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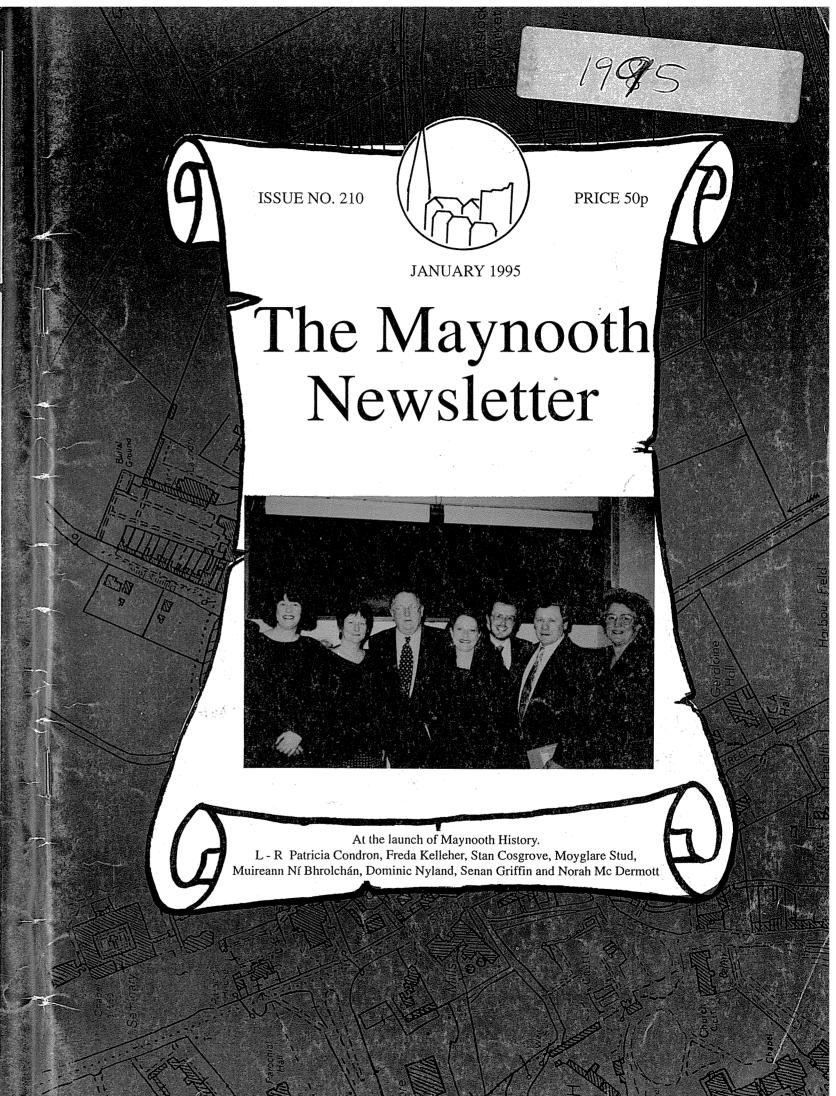
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with some-thing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

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Editorial

January will be an important month in determining the future of Maynooth. In the coming weeks our local councillors will be giving further consideration to the five year development plan for the town and what emerges will determine the shape of Maynooth into the next century.

The first thing to be said is that this is one of the few opportunities for the ordinary citizens of Maynooth to have a major say in the future of their town.

Whatever your views, whether in favour of rezoning existing agricultural land to residential, or, alternatively, retaining the existing boundaries of the urban area, you should make your views known to our councillors whose ultimate decisions will no doubt reflect the will of the people. Details of the plans will shortly be on display in Maynooth Library.

Maynooth's population now stands at just 7,000. There is sufficient land already rezoned to bring that up to 14,000 so, it may seem entirely reasonable to suggest that none of the 500 acres for which rezoning is being sought this time around should be granted.

Money from development levies should be used to fund amenities for Maynooth. The other side of the argument states that there is an acute need for amenity land in the town - playing fields, parks, etc.- and that such land can, realistically, only be acquired as part of the rezoning package. And there the debate stands. Now is the time to make your views known.

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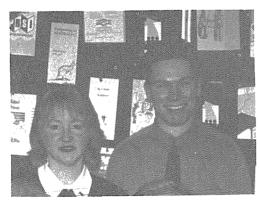
Citizen's Information Centre

Maynooth Community Council launched The Citizen's Information Centres new service on Monday 12th December at their premises on Main Street (above Kehoe's).

A new Community Employment Scheme is now running the C.I.C. along with some volunteers. Breda Gormally has been appointed supervisor and she now has 10 workers. This scheme will provide a full time information service in Maynooth and outreach services in Leixlip, Celbridge, Kilcock and Maynooth College.

Attending the launch were Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Senan Griffin, Patricia Condron and Dominic Nyland, Maynooth Community Council Executive, Sally Keogh, National Social Service Board, Breda Gormally Supervisor on the Community Employment Scheme, volunteers and scheme workers.

The Community Council wish Breda and her staff and volunteers great success in the future. We also express our thanks to the N.S.S.B. for their continued support.



Enjoying the launch Breda Cunningham and Paul Bolger



Maynooth Community Council and Newsletter wish all our readers a Happy & Prosperous New Year



At the C.I.C. launch: standing Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin and Dominic Nyland. Seated Breda Gormally, Norma Browne, Mary Leech and Noreen Curran



Standing Senan Griffin and Patricia Condron. Seated Rita Sheehan, Deirdre Cusker, Paul Bolger and Geraldine Hennessy



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If you are a widow/widower with dependent children and you do not qualify for a Survivor's Contributory Pension, you should apply for a Lone Parent's Allowance. If you are a widow and do not have dependent children and you do not qualify for a Survivor's Contributory Pension, you should apply for a Widow's Non-Contributory Pension.

(1) How to Qualify

You will qualify if:

- you are widowed and
- you are not cohabiting (that is, living with someone as husband and wife) **and**
- you satisfy the PRSI contribution conditions or your late spouse was getting either a Retirement Pension or an Old Age Contributory Pension which included an adult dependent allowance for you or would have included such an increase but for the fact that you were getting an Old Age Non-Contributory Pension, Blind Person's Pension or a Carer's Allowance in your own right.

(2) PRSI Contribution Conditions

A Survivor's Contributory Pension may be based on EITHER your own or your late spouse's PRSI record. The two PRSI records cannot be combined for this purpose.

Whichever record is being used must have:

- 1. 156 weeks PRSI paid to the date pension age was reached or to the date your spouse died, if earlier and
- 2. Condition A: either an average of 39 weeks PRSI paid or credited over the 3 or 5 tax years (whichever is more beneficial) before reaching pension age (currently age 66) or before your spouse died, if earlier or

Condition B: for a minimum pension a yearly average of 24 weeks PRSI paid or credited since starting work up to the end of the tax year before reaching pension age or the date your spouse died if earlier (A yearly average of 48 weeks PRSI is required for the **maximum** pension).

PRSI contribution classes A, E, H and S count. Classes B, C and D paid by permanent Civil and Public Servants also count.

Social insurance contributions paid and credited under the Widows and Orphans Pension Acts 1935 to 1952 may also be

Special Partial Pension

If you or your spouse paid PRSI contributions early in your career(s) and then came back into social insurance on 1 April 1974 (when the *earnings limit* for paying social insurance was abolished) and the contribution average is too low to qualify you for a standard pension, you may qualify for a partial Survivor's Pension based on a reduced average. However, this average must be at least 5 PRSI contributions a year.

(3) Does social insurance outside Ireland count?

Your or your spouse's insurance record in other countries covered by EC Regulation or countries with which Ireland has a Bilateral Social Security Agreement can be used to qualify you for a pro-rata pension.

Countries covered by EC Regulations:

Sweden Iceland, Austria, the Netherlands Ireland Belgium the United Kingdom Italy Denmark Luxembourg (excluding the Channel Finland Islands and the Isle of Man) Norway France Liechtenstein from Germany Portugal a later date Greece Spain

Countries with which Ireland has a Bilateral Social Security Agreement:

Australia New Zealand Québec Austria the United States

Canada

of America

A pension may also be payable by the other country where either of you worked. If so, it would be decided and paid by that country.

(4) Can you get another social welfare payment as well as a Survivor's Contributory Pension?

You can only receive one social welfare payment at a time except in the following circumstances:

It is possible to get half the personal rate of Unemployment, Disability, Occupational Injury or Maternity Benefit, for a limited period in addition to the Survivor's Contributory Pension.

If you are getting an Invalidity Pension and you satisfy the conditions for a Survivor's Contributory Pension, you may receive half the personal rate of Disability Benefit to which you are entitled, for a limited period, instead of Invalidity Pension. This is paid in addition to the Survivor's Contributory Pension.

NOTE: Survivor's Contributory Pension is not paid in addition to Retirement/Old Age Contributory Pension.

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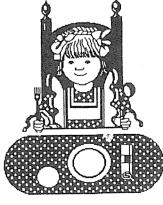
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(5) How Much Can You Get?

Your payment is made up of a personal rate for yourself and extra amounts for your child dependants. Additional weekly allowances are payable if you are:

- aged 66 or over and living alone
- aged 80 or over.

The rates of Survivor's Contributory Pension are shown in the Rates of Payment booklet - SW 19.

Your pension is not affected by any other income you may have whether from employment or another source.

(6) Who is a Child Dependant?

A child up to age 18, who is living with you, is your dependant. A child aged between 18 and 21 continues to be your dependant if s/he is in full-time education by day at a recognised school or college.

(7) How payment is made

Survivor's Contributory Pension can be paid:

•directly into your Bank, Building Society or An Post Saving Account - this is known as DIRECT PAYMENT - and payment is made 4 weeks in arrears to any of the financial institutions listed below;

•by a book of PAYABLE ORDERS which can be cashed weekly at a chosen Post Office.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS offering a Direct Payment Facility are:

- •a Pension Savings Account with An Post
- •a Current or Deposit Savings Account (NOT a mortgage account) with any of the following Banks:

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National Irish Bank Allied Irish Bank

Bank of Ireland Ulster Bank

•an account (not a mortgage account) with any of the following Building Societies:

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(8) If you are going Abroad

Survivor's Contributory Pension can be paid abroad. If you intend going abroad to live, you should continue to cash your pension until the Friday before you leave.

Then return your book to:

Pension Service Office

College Road

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with details of you new address.

If you are being paid by Direct Payment you should notify the Pension Services Office at least 4 weeks before going abroad.

(9) How long payment lasts

Survivor's Contributory Pension is paid as long as you remain a widow/widower. The pension stops, however, if you remarry or live with someone as husband and wife.

(10) What other benefits are available?

If you qualify for a Survivor's Contributory Pension you may be entitled to:

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If you are aged 60 to 65 (inclusive) and your late spouse was getting any of the extra benefits listed above at the time of his/ her death you may qualify for these benefits on application.

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DEATH GRANT

A Death Grant may also be payable on either your own or your late spouse's PRSI record. Further information and claim forms are available from your local Social Welfare Office or from:

Death Grant Section

Social Welfare Services Office Government Buildings Ballinalee Road Longford

Telephone: Longford (043) 45211 Dublin (01) 8748444

DEATH BENEFIT under the Occupational Injuries Ben-

There is also a separate pension available if your spouse died

as a result of an accident at work or from an occupational disease. For further information contact your local Social Welfare Office or:

Injury Benefit Section

Social Welfare Services Office 157 - 164 Townsend Street Dublin 2. Telephone: (01) 8748444

(11) What happens when you reach pension age?

If you have an insurance record and have paid PRSI at Class A, E, or H, you may qualify for a Retirement Pension at age 65 or an Old Age Contributory Pension at age 66 at a higher rate than your Survivor's Contributory Pension.

If you have been paying PRSI at Class S as a self-employed person, you may qualify for an Old Age Contributory Pension at age 66.

Old Age Contributory/Retirement Pension however cannot be paid with a Survivor's Contributory Pension. You should apply 3 months before your 65th or 66th birthday whichever is appropriate.

(12) When and how to apply for Survivor's Contributory Pension

You should apply within 3 months of your spouse's death. A delay in making a claim may result in some loss of pension. You can get a claim form SCP 1 from your local Social Welfare Office. Post Office or from:

Pension Services Office College Road

Telephone: Sligo (071) 69800 Dublin (01) 8748444

FULLY completed claim forms should be sent to the above address. Widowed people whether resident in the State or abroad can apply.

NOTE: You should enclose the following certificates with your claim form (photocopies are not acceptable):

- •Your Birth Certificate and Marriage Certificate.
- •Your late spouse's Birth Certificate and Death Certificate. If you are claiming for dependent children and are not getting Child Benefit for them, you must enclose their Birth Certifi-

Certificates for pension purposes are available from the Superintendent Registrar of Births in your area at a reduced charge. If you are unable to get any of the required certificates immediately, you should send in your claim with a note stating that the certificate(s) will be sent in as soon as possible.

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I.C.A. NOTES

Maynooth I.C.A. ended the year on a high note with the Guild's success during the recent drama festival and at the December Guild meeting our president, Imelda Delaney, congratulated all the ladies involved in the drama. Imelda thanked Mr. Peadar Haren for his help with transporting the props. The drama group performed the play again on 11 December at the Old Folks Party and the group hopes to also stage the play in the New Year. I hope to have more details of this in the next Newsletter.

At the December meeting Imelda extended the sympathy of the Guild to Mrs. Betty Farrell and her family on the death of her husband. May he rest in peace.

Crafts

Crafts are on in the I.C.A. Hall each Wednesday from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and every Monday night, starting at 8.00 p.m. Before Christmas the ladies were very busy making Christmas decorations and I'm sure Mary O'Gorman will have lots of new craft ideas for 1995. This is also the time to plan ahead for this year's Make and Model competition. With all the sales in full swing why not buy the wool or material you need for your '95 creation'?

Badminton

Marion Souhan, Sports Officer, tells me that the numbers attending the badminton declined during the few weeks before Christmas. She is hopeful, however, that all the sports ladies will be back in the New Year. New members are always welcome. Just come along to the Parish Hall on Tuesday or Thursday at around 10.45 a.m. and Marion will be delighted to see you.

An Grianán

January is traditionally the month when people start thinking about booking their 'sun holiday'. However, if you can't afford the two weeks in the Costa del Sol, don't despair. You can have a 4 night break in Costa del Grianán for just over £100. The price includes full board and excellent tuition. While sunny weather can't be gauranteed you are sure to enjoy the warm atmosphere in An Grianán, which in English means 'The Sunny Place'. The College is open to non members. So if you want to bring a friend who is not in the I.C.A., don't worry, they will be very welcome. Men are also welcome to attend at An Grianán. There is a wide selection of courses to choose from and anyone interested can contact Helen Doyle. Do book early, as courses fill up very fast.

Kildare Week is on 26-30 June and includes courses in Art, Health and Fitness, Set Dancing, Tweed Pictures, Flower Arranging and Macrame.

Federation Meeting

A meeting of Kildare Federation of the I.C.A. was held in The Curragh on Saturday, 3 December. The main points of interest arising from this meeting are as follows;-

- 1. Golf Outing to Kildare Golf Club on 17 January
- 2. Irish/English Quiz at Guilds before 20 February
- 3. Italian Night in Superquinn, Naas, on 17 January

- 4. Trip to Edinburgh on 3 5 March, cost £160
- 5. National I.C.A. Day on 25 April 85th Anniversary
- 6. Next Federation meeting is on 22 March in Kill

Our Federation President, Mrs. Nellie Dillon, is off to New Zealand at the end of January to attend the ACWW conference.

We wish Nellie bon voyage and look forward to hearing all about the trip on her return.

Next Meeting

Our first meeting of 1995 will be held in our Hall on Thursday, 5 January, at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be for 'A Slice of Christmas Cake'. Finally, I would like to wish all our members and friends a 'Very Happy New Year'.

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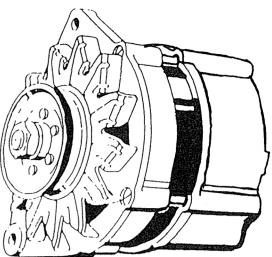
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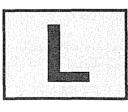
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Tuesday 17/01/95

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

Saturday 21/01/95

Outing to Brittas Ponds and Blessington Lakes, meet car park, Green Isle Hotel, Naas Rd., Dublin 22, 10.30 a.m. Bring wet weather gear, wellington boots/walking boots, lunch if required.

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

Thank you to all the members who went to the A.G.M. The following are the Directors for the 1994-1995 year.

Bridgin Breslin, Siobhan Byrne, Betty Costigan, Matt Dolan, Patrick Harney, Ann Higgins, Sheila Kevitt, Ken Loane, Mary McInerney, Micheal O'Riordan and Micheal Mooney.

Our Supervisors are John Butler, Patrick Arthurs and John McOuaid.

Mary McInerney was elected Chairperson at our board meeting, Ken Loane is our treasurer and Betty Costigan is our new secretary.

At our A.G.M. the Board of Directors were happy to report another year of growth both in savings and in new members.

If you are planning something special for 1995 now is the time to start saving. If you are not already a member of Maynooth Credit Union why not make it a New Year Resolution to join.

From January 1st we are offering a new service to our members. We will begin to operate a Budget Account. The idea of a budget account is to plan payment of your regular household bills, and make provision in the Credit Union to make payment as the bills become due.

For further information please call to the Credit Union Office any Friday evening between 7 and 9 p.m.

It only remains for me now to extend to all our members and to the readers of the **Newsletter**, with the help of the Credit Union, our wishes for a very prosperous 1995.

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"A Happy New Year to Everyone" from our Group.

Our children's party was a great success. Thank you to all the mothers who participated. A special thank you to Santa from all the children.

Our New Year's resolution is to continue to grow and where possible improve. If you have any ideas or suggestions we would love to hear from you. Or if you would like to come along any Wednesday, 10-12 noon, to the M.A.D.E. Centre on the Moyglare Road, all are welcome.

Remember, we would appreciate any donations of toys, push trikes, etc., you might no longer need.

Diann McCann, P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Christmas Raffle

Our annual raffle took place at The Roost on Monday, 19th December. The raffle was well supported again with many sales on the night. Sincere thanks to the following supporters: The Roost - Travel Options - Top of the Crop - Gerry Mulcahy Butchers - Caulfields - Geraldine Arms - Elite Confectionery - Centra Maynooth - The Mill Wine Cellar - Moviemaster - Keely's Corner - Maynooth Gardai.

Maynooth Harbour

Some of you may have noticed that the harbour area has been extensively tarmacadamed and footpaths built. The harbour area will serve as a car park for the railway station for the next year or so until the new road and bridge network are fully in place. By agreement between the various contractors and authorities the harbour area was brought up to the present high quality in return for the concession as a car park, and will then revert to full canal-division control.

The Community Employment Scheme

Work continues on schedule which was helped by the dry weather during November. The scheme employs the permitted maximum of 30 people which is fully administered from Maynooth while employing a small number of staff at different canal locations outside of Maynooth.

Kevin Breslin

Kevin, from Maynooth, has been the supervisor since August, 1993. He is now taking up a position abroad and we tender our thanks for his excellent supervisorship during that time, and our best wishes in his new position in Germany. Kevin followed the high standards established by our first supervisor, Philip McDermott and oversaw the growth of an expanded workforce.

The New Supervisor

A full page advertisement appeared in the December Newsletter. The conditions for applying for the position are very wide and a written application by way of a letter should be sent to our Secretary - Declan O'Connor - at 35, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth - to arrive not later than Wednesday, 4th January, 1995. Applicants will later attend for an interview. The new supervisor will take over when the scheme resumes after the winter break on the 22nd January next. If you feel that you meet the conditions (or you know someone who does and would be interested) simply send a letter by post or hand stating so. There is no need to send a detailed C.V.

The Committee

We welcome Roddy Walsh and Norah McDermott who were recently co-opted to the Committee.

New Members

The 1994 Budget changes in regulations almost immediately took financial pressures off voluntary groups including ours. Quite simply it relaxed fund raising pressures. In our case we could now afford to apply for approval for a scheme that could employ up to 30 people. If you are interested in the environment generally please think about an informal chat with us about joining the group. It won't compare with bungee-jumping but gives the same cool satisfaction. On a serious level give us a try and 'phone the Community Council Office or The **NewIsletter** at 6285922 - for contact phone numbers or names and addresses.

Miss Royal Canal 1995/Fashion Show

It's in February and it's in Setanta Hotel, Celbridge. We'll need contestants and we're relying on you, dearly-beloved readers and supporters, to seek and find for us. This event is going to brighten up the dark winter, and the prizes are good, worthwhile ones.

Thanks and Best Wishes

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Bicentenary Carol Service

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On the night of the 14th of December, in the splendid setting of the College chapel the three College choirs combined to celebrate Christmas and to launch the bicentenary of the College celebrations.

Her Excellency The President and His Eminence Cardinal Daly were in attendance at the service. After the processional hymn the choral society sang 'Joy to the World' to the accompaniment of Timpani and Brass. The College's new President Rt. Revd. Monsignor Matthew O'Donnell, then introduced the proceedings, welcoming the President, Cardinal and all present. Not only did the ceremony celebrate Christmas but it also began the festivities marking the bicentenary. The rest of the programme was interspersed with congregational choral society and chapel choir hymns, and readings from Isiah and psalms. The third reading 'Oíche Nollag' was beautifully spoken in Irish, followed by the choral societies 'Don oíche úd i mBeithil' a traditional air arranged by the Music Department's Professor Gerard Gillen.

Following a blessing by His Eminence, Cardinal Daly the complete choir and congregation sang a triumphant version of 'Hark! the Herald - Angels sing'. At a reception held afterwards the President spoke of the connection past presidents have enjoyed with St. Patrick's. DeValera taught there and Hillary often attended services - a connection she was pleased to continue. The occasion was more than a celebration of the bicentenary or Christmas, she said, it was a symbol of the link between the past and the future of the College. The Cardinal spoke of the Collage's past contributions to Ireland, contributions which were more than the physical establishment of the College - it was an intellectual and spiritual impulse, an influence he's sure would continue into future generations.



Her Excellency, President Mary Robinson attending the Bi-Centenery Carol Service in the College





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MICHAEL MEALLY - BORN TO FLY

It's not everyone who gets to do what they want to do in life but that is exactly what happened for young nineteen year old Michael Meally of Rail Park, when he was presented with his wings and Commissioned as an officer of the Air Corps, at a passing-out ceremony held at Baldonnel Aerodrome on November 7th last. The respective presentations were made by the Minister for Defence, David Andrews and Brigadier General Cranfield. Present at the joint ceremonies were Michael's parents Michael Senior and Delma, and family.

Interview Process

For young Michael it was a dream come true. From an early age he was always aware of aircraft flying over his neighbourhood. From the age of eight or nine years he began to read about aeroplanes. He collected models and did projects on them in 4th and 5th year with Miss Breslin and Mr. O'Connell at Maynooth Boys' National School. This acquired knowledge was invaluable in the series of interviews which he had to undergo to get on the wings course. Out of nine hundred applicants only eight were chosen. While attending the Salesian College, Celbridge, Michael approached his Career Guidance Counsellor, Mr. O'Dowd, to ascertain what subjects it would be best to concentrate on for his Leaving Certificate with a view to doing the pilot course. On advice he concentrated on Geography, Physics, French and Accountancy. The interview process, under the auspices of PARC, began in May '92 before Michael sat for his Leaving Certificate. He was called back for further interviews which included a general interview, technical interview, psychological interview and aptitude test.

After being selected Michael reported to Baldonnel on Sept. 28th '92. From there he was posted to the Cadet School at the Curragh Camp for nine months. This course was very tough and physical and included basic military and weapons training. This was the first year of this particular course and his instructors were looking for junior leaders who were a combination of an officer and a pilot. They had the further aim of instilling discipline and confidence into the cadets.



L.R. Second Lieutenant Michael Meally, Michael Meally Snr., Delma Meally and Garda Commissoner Patrick Culligan

Wings Course

The wings course began at Baldonnell in July '93. As Michael had no flying experience he faced this stage of the course with intrepidation. He was literally thrown in at the deep end and began flying under the supervision of an instructor pilot. After 20 hours flying time he went solo. He was looking forward to this as it was the first big hurdle he had to overcome. One of his eight fellow cadets, the first female selected, did not reach solo standard. From then on the flying got more advanced and included navigation, aerobatics and instrument flying. During this phase, due to engine failure, one of the cadets crashed into Corkagh Park, Clondalkin and was very lucky to walk away alive from the wreck.

