Town Commissioners and the residents of Leixlip.

In doing this Deputy Durkan has shown a total disregard for democracy and if he achieves his objective Leixlip and Lucan will be joined in one mass of concrete.

Maynooth Swimming Pool.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked Maynooth Community Council to pursue the opening of St. Patrick's College swimming pool for use by the Maynooth community. This would be a gesture of goodwill in their bi-centenary year by the College to the community. The community in turn could make the funds, already collected for a Maynooth Swimming Pool, available to St. Patrick's College for the refurbishment of their pool.

The Bollards for Greenfields.

The County Engineer advised Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley that the bollards were ordered and that they would be erected as soon as they were delivered to the Council.

Birthday Greetings to Stephen. 15 years old on 28th Oct. 1994. From Mam, Dad, Mark and Ruth.

Happy Birthday Anne, Have a Wonderful Day. Love, Margaret.

Wishing you a very Happy Birthday Anne. Lots of Love, Noreen.

Happy Birthday Love and Hugs, Andrew.

Happy Birthday Anne, Love Elizabeth.

Happy Birthday Anne, Love Mam.

Happy Birthday to Jackie on the 17th October. Love from all in 826 Greenfield.

Birthday Greetings to Anne Marie McEvoy, Greenfield, on 19th Sept, her tenth. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and all your family and your special friend Baby.

Happy Birthday to Eugene Fitzpatrick, Maynooth Park, on September 13th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, family and all your friends.

Happy Birthday to Mickey Gleeson, from 6th Class and Pat O'Connor.

Happy Birthday to Brian Bean, "Nuada" Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth who celebrates his 7th Birthday on October 23rd. Love from his Daddy, Mammy, Aisling, Conor and his grandparents.

Happy Birthday to Edel Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth who celebrates her 10th Birthday on October 15th. From Daddy, Mammy, Sisters Susan and Claire

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Congratulations to the Maynooth Ladies Soccer Team in winning the Dublin Ladies Inter League and the Dublin Ladies Shield Cup. Well done to the girls. From all your supporters.

Congratulations to Keith McTernan, Dunboyne and his cousin Dave McTernan Kilcock on their results in the Junior Cert exam. Well done lads from your parents, Grannies and Grandads. Keith attends Maynooth Post Primary. Dave attends Kilcock School.

Congratulations to Catherine Howard Williams on her 21st Birthday on the 27th Sept. Best wishes from Mam, Dad, Gearóid, Paul, Shiobhán, Rowena and Emma.

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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all of your intentions.

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SYMPATHIES

Sincere sympathy to the Wife, Son, Daughters, Mother-in-law, Brothers, Sisters-in-law, relatives and friends of the late Martin (Marks) Kealy of Greenfield, Maynooth.

Sincere sympathy to the Wife, Daughters, Brother, Sisters, Grandchildren, Nephews, Nieces, Cousins, In-laws and friends of the late Michael Linnane, Killeaney, Maynooth formerly of Ballinruan Carusheen, Co. Clare.

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