Michael was well aware of the risks and part of his course included emergency procedures where he learned the drill of immediate actions in a crisis. A survival exercise took place at Dun-Laoghaire Harbour. Here he had to jump off a ship into the cold sea waters and inflate his life vest and life raft. He also had to swim 100m to the pick up point. This was another hurdle for Michael as he did not know how to swim. However he improved his swimming skills rapidly.

The first plane Michael flew was the Siaí Marchetti Warrior, a high performance piston engine trainer, which is recognisable with its dark green colour with orange tips. He trained with this plane for 150 hours before moving on to the twin engined Fouga Jet Trainer, which was bigger and faster. This plane can reach speeds of 500mph or eight times the speed of sound (0.8 Mach). You have to be able to think up to ten miles ahead of the aircraft. This requires good mental agility and airmanship. It also involves listening, watching and reading instruments. It also involves flying at tremendous speed. After 200 hours flying time Michael qualified for his wings.

Bright Future

Michael is now based in Gormanstown and flying with ACOS (Army Co-Operation Squadron). He is converting onto the Reims Rocket Aircraft. Over the next two years he will be offered the choice of flying helicopter or fixed wing aircraft i.e. military flying. The future is bright for this young pilot as the Air Corps continue to expand its level of operations. On December 5th last they took delivery of the first new CASA maritime patrol aircraft for work in the field of fishery protection, prevention of drug smuggling, pollution control, search and rescue. continued

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Right Choice

The enormity of Michael's achievement can be judged when you consider he had to beat qualified pilots and university graduates to get on this course. He is so delighted with his choice of career, as no two flights are the same. He finds military flying to be a most exciting experience due to aerobatics and formation flying. He is very close to his remaining four colleagues who have survived the course. They know each other inside-out and have shared experiences that they cannot relate to anyone else. Michael who played Gaelic Football and Basketball was banned from playing physical contact sport during his intensive training.



Instructor Captain John Mulvanny with Michael. (Airplane: Siai Marchetti SF 260 Warrior).

Michael feels if you really want something bad enough, stick to it and you'll get there. Hopefuls can read up on flying in the many Air Corps magazines available. He believes that if you can show a genuine interest you'll be more than welcome. Of course height, eyesight, hearing, medical fitness and stamina are important. Michael feels very lucky and finds life to be very exciting in his new career. We all join in wishing him every success in the years to come.

1995 PREDICTIONS

The year starts off on a bad note. The government collapses. In a Hotpress interview Dick Spring says that he has three pieces of toast with his breakfast every morning. John Bruton admits in the Dáil that Dick told him that he had only two pieces. Pat Rabbitte offers to eat the extra slice. For no apparent reason everyone calls on the new Attorney General to resign but he refuses. Eventually, a General Election is called with the following result: Fianna Fáil 12 seats, Fine Gael 9, Labour 7, PDs 3, DL 2, Independents 133. Still in a state of confusion Fianna Fail offers to form a government. The Independents attempt to form a government but can't agree on where to hold exploratory talks. There are calls to bring back the death penalty and hang the lot of them.

Christy Moore is eventually elected Taoiseach, moves the Dáil to The Curragh. In his first budget the new Minister for Finance, Willie O'Reilly, a former cornerboy from Newbridge, abolishes all tax on drink and increases headage payments for sheep to £1,000 a head. A plague of sheep rustling breaks out all over the country and the UN are called in to restore order. In sport, Chinese athletes break all records in the Asian Games. The new world record in the men's high jump is measured at 137feet 3inches but the athlete is injured when struck by a low flying aircraft when setting the record. Recovering in hospital he gives birth to triplets.

March

Maynooth's St. Patrick's Day Parade is a resounding success. The Taoiseach, Christy Moore, dispenses with the usual speeches and gives a rousing rendition of Lisdoonvarna from the back of a truck at the top of Main St. By now the impact of the bypass is making itself felt in the town. Maynooth Town under 11s play their matches in Main St. on Saturday morn-

On April Fool's Day Christy Moore calls a snap general election. Three days before polling Fianna Fáil claim that de Valera has risen from the dead on Easter Sunday morning (April 16th). Immediately, Fine Gael claim that Michael Collins has also risen from the dead and a few days later James Connolly is seen drinking in a pub in Stoneybatter with Dick Spring. All three appear on" Questions and Answers" and promise to increase the old age pension to £500 a week. The campaign turns out to be 'lifeless' but out of a total electorate of 2.2 million, over 17 million votes are cast. Charles Stewart Parnell (FG) tops the poll in Wicklow and in a closely fought contest in Kerry Daniel O'Connell (FG) pips Dick Spring for the last seat. Wolfe Tone (PD) sweeps the boards in Dublin 4. Among other significant victories are "Red" Hugh O'Neill (SF) in Donegal North East, Robert Emmett (Lab) in Dublin Central and Pádraig Pearse (FF) in Dublin North. The shock losers are Archbishop John Charles McQuaid (Youth Defence) in Dublin North East, Oliver Cromwell (DUP) in Louth and Brian Boru (FF) in Clare.

For some reason none of the elected TDs show up in the Dail and Mary Robinson has to run the country all by herself.

Ireland is hit by a heatwave but the next day it's raining as usual.

As part of the 'peace process' a 12th of July march is held in Maynooth. Gerry Adams addresses the crowd in the Field (Harbour) and condemns Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution. Ian Paisley, the new professor of Dogmatic Theology in Maynooth College, attempts to interrupt Adams by singing "A Nation Once Again".

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Everyone goes on holiday.

September

There is a major shock in the All-Ireland final when Linfield beat Galway by 2-14 to 0-15 in William of Orange Park (formerly Croke Park). Harry Whelehan is brought back to

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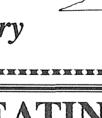
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referee the match but he loses the ball in the dressing room. Kick off is delayed for 4 hours. Peter Robinson, the new president of the GAA, eventually does the honours. After the match the winning captain Nobby Clegg receives the Cup from Conor Cruise O'Brien, who breaks into a party political speech calling for a United Ireland. Men in white coats bundle him away in an ambulance and not before time.

October

A new academic year starts in Maynooth College with 493 girls studying for the priesthood. Astronomers are puzzled by a stange blue hue around the moon.

November

Mary Robinson forgets to inform herself about a key government meeting and is forced to resign in disgrace. Yet another general election is called and Fine Gael, Labour and Democratic Left form a rainbow coalition with John Bruton as Taoiseach.

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Volunteers needed for 1995. Contact Shay.



Organisers

L-R: Shay O'Reilly - O.N.E, Frank Conlon - Labour Party, Chris O'Reilly - Fire Brigade, Minister Stagg - Labour Party, Larry O'Brien - O.N.E., Joe O'Rourke - Fire Brigade. **Absent:** Tony Mooney - Fire Brigade, Mike Hyland, Rita and Mary O'Reilly, Ann Mooney, Seamus O'Reilly.

GARDA TALK JANUARY 1995

A special word of thanks to motorists who took that special effort to organise a non drinker to drive home over the Christmas period. The new road traffic act 1994, concerning drink driving took effect in early December. New limits were introduced, with increased penalties. Fines of up to £1000, and or imprisonment, together with disqualification from holding a driving licence for two years, are some of the penalties. It makes sense, to leave the car if you are going for a jar. It must be stressed to motorists that this legislation will be enforced all year round.

Neighbourhood Watch

Would co-ordinators for schemes please contact liaising Gardaí in the near future to arrange a meeting please.

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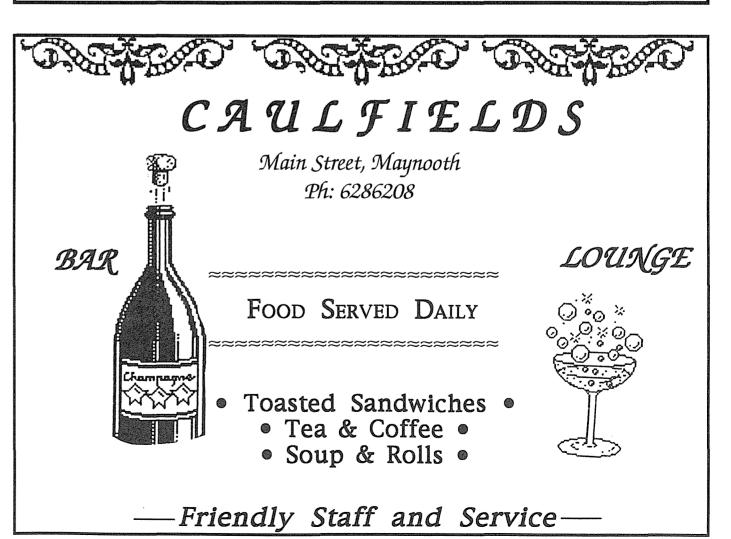
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DRUNKEN DRIVERS BE AWARE - IF YOU TAKE A JAR LEAVE THE CAR

From now and into the New Year there will be a special campaign by the gardai in conjunction with the National Road Safety Council for safer driving.

As Sergeant Peter Carney of Maynooth Garda Station pointed out, "it is a drive to educate the public into driving with safety in mind".

Over the Christmas and into the New Year "Rolling Check Points" (5 minutes in one street then 5 minutes in another street and so on) will take place.

The motoring public are being well warned. They have a serious obligation to enforce the Traffic Code. The purpose being to save lives. It is hoped that these special check points which are on-going, will detect breakers of the Road Traffic Act, of speeding, dangerous driving and drunken driving.

In conjunction with the Maynooth Gardai the Divisional Traffic Unit from Naas will be operating regularly in the area.

New Motorway

The new Leixlip, Maynooth, Kilcock Bypass will open on 19th December and all the normal Traffic legislation applies such as no hitching, no jogging, no cycling etc. So whilst it will be a welcome relief for motorists the gardai would urge all drivers to drive sensibly and safely.

Road Traffic Act 1994

This deals principally with drunk driving. There is a reduction in the maximum permissible alcohol level to drive in a public place. Anyone now convicted will face disqualification and endorsements and specimens may be taken in hospitals of drivers in all traffic accidents.

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Alcohol level in urine reduced from 135ml to 107ml.

Under the new Road Traffic Act those convicted will face fines not exceeding £1,000 and 6 months' jail sentence or both. Further, under Section 49 (drunk driving) and Section 50 (in charge of a vehicle whilst drunk) a convicted person will be ordered to pay costs and expenses incurred.

Under a sub-section of Section 49, drunk driving includes alcohol, drugs and any combination of drugs and alcohol.

FIRST AID

Eight people were presented with occupational first aid certificates by "Heartbeat" in St. Patrick's College on the 1st December. Garrett Skerritt, who gave the weekly course in the College since the 6th October, told us that the award was a "Recognised Qualification throughout Europe by the Health and Safety Authority". "First aid comes into everyday life it's a great asset", added Garrett.

"Heartbeat" was set up to provide first aid training to suit the customer - meaning times, venues and costs to suit those attending. They provide a range of courses from basic first aid to cardiac care and all of them can be held on site in offices or workplace. In fact he once gave a course in a factory during the staff's night shift.

The elements of the recent course included wounds, burns/ scalds, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, fractures and poisons. It concerns itself with first aid at several levels - with children, at home, etc., with an overall aim of providing a practical, workable knowledge of first aid.



Fr. Frank Dultig with recipients of certificates for First Aid Fr. Frank Dultig, presenting the certificates, recalled how as a first year student in the college a first aider was a useful addition on the rugby pitch. He congratulated all those involved, encouraging them to go on to higher grades.

Kathleen McNutt, Newtown Court, told me that it was always something she wanted to do, with a small child she felt it was important to know how to cope with an emergency. She found Garrett very good, excellent at his business, a good communicator and very friendly, adding, "I certainly would recommend it".

"Heartbeat" will be beginning a new course early in '95 and looks forward to teaching more Maynooth people the invaluable skills of first aid. "Thousands of people are injured each year", says Garrett, "much of which could have been avoided by skilled first aiders". Look out for notices around the town of times and venues of the next course.

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NOTES FROM NAMIBIA

There were very few black faces among the hundreds of passengers on the British Airways flight from Heathrow to Johannesburg. There were plenty of Afrikaans-speaking whites and there were people from other parts of the world like ourselves and the American missionaries and their three children who would be flying on to Gabarone, capital of Botswana. We would have liked to fly direct to Windhoek with Air Namibia, but bookings on flights to Africa last September were heavy, and we had to accept what was available.

Windhoek International Airport is as small as Shannon used to be years ago. The carousel in the arrival's hall delivered all seven pieces of our luggage promptly. The customs officer took one look at it piled high on two trolleys and called her boss. When he arrived, looking grave in his navy uniform, complete with peaked hat, I felt for a moment that we were in for a hard time. However, when we explained, with the help of my husband's colleague from the Ministry, that all it contained were personal effects we would be using during our two-year stint in this country, there was no problem. As long as we had no goods intended for sale, he was happy to wave us through, hoping we would enjoy our stay.

We have since heard many times the local saying that people cry twice when they come to Namibia: Once when they leave home to come here and again when they leave the country. Well, the Stiff Upper Lip got me dry-eyed through the first, and ask me about the second the next time you see me.

The heat at two o'clock on an afternoon in mid-September made me swelter in the sweat-suit that had been ideal for the flight. It was a nice warming-up after the summer of '94 in Ireland: Two trips to the beach, one of them in April when the day looked warm and the other in August when it was only slightly better. We're warmed through here now, there's no cold left in the bones. On the contrary, it's too hot some days between 10 am and 4 pm, and the nights are beginning to feel uncomfortable without a fan. I'm feeling a bit concerned about what it's going to be like in the height of the Namibian Summer.

Anyway, back to the day we arrived. The airport is a long way outside the city, which is surrounded by hills. Summer is the wet season, so the rains haven't arrived yet and, apart from gardens that are watered, vegetation is dried up and brown. People watch the sky eagerly for clouds that suggest rain is on the way, and have mostly been disappointed in Windhoek. This makes a change from Kildare, as you can imagine.

We also glimpsed some wildlife that told us we had left the Emerald Isle. Yellow weaver birds - I'll tell you more about them in a later piece - and their nests were plentiful in barebranched trees along the route. We also saw a troop of black baboons crossing the grass margin. And I'm not sure if it was on this trip we saw a pair of foraging warthogs, scurrying along, tails in the air.

It reminded me of Dorothy when she realised that the Land of Oz wasn't Kansas, only I wasn't dreaming.

How different have we found life in Namibia to what we were used to in Ireland? Very. For one thing, everyone gets up, if not at the crack of dawn, then very soon after. There is a good reason for this: to take advantage of the cool part of the day. The school and work days start at 8 am, for the most part. Our daughter goes to a school where classes start at 7.25 am and end at 1.15 pm. Shops tend to open at 8.30 am. The work day ends at 5 pm, with an hour for lunch. Because Windhoek is a small and manageable city, those who drive to work go home for lunch.

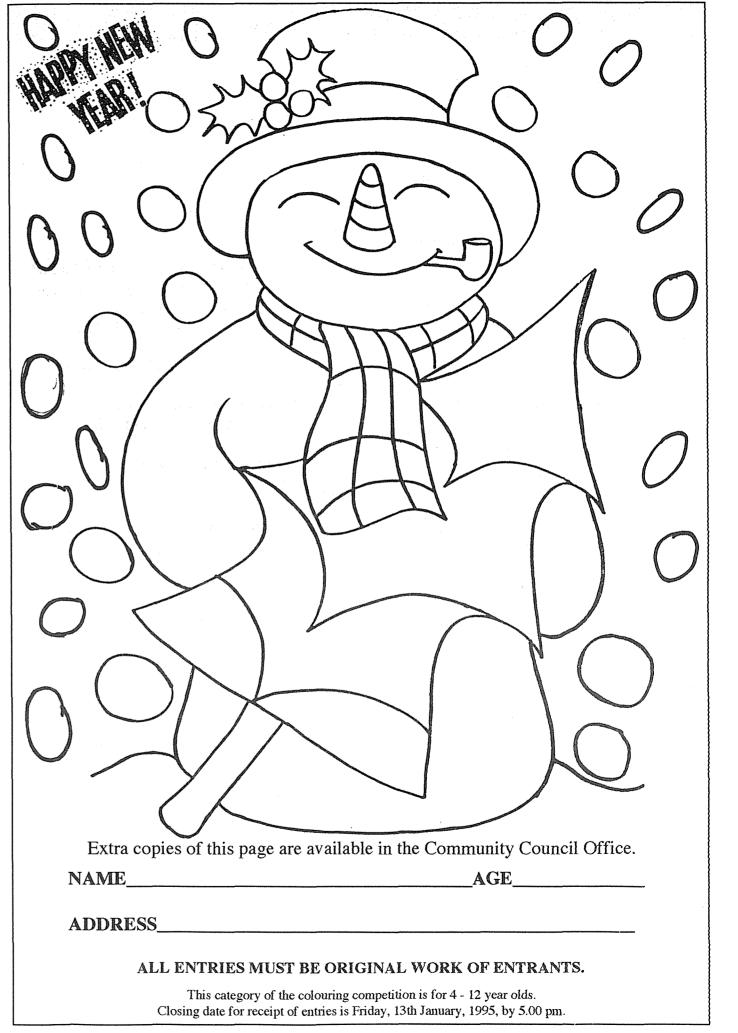
My husband says that a traffic jam in Windhoek is having to wait for a second change of traffic lights. I don't know if he made this up, or if it's another local saying. In the morning, twice at lunch-time and again at 5pm, in order to keep the commuter traffic moving smoothly, the traffic police do point duty at all the busiest intersections in the city. I had a tendency at first either to become mesmerised by their stylised gestures or to forget to look out for the stop signal. Now I tend to find myself giving an appreciative wave when I get the go-ahead. Sometimes, their role is only to manipulate the traffic lights from the control box.

Transport would have been a real problem for us in the first weeks until we got our car, if the Ministry hadn't made a car available to us. There are shops around the corner: a small supermarket and an off-licence, which is called a bottle store in English - as opposed to Afrikaans. There will be more on the subject of language in a later edition. Within walking distance - about as far as Quinnsworth is from Rail Park - there is a good shopping centre, where, now that we are reasonably well set-up, we can buy most of what we need. However, in the beginning, when we had to buy everything from spoons to spaghetti and pots to pillows, we had to go to the city centre, which is 7 or 8 miles away.

There is no bus service, as we in Ireland understand it, in Windhoek. In fact, I have seen very few buses. I understand that the city does run a service designed to enable workers to travel from Katatura and Khomasdal, where they live, to the areas where they are employed. Under apartheid, black people were only permitted to live in these areas, except when they occupied the outside or servant's room in their employer's house. The amount of space they were allowed in both was strictly limited and this feature reminds me of some of the restrictions imposed on some of our own ancestors under Penal Laws.

So it is very hard to get around in Windhoek without your own transport. For example, at the moment, it would be hard for us to get our daughter to school in the morning, even though her school is quite close by. When the new road opens, it might be more feasible to walk or let her cycle, but it would be an unusual thing for white people to do. We wouldn't be able to get the shopping home very easily, either. Cycling would be a difficult option, because the city is quite hilly. I haven't seen any streets as steep as the one in Ballyshannon, but at this altitude, physical effort leads to rapid fatigue in the unfit, such as myself. One doesn't see many cyclists in this city.

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STREET-TALK

After seven years of serving Kilcock, David Gildea has opened an optician's, named Optometrist, on the Main Street in Maynooth. After having received a considerable amount of custom from the town for years, he felt the need was sufficient to make the move. "Increased advertising by the large opticians has made people more aware of the options available to them", says Mr. Gildea.

He is offering a range of services and products. His sister-inlaw Valerie specialises in children's eye-testing. Contact lenses start at an all-in price of £55, something he hopes will attract the student trade. Glaucoma, a condition which may cause blindness in the over-50s may be treated after detection. Telltale signs include diminished vision and seeing a halo around lights. Glaucoma screening is available in the Optometrist.

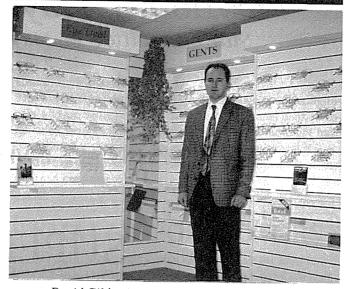
"V.D.U. strain is becoming more common", explains Mr. Gildea. Although the effects are not instantly noticeable, the continual glare, contrast and flicker from computer screens causes headaches and strained or tired eyes. Usually light lenses with a U.V. filter are sufficient to correct the problem. A wide range of frames starting at £49.50 (lenses and frame) are in stock. David Gildea also does house tests when necessary. We wish him every luck in his new enterprise!



A selection of appliances on sale in the new Gas Showrooms

With the arrival of gas in Maynooth Des O'Sullivan has opened the "Gas Showrooms" beside The Caddyshack on the Main Street. The shop is a natural continuation of his Rathmines Gas Showrooms and stocks a wide range of real-flame gas fires, cookers and ranges. Mr. O'Sullivan, from Mulhussey, Maynooth, has his daughter Deirdre and his son Seamus, who lives in College Park, working in the shop. Hopefully, the mild start to the winter won't distract people from installing the latest in hassle-free gas fires and cookers.

All of those travelling by train will have noticed the new shop on the station platform. Primarily a newsagents, they also serve coffee, tea and sandwiches. Alan Bradley, from Cluain Aoibhinn, operates the shop with the help of family members. His sister, Eileen, told us that they are very pleased at how things have gone so far — "people are satisfied and the service is efficient". The trade heading towards the College is particularly good. In the cold December mornings coffee and tea for those heading to Dublin is much appreciated. Currently they are expanding their range of services — if customers ask for something new they'll try to stock it.



David Gildea in his new premises in Maynooth

SUBMISSION TO FORUM FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION

As readers of **Newsletter** may already be aware, Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group recently decided to make a submission to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation at Dublin Castle. This committee is comprised of Mary Cullen, Hilda Mooney, Eamon O'Ciosáin and Michael Quinn.

This submission will be carried in three instalments in the **Newsletter** commencing with the following extract from the document.

MAYNOOTH PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE GROUP

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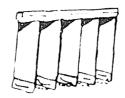
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November 1994 Samhain 1994

Introduction

The Maynooth Peace, Reconciliation and Justice Group recently evolved out of the Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group which was originally established in 1989 as the Winchester Three Support Group. When that miscarriage of justice case was resolved, we continued our work on similar cases including the Birmingham Six, Judith Ward, RUC Four and the Ballymurphy Seven.

As a result of our interest in this area and based on our conviction that justice and equality are essential requisites in other fields such as employment, community affairs, education, etc., we now believe that the peace process in general and the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation in particular offer a practical opportunity to help bring about meaningful change in both parts of Ireland. We trust that this document will be included



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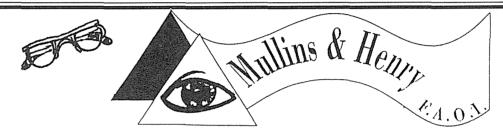
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in the considerations of the Forum and we look forward to the opportunity of making a verbal presentation to the Forum in some more detail. We would also be delighted to welcome the Forum to Maynooth: as a university town, Maynooth has ample facilities for hosting a session of the Forum, which is engaged in the auspicious project of bringing about permanent and genuine peace and reconciliation in our country.

Justice and Civil Rights

We are concerned about emergency legislation connected with a perceived threat from political subversives in both the Republic and Northern Ireland, and with some provisions of the general criminal law in the Republic.

1 Republic of Ireland

The Republic has been effectively in a perpetual state of emergency since the passing of the Emergency Powers Act of 1939. The most recent piece of legislation, the Emergency Powers Act 1976, was brought into force for 12 months. It then expired but can be invoked again by ministerial order.

This act allows a member of the Garda Síochána without warrant to stop, search, question and arrest any person whom he suspects 'with reasonable cause' to have committed, to be committing, or to be about to commit an offence under the Offences Against the State Act 1939. A person so arrested may be detained for 48 hours and, on the authority of a chief superintendent, for a further five days.

Section 30 of the Offences Against the State Act 1972 allows arrest and detention for 48 hours for questioning, and for trial in the Special Criminal Court with no jury.

These acts threaten the civil liberties and human rights of suspects even when their use is confined to political and paramilitary offences. They also impinge on the liberties of the public at large, and lawyers concerned with civil rights argue that a state which feels unable to trust its own citizens to exercise that citizenship as jurors has real problems of credibility. Further, the Offences Against the State Act is regularly used for non-political and non-paramilitary offences, thus extending the permitted detention period from a 2-20 hours maximum to 48 hours. This constitutes an additional threat to civil liberties and human rights.

Even though Section 31 of the Broadcasting Act was repealed in December 1993, its existence for so many years needs to be noted as a major infringement on the civil right of free speech and freedom of information which affected the entire population.

In the area of criminal legislation, Section 4 of the Criminal Justice Act 1984 allows detention for questioning for 12-24 hours. This is also used to harass political activists, often where no actual offence is suspected.

The Public Order Act 1993 is also not 'emergency' legislation but it curtails the right of citizens to publicly proclaim their dissent and views, and in spirit and possible application it is closely linked to the principles and practice associated with the former.

2 Northern Ireland

'Emergency' legislation

The Prevention of Terrorism Act (PTA) allows for 7 days detention of suspects. This has been held to be in breach of the European Convention on Human Rights, but the British Government derogated from it on the grounds of 'public emergency'. The fact that threequarters of those people held under the PTA are released without charges raises grave suspicions about how the Act is used. The main 'holding centre' for these detainees, at Castlereagh, has been and is the subject of continued allegations of ill-treatment of detainees. The latter may also be denied access to a solicitor for up to 48 hours, and may be deprived of the right to have their family or friends informed of their arrest for a similar period. Those who are eventually charged may be tried in the one-judge, juryless Diplock courts, where the test for admissibility of confession evidence has been lowered to allow statements not otherwise admissible to be accepted. Exclusion orders, a very harsh sentence of internal exile can be served even on acquitted persons, and those so excluded are not allowed to know the grounds for the order and so find it almost impossible to contest them successfully.

The Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1988 effectively removed the common law right to silence of suspects and accused persons by allowing the court to draw deductions from silence. The right to silence has over many centuries been regarded as an integral part of the common law assumption of innocence unless proven guilty.

The U.K. Media Ban of 1988 was lifted in September 1994 after the IRA ceasefire.

The similarity between the relevant legislation in each state is striking. They share the same thrust towards reducing protections for the human rights of suspects, towards limiting the civil rights and exercise of citizenship of the population at large, and towards suppressing the public expression of dissent by citizens which is an essential feature of a democratic society.

We have always believed that these acts are prejudicial to democracy and, in the new context of a ceasefire by paramilitaries on both sides with the consequent imperative to build structures which can ensure lasting peace and justice, we urge their immediate and complete removal. We ask the Forum to press for this.

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Maynooth History

After many hours, months and even years of research and writing, Maynooth Community Council launched its history of Maynooth "Cannonballs and Croziers" in St. Patrick's College Maynooth on Friday 16th December. This book, with text by local historian John Drennan, outlines the history of Maynooth from the earliest times to the present.

Maynooth Community Council would like to thank all those who worked over the years on the book, in particular:

John Drennan Research and text
Vincent Doyle Paintings
Greg Stevenson Illustrations
Neil Armstrong Photographs

Research: Carol Ann Reaper, Lorraine Tracy, Imelda Guiney. Workers on Community Employment Scheme: Mary Dwyer, Jane McNulty, Susan Byrne, David Brilly, Patrick Caulfield, Clare Donahoe, Pius Kelly, Sandy Nolan and Ann Wakeman. Supervisor/Administrator Norah Mc Dermott and Freda Kelleher.

Sub-Communications Committee: Patricia Condron, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Dominic Nyland, Tom McMullon and Margaret Murphy.

Fás: Una Richie and Pearse Connolly.

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The launch in the Music Hall St. Patricks' College was very successful. In this regard we would like to thank Dr. Seamus Smith Master for his kind assistance in the launch of the history. Finally we would like to thank Cardinal Press and its proprietor Joe Wall for their patience and assistance in the lay-out and printing of the history. The book "Cannonballs and Croziers" is available locally at £4.99.

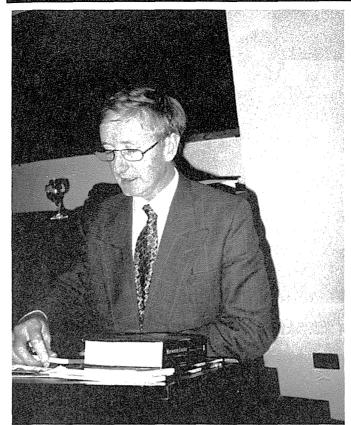


•Presentation of Painting to Mrs McDonald - Cowanstown Stud. L-R Mrs Mc Donald, Patricia Condron, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin and Dominic Nyland



•Presentation of Painting to Sonia Rogers- Airlie Stud by Senan Griffing

Maynooth History



Dr. Seamus Smith, Master, Maynooth College at the launch of Maynooth History



John Drennan being presented with Maynooth College History by Dr. Seamus Smith



Don Nichol A.I.B. being presented with a Painting of the Canal by Patricia Condron

Maynooth History



Louise Jolley and Greg Stevenson at the launch of Maynooth History



Dr. Seamus Smith presenting
Patricia Condron with a copy of Maynooth Calander
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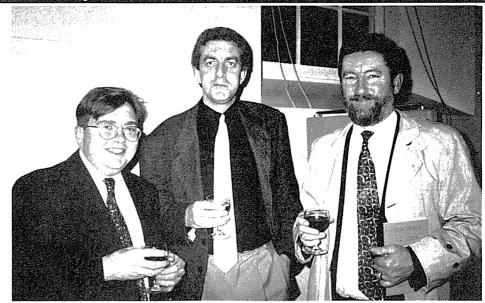


Enjoying themselves at the launch L - R: Patrick Perry, Bernard Durkan, Robert O' Reilly



At the launch of Maynooth History L - R: Clare Donohue, Anne Wakeman, Jane Mc Nulty and Eileen Dunne

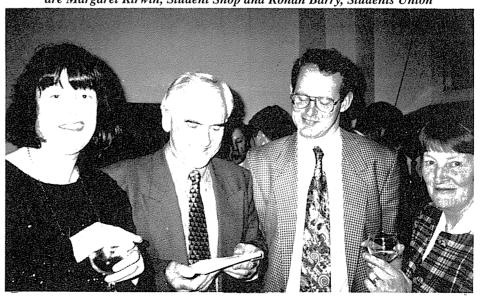
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Enjoying the launch
L - R: John Mc Loughlin, Peter Connell and John Mc Ginley



With copies of the History secured and enjoying the launch are Margaret Kirwin, Student Shop and Ronan Barry, Students Union



Concentrating on the history are L - R: Patricia Condron, Lee Mallaghan, Michael Barry and Lynne Whittaker

POST PRIMARY MONSTER DRAW

The post primary school wasn't the only winner in the recent Monster Draw held in the school. Principal Tom Ashe, holding the cheque book on behalf of the organising committee, gave out around £35,000 in prizes in the second phase of the very successful draw.

Pat Halley, outgoing chairman of the Maynooth Post Primary Parent's Association, reminded everyone of the format. The draw was limited to 2,000 tickets - sold for £100 each. Selecting the numbers were students Mary Crome - Summerhill, Elizabeth Whittaker - Dunboyne Road, Joseph Larkin - Kilcloone and Jamie Lawlor - Lawrence's Avenue. Checking and supervising the procedure was Garda Tom Milner and Dominic Nyland.

Fr. David Boylan began with a draw for promoters who sold 5 or more tickets. Winners of £25 were Michael Dillane, W. Coughlan, K. Dempsey, J. Hoare, M. Hutton, F. Crowe, Peter McTernan and Sean Ashe.



The excitement mounted as the numbers for category D were selected. Winning tickets were bought by Paul Lucas, Patrick Macken, Liam Dunbar, Joe Devine, Ms. Amanda Brady, "Ciotog" c/o Pat O'Brien, Gerard Gallery, Liz and Keith Thomas...(£200 each); Donald Wederfort, Tony and Mary Bean, Tony Barrett, Hilary O'Carroll & Co...(£300 each); Edward Gallagher, Seamus O'Flahery, Fergus & David Crowe...(£400 each) and Geraldine House, Martin Raymund, Roches gang...(£500 each). The top three were won by Marie O'Sullivan (£1,000), Barbara Tracey (21" t.v., video and camcorder) and the first prize of a Mitsubishi Colt car was won by 'Paraig & Crew'.

After the break students Elaine Fleming and Lisa Graham drew numbers for promoters who sold ten tickets or multiples of ten. Winners were; K. O'Leary, M. Dunworth, S. Griffin, P. Hickey, and S. McManus..(£25 each). The principle Mr. Tom Ashe won the third prize of £50 to much applause. Second prize was W. Coughlan - £100. The winner of the weekend for two was Patty Bermingham. Then began the final draw of the evening - Category C. Winners of £200 each were Seamus Redmond, Eileen O'Rourke, Niall Cummins, Clairre

O'Connor, Ignatious/Nicola/Sylvia Conlon, B.O.M. Scoil Dara - Kilcock, John McCormack, Tom Horan and Mary O'Connor. The £300 prizes went to Ger Warren and Denis Delaney, Katherine and John Murphy, the staff yard 2 Ballygoran Stud and Eilish O'Brien. £500 each went to Brendan Glass and Lucan Boy's National School. £600 to Bernadette Scally and Mr. J. Nevin Class 4 (93/94). £1,000 went to N. McKevitt. Third prize of a 21" t.v., video and camcorder went to Pat and Michelle Farrell. Second prize of £2,000 went to Mr. Sean Martin. The first prize of a Mitsubishi Lancer went to Mary Dillon and Patricia Bermingham.

Mr. Ashe thanked all those who bought and sold tickets saying the £100,000 plus raised was equivalent to 20 years of tea party promotions. Finally he thanked the 'two whips' who brought everyone into line and encouraged all those involved Willie Coughlan and Senan Griffin... "Without their determination and planning none of this would have happened". By their applause it seemed everyone more than agreed - even Mr. Ashe with his, by now, much lighter wallet, seemed as pleased as everyone else.



Tom Ashe with one of the 1st Prize winners Patty Bermingham

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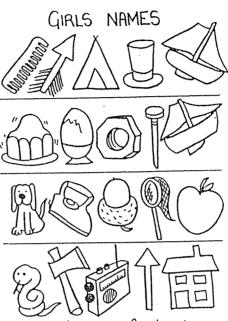
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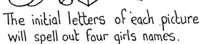
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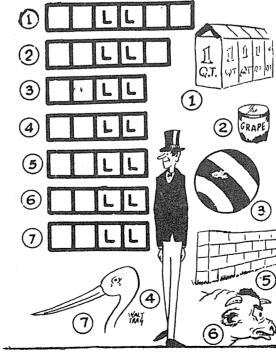








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THE SPORTING YEAR

In June, 1994, World Cup fever gripped the nation and Maynooth. Normally sensible people went around wearing silly colours and gathered in local hostelries to shout at the TVs. Mothers and children went berserk in the sittingrooms every time Ireland scored, which wasn't often. Locals who went to the USA for the finals included Micheál and Lily Riordan, Mona Byrne and son Tony, Ray Grehan, Martin Brady, Prionnsias Breathnach, whom we saw on TV, and Mr. and Mrs. Declan Foley. They all enjoyed the experience. Come to think of it, the entire government disappeared on urgent business to America, leaving poor Brian Cowen minding the country and so busy that he forgot he had shares in Arcon.

My now vague recollections of the event are as follows: Ireland had a famous victory over Italy in the first game, then something terrible happened in the second against Mexico. Everyone wanted the players to get more water. Jack Charlton had an argument with an official who had a blue jacket and a yellow hat and ended up a "Jack in the box". Nothing much happened against Norway, then Holland came flying down the wings where we had forgotten to put a bush in the gap and we were finished. Then Jack wasn't coming back, then he was and when he came home only a relatively few turned up to see him and that was that.

G.A.A.

Maynooth G.A.A. Club enjoyed a good year's success and have plenty to build on for the next year. The Junior A squad got off to a good start when they broke the psychological barrier by beating Sallins in the first round of the championship. They then drew with Ardclough, won the replay and beat Kilcullen to assure themselves a place in the final against Two Mile House.

Locals thronged to Newbridge on Sunday, September 4th, to see their team put up a brave battle against the more experienced and physically stronger Two Mile House side. Maynooth were unlucky when, at a critical stage and just three points adrift, a perfectly legitimate Kilian Fagan goal was disallowed. The squad was comprised of Eamon Sheeran, Mick Noone, Mick Nevin (Capt.), Joe Conway, Mick Kelly, Paul Stynes, David Mahony, Kilian Fagan, John Nevin, Joey Nevin, Pascal Ennis, Paul Garvey, Ken Killoran, Joe Edwards and Joey Riordan. This young squad are likely to win the competition outright this year.

Maynooth won the Junior Football League, beating Leixlip 1-13 to 1-5. This victory was thanks to excellent midfield work by Fergus Devereux and Danny Casey Jnr. and accurate free taking by Derek Murray.

The Junior B team also won the Cappagh Football tournament on 9/10/'94. This team also made it to the championship final where they were beaten by Milltown 1-7 to 2-12.

Junior Hurling breakthrough

The best was yet to come and it did when Maynooth won the Kildare Junior Hurling Championship; their first win since O'Shea, Paula O'Shea and Joanne Smith.

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Sports

1966. They beat Clane 1-13 to 0-3. Mick Nevin was Man of the Match. The retired Tom Coffey returned to the fray to play a pivotal role in the team's success. Mentors Pat Nevin, Roddy Molloy and Ciaran Diggins celebrated in style. Offaly captain Brian Whelehan honoured the club by making the presentation to the winners on the night of December 3rd at the Clubhouse.

Soccer

Maynooth Town AFC celebrated their 25th anniversary this year with great success at Schoolboy level, which gives them hope for the future. The U/15 team became League Champions after beating St. Joseph's Boys 2-1 in a thriller mainly thanks to a Martin Byrne penalty. Their triumphant march through the town was a spectacle to behold. The squad comprised of Niall Naughton, Pat Carroll, Dave Coghlan, Darren Naughton, Declan Buckley, Alan Parle, Alan Nugent, Eoin Gahan, Martin Byrne, Donncha McCarrick, Eamon Gallagher, Aidan O'Brien, Francis Larkin, Niall Byrne, John Canny, Freddie Clarke and David Tivinan. Team mentors were Michael Murphy and Frank McCarrick.

Further honours

The club was further honoured with the schoolboys' selection of Eamon Gallagher and Darren Naughton to represent Kildare at an international soccer tournament in Louisville, Kentucky, USA, between July 26th and 30th.

Ladies' Success

The ladies' team trained by Francis Kearney won the Dublin Women's League Intermediate Division by beating Coldane 9-0. This same team also won the Intermediate Shield by beating Mountview 5-1. The squad was comprised of Ginny Breslin, Geraldine Breslin, Shelly Breslin, Maeve Flood, Marie Grehan, Leanne Hughes, Irene Kearney, Laura Kearney, Tracy Kearney, Emma Kilduff, Ann Lyons, Antoinette Mooney, Karen Mulhern, Clair McCarrick, Leah Newman, Bríd AnnThe Joe Murphy Memorial Cup was won by "the Lads". Best for the winners were the Flood brothers, Tom Fay, Pat Hawkins and Anthony Smith.

The U/11 team won the O'Leary Cup with the help of goals from David Harpur, Thos. McGovern and Dean Conway. Mentors are Tony McMahon and Eugene O'Neill.

The highlight of the 25th Anniversary celebrations was a successful social held in the Student Union complex, which was attended by official representatives from the various leagues. Paul McCourt got a special long service award.

Athlotica

Maynooth Athletic Club continued to enjoy substantial county, provincial and national success. Philip Campbell Boys' U/10 won a Kildare gold medal in 60m. He went on to win the Leinster and National title in the High Jump. David Campbell U/12 won gold in Kildare in 600m., Long Jump and tied with Patrick King in the 300m. David won the provincial title in High Jump and Long Jump. He also won All-Ireland gold Medals in these events and added gold in the 60m. and 200m. hurdles to his worthy collection. He won national bronze in the 300m.

Patrick O'Rourke won silver in the Leinster 60m, race. Declan O'Rourke U/14 won national titles in the 100m. and 300m. Hurdles. His team finished second in county relay finals. Patrick O'Rourke U/11 won national silver in 60m. Karl Ennis U/13 won a national title in the walk. Patrick King U/12 took All-Ireland silver in 100m. and 300m. Mary O'Sullivan won three Kildare gold medals in the 100m., 300m. and 600m. She went on to win a national silver medal in the 300m. John Campbell Senior Men won County Gold in 1,500m. He recently won the Kildare 8,000m. Cross-Country title. arah Cummane won Kildare gold in 100m, and 300m. She won a Leinster silver in the 300m. David Jolley, John O'Rourke, John Campbell and Michael Gleeson won the Kildare Vets 4x100m. relay. In total the club won 14 All-Ireland medals this year. Dave Jolley participated in New York Marathon on November 6th.

Community Games

Around 200 children participated in the games this year. Elaine Fleming won an award for best overall competitor. The Ennis family were the most successful family. The winners went on to the County Finals where Maynooth enjoyed some success.

Mary O'Sullivan won County gold in 100m. Boys' U/17 relay team won bronze medals. They were John O'Shea, Mark Buckley, Alan Nugent, Declan O'Rourke. Sub: Eoin Nevin. Emma Higgins won silver in Gymnastics. The Volleyball and Pitch and Putt teams also won silver medals.

Tug-O-War

The senior team festival winners were: Larry McEvoy, Donal Finnan, Mark McEvoy, Peter Domigan, Mark McEvoy, Frank Kilrane, Martin Murray, Seamie Ryan and Willie Healy. Helen Finnan's team won the women's section. The Hitchin' Post Cup was won by Brady's; George Gallagher, Ml. O'Rourke, Anthony Mooney (Capt), Donal Finnan, Raymond Leavey, Tom Ward, Willie Healy, Liam Fitzharris.

Pitch and Putt

The Community Festival Tournament at Dunboyne Road was won by Trevor Cassidy with Jonathan Flynn, 2nd. Tom and Tony Bean were busy with competitions all summer. At U/16 level Michael Flynn is showing great promise.

SRugby

The North Kildare club has employed a New Zealand coach to supervise the training of the various age groups.

Boxing

New York based professional boxer Jimmy McMahon from Mulhussey, Maynooth, returned to the ring after a nine-month lay-off due to injury. On June 28th he beat American boxer Billy McCrea. Then on August 26th he was highly praised for his points victory over top-rated Bobby Heath in New York. Jimmy, who was making his way up the rankings and who had fifteen successive victories as a professional, regrettably had to retire from the sport for medical reasons. Many locals who are aware of his stature and achievements wish him well in whatever new venture he pursues.

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Sports

Post Primary Sport

The Senior Boys' Football Team won the Kildare Post Primary Schools final when they beat St. Pauls, Monasterevan 3-4 to 0-10. The Senior Girls' Football Team also won the County Championship and the Intel Cup. The Tennis Team reached the final of the Leinster Plate. The Post Primary School has successfully negotiated with St. Patrick's College to gain access to a basketball court for training. This will pay dividends in the future.

Volleyball

Miriam Gormally from Carton Court was a member of the national team representing Ireland at an International Club Tournament held in Belgium recently. The team won a special Fair Play Award.

Golf

Maynooth Golf Club ran a number of successful events throughout the year. Last year's Captain was William Moore. Outing to Athy March 19th Over-all winner W. Moore

At Midleton May 27th

Over-all winner Liam

Farrelly

Athlone July 2nd

Over-all winner Sam

Feeney Christmas outing

Over-all winner Gerard

Coulton

Tae Kwon Do

Cian McGinley 1st Dan is now in training to represent Ireland in the up coming European Championship. Maynooth Tae Kwon Do instructor Gerard McClelland has been promoted to level of 4th Dan instructor.

Badminton

The ladies' team got to the semi-finals of the Tallaght League. They are: Phil McLoughlin, Ann Kinsella, Carol Hoare and Roseanne Grehan.

Swimming

Maynooth Swimming Club ran successful Junior and Senior summer galas. Many of its younger members won medals in the Maynooth Community Games.

Community Festival Soccer

The festival soccer tournament organised by John McGinley was a great success. The Dream Machine team won 4-3 on penalties due to superb saves by Barry Desmond.

Cycling

Pat Carr of Rockfield partook in a 200 mile sponsored cycle in aid of the Ann Sullivan foundation. The cycle began in Dublin, on Friday, 30th September, and passed through Athlone before returning to Dublin via Monaghan. Pat and hiscolleagues raised a substantial sum of money for the cause.

On Sunday, October 16th, a sponsored cycle took place organised by Maynooth Boys' National School. A large group of children participated in and enjoyed the event.

Gymnastics

This sport has existed in Maynooth for the past ten years. Young Emma Higgins won a silver medal in the Kildare County Finals of the Community Games.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The Club's Second Term is now in progress. The Committee are currently taking names for the waiting list, names to include date of birth of child and address and contact number can be given to any member of the Committee. The Committee would like to take this opportunity to wish all its members, their families and the Newsletter staff a very happy New

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

U.13 League Carbury 19/11/'94 Maynooth 6-8 V Carbury 1-3

Maynooth travelled to Carbury for the last league match of the season and scored a good win over the home side. Carbury had a good opening quarter and were unlucky on a number of occasions as Maynooth goalkeeper John Fagan had to make a number of important saves. However, as the game wore on, Maynooth got on top and ran out easy winners in the end.

Scorers: K. Ennis, 0-4: T. Halton, 1-2: P. Kinsella, 1-1: D. Campbell, 1-0: C. O'Malley, 1-0: A. McCarron, 1-0: B. Doyle, 1-0: S. Lennon, 0-1.

D. Carr, C. Diggins, P. O'Sullivan, D. Lawler, S. Devereux, P. King and M. Kavanagh also played well.

North Kildare League U.11's (19-11-'94) Confey 2-7 V Maynooth 1-4

In the last game of the league Maynooth never settled in the first-half, trailing 1-7 to 1-1 at half-time.

However, in the second half they played a lot better with the Confey keeper making several good saves to deny Maynooth a last league win.

Team

P. Campbell, K. Carr, P. O'Rourke, A. Molloy, P. Sheehan, G. Quinn, K. Cannon, M. Sweeney, D. Adderley, A. Sweeney, P. Ennis, S. Curran, E. Holmes, B. Downey, J. O'Neill. Subs: S. Healy, S. O'Malley, D. Comerford, F. O'Donaghue, F. Gorman.

Minor Hurling League Semi-Final played in Ardclough on Saturday 19th November '94.

Maynooth 0-8 V Clane 2-3pts.

Clane playing with the wind in the first half failed to prevent Maynooth from jumping into the driver's seat and by half time Maynooth led by 5 pts to 2 pts. S. Brennan and M. Nugent had Maynooth 2 pts ahead after five minutes, but Clane drew level after 20 mins, but points by S. Brennan (2pts) and J. Rossiton (1pt), had Maynooth ahead at half-time. The second half started with S. Brennan getting Maynooth 6 pts, Clane got back with a point before Clane struck for lethal goals in the 50th and 55th minute. In the 59th minute S. Brennan got a point to leave one point in it but despite desperate efforts on their part Maynooth hurlers could not recover to snatch the equalising score, although S. Brennan went close in extra time.

Maynooth Scorers:- S. Brennan, 5 pts; M. Nugent, 1 pt; J. Rossitor, 1 pt.

Also to play well:- S. Griffin, R. Murphy, T. Farrell, G. Lyons, M. Bennett,

1st Round draw for Junior 'A' and 'B' Football Championship for 1995, Maynooth play Cappagh in both championships: All other draws will be in next issue of **Newsletter.**

We would like to thank everyone who turned out for the Hurling Presentation Night and wish our hurlers best wishes for 1995 and hope they can bring home another championship. We would like to thank everyone who attended our Annual Dinner Dance on Friday 9th December in Club House. A good night was had by all.

Under 21 Football Championship Final played in Allenwood on Saturday, 3rd December, '94.

Maynooth 1-4 V Kilcullen 2-8pts.

Maynooth lost their third football championship final in 1994, first our Junior 'A' lost to Two-Mile-House, our Junior 'B' lost to Milltown and now our Under 21 lost to Kilcullen. Hopefully in 1995 we will have better luck.

Our under 21 team playing with the wind in first half failed to take their scores and by half-time were behind by Kilcullen 1-3 to Maynooth 1-1. The second half was much the same. It was only in the last 5 mins that Maynooth started to play but at this stage it was too late and Kilcullen came out good winners.

Best Maynooth: D. Mahoney, 1 goal; D. Fleming, 2pts; P. Garvey, 2 pts; G. Horn, M. Noone, K. Killoran, H. Purcell, T. Fay, E. Lyons.

Lotto Results: 20/11/94 - Jackpot £650: Numbers: 13-16-24 - No Winner. Turkey - Joyce O'Reilly, Ham - Mrs. Scanlon, Whiskey - Tony Byrne.

Lotto Results: - 27/11/94 - Jackpot £700: Numbers: 1-4-28 - No Winner. Turkey - Mrs. Mullarkey, Ham - Kevin Connolly, Whiskey - Jim Moore.

Lotto Results: 4/12/94 - Jackpot £750: Numbers: 9-16-30 - No Winner. Turkey - Anthony Byrne, Ham - Pat Flaherty, Whiskey - The Daly Game.

Officers elected at A.G.M. for 1995

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Tug-O-War Report

To welcome in 1995, we are holding a special, confined, Winter tournament, for men, at the Hitchin' Post, Leixlip, on Sunday, 8th January, at the early time of 11.30 a.m. So come along and join the action.

After the event we will hold the first A.G.M. of the club, with election of officers for the year ahead. Anyone interested in becoming involved is welcome to attend.

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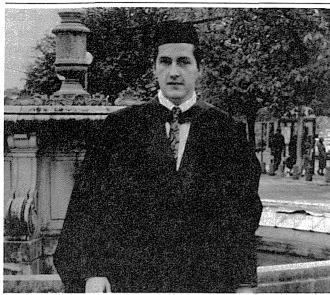
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Sincere sympathy to the brothers, sisters, brother-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of James (Gerry) McDermott, Carton Court, Maynooth and Daingean, Co. Offaly.



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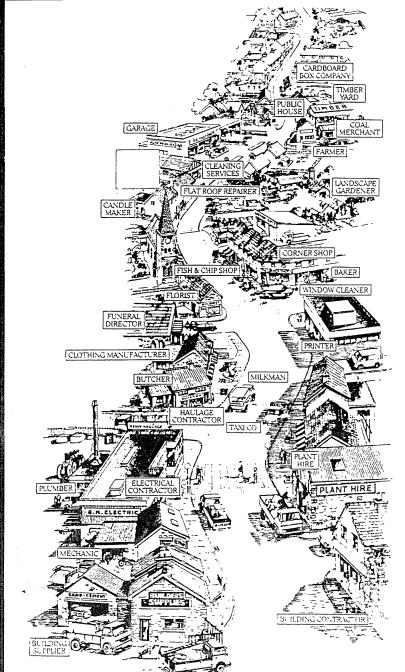
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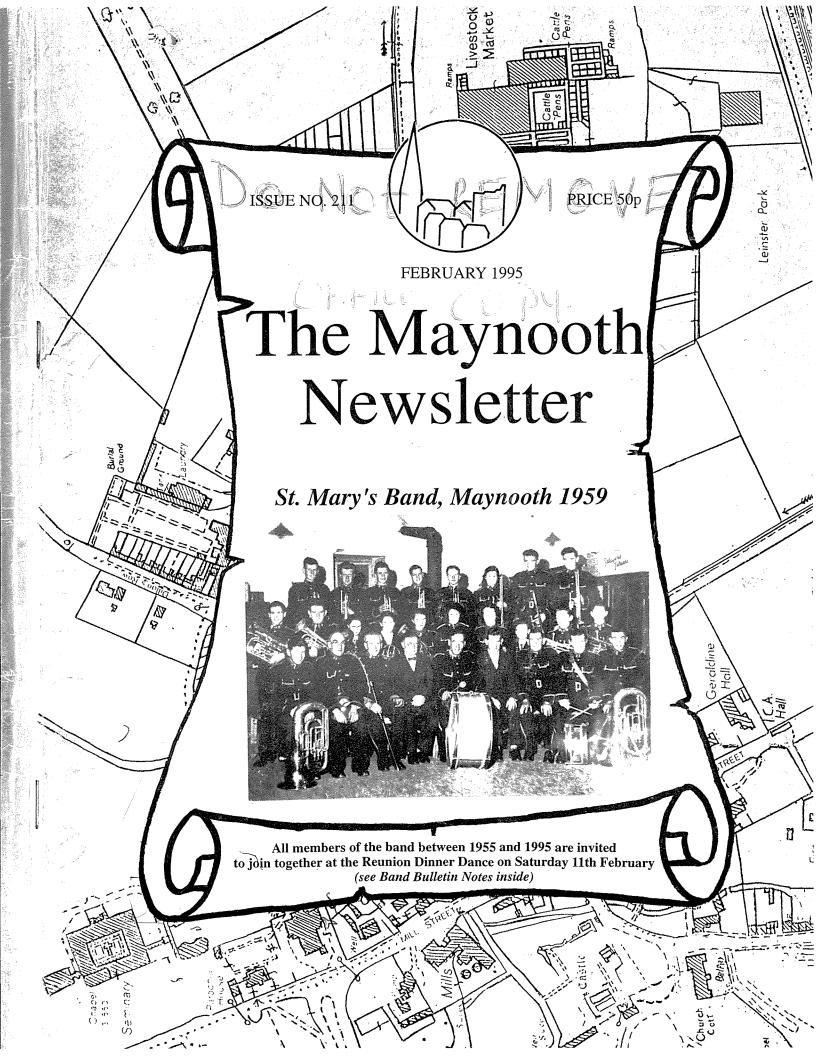
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Festival

The date for the annual festival has not yet been finalized but we would hope that it will be held after the "Thing in the Square" has been demolished or August whichever comes soonest. Any ideas to make this a truly memorable festival. Please contact P. Condron, Maynooth Community Council Office: Phone 6285922.

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We are receiving a number of applications for the position of supervisor on our proposed FAS Scheme. Start up date 1st March 1995. We will also be advertising through FAS for workers for the above scheme. Ongoing discussions with the College, Chamber of Commerce, Community Council and ourselves are taking place to improve the environment of Maynooth during the bicentennial year.

We have invited both the College and the Chamber of Commerce to send representation to the next tidy towns meeting.

We also hope to have another couple of bins installed shortly on the Main Street. We think they are beginning to have an impact on the litter in the town.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

BAND BULLETIN

Apologies to all our regular BULLETIN readers who caught your friendly scribe "mitching" last month. The truth is that I thought I was being given a month off when my usual friendly **Newsletter** reminder did not arrive but it obviously lost its way in a deluge of Christmas cards.

Christmas Carols

Anyway it's back to the grindstone this month with news that our Christmas Carol Music this year was an outstanding success. We made a real effort to visit as many areas as possible with a reasonable amount of success, particularly in Woodlands Estate in Newtown where we received a very warm reception. We also continued our long standing tradition of visiting the Presentation Sisters in their new house in Castlebridge and wish them well in their new surroundings. We would like to extend a sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously during our recitals.

Christmas Traditions

Tradition was once again repeated with our annual Christmas morning parade from 11 o'clock Mass, which has been done continuously since 1932. Unfortunately, the weather was not too kind to us but we gave a short recital in the Square for the benefit of the many listeners who waited to hear us. Glad to see so many new faces in the crowd. New Year's Eve, another of our traditions, again attracted large numbers of revellers with the odd unruly "rebeller" as usual thrown in for good measure. By and large it was a good natured event with sufficient hugs and kisses to see us through to New Year's Eve next year.

40 Year's Celebration

On Saturday, 11th February, we are organising a Dinner Dance in Harry's of Kinnegad to celebrate the 40th year of the setting up of the Boy's Band Section of St. Mary's Band in 1955.

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This move, organised by the Band Committee at the time, ensured the continuation of Maynooth Band at least to the year 2000. The boys, we are glad to say, were soon joined by the girls until we now have almost a 50/50 membership. The past 40 years have seen many members of both sexes pass through the Band Hall door and unfortunately quite a number have had to leave for all sorts of reasons.

Saturday, 11th February, now gives us an opportunity for all of these ex-members to get together with their friends and families to swap stories with each other and tell the current members what it really was like before central heating, luxury coaches and properly fitting uniforms and how we had one pot-bellied stove to heat the entire Band Hall, how our luxury coach was a cleaned out cattle lorry and how pleased we were with our "brand new" ex-Garda uniforms. And that's just for starters! So if you want to meet your old band buddies go to the 40 Year Reunion Dinner Dance, Harry's, Kinnegad, Saturday, 11th February, Tickets only £12.50 each. Bus available £2.00 each. Tickets available from: Kevin Boyd, tel: 6285903 or Elaine Bean tel: 6285634. Due to the large numbers expected tickets are in limited supply so please book early.

Hope to have all the news on the reunion in the March issue.

BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Annual Social Night provisionally booked for Fri. Feb 17th in Maynooth G.A.A. Club. Music from Fred Hennessy and a great night is in prospect. Tickets will be on sale soon, £3 each or 2 for £5.

Also if you have not already sent in your annual subscription, please do so as soon as you can. Many thanks to those who have already done so.

P.R.O. Michael Quane.

CITIZENS' INFORMATION CENTRE

Medical Card Income Guidelines from 1st January 1995

Income Guidelines (from 1st January 1995) (net income after PRSI)

Single Person Living Alone

Aged up to 66 years £84.50 Aged between 66-79 years £92.50 Aged 80 years and over £96.50

Single Person Living with Family

Aged up to 66 years £74.50 Aged between 66-79 years £79.50 Aged 80 years and over £82.50

Married Couple

Aged up to 66 years £122.50 Aged between 66-79 £137.00 Aged 80 years and over £144.00

Allowances

For child under 16 years £14.50 For dependant over 16 years with no income maintained by applicant £16.00

For outgoings on house (rent etc.) in excess of £14.50 Reasonable expenses necessarily incurred in travelling to work in excess of £13.00

Persons aged 16 to 25 dependent on their parents will not be entitled to a medical card unless their parents also hold a medical card.

Persons with no income other than:

- (a) Old Age Non-Contributory Pension (Maximum)
- (b) Deserted Wife's Allowance
- (c) Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Allowance
- (d) Disabled Persons (Maintenance) Allowance
- (e) Lone Parent's Allowance (max)
- (f) Single Woman's Allowance (max)
- (g) Widow's (Non-Contributory) Allowance (max)
- (h) Orphan's (Non-Contributory) Allowance (max)
- (i) Supplementary Welfare Allowance

will be regarded as being eligible for a medical card. Hardship cases are dealt with individually on merit.

• Income Assessed is net income after PRSI deductions PRSI payments will be deducted from gross income to get assessible income. However it is income before tax that is counted.

• Social Welfare Recipients

People getting the maximum rate of certain means tested social welfare payments normally qualify for a medical card without having a further means test. This doesn't mean that they automatically get a medical card, they must still apply to the Health Board. People on reduced rate social welfare payments will have a further assessment of their means.

- · Lone parents with dependants will be treated under the same income guidelines as married couples with dependants.
- · Long-term unemployed and lone parents on schemes, such as Community Employment will be allowed retain their medical card.
- In assessing family income, where a child is in full-time third level education and is not grant-aided, the allowance for a child over 16 will be doubled.

Young people

Young people aged 16 and over are eligible for a medical card in their own right, but where 16-25 year olds including continued

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students are financially dependent on their parents, they will only be eligible for a medical card if their parents are medical card holders. The decision as to whether someone is financially dependent or independent is left to the Health Board.

• Nursing Home Fees

If a person is in a nursing home some of the cost of staying there may be taken into account against assessible income. The practice varies between Health Boards.

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I.C.A. NOTES

Maynooth Guild of the Irish Countrywomen's Association held its first meeting of 1995 on 5th of January in the I.C.A. Hall. Mrs Imelda Delaney, president, welcomed all the ladies to the meeting and wished everyone a 'Very Happy New Year'.

Activities

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday, starting at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome

Craft sessions are held in our own hall on Wednesday mornings (10.30-12.30) and on Monday nights, starting at 8.00 p.m. At present, the ladies are doing embroidery, soft toy making and cross stitch. Mary O'Gorman, craft promoter, reminds ladies that they should now be preparing for the Kildare and the National Make and Model competitions. The theme for the National Competition is 'An Outfit Suitable for a Visit to Aras an Uachtarain'.

I.C.A. Magazine

The good news this month is that the I.C.A. magazine, The Irish Woman', which used to be distributed at Guild meetings, will now be posted directly to members. The bad news is that the yearly subscription has gone up to £3.50. This magazine is published four times a year and it contains lots of I.C.A. news, photos, etc. Anyone interested in ordering 'The Irish Woman' magazine should contact Helen Doyle.

Next Meeting

The next Federation meeting is scheduled for Kill on 22nd of March. All members are welcome to attend this meeting. Our next Guild meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd of February at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be a Bi-lingual Quiz. This will take place at the end of the meeting and the winning team will go forward to represent Maynooth at County level. I look forward to a large attendance at this meeting as these quizzes are usually great fun.

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- he has no protection against the unexpected expenses which may arise for him.

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- his savings are earning a dividend for him
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Tom thought it was more expensive to borrow than to withdraw his savings. This is not always necessarily the case in a credit union. Consider Tom's case again... he borrowed £500 and promised to repay £10 per week....

- he paid £36 in interest on his loan approximately.
- his savings earned him a dividend of about £15.00 at 3%.

So for Tom, the difference between what he effectively paid in interest and what he earned by dividend was very small indeed and remember that he still has insurance cover... cover which he would not have if he withdrew his savings and perhaps more importantly he still has a source of credit open to him

If you are considering withdrawing your savings to meet some expense, why not ask the advice of the Credit Union staff first. They will be happy to help you.

Finally may I remind all our primary school students that the schools quiz is coming up towards the end of February.

Details will be available in the schools quite soon.

Michael Mooney

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

December Meeting

This was our Christmas Party with mince pies, Christmas cake and fun for everyone, held on Tuesday 13th. The demonstrator was Teresa Collins, whose knowledge, skill and wit made everything look so easy. Her clever use of candles was very enlightening to say the least. She also judged the club competition based on the theme "A Christmas Scene."

The competition winners were:-

Class A. First - Kathleen Cleary, Second - Felicity Satchwell, Third - Sarah Angel. Very Highly Commended - Noeleen O'Brien and Highly Commended - Mary Doyle.

Class B. First - Maureen Stephens and Second - Moira Baxter. Class C. First - Joan O'Connell, Second - Amanda Harris, Third - Nell Byrne and Very Highly Commended - Toni Read.

The winners of the turkey raffle were First - Mary Doyle and Second - Mary O'Neill.

There was no meeting in January.

February Meeting

This will take place on Tuesday 21st in the Divine Word Hostel at 8 p.m. Non-members welcome - Admission £2. This meeting will prove to be quite exciting as it is Members' Night. Demonstrators will be Sarah Angel, Noeleen O'Brien, Mary Doyle, Mary Cleary and Eileen Burns.

The competitions are:- Class A, "Walking in the Rain" a land-scape exhibit space 30". Classes B & C, a "Hall Table" exhibit space 24".

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MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

We are one year in operation now, our anniversary disco is on the 21st January 1995 at the usual venue. The D.J. for the night is Ray Darcy from The Den: he will also do compere on Blind Date which is to start off the night. Admission on the night is strictly by ticket only, which are available from the usual sources. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people from Maynooth and Kilcock and other areas who assisted us during the last year. I would also like to encourage more adults to get involved as leaders. On behalf of the committee we would like to congratulate Paul Byrne and Aideen Walsh on their recent engagement. Paul and Aideen met through the club where they are adult leaders.

Martin Caine.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our Annual Dinner took place this year on Jan. 8th in the usual venue, the Post Primary School, and we thank Mr. Tom Ashe for all his help and support in this regard.

120 people enjoyed a beautiful four course meal of turkey and ham etc., courtesy of Mr. Peter O'Brien, to whom we owe a great deal of gratitude for his continued generosity. The second half of the evening was spent in the company of "The Partners" who provided the music.

Congratulations to the winners in our Waltzing competition. 1st place was taken by Anne Kenny and Madge Dowling. 2nd by Tosheen Farrell and Imelda Farrelly and 3rd by Imelda Delaney and Carmel Reilly. The judges for the event were, Dr. Fionnuala Grogan and Bernadette Larkin P.H.N. E.H.B. and Kevin McGovern. Many thanks to them, and all who helped to make the evening so enjoyable.

Our A.G.M. will be held in the Health Centre on Tuesday Feb 7th at 8p.m. and our Valentine's Party takes place on Sun. Feb 19th in the Post Primary School at 3.30 p.m.

Finally we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Kathleen O'Neill, Jenny Lanigan, Margaret Mooney and Kit Edwards. May they rest in peace.



Josephine Moore (Chairperson) with Mr. Peter O'Brien of O'Brien's Catering, Monread Rd., Naas. Mr. O'Brien has provided the catering for the Christmas party, free of charge for over eight years for which the committee are deeply grateful.



Josephine Moore, Chairperson of Old Peoples' Committee with Bernadette Larkin and Fionnuala Grogan of Eastern Health Board with the rest of the Committee.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT '95

Now that the New Year is here it is time to get down to business for the forthcoming project.

Just to update you on what has happened since our A.G.M. in October '94, we set to work on holding our Christmas Fair which we held on December 8th in the Boys National School. The income received from this and from our Flag Day will be used to subsidise many events held during the summer.

The committee wish to thank everyone for their help and support on both occasions. At our meeting, held on January 11th, we set about the planning of the 1995 programme and we will continue to inform you of our progress as the months go by.

We look forward to your continued support.

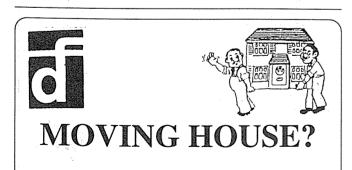
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PRESENTATION CONVENT PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the Association was held on November 18th, 1994. There was an informative First Aid demonstration and lecture given by the Red Cross. Equipment funded by the Association was on view. The committee thanks all those parents who gave their support but stresses that funds must be raised for the forthcoming year for numerous projects including the funding of the P.E. teacher which is not provided by the Department. Your support of all fundraising events would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any suggestions or can offer your time, please contact one of the committee.

1994-95 Committee: Chairperson, Sean Cushen; Secretary, Grainne Walsh; Treasurers, Jean Kennedy, Noreen Curran; Members, Catherine Heslin, Brian O'Brien, Eithne Barry, Brigid Cody, Lesley Doyle, Catherine Bruton, Martin Connolly, Siobhan O'Neill.

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SCOUT NEWS

Cubs: On December 13th there were 6 new cubs and 3 new cub leaders invested. The ceremony was attended by the proud parents of the cubs being invested and it was a memorable night for all involved. After the ceremony the pack leaders provided light refreshments for the parents and a massive amount of lemonade and sweets for the cubs.

Scouts: December has been a busy month for the scouts. As part of their fundraising activities they have been out selling Christmas logs which they made themselves. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who has supported us in this venture. I would also like to thank St. Patrick's College authorities who kindly allowed us to use their swimming pool on December 15th. This was a night of great crack and was greatly appreciated by all the scouts and leaders who availed of it.

Venturers: Maynooth venturers recently took part in a regional event which consisted of a day out to Holyhead. They departed early on a Saturday morning (which was a feat in itself as normally they don't surface until late afternoon), and despite bad weather, had quite a good time. The venturers would also like to thank all the people who supported their table quiz in the Maynooth G.A.A. hall.

On January 5th, 1995 the scouts held a disco in the Students' Union Hall. All those who turned up agreed that it was a great night for the scouts. Hopefully we will be able to run another one in the near future. I would like to thank the college authorities and Ronan Barry for all their assistance in organising the event.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody in Maynooth a happy New Year and to say thank you for all your help in 1994.

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Christmas Raffle.

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The New Supervisor.

Mr. Tom Flatley from Maynooth Park replaces Kevin Breslin as the supervisor for our Community Employment scheme which currently employs twenty seven people. Tom is from Knock in County Mayo and is married to Ann (formerly O'Keeffe) from The Harbour, Kilcock. They are resident in Maynooth for a long time, and more recently Tom has been working on our scheme for close on two years. The quality of the five applicants for the position was excellent.

Where are they Now?

Philip Mc Dermott, who was our popular and excellent foreman and supervisor for many years is now supervisor of the Community Employment Scheme sponsored by the Town Commissioners in his native Leixlip, where he currently has command of seventeen workers.

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Residents Associations

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSO-**CIATION**

The association is monitoring carefully the impact of the gas installation work on our estate, particularly in the grassed areas on greens and footpaths.

The link road to the By-Pass has resulted in loss of one line of trees and we plan to ensure that remaining trees are not damaged in on-going discussions with the site engineer.

Residents will be advised of a fire prevention lecture being currently organised. Date and venue to be advised.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

OLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION A.G.M.

The Annual General meeting of the Old Greenfield Residents Association was held in the Boys National School on Thursday January 12th.

The Chairperson, Manus McCarron, welcomed everybody to the meeting. A special welcome was made to Garda Martin Caine who reported the success neighbourhood watch was having.

Officers Elected.

| Chairperson | Manus McCarron |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Vice Chairperson | Paul Finan |
| Secretary / Pro | |
| Asst. Secretary | Kathleen Creggy |
| Treasurer | Kevin McGovern |
| Asst. Treas | Joe Byrne |

It was agreed that a constitution for the Association would be rectified at another General meeting to be held on first Tuesday in February at same venue at 8.30 p.m.,

RAIL PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION **NOTES**

Straffan Road Development

Rail Park residents are now beginning to get used to a new vista following the removal of the hedgerow and trees between the estate and the Straffan Road. We are also having to get used to all the muck at the entrance to the estate and along the footpath into the town. While this (hopefully) is temporary, much more permanent is the increased difficulty motorists are facing trying to get out onto the road due to the increased flow of traffic generated by the opening of the bypass. It remains to be seen what the situation will be like when the new traffic lights are installed at the junction with the Celbridge Road.

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Features

BOOK REVIEW



Vincent Doyle or Vinny as he is more commonly known, was born in Maynooth in 1953. As a child he attended the old National School. From there he went to the tech in Lucan, as there was no second level education in Maynooth at that time. Things have changed thank God. He attended Bolton St. College and at seventeen years of age he developed an interest and love in paint-

ing. He went to the National College of Art and Design to acquire more skills for his beloved hobby. It was successful, as he took a great interest in the artists of the impressionist period such as Van Gogh, Monet, Degas and others. I have seen a lot of his paintings over the last year and even to me, who wouldn't know a Van Gogh from a cows derriere, they looked mighty impressive. The above mentioned may be for the experts and connoisseurs but Vinny did not let the ordinary "five-eights" down. His paintings and drawings of the Maynooth area are brilliant. Many of his works use the spire as a background. He has also painted the Obelisk, Carton, Laraghbryan, Ladychapel and any other building or scenic location of interest or beauty in the area. His paintings would look well on any wall.

There we will leave Vinny the painter. Being busy trying, "maybe in vain" to make the footpaths and roads of Maynooth safe to walk on he has found the time to take the pen and start writing, (imagine trying to fill all those pot-holes). He started in November '93 and working mostly at weekends has produced the books and has a book of poems ready for the press.

His novel "Sue" is described as an Irish-American love story. I read this book over the last few days and thought it had a most unusual beginning. Then Vinny is a most unusual fellow. From a sing song and a booze up in Bradys with the locals, "including the Messiah", to a session in Roches I wondered where this book was going. It later developed a great and interesting theme. It holds a lot of Vinny's humour. In there also is a lot of imagination, from an innocent involvement with the I.R.A. to a not so innocent involvement with the Mafia. His love scenes are kinda different to any I've read 'but then again' - like the Lord he left the best wine to the last as he finishes the book very unusually. If you want to know any more about it - "buy the book". To show its worth American publishers are printing 300,000 copies of "Sue" for the American market.

For the children and those of us who are still children he produced a gem in "Anytime Fairy Stories". A great book of short stories, some about local characters and myths. From "The Rabbit who lost his front teeth" through "Bollas Big Belly" on to "The Ghost of Silken Thomas", you won't leave it down. Vinny's book of Poems which I have not yet seen is basically on Women in the Work Force. Wait for it!.

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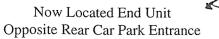
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DRINK LAW

Amid claims from the Vintners' Association of the disastrous impact on their members from the new drink laws and denials and counterclaims from the politicians, Gardaí and media, we decided to ask a selection of locally affected groups their veiw of the situation.

Martin Ryan, of the Kilcloone Inn, was all against drink driving but felt that the ordinary working man was entitled to a few drinks. Although he's not organising a petition against the law, his customers are very much against the prohibitive effect of the 80 ml limit. Over the Christmas he didn't notice any downfall in trade but he felt this was due to visitors home from America and elsewhere. However, the first signs are indicating a post Christmas drop in sales. Martin Ryan believes that people are afraid or unwilling to take the car out for the one pint and are staying at home instead.

Noel Brady from Brady's in Maynooth has noticed the change, but believes that it's not that people are staying at home altogether, rather they're adapting. Brady's, he says, is a working mans' pub. Normally those who were going out three or four times a week will find the cost of taxis etc., or just the inconvenience, taking away one of their nights out. It's not that the Irish pub scene will diminish rather people will adapt to the lower limits by organising lifts or giving up one of their usual drinking nights.

Roche's pub, being dependent on local trade, and with it's isolated location will be badly hit, says Mrs. Roche. "Are people going to drive 3 miles for one pint?", she asks. Pubs like Roche's could disappear as a result of getting Ireland into the European norm. "We've kept this pub going through thick and thin. In the '50's when trade was bad my husband had to go to England to work", she adds. "We've been here many, many years and before us the Carrolls had the pub for 150 years - now the business could be forced to close". Mrs. Roche sees these events as part of a bigger picture. There is a silent conspiracy to get rid of the smaller traders. The local Garda Barracks and Post Office, have closed down. Distributors won't sell petrol to small stations whose orders aren't large enough. "Something has to come over society", she believes, "Legislators treat Ireland as if it has the amenities of Europe", but that's not so. Having a daughter working in The Hague, she's seen the trams working throughout the night. It's all very well to legislate for a car-free society if other transport is provided, she believes, but here these rules are unfair as we haven't the structure to support alternatives. Mrs. Roche goes as far as calling the new law a form of prohibition and supports the march planned on Dáil Eireann at the end of January.

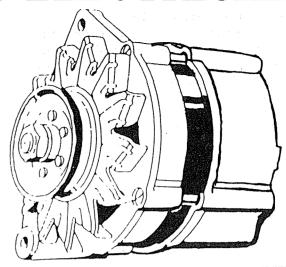
Eugene O'Shea of M.C.L. Cabs found it hard to ascertain the impact of the law on his trade. The Christmas is so busy that any increase in trade would just be part of the 50% of calls they have to refuse at that time of the year anyway. But he believes that people are more frightened to take a drink and drive than ever before, especially the young. "They've more respect for their licence than perhaps older generations". "It takes longer to get it and with high insurance prices they never continued

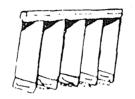
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see the car as something to take out when drinking". Also he senses a growing impatience in people which he finds hard to define. As the first cab company in North Kildare and in operation for 7 or 8 years he's seen changes in the last 18 months. One driver was left in hospital over Christmas for taking a wrong turn and he had a mini-cab stolen from the Leixlip area. "When people go out and don't plan how they're getting home they're irritable when you can't provide an instant service". Possibly the new law will put increased pressure on an already tense situation. One final change he notices is that people are frightened to take cars to work in the morning if they've had a few late drinks the night before. They might have as little as 3 or 4 hours to clear it's effects from their bloodstream. "With the low limit" he says, people fear being caught the day after the night before".

Superintendent Peter Kearney was thankful to the people of Maynooth that the new law was enforced with such ease. No one was arrested in the area and less cars were on the road from the pubs than in previous years. There were a considerable number of extra checkpoints, Gardaí were brought in from Naas and no major trouble was reported. He feels this was due to the co-operation of the public and the Gardaí. On the subject of 'morning after' checkpoints, he says that there is no official policy of checkpoints to catch people drink driving in the mornings. The principle of checkpoints is to stop or deter the criminal whatever time of day. On another note he advises people to exercise caution in exiting the new motorway at the Straffan Road exchange as there's already been an accident at this spot.

It's hard not to have sympathy with both sides of the case. No-one wants drink-driving or pubs like Roche's to have to close either. When people adapt to new rules, like this one, it's hard to say who will suffer. There may be casualties among the Vintner's numbers - and we all can help ensure that these are not our locals - but perhaps if fewer casualties on our roads is the cost, then it's surely not too high a price to pay.

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Cycle Safety

The National Safety Council have issued Guidelines for parents who gave children a bicycle for Christmas. It is recommended that parents obtain and study a copy of same. Here are a few of the more salient points.

- 1. Make sure that children are aware of the fundamental rules of the road before they are allowed to cycle.
- A bicycle is not a toy, it is a vehicle. No child under ten years should be allowed cycle out in traffic.
- 3. Even ten year olds should not be allowed out in traffic unless they are able to balance properly, look behind, and signal without wobbling. Let them practice in a playground.
- **4.** At night and on dull days, no cyclist should travel without appropriate lights and reflectors to draw their presence to attention of motorists.
- 5. A helmet is vital, it can prevent serious head injury and even death.
- **6.** And finally, cycling is an activity that requires undivided attention. Therefore, a child should never wear a personal stereo while cycling.

Recent Housebreakings

A sincere word of thanks to a number of residents of Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn who recently assisted Gardai in apprehending a youth from the Dublin area who was caught red handed in the act of burglary. We were delighted with prompt action and response and congratulate those for their kind assistance to Gardai.

We are also pleased to mention that a number of arrests have taken place following our investigation into recent burglaries, and charges will follow. Remember don't leave the criminal with an easy target. Report suspicious activity to the Gardai at once.

Dinner Dance

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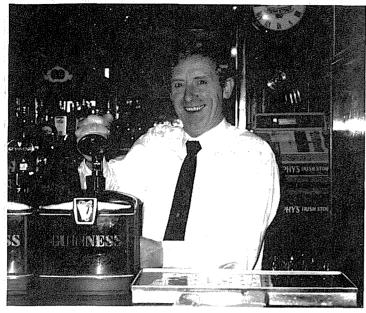
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Valentine's



• John O'Rourke - The Roost

"It's an opportunity to express your feelings for your loved one". John won't reveal his plans as yet, he plans to surprise her.

• Paul Connolly - Top of the Crop

Paul feels that Valentine's Day is a load of crap. He has no plans other than that he shall go drinking on his own. Paul feels he is too young to get married, he'll start getting romantic when he is 40. He's looking for a leggy blonde, so all young hopefuls know where to call to reap the benefits.

• John Heffernan

Paul's collegue, John Heffernan is a true romantic. Every year he gets his wife a big card and a big bunch of flowers and brings her out to dinner. This year he's going to do the same.



THE CANAL

Martin Brady - Leinster Arms

"It's the only day of the year you can get away with self - expression." He's bringing his girlfriend to Riverdance on Valentine's Day and to add to the magic they'll be four years together on this date.

Day

• Alven Duffy - The Shop

"I don't really have any opinions on Valentine's Day. It makes some people happy. I've been going out with my boyfriend for three years but he's never bought me a card yet. He's romantic in other ways . !!!"



• Garda - Martin Caine

"It's a special day to most couples, married couples especially. There's always a surprise element to it". The only plans Garda Caine has are to have a 'No Name Disco' for Valentine's weekend. He's not a romantic but he's still hopeful of someone surprising him.

• Garda - Denis Bourke

Doesn't think a lot of Valentine's Day, it brings back memories of the Stardust. He'll be working on that day.





Claire O'Rourke

"I'm expecting a big surprise. I got an early present of a weekend in Chester. My husband is a bit romantic".



• Breda Donovan - Donovans

"I love Valentine's Day as I'm a romantic at heart. It makes men more gushy. My boyfriend is very romantic - he spoils me".

MUINTIR MAIGH NUAD



Michael Gleeson

Michael Gleeson is a pleasant and genial man who exerts a quiet but positive influence in all his local involvements whether it be in Gaelic games or athletics. He is a qualified accountant specialising in industrial work and is better known as the indefatigable chairman of the successful Maynooth Athletic Club.

Michael hails from Silvermines, near Nenagh, Co. Tipperary. He went to the local school, Lissen Hall, and to Nenagh CBS. The Christian Brothers were big into hurling and one of his teachers, Bill Small, had won an All-Ireland Senior medal with Dublin. In north Tipperary there was no football and all his spare time was taken up with hurling. A hurley was never out of his hands whether it was used for driving cows or hitting stones, etc. Other than this the local pastimes were hunting or playing pitch and toss at the nearby crossroads.

Headed for Dublin

In 1962 Michael headed for Dublin to stay with his aunt Peg. He quickly got a job with McNaughton's Builders Providers working in the area of sales and deliveries. Even though he had become disillusioned with the educational system, where he found his teachers were very dogmatic and not very flexible, after a few years' work, he began night study in Accountancy at Rathmines College of Business Studies.

In 1978 he qualified as an accountant. His work up to this was in the area of finance, so he endeavoured to gain further credentials. After gaining the relevant experience Michael applied to become an Associate, i.e. a member of A.C.M.A. (Association of Cost and Management Accountants). He had to be proposed and seconded and to give a long history of his work. However, the association deemed that he had sufficient knowledge to get the higher grade of Fellowship. Michael's work is now very industry-related and he is employed as financial manager with ITT Flygt in Tallaght; a massive American organisation. Last October he attended a company conference for all the financial managers world-wide, in Florida, U.S.A.

Married

Michael married Marie Fitzsimons, who comes from Celbridge, in 1969, and they began their new life together in Maynooth and lived in various parts of the town before settling in Straffan Way. Michael soon got involved with the G.A.A. scene. At this time Maynooth had a good Junior hurling side and between 1970 and 1978 they made it to four county finals. It was in 1978 that he reached the peak of his career when he captained his side in the County final and was voted Player of the Year by his fellow team-mates. Maynooth had a very good team then and Michael played at full back. Michael, who had played with Erin's Isle and New Ireland while in Dublin, won a Junior League medal and played until 1987.

Athletics

Along with his daughter Enda, Michael joined Maynooth Athletic Club in 1980. On one occasion, when he was due to participate in an All-Ireland Veterans' race in Co. Clare, he missed his lift and had to drive all the way down. On top of this when he finished the race there was no-one there to record his result. Things only got worse when he received a speeding fine on the way back. This goes to prove that Mick was faster in his car than he was on his feet. However, he improved and won coveted Leinster medals with his club at veterans' level, including a silver medal in the 800m and in 1985 he won a bronze in the 3,000m. He won lots of relay medals, as relay racing was and still is very strong at club, county and All-Ireland level.

President

Michael has served in many positions with his club; trainer/selector, treasurer, competitions secretary. He is presently chairman for the last five years. He is currently president of the county board of the NACAI and also fills the role of competitions secretary and PRO. This can be a demanding job at competition times, catering for up to 500 members of the five Kildare clubs.

The local athletic club which was very strong in the '80s is undergoing a revival after winning a lot of All-Ireland medals in the last three years. John Campbell and John O'Rourke are very involved in the coaching and training of members. Marie also acts as competitions secretary and the club enjoys great camaraderie between organisers and club members.

On top of all this Michael is long-standing treasurer of the local G.A.A. club and a member of the hurling committee. All these involvements put extra demands on his time but as a man who grew up with sport, he barely acknowledges the significance of his massive contribution to the lives of others.

Family

Marie Gleeson is also very active in the community. She is involved at Community Council level and is a member of the very successful festival committee. She is an athletic club official and competitor in the Dublin City Marathon and she still finds time to help out the local residents' association. Enda was a successful middle distance athlete specialising in the 800m. She has won many All-Ireland medals and now works in Kilkenny. Aileen never competed seriously at athletics being more interested in Art. Catherine was a useful runner and competed with success for a number of years. Michael Jnr. is handy at football and hurling and has won medals for same.

Philosophy

Michael is not big into philosophy but believes as long as you have a match to go to, a pint to get and the health to enjoy them, you are not doing badly.

Ideas on Maynooth

He believes Maynooth could be improved by having more facilities. As far as he is concerned the biggest problem facing the town is lack of playing space for the G.A.A. and other clubs. He would also like to see a swimming pool being provided. If more amenity space was to come on stream Michael

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and his colleagues would like to see an athletic track as part of the package. He is sure that more facilities would encourage more children to go out and do something. He sees sport as very important for youngsters as it prevents them from hanging around, which leads to more problems. It gives them something to live for.

Politics

Michael was never in a political party and has no hard and fast affiliations. Nevertheless, he takes politics very seriously and weighs up his options at election times. He would not be inclined to vote for the same party that he supported the last time.

Religion

He has no problem with anybody's religion or whether they have one or not. He feels he may not be the best Catholic in the world and added, "There has hardly ever been a war that was not caused by religion". As he sees it we are all trying to get to the same place. He hinted that it would be better if we did not have Catholics or Protestants, but Christians.

Music

One of Michael's greatest regrets is that he is not able to sing or play a musical instrument. He claims he knows more songs than anybody but still cannot sing them. His favourite singers are Christy Moore, Luke Kelly and Liam Clancy. As a child of the '60s he also enjoys other styles such as the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. His favourite country singer is Johnny Cash.

All in all, Michael has his own inimitable style. On the athletic field he can guide, with wizardly skill, hundreds of children through their respective events. In a gentlemanly, kind and benevolent manner he is true to his calling.

Yes, the man from Silvermines now prospects the rich talent of Maynooth youngsters for the gold of victory and self esteem. May his achievements long endure.

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Back: Fr. David Boylan,
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SUBMISSION TO FORUM FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION

The Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group recently decided to make a submission to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation at Dublin Castle. The committee is comprised of Mary Cullen, Hilda Mooney, Eamon O Ciosáin and Michael Quinn.

The following is the second extract from their submission.

INEQUALITY, JOBS AND JUSTICE

It is often assumed, both by the media and many politicians in Ireland, North and South, that inequality in the workforce in Northern Ireland is much reduced, that remaining discrimination can be accounted for by historical factors rather than current practices and that the political and human rights significance of discrimination has accordingly diminished. But there is ample evidence from official sources that this is not the case.

Findings from the Fair Employment Tribunal reveal that:

- The number of complaints to the Tribunal has been rising in the last four years.
- Total awards approach £1 million, half of which was paid out by publicly funded companies.
- The Eastern Health Board, one of Northern Ireland's biggest employers, paid £65,000 in two cases involving Catholic women employees.
- In 1992 the Tribunal awarded £20,000 to a Catholic woman employee of the Eastern Health Board, but following further harassment on her return to work, added an extra £5,000.
- Many cases have been settled out of court, resulting in a reduction in the real number of rulings and no account of the values and total settlements being available.

1. Unemployment

Official figures on unemployment levels reveal many horrendous facts including (a) the high numbers not in work, (b) dramatic increases in unemployment in the last 20 years and (c) Catholics are over twice as likely to be unemployed as Protestants. The following updated tables supplied by the Central Community relations Unit (a branch of the Northern Ireland Civil Service), and in the Breen and Gudgin 1994 study bear out the above points.

NI Males Not in Work (Average 1985-91) Percent of Population Unemployed

| Age-Group | RC | Other | All |
|-----------|------|-------|------|
| 20-24 | 32.0 | 14.7 | 22.7 |
| 25-34 | 23.4 | 9.9 | 10.0 |
| 35-44 | 18.9 | 9.2 | 13.0 |
| 45-54 | 19.0 | 7.7 | 11.7 |
| 55-59 | 11.7 | 7.9 | 8.7 |
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| Age-Group | RC | Other | All |
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| 20-24 | 16.2 | 11.5 | 13.7 |
| 25-34 | 8.6 | 4.2 | 6.1 |
| 35-44 | 11.5 | 5.0 | 7.6 |
| 45-54 | 18.4 | 8.9 | 12.4 |
| 55-59 | 32.1 | 18.6 | 23.2 |
| | | | |

All 14.2 7.8 10.4

Not in Work

| Age-Group | RC | Other | All |
|-----------|------|-------|------|
| 20-24 | 48.2 | 26.2 | 36.4 |
| 25-34 | 32.0 | 14.1 | 16.1 |
| 35-44 | 30.4 | 14.2 | 20.6 |
| 45-54 | 37.4 | 16.6 | 24.1 |
| 55-59 | 43.8 | 26.5 | 31.9 |
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| All | 36.3 | 17.4 | 25.0 |

Source: Labour Force Survey as given in CCRU (1994)

Definition: not in work = unemployed + economically inactive

These figures clearly demonstrate the desperate need for jobs and in the creation of such jobs, the need to ensure the directing of resources to where the need is greatest.

Features

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2. Providing Employment

The developing peace process will result in very significant savings on security expenditure, both North and South, and by the Ministry of Defence in London. Up to 20,000 security-related jobs could be make redundant, so savings must be redeployed to economic and social expenditure. Fortunately economic prospects North, South and in Great Britain are reasonably good. The further prospects of funds from the United States, European Union, etc., coupled with local resources can lead to many extrajobs in tourism, the aerospace industry, involvement in and provision of training, cross-border trade, infrastructural development, social programmes, etc.

It may be that economic growth could produce a more favourable climate for equal opportunities policies but it is not self-evident that such growth will of itself produce greater equality between Catholics and Protestants. On the contrary without an effective equal opportunity policy the results and benefits of growth will be unequally shared. Inequality is not the dead legacy of now defunct practices but something which is constantly recreated as a result of a continuing process.

We believe that the demands for fair employment, economic equality and equal participation in all aspects of economic life in Northern Ireland must be central to the discussions involving the governments of Great Britain, Ireland, the US and the European Union. A comprehensive reconstruction of the Northern economy to tackle inequality on the basis of need is urgently required. The directing of the vast bulk of resources to areas of greatest need is essential. The cause of peace and reconciliation will be greatly enhanced by the impacting of such a provision of resources on the poorest Protestants as well as the poorest Catholics.

3. A new economic deal

A new economic deal should include:

- (a) An acceptance that the economic rights of equality are just as necessary as other human rights, e.g. a right to a fair trial, freedom of speech, etc. This acceptance should be adopted as official policy.
- (b) A root and branch reform of all British government policy should be carried out to ensure a culture of equality in decision- making. Equality laws must be strengthened and a more decisive approach to enforcement adopted.
- (c) Because the public sector constitutes such a large proportion of the Northern Ireland economy, the government has the power to move decisively towards equality through its actions as an employer. Accordingly the government should ensure that only companies which implement equality practices can become eligible for government contracts.
- (d) The British government should adopt a <u>target and timetable programme</u> for reducing the difference in the unemployment rates between Protestants and Catholics.

- (e) The establishment of independent and representative review commissions to examine the effectiveness of these new policies.
- (f) Assurances to be sought by and given to all foreign aid donators that their monies will be used to genuinely reduce inequality and poverty.

By implementing such a new economic and human rights deal we can help ensure that every pound sterling, punt, dollar and ECU spent in Northern Ireland can be used twice. Once for jobs and once again for justice. The peace and reconciliation process desperately needs both.

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GARDENING HINTS

There are times during the month of February when one can sense that spring is in the air with the appearance of Snowdrops, crocus, and honeysuckle with its scented creamy white flowers. Despite its reputation as a rainy month, February usually has more dry days than wet. The days have steadily begun to lengthen, and the extra light - and sometimes warmth - will start plants into growth towards the end of the month

The Flower Garden

Lawns may need topping, no more, on a mild day when the soil is not waterlogged or frozen. If it is very wet, spiking to a 4-in. depth with a garden fork is better treatment for the turf, and gives the grass roots a chance to breathe; later in the month worm casts may need sweeping off with a stiff broom.

In sheltered places roses showing signs of breaking into leaf should be pruned quickly before they do; this applies of course to the hybrid teas and floribundas, and those climbers not yet cut back. Clematis, similarly, may actually be bursting. The early summer flowering varieties should be tipped back only, the late summer flowering kinds need cutting back hard to leave 3, 4, or 5 ft. of growth from ground level. They grow exceedingly vigorously over the next four months and such hybrids as the blue-purple C. jackmanii, pink 'Hagley Hybrid', 'Etoile Violette' and white 'Huldine' relish such harsh treatment and reward it with an abundance of flower. Keep a vigilant eye out for budpecking, wind rocking, bark stripping and unsteady shrub and tree supports. After gales, stakes and ties may need to be renewed, especially in exposed gardens. Be sure to firm the soil round wind-rocked plants.

Throughout the garden weeds may be starting to grow. Hoe them off or otherwise eradicate them before they get into their stride - it is so much easier to do and quicker, when they are at the seedling stage, or when they have only a weak winter hold on the soil. In the growing season it sometimes takes all ones' strength to detach a well-grown weed from the ground.

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

The Vegetable Garden

Vegetables are an essential constituent of diet; home-grown ones are much better than shop sold (or soiled) ones for flavour and nutrient content, crispness and general deliciousness. Sowing vegetable seed now will give crops much earlier than usual; for instance, French beans, Brussels sprouts, cucumbers, carrots, radishes, tomatoes, leeks and lettuces, cauliflowers and broad beans will all germinate well in a temperature of 60°F (16°C) and more. Unusual vegetables are well worth considering; for instance, celeriac seed can be sown inside, and Jerusalem artichokes and garlic can be planted in sheltered places.

House Plants

Don't forget to keep an eye on those houseplants received during the Christmas period. Theirs is often a perilous life as they can be left roasting near a radiator or on a television set. Alternatively they can die from the cold, left to freeze on window-sills between the glass and drawn curtains. And if they are lucky to escape these fates they can often die from drowning through over-zealous watering. So if you want to hold on to your house plants for as long as possible, keep them at an even temperature, out of draughts in reasonable light and water sparingly. In addition, follow any special instructions that may be provided with your particular plant.

Sowing Seeds.

Many seed catalogues are now on offer through the daily or Sunday newspapers and now is the time to be making plans for sowing seeds. Some of the earliest kinds should already have been sown and many others will be sown during the next few months. You will find much to tempt you in the seed catalogues and the choice of seed is much greater than that available in most seed shops. If you do not want the bother of sowing seeds, many catalogues now offer young plants as well.

Some February Plants in Flower and Vegetables in Season

The Flower Garden

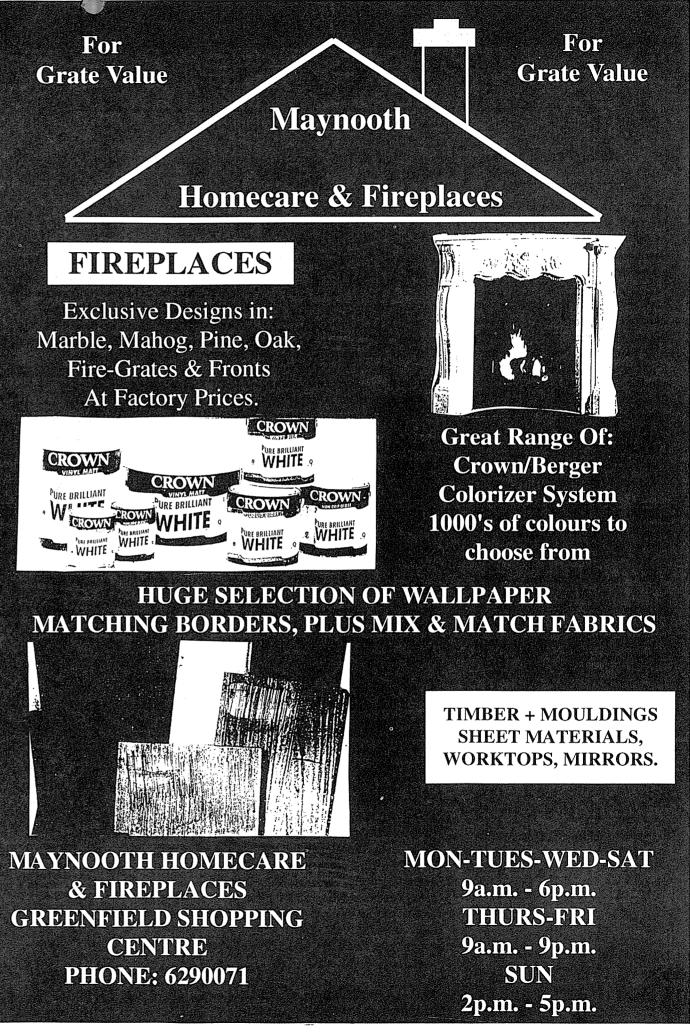
Aconite
Christmas Rose
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Iris
Snowdrop

The Ornamental Garden

Clematis cirrhosa
Dogwood
Daphne mezereum
Witch Hazel
Heaths
Honeysuckle
Magnolia Viburnum

Vegetables in Season

Artichoke, Jerusalem Brussels sprouts Cabbage Sprouting broccoli



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Quick and tasty, this pie uses readyprepared ingredients for instant success.

- 2 x 200g/7oz packets boil-in-the-bag smoked haddock fillets 3 size 3 eggs, hardboiled and chopped 300g/11oz ready-to-serve pilau rice 15g/¹/₂oz butter, melted 65ml/ 2¹/₂ fl oz soured cream 2 tbsp chopped fresh dill salt and pepper 450g/1lb ready-to-roll puff pastry 1 egg, beaten 1 tsp sesame seeds dill sprigs to garnish
- 1. Boil haddock 20 mins. Cool, drain and flake fish, discarding bones and skin
- 2. Mix fish, hard-boiled eggs, rice, butter, soured cream, dill and oven seasoning. Preheat oven to 200° C/400° F/Mark 6.
- 3. Roll out 225g/8oz pastry and cut out 21cm/8¹/₂ in circle. Lay on greased baking sheet. Spoon filling into centre, making a neat dome and leaving 2.5cm/1in border.
- 4. Roll out rest of pastry and cut out 24cm/9½ in circle. Brush border of first circle with water and cover with pastry lid. Press edges together and crimp to seal.
- 5. Brush with beaten egg and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Bake 30 mins until golden. Serve, garnished with fresh dill sprigs.

Tip

A handful of cooked peeled prawns stirred into the filling makes it extra special - you'll need about 75g/3oz.



Lamb Casserole

Serves 4: • Calories per portion: 451 • Preparation time: 20 mins • Cooking time: 1 hr 45 mins.

- 1 lb/450g lean lamb
 1 tbsp olive oil
 6 oz/175g button onions, peeled
 1 red pepper, halved, deseeded and sliced
 1 green pepper, halved, deseeded and sliced
 2 sticks celery, trimmed and chopped
 1 oz/25g flour
 1pt/600ml vegetable stock
 14 oz/397g can chick peas, drained
 14oz/397g can artichoke hearts, drained
 A few rosemary sprigs
 Salt and ground black pepper
 Rosemary sprigs to garnish
- 1. Trim the lamb of any remaining fat and cut the meat into 2in/5cm chunks. Heat the oil in a flameproof casserole dish and sauté the onions for 5 mins. Add the lamb and cook for 7 mins, or until sealed.
- 2. Preheat the oven to Gas 4, 350°F, 180°C, 10 mins before cooking the casserole. Add the peppers, celery and flour to the lamb and onions, then continue to cook, stirring constantly, for 1 min. Stir in the vegetable stock, chick peas, artichoke hearts and rosemary. Season well and bring to the boil. Cover the casserole and transfer to the preheated oven. Cook for 1½ hrs., or until lamb is tender.
- 3. Remove casserole lid, garnish with rosemary and serve.

Chocolate Flapjacks

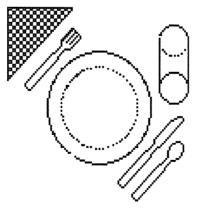
Cuts into 15 squares or 14 fingers

4 oz (125g) butter or margarine 4 oz (125g) light brown sugar 1 tablespoon golden syrup 6 oz (175g) jumbo or porridge oats 2 oz (60g) chocolate drops 2 oz (60g) toasted hazelnuts, chopped 11 x 7in (28 x 18cm) shallow baking tin.

Set oven to moderate, Gas Mark 4 or 350°F/180°C.

Melt the butter, then slowly stir in the sugar and golden syrup. Stir in the rest of the ingredients. Spoon into the greased tin and spread evenly over the base. Bake above the centre of the oven for 30 minutes. Mark into 15 squares or 14 fingers while still warm.

Allow to cool in the tin, then cut.



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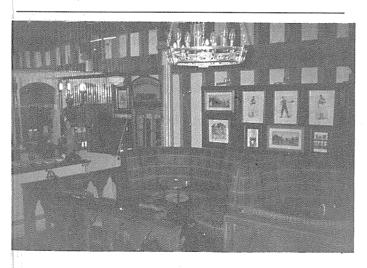
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SHEILA O'HAGAN

The Wood Pigeon

A tree bends over you like Yeats' old thorn How desolate the day, your place in it. I push the graveyard gate, walk through To the gloom of fern and stone, unfeeling cold. I buried you in the wrong place, the wind Is softer from the west than from the east, Your feet should face the sea as any Celt. I'll do what I can to clear your space Brush off the sodden leaves, replace the words Fallen from your name, our name. And I'll not ask What of you perished first, am mute to tell Yet hear the truth, that all is gathered up In human love. I've left you some flowers. Is it the rain or you who flays my face, Dements my hair with wind? I turn to leave, A wood pigeon breaks from the tree, a whirr Soft as a ghost. I listen to it As it comes and goes, comes and goes.

The poetry of Sheila O'Hagan is filled with soft evocations from nature. "The Peacock's Eye", winner of the 1991 Patrick Kavanagh Poetry Award, is her first collection of verse.

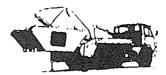


Born and raised in Dublin she left for London aged 19, where she lived for 35 years. After raising a family - her collection is dedicated to Conor, Aisling and Niamh - she entered Birbeck College as a mature student where she took degrees in Art, English literature and Theatre. She began writing in 1984 and was first published in 'Poetry Ireland' in '88. "I love

words and putting them together", she told me. She sees herself as a lyric poet rather than a narrative writer. Indeed she has a soft dictionary filled with bells and water, which give musical insights into her mother, sister and father's presence. Her mouth 'full of words' makes her work a watermark - a lasting melody filled with stains and strains of fragile memories and touches.

As writer in residence in Kildare last year she still travels to the libraries in Maynooth, Naas and Athy giving workshops. She is 'amazed at the talent that emerged.' a talent which is represented in a collection 'Under Briget's Cloak' (local library £6), a gathering of Kildare poetic creativity which she edited. It contains work from local writers Mary O'Donnell, Clairr O'Connor, Elsa Lalor, Patrick Devaney, Isabelle Cartwrigh and Cathy Conlon. The representation of female writers is no accident. "Outside cities people who are in some isolation blossom when in company - they're fertile with ideas". Unfortunately, Sheila believes the female voice doesn't often

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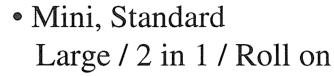




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get the recognition it deserves, primarily at anthology level. Although there's wide recognition of top level writers such as Eavan Boland and Maedbh McGuckian - collections tend to omit the rising voice of the female writer.

Her own voice sings tunes filled with bells - 'I shiver still for any bell', 'a soft wind belling your robe', 'The old storm bell ringing ringing' - and water - 'gather yourself river sing brassy like a water bee', 'I search the shore. My eye runs out of sea. The sea runs on'. All nature evokes old feelings through the enchantment of words which must be spoken to be truly felt as, we might experience 'a sough of wind'. We're presented with a table laid with icons - at first simple, in part one - peeling back the years, uncovering past loves, past felicities. Later, in part two, nature is given memory and eyes - 'play your memory like the noises of my life' - which understands us as much as we experience it. It is a friendly, fiery eye and a listening ear. Nature's noises become a voice, her colours an eye, a steady presence which gives peace (Kingfisher) and place (The sea at Dun Laoghaire) to the poetic voice. Thus not only does nature mark with its melodies it also becomes her watermark; giving identities to her world and providing identities for her world.

Later her work takes on further images. She moves from the Bible to myth to paintings with grace. Each emblem transfigured from chrysalis to coloured meaning. She becomes Gaugin and Van Gogh (Vincent to his friends!) creating patterns of deepening and mature meaning with a magical and subtle stroke.

Her new collection 'The Troubled House' is to be published by Solmon in February '95. 'The Wood Pigeon' appears in this work. She's currently conducting a writers' workshop in Maynooth Library. If you feel similarly 'fertile with ideas', enquire in the library with the blossoming of creativity in the region, why be a voice in isolation?

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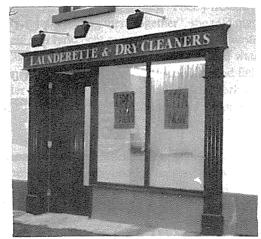
Sean and Anne Brady are a husband and wife team who offer everything in quality homecare hardware from their recently opened shop in Greenfield. Sean saw a huge potential in Maynooth for a new homecare business with the rapid expansion of the town. They stock timber, paint, wallpaper, curtains and any home decor goods you'd care to mention. However, you're instantly struck by the beautiful range of fireplaces when you enter the shop. This has for many years been Sean's trade. He points out that they're all locally hand made using the finest materials....'exclusive designs at factory prices', is his boast.



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EYE HEAR

Councillor Griffin

News is at hand that Senan Griffin has been nominated by his Fine Gael colleagues to be co-opted on to Kildare County Council. Senan who hails from Doonbeg in west Clare, has been involved in politics since 1977 and will be representing the Celbridge Area which includes Leixlip, Celbridge, Maynooth and Ardclough.

He is presently chairman of the Kildare constituency organisation for Fine Gael and chairman of the Maynooth Community Council for the last two years. A teacher in Maynooth post primary school, he is very involved in training under-age teams for both school and club. With his guidance the Post Primary Senior team have won 5 to 6 Kildare titles. In the past, Senan, also trained the Kildare Vocational Schools team for three years. He is also involved in the Clare Supporters Club.

We wish him every success in his new role, also belated congratulations to Bernard Durkan on being appointed Junior Minister at the Dept. of Social Welfare.

Line Dancing

The latest craze to hit Ireland, Line Dancing has come to Maynooth. Every Thursday night at the GAA centre, between 9.15p.m. and 10.30p.m. around 30 locals are trying to master this American dance routine. To participate, you do not necessarily need a partner as you can dance solo. At the same venue you also have Ceilidh Music on Wednesday nights and Stepdancing on Tuesday nights. Would you not get confused with all these different dances? You could blend them all into one and then there'd be no stopping you ya boy ya!

Chaos

Dessie Ward, stood on Mullen Bridge looking wistfully down at all the earth moving, digging and building going on beneath him and said, almost disbelievingly, "Think of it, out of all this chaos will come a new order", I certainly hope you are right Des.

A Horsey Tale

Someone was training a horse in the Harbour Field recently and a local quipped "tell him that the field is for the people of Maynooth - not the animals of Maynooth."

THE BICENTENARY GARDEN

Lying close to the chapel spire, erected as a gift of the Irish people to Maynooth to mark the centenary in 1895, is the new bicentenary garden. Its theme "From Origins To Destiny: the ascent of Jacob's Ladder" prompted landscape architect, Mr. Martin Hallinan, to develop its design between 1991 and 1992. After approval, a commission was given to Mr. John Joe Costin, who with Mr. Hallinan created the Irish prize-winning garden at the world fair in Osaka. Construction work began in early June 1994 and was completed by the end of the year.

The Garden represents the spiritual journey of the human being towards God. The two states narrated in Genesis two and three are developed in opposite sides of the Garden. In Genesis two the relationships of the human person and God, Man and Woman and the human person and the Earth are all found to be in harmony.

However, Genesis Chapter 3 the same elements are analysed but this time they are in disorder. This paradise state is in fact as much an ideal towards which we aim in the future as it is a description of what occurred in the beginnings: a prophecy set in the past, to use the phrase of Pope St. Gregory the Great.

We begin our journey through the garden in the barren south end - under the shadow of the old Russell library. Three fountains - brown red, infra-red and white - represent the illusions of material reality which imprison us - procreation, suffering and being a victim; and the tyranny of power and domination. The narrow neck of waters crossed by precarious stones represents the difficult journey from this barren state to the fourth fountain, with its ultra-violet colour, symbolizing the birthing in our lives of unconditional love.

Moving towards the three upper fountains we're entering a sun-drenched area, filled with fruit-bearing and scented plants, associated with paradise in Genesis. The fifth fountain, coloured dark rose, is the fountain of truth - the beginnings of the beatific vision. The sixth fountain represents vision and understanding raising the person above the constraints of the material realm. This state may be illustrated by the life of St. Francis of Assisi. He would walk in the fields and the birds and the animals would go with him. Being removed from stagnated, regressive human material desires, animals were attracted to a life in harmony with the essential life force common to all.

The seventh fountain rests at the very centre of the garden, surrounded on all sides by an expanse of water. We have now travelled through the four elements of the garden - the barren, the seven fountains, water and, finally, the fertile area. At its core, at the end of our journey from our origins lies our destiny. This fountain seems inaccessible but barely concealed beneath the surface of the waters are the broad and smooth stepping stones, perceptible only by faith "the substance of things not seen". This fountain, with its golden light, represents the destiny of the Christian life: in the words of St. Paul "it is no longer I who live; it is the Christ who lives in me".

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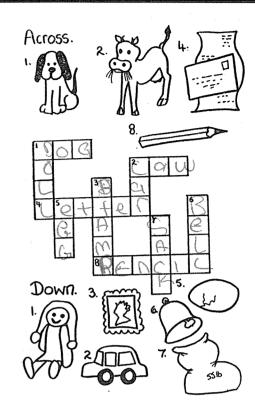


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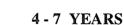


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MAYNOOTH COLLEGE BICENTENARY PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Public Lectures on the Theme - Ireland in the 1700's

January:

No. 3: Tuesday 31st. The town of Maynooth: Ms. Mary Cullen.

February:

No. 4: Tuesday 7th. Mapping Maynooth, Dr. Arnold Horner, UCD.

No. 5: Friday 17th. "The 1795 origins and subsequent geographical spread of the Orange Order", Dr. W. J. Smyth, Master, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

No. 6: Friday 24th. "Ireland and Revolutionary Europe", Professor Marianne Elliott, University of Liverpool.

March

No. 7: Tuesday 7th. "Irish Education in the Late Eighteenth Century", Professor John Coolahan, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

No. 8: Tuesday 14th. "The Origins of the Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin (founded 1795)", Mr. Donal Synnott, Director, Botanic Gardens.

All the above lectures will be held in Callan Hall (Old Campus) at 7.30 p.m. and everyone will be very welcome.

Other Lectures:

17th to 26th February:

Echoes: "Memories of Orange Culture in Ulster". An exhibition of paintings by Belfast artist, *George Flemming*. Opening by *Frank McGuinness*.

Saturday 18th February:

The Irish Identities: "Orangism: Its nature and role in Irish life".

Aoine 24th go Domhnach 26th:

Léachtaí Cholm Cille: Léann na Gaeilge: Súil siar, Súil Chun Cinn.

College Sporting Fixtures: February 1995

Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th.

Inter-Varsity. Junior Karate Championships: Sports Hall. Inter-Varsity. Racquet Ball Championships: Sports Hall.

Saturday 18th

Inter-Varsity. Judo Championships: Sports Hall

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Sports

BOXING

Jimmy McMahon - Retires At The Top

Boxer Jimmy McMahon, who became the golden boy sensation of Maynooth and its hinterland in the last few years, has had to quit the sport, having reached its high echelons, for medical reasons. This came as a severe blow to the twenty-five year old pugilist, from Mulhussey, who had honed himself into a steely skeletal tower of strength on the brink of sporting glory.

Last October, after undergoing tests, his physicians discovered minor health problems that are present in most people and are normally irrelevant but could be significant in the throes of intense physical combat. Other factors in Jimmy's difficult decision involved insurance and the stringent safety standards in American boxing.

Shock waves

News of Jimmy's premature retirement sent shock waves through the boxing and Irish community in New York. Papers carried headlines like, "Requiem for a Welterweight", "A Boxer downed in his Prime" and "Meath McMahon hangs up gloves". What amazed people more was that in August Jimmy had the world at his feet, when he was lauded for the manner in which he beat top-rated Bobby Heath. To show Jimmy's potential, Ron Katz, boxing promoter, later noted that Heath went on to beat another top-title contender. Jimmy had given 100% commitment in his effort to reach the top. Boxing was his life and he was shattered at the prospect of not being able to fulfill his dreams.

Jimmy's Reaction

Soon after the news broke, a dejected McMahon said "I am devastated I still have a hard time believing my career is gone - that it's all over. I worked so hard and came so far, I get upset just thinking about it".

Tributes

Jimmy's parents Paddy and Norah and family, from Mulhussey, were the recipients of support, well wishing and tributes following Jimmy's harrowing decision. They have shared in his many victories and now share in his disappointments. They are upset not for themselves but for him because they know how much boxing meant to him. However, they are delighted that he achieved so much and got out of the sport unscathed and unharmed. The dangers were all around Jimmy. In March 1993 he travelled to a fight in Atlantic City with Russian immigrant Sergei Artemiev only to later see his travelling companion knocked into a coma for which he is still receiving treatment.

Top trainer Joe Baffi who developed the young Mike Tyson and helped Michael Moorer to the WBA and IBF world heavy-weight championships said he was proud of having worked with McMahon. He continued, "I was proud of him because of his character and because of the way he carried himself, Jimmy made up for what he didn't have physically by being a kid who was very game and very determined". He was the subject of many other tributes from the boxing world. Jimmy had many fans in the tri-state area and Boston and his fights in Atlantic City always attracted busloads of followers.

Career

Jimmy's career began at the age of 11, when he joined Kilcock Boxing Club. Before going to America he had won up to 60

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bouts including the Kildare Championship and four league titles. He also won the Leinster Youth Championship in 1985 and 1986.

In America as an amateur he won the Empire State Games as a welterweight. He was also twice finalist in the coveted Golden Gloves Competition. During this time he worked by day in construction with his brother Michael and training with ferocity by night in the famous Gleesons Gym, New York. Turning professional in June 1992, out of 16 fights he won fourteen, lost one and drew one.

Proudest Moment

One of Jimmy's proudest moments occurred when he fought Dave Lovell on September 24th, 1993, in Tallaght. This was his last home fight and half of Maynooth and Co. Meath were present when he had an impressive victory over his English opponent despite taking a very heavy blow in the fourth round. But what made this occasion all the more special was the presence of his greatest fan, his father Paddy, in the audience.

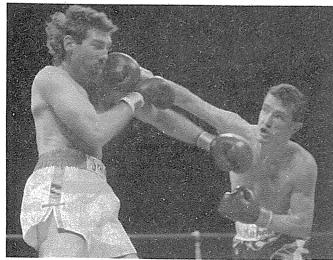
Future

Thankfully Jimmy is now beginning to recover from his set-back. He has bought a new house and is working on this at the moment. He is going back to his old profession working with his brother Michael in construction. Michael, who was home recently, has a partnership in Kilvine Construction N.Y. Jimmy, who continues to train as per usual, has also been made a very tempting offer by top trainer Teddy Athlas. Teddy wants to make Jimmy his co-trainer and to pass on his wealth of knowledge to him. This opportunity could ensure that Jimmy remains a major force in top class boxing. Meanwhile, Jimmy is expected to return home in March.

The Maynooth **Newsletter** has always been proud to carry the stories of Jimmy's successes and we and all his fans in Maynooth join in telling him we are all proud of his achievements and we all know that the difficult decision which he had to bravely make was no fault of his, as he always gave 100% effort. We are also glad that he had so many great experiences, didn't get hurt in the process and that he prospered from his career.

We wish him a bright and happy future.

Willie Healy.



Jimmy McMahon in action.

KILDARE MC HEARTBREAK RALLY

O'Connor/Phelan close the gap.

'Bones' O'Connor/Paul Phelan took another step forward in their quest for the R.I.A.C. National Navigation Championship when they brought their Mazda 4x4 home ahead of the field on the Kildare MC Heartbreak Rally. Luck for once was on their side as an impassable section resulted in the entire second half of the event having to be scrubbed and turned a certain disaster into triumph for the multiple champions. Wynston Whyte/Alan Nairn continued their recent good form with a fine performance to take the runners-up position in their RS2000. 3rd overall, having initially being declared winners, were Brian Flanagan/Don Foley in the Carwatch Auto Alarms Nissan Micra who suffered a costly puncture after TP12.

Clerk of the course, Frank Hussey, used all his considerable experience to put together a very demanding event for both Drivers and Navigators with much of the route having to be plotted on the move. A very intricate straight line Tulip took crews from TP2 at Roscath, north of the Lil Doolin's Pub start venue, literally around in circles through Kilbride for the first string of 5 TPs over 10 miles. There followed further Plot and Bash through Glenealy And Ballylusk before heading for what was to turn out to be the final section over Trooperstown Hill via Knockaphrumpa Lane, Barnbawn and Cronybyrne.

Robert Dancey/Vincent Fagan, who were seeded as No 1 for the first time, blotted their copybook when they took an early minute into TP14 at Sleanaghlogh. The error, the result of some confusion between the marshal and crew, upset Vincent's concentration and he took Robert the long way round to TP15 at Cronbyrne costing them an additional 5 minutes. Considering they had initially being classified 2nd overall they were nevertheless not to unhappy with their eventual 4th overall.

Ian Elliot/Rachel Cullivan put in an outstanding performance in the little Mini to take their highest finish with 5th overall and 1st in the Novice class. The result brings them into a tie for the lead in the class in the Hella Championship with Raymond O'Neill/Stephen O'Neill and also closes the gap to the latter in the National series. Bosco McGorman/Noel Hall once again showed the Semi-Expert class a clean pair of heels in unfamiliar territory with a credible 6th to give Noel a slender 1 point class lead in the National Championship.

A steady run netted 7th overall and 2nd in the Novice class for the Sunbeam of Raymond and Stephen 0'Neill. With the enforced absence of Mervyn Dunn, Rory Dooley persuaded his former partner Martin Taylor to chauffeur him around for the night. In common with many crew Rory was a little thrown by the initial Tulip and took a wrong departure from TP3 which dropped them out of contention and left them languishing down in 8th.

National regulars John Carroll/Vincent Coughlan made the long trek from Cork with their Escort and were rewarded with 9th overall, and 2nd in the Semi-Expert class to continue their strong challenge for this very competitive class.

Defending National Champions Lloyd Hutchinson/Liam McGuinness had a disastrous night. Liam had been feeling unwell before the start and was obviously finding it difficult

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to concentrate. He found himself hopelessly lost on the initial Tulip and had to skip 2 TPs. Though they completed the remainder of the route without problems it was not enough to move themselves up higher than their eventual 10th.

Elsewhere in the classes Richard O'Mahony/Doug Corrie had the clutch pack up in the Sunbeam shortly after the start which seriously impeded progress. They struggled on regardless and were rewarded for their determination with 3rd Semi. Noel Devlin/Colin Dwyer came under the attention of the recovering Flanagan/Foley going down Knockaphrumpa Lane. The experience obviously unsettled them and they forgot about the following Via and drove straight to TP14. They then missed the tight Hairpin right junction onto loose shortly after Via B and got themselves bogged down in Ballinstraw recovering to make the finish control with just 3 minutes to maximum lateness.

With Innes Sheane sidelined for the remainder of the season Peter Murphy borrowed the faithful Avenger for stand-in driver Kevin O'Toole. Kevin could be forgiven for thinking he had entered a Motor Race as the rumour at the finish was that they had visited one of the TPs on the Tulip no fewer than 7 times though only 3 such visits could actually be confirmed!!

With brother Peter now retired, Dermot Hasset has now switched to the drivers seat. Accompanied by Deirdre Grogan they made steady progress and were suitably pleased with themselves with 3rd in the Novice class.

The Classics class was regrettably poorly supported despite the efforts of the Clerk of the course to provide them with a less demanding route. However the father and son team of Robert Bolton/Stephen Bolton thoroughly enjoyed the experience in the beautiful Wolsley Hornet to take 14th overall and the class.

Results:

1. M. O'Connor/P. Phelan 1m; 2. W. Whyte/A. Nairn 3m; 3. B. Flanagan/D. Foley 7m; 4. R. Dancey/V. Fagan 9m; 5. I. Elliott/R. Cullivan 11m; 6. B. McGorman/N. Hall 11m; 7. R. O'Neill/S. O'Neill; 8. M. Taylor/R. Dooley 18m; 9. J. Carroll/ V. Coughlan 19m; 10. L. Hutchinson/L. McGuinness 40m.

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1st Round - Maynooth V St. Laurences

Quarter Finals - Maynooth or St. Laurences V Round Towers or Monasterevin

Semi Final - Maynooth or St. Laurences or Round Towers or Monasterevin V Rathangan or Moorefield or Ellistown or Raheens.

Under 21 Championship

1st Round - Maynooth V Grange

Quarter Finals - Maynooth or Grange V Castlemitchell or Raheens or Ballymore

Semi Finals - Maynooth or Grange or Castlemitchell or Raheens or Ballymore V Rathangan or Kill or Ellistown or Kilcullen

Minor Championship

Prim Round - Maynooth V Carbury
1st Round - Maynooth or Carbury V Naas
Quarter Finals - Maynooth or Carbury or Naas V St. Laurences

Semi Final - Maynooth or Carbury or Naas or St. Laurences or Sallins V St. Edwards or Clane or St. Coco's or Ballyna.

Lotto Result: 11/12/94

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Lotto Result: 18/12/94

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Lotto Result: 26/12/94

Numbers: 2 - 7 - 14. Jackpot £1000 No Winner £20 - K. Galligan, £20 - Ann Walsh, £20 - Gerry O'Sullivan, £10 - Noel Kerin, £10 - James McCormack

Lotto Result: 1/1/95

Numbers: 9 - 19 - 22. Jackpot £1100 No Winner 5 x £10 - Geraldine Tracey, Roy Stone, Susan Connolly, Carmel Farrelly, The Silver Fox.

Lotto Result: 8/1/95

Numbers: 13 - 20 - 22. Jackpot £1150 No Winner 5 x £10 - Gerard Brabeston, James McCormack, Mrs. Halligan, Bridie Doran, Martin McInerney.

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Fixtures: Sunday 15th January - Maynooth V Kilcock in Kilcock

Sunday 22nd January - Maynooth V Dunboyne in Maynooth Sunday 29th January - Maynooth V Summerhill in Maynooth Sunday 5th February - Maynooth V Confey in Maynooth Sunday 12th February - Maynooth V Leixlip in Leixlip The top two teams will qualify for final. In the event of a tie score average will apply. All games 11.30 a.m.

To all hurlers and footballers

Training for 1995 season starts on Tuesday 31st January at 8.00 p.m. Any new residents who would like to play hurling and football with our club this year can do so and are more than welcome to come along to the field any Tuesday or Thursday nights at 8.00 p.m. Our club will have three senior teams (football) Junior 'A', Junior 'B' and Junior 'C' this year. In hurling we have Intermediate and Junior Teams. Anyone interested with helping with underage football and hurling can do so by meeting in Moyglare Road field any Saturday morning from 10.30 a.m. You are more than welcome. The Junior 'A' selectors this year are Manager: Kevin Connolly; Noel Farrelly, Mick Gillick, Pat Nevin.

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The third term will commence on Saturday Feb. 18th. Fees are due by March 4th and may be paid to any member of the committee or 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.

Parents who will receive the duty roster for this coming term are asked to ensure that they take their turn or make alternative arrangements to swop with another parent on the duty roster. Details of fees etc. to be given to members later.

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

MAYNOOTH TAE KWON DO

Members of Maynooth Tae Kwon-do school took part in the National Colour belt championships on the 11th of December, 1994.

Prizes won were:

Shane Casey: 2nd in patterns, Eloise Mac an Airchinnigh: 3rd in patterns, Siobhán Howard-Williams: 3rd in free sparring, Keith Fleming: 3rd in free sparring, Thérèse Mac an Airchinnigh: 3rd in patterns, Gillian Fleming: 2nd in patterns.

The members of the school also went to their annual Christmas party in the Leinster Arms on the 19th December. Trophies were presented to various students for their progress and achievements throughout 1994.

Eloise Mac an Airchinnigh: Student of the Year, Catherine Duff: Best Progress and a special, additional trophy presented to Cían Lennon: Best Competitor.

Beginners' classes are also taking place on Mondays in the Parish Hall, Maynooth, at 6p.m. Assistant Instructors, Antoinette Mooney 2nd Dan and Sean Foy 2nd Dan.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Playing activities are just recommencing following the Christmas break and it is hoped to have some good results to report on the League and Cup fronts for all teams. With a number of players returning from long term injuries it is hoped that we will be back to full strength shortly.

Our second team have a Conway Cup 2nd round game due shortly while our first team have a visit from Clara Town in a Fourth Round Dalton Cup Tie. Outcome of those important games should be known before next report.

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Happy Valentine's Day

Congratulations to Paul Byrne on reaching the ripe old age of 21 recently.

The club was saddened recently at the sudden death of Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield. To club member John (son), Husband Joe and the rest of her family we extend our deepest sympathy.

MAYNOOTH TUG-O-WAR

Maynooth Tug-O-War got off to a good start in the New Year, with a successful tournament, at The Hitchin' Post, Leixlip, on Sunday 8th January. Larry McEvoy didn't show but he sent his son Mark. Seamie Ryan made a welcome return. The arrival of construction men Leo Hynes and Peter McCabe, from Leixlip, ensured that a tough battle would take place.

Two teams were picked from a hat: Brady's comprised Capt. Michael O'Rourke, Donal Finan, Paddy Reid, John Gallagher, Frank Bannon, Peter McCabe and Seamie Ryan. These were well matched by The Hitchin' Post team, captained by George Gallagher, with Raymond Leavey, Leo Hynes, Anthony Mooney, Willie Healy, Johnny Healy (the brother who does not sing) and the one and only Mark McEvoy.

It was a cold and startlingly clear morning as men began to contemplate and concentrate on the battle ahead. The ground at Collinstown was very good for the time of the year. Declan Dufficy from Leixlip helped get the competition under way.

The expert referee P.J. Bennett lined teams up with the marker and when he dropped his arms, the battle began. The teams were surprisingly tough and dogged for the time of the year. After plenty of tugging and jostling the Hitchin' Post side dragged Bradys past the marker to take one point. In the second pull Brady's were more determined. There was little give and both teams went to earth in an effort to hold onto ground gained. This made the battle tougher and desperation set in as limbs began to tire in the endless pressure Brady's were exerting. The Hitchin' Post was forced to concede ground by degrees and when the referee's whistle blew they had lost their advantage.

In the third and final pull Brady's got the drop and had the Hitchin' Post team under pressure from the start. The latter put up a desperate battle, but in the ground on their side it was difficult to get a proper grip. Pain jarred through aching limbs as Brady's began to edge to victory. Gaining in confidence they ploughed the ground with the Hitchin' Post team. The latter put up a stubborn resistance at the marker before collapsing in defeat.

Everyone Happy

Nonetheless, everyone was happy with a good tough contest. P.J. Bennett said: "It was a good start to the year but I hope you all don't get piles from sitting on the ground".

One of the great things about the day was the return of John Gallagher to action. John, who had been off due to injury can now look forward to the up coming tournaments in the summer.

All in all it was a great turn out from a small town and would be difficult to match in any part of the country. We are grateful. to all our friends for supporting each other. We can all take pride in our sport and the loyalty of our members. We are most grateful to Ken Mulvanny and Vinny from the Hitchin' Post for their help and sponsorship.

We all join in extending our deepest sympathy to tug-o-war man Anthony Mooney and his family on the death of his mother Peg. May she rest in peace.

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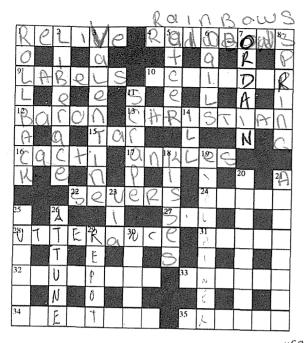
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Crossword No. 87



6. Fixes to the fingers (5).

7. Receive and include an incomplete title (6).

8. Dick's time is arriving (6),

11. Score but get no points - yet may still get through (6).

14. Poor Bill, in the main unwell (3)

18. May be more exciting off the snooker table (6).

19. The one to tell you what it's about (9).

20. You won't see much when clean (8).

21. Those untanned (8).

23. The Latins have a way to get there (3).

25. A stag may run in the heat! (6).

26. Acclimatise at melody (6).

29. Regarding the container, you may do this with the plant (5)

30. The one keeping an eye on things is not Queen Lizzie (5).

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Solution to Crossword No. 86:

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Across:

- 1. Experience once more what one may revile (6)
- 4. Moist benders may be hugely colourful (8)*
- 9. Tags Adam's learner son going south (6).
- 10. Not one to hang around tactically (8).
- 12. One of the gentry though without offspring, we hear (5).⊀
- 13. Most of the Western world is so described, but it is not always obvious (9).
- 15. Black salt? (3).
- 16. Prickly types not fond of drink (5).
- 17. Low joints contributed to by Lesley (6).
- 22. Chops always in the ship (6).
- 24. She's mostly located at the core (5).
- 27. Short chap lacking vest, etc. (3).
- 28. Say dance without 500 is a statement (9). **D**
- 31. You should drop it when you say it! (5).
- 32. That extra-terrestrial gets among the good cards to create a musical result. (8).
- 33. Straighten out for better speed? (6).
- 34. Tries and tries again (2-6).
- 35. Levers awards, we hear (6).

Down: 19-18-154 St

- 1. Let dancing commence,.....the carpet (4,4).
- 2. A pianist who was a bit too liberal for his own good? (8).
- 3. More amorous than saintly? (9).
- 5. An added word is usual when it is (2, 3).

Across:

1, Punter; 4, Tangents; 9, Alcove; 10, A-GG-RI-Eve; 12, Tiles (toils); 13, Treasure-R; 15, Ire; 16, Condo (con "do"); 17, Rulers; 22, Ash-ore; 24, Al-one; 27, War; 28, Argent-Ina; 31, Games; 32, Imitates; 33, Cannon; 34, Hog-man-ay; 35, Add-les.

Down:

1, Practice; 2, Neckline; 3, E-N-visions; 5, Angle; 6, Girls; 7, No ears; 8, Steers; 11, Stereo; 14, Are; 18, Leeway; 19, Rearguard; 20, Hormonal; 21, Personas; 23, Hot; 25, Ban-ish; 26, O.G.-ling; 29, Nua-la; 30, Ire-N.A.

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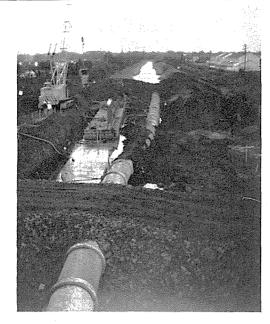
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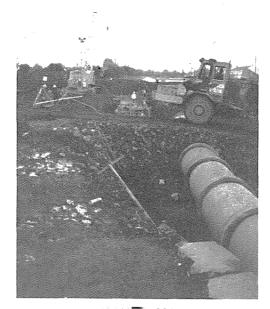


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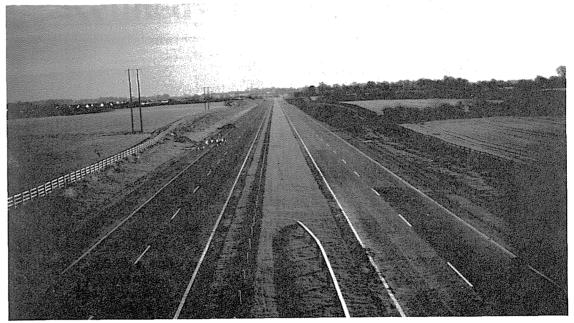














Political Party Notes

FINE GAEL NOTES

Premature Obituaries

The folly of writing premature obituaries has been highlighted by events of the last two months. Those in the media and politics who had written off the Fine Gael Party and consigned it to the dusty shelves of history have found it necessary to revise their opinions. Since it fashioned this infant state from the turmoil of civil war, established the institutions of government and nurtured it through its formative years, Fine Gael has been the party to which the country has turned in time of crisis, secure in the knowledge that it would put country before party.

Our Party Leader, An Taoiseach, Mr. John Bruton has been criticised for his perceived lack of charm, charisma, T.V. presence, however the experience of the last two months shows how foolish it is to use these criteria to select a Taoiseach or indeed a party leader. Mr. Bruton's performance in previous governments, in the Dail as leader of the opposition, and in the formation of the present government, has shown him to be a man of substance rather than shadow, who will deal openly and honestly with people and issues.

We of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael wish him well and every success with the present government and trust that this will be but his first term as Taoiseach.

Maynooth gets Minister of State

The appointment of Bernard Durkan T.D. as Minister of State at the Department of Social Welfare has been welcomed by his friends and colleagues both inside and outside politics. It is seen as recognition of the work he has done for his constituents and party at both local and national level.

Bernard, who has lived most of his life in Maynooth, first entered public life in 1974 when he was a candidate in the local elections. Though he was unsuccessful on that occassion he was subsequently co-opted to fill a vacancy on Kildare Co. Council in 1976. He applied himself so diligently to his duties as a councillor and represented his constituents so well that he topped the poll in the local elections of 1979.

Bernard first stood for the Dail in 1981 when he again topped the poll taking the first Fine Gael seat in Kildare after a lapse of four years. With the exception of a brief spell in the Seanad in 1982 he has retained his seat, sometimes by the slimmest of margins. Bernard's commitment to the welfare of his constituents is demonstrated by the fact that he has held between 45 and 50 clinics per month throughout the county. His performance in the Dail has been recognised on an annual basis by surveys conducted by the National Press.

To mark this milestone in his political career Bernard was presented with a piece of Galway Crystal by An Taoiseach, John Bruton on behalf of the Maynooth Branch, at a sell out function at Moyglare Manor Hotel.

Historic Convention Selects New Councillor

Because of his appointment as a Minister of state Bernard Durkan T.D. is statute barred from being a member of Kildare County Council. At an historic convention organised by Celbridge District, Executive Senan Griffin, current chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, was selected for cooption to fill the resulting vacancy. The convention was historic in that it was the first occassion that the new one member one vote rule applied to a Fine Gael convention. Some 65 delegates from Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge voted at the convention.

Senan Griffin has been resident in Maynooth since 1972. He initially taught at Newbridge V.S. then transferred to Maynooth Post Primary School in 1976 where he teaches woodwork and technical drawing. He is keenly interested in Gaelic games and is involved with underage teams at both school and club level. Senan has been a member of Maynooth Community Council for three years and its chairperson for two years. He has served at all levels of Fine Gael from Branch to constituency executive.



At the presentation to Bernard Durkan T.D. to mark his appointment as Minister of State at the Dept. of Social Welfare. L to R: Bernard Durkan, an Taoiseach John Bruton and Senan Griffin (Chairperson Maynooth Community Council) who has been selected to take Mr. Durkans seat on Kildare County Council.

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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Re-appointment of Emmet Stagg, T.D.

Congratulations to Emmet Stagg, T.D. on his recent appointment as Minister of State at the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications. We wish him every success in his new post and feel sure that he will continue to serve the community in the excellent manner to which we have become accustomed.

New Contact Number

The new contact number for the Constituency Office in the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications is 6707444, exts. 1317, 1316 and 1311.

New Minister On The Block

Congratulations to Bernard Durkan, T.D. on his appointment as Minister of State at the Department of Social Welfare.

Also congratulations to Senan Griffin who has been nominated as Minister Durkan's replacement on Kildare County Council.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., has made representations to Kildare County Council regarding the flooding on the road leading to Laraghbryan Cemetery. It is intolerable that people cannot have easy access to the Cemetery.

New Link Road

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., appreciates the efforts the contractor has made regarding cleaning of roads and footpaths at the start of the link road but has made representations to the County Engineer concerning the footpath at the entrance to Coonan's field and the lack of appropriate cleaning at this location.

Labour Advice Service

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., is available every Saturday at 4 p.m. in Caulfields Private Meeting Room.

Cllr. John McGinley is also available at the same venue every Thursday evening at 8 p.m.

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

The meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council, originally scheduled for January 13th, which was to finalise the Maynooth Draft Development Plan, has been put back until February 10th. The reason for the post-ponement was the change in the Fine Gael representative on the Council following Deputy Bernard Durkan's elevation to the position of Minister of State in the new government.

We congratulate Deputy Durkan on his appointment, and also Deputy Emmet Stagg on his reappointment as Minister of State. We also congratulate Councillor Senan Griffin on his selection as Deputy Durkan's replacement on Kildare Co. Council, and look forward to working with him towards the betterment of the Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip areas.

For further information on the Maynooth Development Plan, or other issues affecting Maynooth, Catherine Murphy may be contacted at 46 Leixlip Park, Leixlip (Tel: 6244903).

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Birthdays

Happy belated birthday to Martina from all in 826 Greenfield.

Happy 3rd. birthday Andrew, lots of hugs and kisses, from Mammy and Daddy.

Happy birthday Andrew, lots of love, Margaret and Mick.

Happy birthday Andrew, hugs and kisses. Love, Auntie Liz.

Happy 3rd. birthday Andrew. Best wishes, from Nana Nolan.

Happy birthday to Yvonne, on the 17th February, hugs and kisses. Love from Mam, Stacey and Ashling.

Happy birthday to Clare Fay, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrated her 1st Birthday on January 23rd. Love from her Mammy, Daddy and Sisters, Edel and Susan.

Happy birthday to Thomas Bean, London who celebrates his birthday on February 27th. Love from Mam and Dad, Tony, Mary, Aisling, Brian and Conor.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Aisling Barton "San Feliu" Maynooth and Kenneth Twomey, M.Sc. Bray, Co. Wicklow who recently announced their engagement.

Congratulations to Siobhán Flanagan, daughter of Thomas and Bridget Flanagan, Greenfield who got married to Keith Doyle of Lucan on Friday 30/12/94 in Ladychapel. Reception was held in Dowlings of Prosperous. Many thanks to Bernard and Helen Flanagan who travelled from Sydney Australia especially for the wedding. Thank You!

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Husband, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, grand-children, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Kathleen O'Neill (nee Nolan), Old Greenfield, Maynooth.

Relatives and friends of Peter McGroarty, Rockfield, Maynooth, late of Drumbshanbo, Co. Leitrim.

Wife, sons, daughter, brother, sister, son-in-law, daughters-inlaw, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Christopher (Kit) Edwards, Crewhill, Maynooth.

Sons, daughters, family, relatives and friends of Margaret Mooney, (nee Galvin), Toolestown House, Maynooth.

OBITUARIES

Over the New Year Maynooth suffered the loss of some very respected and esteemed people. They will all be sadly missed and their passing leaves a great void in the community.

Kathleen O'Neill (nee Nolan)

Kathleen, aged 68 years, from Old Greenfield, died suddenly on Tuesday, 27th December, 1994; Deeply regretted by her loving husband Joseph, her sons P.J. and John, her daughters Maureen, Josephine, Dymphna and Pamela, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and friends. She is predeceased by her daughter Bernadette, who died tragically seventeen years ago, aged eleven years, her parents and brother Tom.

Kathleen was a very popular local person who had a great sense of humour. She had a very likeable personality and will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Her removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church on Wednesday, 28th December.

Her Requiem Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P., Fr. Denis Cogan C.C. and other local priests, at 11 o'clock, on Thursday, December 29th. It was a lovely ceremony adorned by the beautiful singing of Mrs. McCormack. Burial took place afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

May she rest in peace.

Peter McGroarty

Peter, of Rockfield, Celbridge Road, was approaching the grand age of eighty years, when he passed to his eternal reward at Blanchardstown Hospital on Wednesday, January 4th.

His death is deeply regretted by his cousins Peter McPartland and family, Leixlip, Pat Kinsella and family, Bridie and Edward Tracey and Mrs. Munser, relatives, neighbours and friends.

Peter, a native of Co. Leitrim, came to Maynooth twenty eight Years ago (approximately). From his arrival he was regarded as a hard working man who worked in various jobs; in the building trade, in Leixlip, the E.S.B. and with Kildare County Council prior to his retirement, over ten years ago.

He was a very pleasant man who had many interesting stories to tell and was regarded as a veteran republican.

He was very fond of animals, always feeding stray dogs and cats, interestingly a dog wandered into the church during his Funeral Mass). His removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church on Thursday, January 5th.

His requiem Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. and Rev. Fr. Denis Cogan, C.C., on Friday January 6th, with burial afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

May he rest in peace.

Margaret (Peg) Mooney (nee Galvin)

Peg, aged 76 years, of Toolestown, Maynooth, was called to God after a short illness, at the Mater Hospital on Tuesday, January 10th.

Her death is deeply regretted by her sons Patrick, Tony and Paul and daughters; Carol and Miriam, brother, Canon James Galvin, sisters Jane and Terece, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and friends. Predeceased by her husband Paddy.

Peg, a native of Co. Cork, was a resident of Maynooth for the last 20 years. She always enjoyed life and had a great sense of humour. Devoted to her family, her one outing of the year was with the SMA fathers on their annual pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. She always appreciated the people of Maynooth, its location and amenities.

Her removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church, on Thurs January 12th and was received by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, PP

Funeral Mass was concelebrated at 11 o'clock on Friday, January 13th, by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P., Rev. Fr. Denis Cogan C.C. and SMA fathers. Burial took place afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

May she rest in peace.

Christopher Edwards

Christy, aged 71 years, of Moyglare Rd., Maynooth, passed to his eternal reward peacefully at his home on Wednesday, January, 11th.

He is very sadly missed by his loving wife Peggy, sons; Christopher, Terry and Brendan, daughter; Carmel, his sister Babs, son-in-law; Joseph, his brother Liam, nephews, nieces, grandchildren and great grandchildren, relatives, neighbours and friends. He is pre-deceased by his parents William and Elizabeth and his brother Brendan.

Christy, a native of Maynooth, was a very popular esteemed and kind gentleman who had a very happy-go-lucky approach to life. He was a very good family man who had earned his continued

Obituaries

living as a lorry driver. He will be greatly missed by his large circle of friends. His remains were received by Rev. Fr. Cogan, C.C. at St. Mary's Church, on Thursday, 12th January, at 6.30 p.m. His requiem Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P. and Rev. Fr. Cogan, C.C. at 12 o'clock, on Friday, January 13th. Burial took place afterwards to Laraghbryan Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

The Newsletter regrets any inaccuracies or omissions which may be inadvertently made in these obituaries.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The sister, nieces and nephews of the late Mary (Minnie) Dunne of Moyglare nursing home, wish to express their sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their bereavement. We would like to thank especially the following: the doctors and nurses of Blanchardstown Hospital, the staff of Moyglare nursing home, Dr. Cowhey and Dr. Nolan, Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C., and Fr. Dultig. A special word of thanks to Josie Moore and the Old Folks Committee, Mr. and Mrs, Sean O' Neill and Mrs Denner. Those who attended the removal and funeral Mass, those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

Betty and Family of the late John Farrell, Maria Villa Lodge, Moyglare Road, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement.

To all the friends who called, all those who sent Mass Cards and letters. All those who attended the Removal, Mass, and Funeral.

Special thanks to Fr. Supple, and Fr. Cogan, to the committee and members of Maynooth old Folk and Maynooth Flower Club Committee and members.

To fellow members of the I.C.A. who did trojan work on both days entertaining the large numbers who travelled from all over the country and which was greatly appreciated by all. For this the Family and I are eternally grateful.

We hope this will be accepted by all as a token of our gratitude, as it would be impossible to thank everyone individually.

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

O'Neill - The husband and family of the late Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield, Maynooth wish to express their sincere thanks to all those who shared in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal and funeral Mass. Those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and supported and comforted the family in so many ways. A Special word of thanks to Naas Hospital, to Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan, the priests of the Divine Word Missionaries, the Presentation Nuns and Mrs. Ita McCormack, also all our good neighbours and friends. We trust this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our deep appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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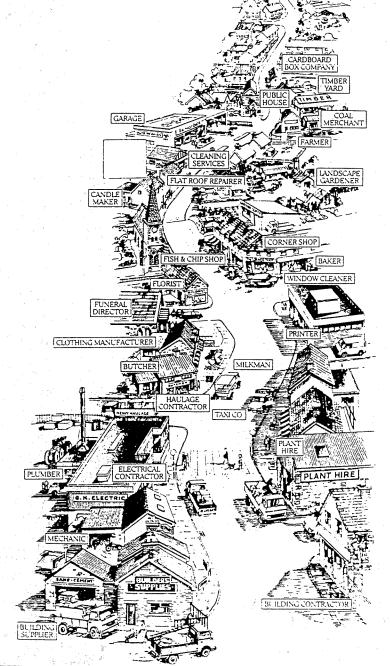
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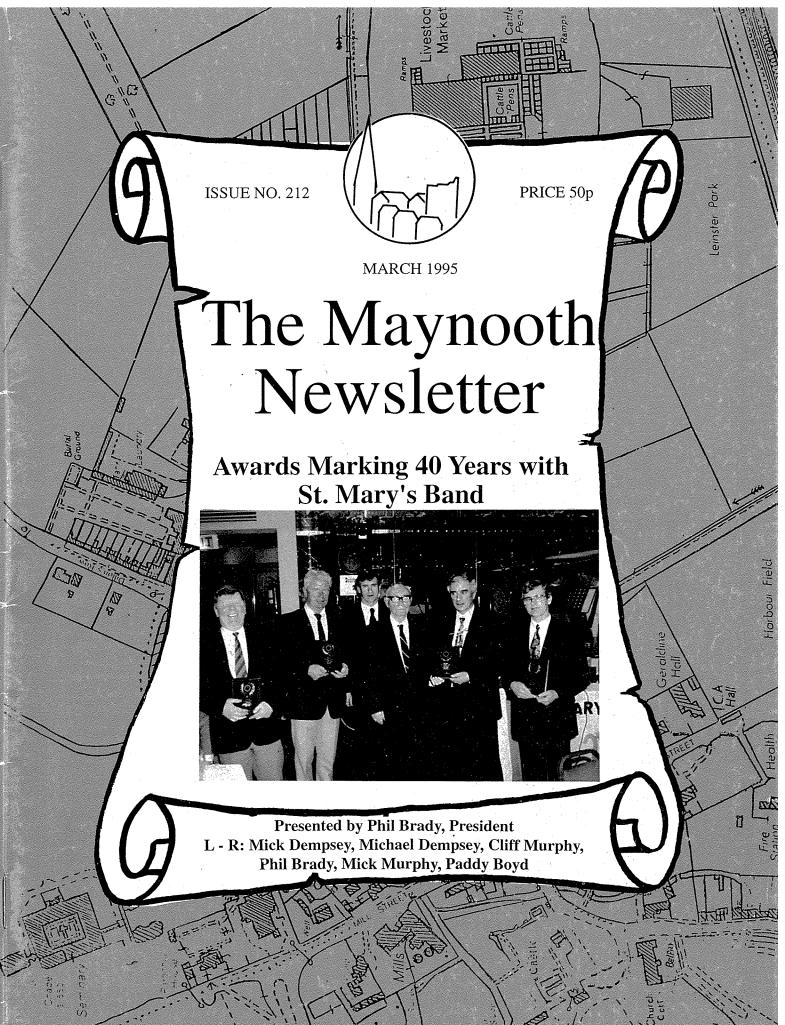
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Editorial

The production of "Oliver" by the Post-Primary School amply illustrates the immense fund of talent in the area. This production involved long hours of work and effort by many background people from the director to the set organisers, set constructors, the band, accompanists, prompters and stage crew. Almost seventy teenagers took part on stage and produced an excellent show. It was so popular with the people of Maynooth that an extra show was necessary on the Sunday night of the run.

Taking part in such a show encourages both talent and the ability to work together as a group. Mr. Tom Ashe, principal of the Post-Primary School, must be congratulated on his encouragement of, and work for the production.

The numbers who took part and the success of the show demonstrates the desire by both participants and audience for shows of this nature in the area.

Maynooth has a long tradition of such productions and perhaps it is time for this tradition to be more publicly displayed.

If you are interested in drama or musical production please get in touch with The Community Council Office — 6285922 — it will thus be possible to build up a list of interested persons with a view to forming a group in the area.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

BLOOD TRANSFUSION BOARD

I wish to thank the people of Maynooth for their generous response to our appeal for Donations on Monday 20th February. You have helped Someone!

Alan Stafford, Local Organiser

Your correspondent P. Kelly in his book review on Vincent Doyle stated that Vinny attended the "old" national school. In fact, the school that he attended is still the national school, although it has been extended over the years. The "old" school was originally the parish church, later on the boys' school and now the band hall. Vinny's father Jim and probably his grandfather, the "Maker" Doyle, would have attended there as schoolboys under the tutorage of Neddy Browne and Jack Keyes.

Your correspondent also states that Vinny went to the Tech "as there was no second level education in Maynooth at that time". Slightly wide of the mark again! As another born in 1953 I attended the Secondary Top School, as did Vinny's eldest brother. One of the more senior teachers (sorry, Joey!) in the National School sat and passed his Leaving Cert. there years before the lads of '53 bade farewell to P.C.O'C. and moved up the corridor to the Rab. Love him or loathe him, the Rab had brought secondary education to Maynooth long before the government introduced "free" second-level education.

Nonetheless, I enjoyed the article which pipped last week's Leinster Leader's spread on the same subject. Vinny of course is best described by the title of one of his earlier paintings, "A Flower Among Them All".

Patrick A. Farrell

Dear Editor.

Maynooth is going through many changes at the moment and these are welcome and necessary. However, I have heard of another development that is both unwelcome and unnecessary. I refer to the recent closure of Kids Kottage. My connections with this enterprise are nil except to be living in the same town as Ger Scanlan.

It seems to me from what I know of the case to be a typical bureaucratic reaction to enterprise and entrepreneurship that Ms Scanlan is now out of business. The demise of her business will be felt by the many working parents using her service. It will be felt by the many children minded by Kids Kottage and it will be felt by the staff of Kids Kottage.

I can empathise with Ms Scanlan and her staff in their frustration at having coaxed their business into a reputable and responsible position only to find that for very little reason they are now unemployed and their dreams are a nightmare. What will become of these people? Will they join the dole queue? Will they try another venture or will they have to move out of the town to work? I don't know the answer to this problem but I deplore the bureaucracy that suppresses the spark of enterprise in this town and puts people out of their own employment without any alternative proposed to them. Ms Scanlan

should have realized that in this country honesty and responsibility are not honoured virtues but rather the mechanisms by which you can be knocked down and deflated. The only hand that reaches out to Ms Scanlan and her staff is the one that takes your taxes, your work, your enthusiasm and eventually your soul.

The people connected with Kids Kottage from all sides have my sympathy but that won't put them back in business. I only hope that the people of Maynooth wake up to the fact that they are Maynooth and that Maynooth should decry the decisions that take services and employment from our community.

Every best wish to Ger Scanlan and her staff for the future.

Tony Bean.

Dear Editor,

I was surprised to hear that Maynooth Community Council had written to the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare Co. Council opposing the rezoning of any further land in the Maynooth area. I would be interested to know on whose behalf this letter was written as it seems to reflect a narrow ideological view of development and developers rather than those of the people of Maynooth as expressed at a public meeting organised by the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael on Wednesday 8th February.

At that meeting, attended by some 50 people only two opposed rezoning while the remainder favoured rezoning in return for sizeable areas of sports/amenity land. Similar views were expressed by an even larger attendance at a public meeting organised by Maynooth G.A.A. to which all local councillors were invited but from which the Labour Councillors chose to absent themselves.

It is obvious to anyone who is in tune with what is happening in Maynooth that the immediate provision of sizeable areas of land for sports and leisure is essential for the orderly development of the town. It is naive to suggest that this can be done by zoning land for amenity as the land would still have to be purchased and developed, assuming the owner was willing to sell under those circumstances. There is also the possibility of the council being sued for the difference in value between amenity and development land. Past experience shows that designation by Kildare County Council of areas for amenity purposes is more a pious aspiration than a positive decision.

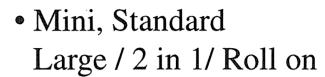
It appears therefore that the only way in which sufficient land can be provided for amenity purposes is by obtaining the transfer of land from those seeking rezoning to some central body or trust who could then lease it to, or vest it in, the clubs, schools, etc. Ideally, these areas should act as buffers between existing and future developments.

This redrafting of the development plan is the first time in 10 years and last time this century that our councillors will have an opportunity to correct the errors of the past and provide land for amenities. I appeal to them to put aside their ideological differences and act in consort for the benefit of present and future generations in Maynooth. /continued

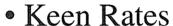
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Letters to the Editor

Finally, may I suggest that in the interest of those much-vaunted twin virtues of openness and transparency, you publish the text of the letter sent by the Community Council to the Celbridge Area Committee.

Yours faithfully, Fionan L. Hardiman

Dear Editor,

As some of your readers may be aware, "Kids Kottage" day Nursery in Old Greenfield, which has been established for six years, will be forced to close their doors for the last time on Thursday, 16th March.

Kildare County Council refused planning permission for this service to continue and An Bord Pleanála agreed with them. Why? Because we were operating in a residential area — where else are nurseries supposed to go? Not only did the residents in Old Greenfield not object, they put together a submission on our behalf to An Bord Pleanála, which they took no notice of.

Now over 50 children will be uprooted from the caring, stimulating and friendly atmosphere which has prevailed in Kids Kottage for the past six years. Six professional childcare workers are out of work and will now have to sign on and, while younger children are facilitated in Maynooth, there is no other adequate after-school service available in the area. Kids Kottage catered for 16 after-school children alone and also catered for children with special needs and in 1992 won a special award in the Liga Creche of the Year in recognition of its standards and services.

None of this, however, is important to the planners either in Kildare or Dublin. This decision will lead other nurseries into a no-win situation and hence childcare facilities in Maynooth will dwindle, unless people start tackling their local Councillors. When I went for help I was told: "Keep your head down and hope for the best".

The fault does not entirely fall to the County Council. Until the 1992 Children's Act is made law and Childcare goes on the political agenda professional childcare in this country will continue to fall prey to the absence of legislation. The politicians and councillors are paying lip service to working parents — it has to change.

I would like to thank all the parents who used our service over the years, the residents in Old Greenfield who always looked out for us and to all the staff who worked in Kids Kottage over the years. Finally, to all our children who I hope will always have happy memories of their early years in Kids Kottage, GOOD BYE.

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Community Council Notes

In response to Mr. Hardiman's letter to the Editor, we now publish the letter to Kildare County Council as requested.

Dear Secretary,

At a meeting of the Community Council on the 14th November it was agreed that there was sufficient rezoning already in the area of Maynooth and that the additional 6,000 people who are envisaged as living here in the near future is as much of an increase as the existing community can take. The facilities available to the youth, and indeed to the adults, of the area are sparse enough already, it is inconceivable that futher development could be envisaged.

Therefore, in view of the forthcoming meeting on rezoning we wish to state categorically that the Community Council are opposed to any further rezoning of land for housing within the area of the Maynooth Development Plan. Our wishes have already been outlined in the plan offered to the Council by our Planning and Development committee. We hope sincerely that our wishes will be taken into serious consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Muireann Ní Bhrolchaín

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

At the time of writing final arrangements are being put in place for the Tidy Towns FAS Scheme. In the next issue we will outline details of the work planned for the coming year. Please watch out for our float in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Richard Farrell, P.R.O.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT NOTES

At the time of going to print the long awaited meeting of the County Councillors to discuss the Draft Development plan has still not taken place. So much speculation as to the outcome of this meeting abounds that the sooner that something concrete is decided the better.

Our contribution to this plan has been stated, printed and reiterated many times. We do not imagine our submission will be taken on board in full but we do except that our representation on sensible development balanced with the greater need for a large amenity area for all the people of Maynooth. We have emphasised this to our local representatives and will continue to do so on behalf of the "Residents of Maynooth".

It is good to report that reconstruction of the Blacklion Road is well under way and this should bring relief to both drivers and local residents in the area. Combined with these works will be a restoration of the gateway area of the Carton Walk at the Blacklion Road end. New railings, gates and stone wing walls as well as a paved entrance area will greatly enhance a much neglected area.

Finally, if you have been interested enough to read this far in our notes can we ask that you go one step further and come along to our Planning and Development meetings. Our brief is no greater than trying to ensure that Maynooth and its' development is a reflection of the wishes of the residents of the town and not that of some remote planner of bureaucrat. Your views are as important as anybody else's and your voice adds strength to ours. Never before has so much been happening in this town and so the opportunity to influence these changes is at hand. We need your support and ideas for everyone to benefit in the most productive manner possible.





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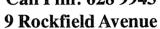
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Ms. Mary O'Donnell Dunne from Tipperary.

2nd Prize: A Weekend for 2 in the Sheen Falls Lodge Hotel, Kenmare, Kerry.

Mr. Chris Jordan from BP Chemicals, Dublin.

3rd Prize: A Weekend for 2 in one of the Great Southern Hotels. Ms. Joan O'Flaherty, Wicklow.

4th Prize: A Weekend for 2 in one of the Ryan Hotels. Ms. Audrey Haugh, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

5th Prize: A Weekend for 2 in Blooms Hotel, Dublin. Ms. Freda Rooney, Sligo.

6th Prize: £100.00 of Sealink Travel Vouchers. Mr. Anthony Lynch, Tallaght, Dublin.

Thanks to everyone who took part in the raffle - better luck in 1995! The Alzheimer Society wishes to acknowledge the generous sponsors of this years raffle - all prizes were kindly donated.

BAND BULLETIN

February is normally one of our quietest months but I'm glad to report that we have a good deal to talk about this month so we will get down to business straight away.

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM last month was very well attended and the general discussion covered many topics and suggested improvements within the Band. The officers elected shows only one change from 1994 with our outgoing Hon. Secretary Elaine Bean opting to take a break from the job for personal reasons. She is not entirely lost to us however as she agreed to help Paddy Boyd take care of the financial side of the Band. Elaine has been succeeded by Peter Brazil who, in his "youth" did a very successful stint as Secretary so he has a reputation to live up to. We are very happy to see some new young faces on the committee this year and I hope they will bring with them fresh ideas, a lot of enthusiasm and a will to bring new (and not so new) people in to the band.

The full committee is as follows:

Hon. Presidents: Fr. Fergus O'Higgins, Phil Brady

Chairman: Michael Dempsey Vice-Chairman: Cliff Murphy Secretary: Peter Brazil

Asst. Secretary: David Mulready

Treasurer: Paddy Boyd Asst. Treasurer: Elaine Bean

Committee: Mick Dempsey, Kevin Boyd, Denise McCarron, Sarah Alcorn, Deidre Stynes, Tom Clarke, Eoin Maher, Mark McCarron, Cathal Lennon.

Reunion Dance

Saturday 11th February was a night to remember for present and past members, relatives and friends of the band. We had an absolutely fabulous time and at the end of the night the only words to be heard were "we hope you run a dinner dance next year". We were delighted to see so many ex-members there and their memories must have been jogged by the "Photos from the Past" which lined the walls, thanks to a lot of work from Elaine Bean. They certainly "jogged the memory" of some people who could barely recognise themselves. What's another year, eh! Special presentations to mark the occasion were made to Presidents Phil Brady and Fr. O'Higgins (accepted in his absence by Father Supple) and also to five of the current members who were part of the original Boys' Band in 1955. These were Mick Dempsey, Michael Dempsey, Paddy Boyd, Cliff Murphy and Mick Murphy. Forty years is a long time to remain with any organisation and they certainly deserved their tribute.

Sponsorship

The surprise of the night was the presentation of a very generous cheque for Sponsorship to the Band by Paddy Boyd on behalf of Maynooth Office Supplies. The Company, which was set up 10 years ago by Paddy, joined the Codex group of Companies eighteen months ago but is very much committed to remaining an important part of the community in Maynooth. When sponsorship was being considered it seemed appropriate that with the Boyd Family's long connection with both the Band and the Company, that St. Mary's Band should be the obvious choice. Needless to say the Band are extremely pleased with this generous offer and we hope to promote the Company to the best of our ability throughout the year in return.

March

The month of March is synonymous with Parades and we look forward to our own Parade on St. Patrick's Day and our annual trip to Limerick for the International Marching Band Competitions and hopefully we will return with honours from both of these events. Keep an eye for the results in the next BULLETIN.

1995 Engagements

Already our Diary for this year is filling up so we would ask that if you need the Band for a parade or any other function this year please contact us early. It's never too early to book as we already have engagements as far ahead as the end of August. All bookings should be addressed to our Hon. Secretary Peter Brazil at Kealstown, Ladychapel, Maynooth. Tel. 6286878.

That's about all the news until next month.



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MAYNOOTH BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Maynooth National School Parents' Association would like to thank all those who supported our fund-raising night on 17th February and made it, once again, such an enjoyable and funfilled event. We would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate all those who made their confirmation.

P.R.O

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BUDGET '95 SOCIAL WELFARE

General Increases

An increase of 2.5% on all social welfare and health board weekly payments across the board. These increases, normally paid in the end of July each year, are to be brought forward by six weeks to mid-June '95.

Families

• Child Benefit: An increase of £7 in the monthly Child Benefit payment for each child from September '95. The rate of Child Benefit for 1st and 2nd children goes from £20 to £27 and from £25 to £32 for 3rd and subsequent children.

Child Benefit to be paid up to age 19 years for those in full time education (currently stops at 18 years) and for those on FAS courses who are not getting an allowance.

• Child Dependant Allowances: No increase in payments (resources going to Child Benefit).

Extension of Child Dependant Allowances up to the age of 22 for those in full time education in the case of long term payments.

• Back to School Clothing & Footwear Allowance: To be increased from £35 to £40 for children in Primary and from £50 to £55 for children in Secondary School.

Lone Parents

• It is intended to remove the concept of desertion as a condition for qualifying for payments and it is proposed to amalgamate Deserted Wife's Benefit and Lone Parents Allowance into a new uniform scheme. This will not be means tested as such but will involve the gradual withdrawal of payment over a specified income range.

Carer's Allowance

- The Scheme is to be widened to include carers of non-social welfare pensioners who are over 66 years of age e.g. those getting an Occupational Pension.
- The existing disregard of spouse's earnings up to £100 is to be increased to £150 per week and will also apply to other income.

Homemakers and Old Age Pensions

• This scheme applies to people who have left insurable employment to care for children or incapacitated people in the home. The age of children being cared for goes up from 6 to 12 years.

Maternity Benefit

• Increases in the minimum and maximum payments to £75.70 and £162.80 respectively.

Unemployed

- The Board & Lodging assessment for Unemployment Assistance to apply only to those living with their parents.
- The minimum amount of Unemployment Assistance payable to those living with parents who have board and lodging assessed against them is to be increased from £10 to £25.

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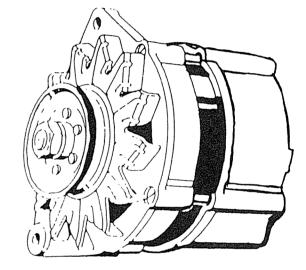
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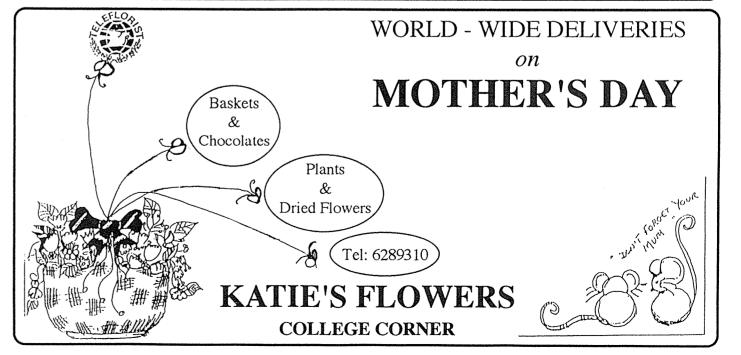
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Employment Support Initiatives

• Improvements in the Back to Work Allowance — the age requirement is being reduced to 21 and the period on the Live Register being reduced from 12 to 6 months for those going into self employment only.

PRSI

- New £50 per week PRSI free allowance for Class A and H contributors (£10 a week for those paying modified PRSI i.e. Classes B,C and D) and £520 per year for self employed.
- The ceiling for employee's and self employed PRSI increased from £20,900 to £21,500.
- The ceiling for employer's PRSI remains unchanged at £25,800.
- Employer's PRSI-income ceiling for the lower 9% rate raised from £9,000 (£173 per week) to £12,000 (£231 per week).
- £9,000 (£173 per week) threshold for liability for Health and Employment Levy is being indexed to £9,250 (£178 per week).
- Employer's PRSI Exemption Scheme to be extended for further 2 years and will include young people under age 23 being taken on in their first job who meet the conditions of the scheme.

Employment Support Measures

- · PRSI Exemption Scheme extended.
- Improvements in Back to Work Allowance Scheme (BTWAS).
- 3,500 new places on Community Employment Programme.
- Enhanced role for locally based Jobs Facilitators.

Taxation

- Personal Allowances increased.
- · Tax Bands widened.
- Further reductions on reliefs-mortgage interest, VHI and Covenants.
- New Allowance for service charges paid.
- Tax reduced on UB/DB payments.

Housing

- Tax relief to be available to people in private rented accommodation. Relief of £500 to single people, £750 for widowed, £1,000 for married couples to be set. Relief for over 55's will remain as it is now.
- An allowance of up to £150 at 27% rate to be allowed for local authority charges. Charges paid now will get relief in the 96/97 tax year.
- Residential Property Tax payable on dwellings of £94,000 or more value, income threshold at £29,500 and the tax will be payable at a flat rate of 1.5%.

Education

- · Phased abolition of fees.
- · HEA Grant Scheme extended.
- · Changes to Deeds of Covenant.

Fee

It is proposed to phase out fees for third level undergraduate students in publicly funded colleges. This phasing out will take place over a two year period; 1995-6 and 1996-7.

It is proposed to abolish fees for Post Leaving Certificate (PLC)

Provision will be made for tax relief to be afforded on fees paid to private colleges in respect of approved courses. This relief will be introduced for the academic year 1996-7.

Deeds of Covenant

All deeds of covenant will be subjected to the restrictions that presently apply - child covenants. This will entail the application of a 5% income limit.

It is proposed to abolish tax relief on covenanting to minor children other than incapacitated children.

These changes will apply to new Covenants taken out on or after February 8th 1995 and to existing Covenants from April 6th 1995.

Maintenance Grants

It is proposed that maintenance grants under the Higher Education Grants Scheme will be extended to approved courses being followed by Irish students abroad. This will take effect from the academic year 1996-7.

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COMMUNITY GAMES A.G.M.

The A.G.M. of the Community Games Committee was held in G.A.A. hall on Wednesday 8th February. The committee elected are as follows:

President - Pierce Breslin
Chairperson - Marie Gleeson
Vice-Chairperson - Eilish O'Malley
Treasurer - Madeline Stynes
Secretary - Fiona O'Connor
P.R.O. - Owen Corry

The games' events ranging from athletics, chess, gymnastics, swimming, quizzes to variety shows, are for under 16/17's and will be held in early April. Many dates have yet to be finalised, following the County Board meeting in Newbridge. Also provisional arrangement have been made for a flag-week, the members collecting both door to door and on the Main street, around the end of April. The committee have also been sponsored with new sweat shirts by the Credit Union, to be worn in the St. Patrick's day parade.

Marie Gleeson explained that 'The main idea is to get parents to participate also'. We've had a great response from kids and I'm delighted to be part of such a hard working committee' she said. Fiona O'Connor, secretary, has been involved with the games for many years, now at a committee level and previously as Manager and Producer of variety shows. Dates as follows, some later to be confirmed:

25th March — Art, Post Primary school 10 - 1 pm

6th April — Gymnastics - evening

14-16th April — Chess

20th April — Swimming - Stewarts Hospital

Other events such as Badminton, Rugby and Pitch 'n' Putt have to be confirmed. The first year Roddy Molloy of the G.A.A. Hurling team has trained a Camogie team, so we'll be looking forward to their first competition.

The next meeting of the Committee will be on the 8th March. We'll be providing more details then.

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I.C.A. NOTES

The coming months are going to be very busy for the members of Maynooth ICA. At our February meeting we were given details of lots of competitions and a few collections which are coming up in the spring.

Competitions:

Make and Model Competition

Well, ladies, I've given you good notice of this competition, so you should all be busy sewing, knitting, etc. I have just got confirmation of the theme for the National Make and Model event. The theme, which is slightly different to what was in last month's **Newsletter**, is "A spring outfit suitable for afternoon tea at Aras an Uachtaráin". The Kildare heat of this competition will take place sometime before 14 April. The county Make and Model will probably be held after Easter, according to Mrs. Eileen Beatson, Federation Crafts Promoter.

Spring/Summer Inter Federation Competition

This competition is for photography. It is an open competition. The maximum size of the photo should be 5" x 7" unmounted. One entry only per person with entry fee of £3.00 to T. Mooney by May guild meeting. So, ladies, you have plenty of time to get snapping.

Baumann Cup for Art

This is a competition for all the budding artists in our association. The title of the work is "Flower Show" and the maximum size is 12" x 18", unframed. Entry fee is £3.00 and entries have to be with National Contest Secretary by 30th April. For more details check notice board in ICA Hall.

Baumann Shield for Music

This will again be awarded for solo singing this year. Competitors will be asked to sing one verse and chorus of a song of their choice. There is no entry fee and entries will be taken on the day of the competition in the Hodson Bay Hotel, Athlone, on 26th March.

Hurley Waltzing Competition

The final of this competition will take place in the Hodson Bay on the same day as the singing competition. The Kildare heat will probably be held in mid March, but as yet I have no date or venue.

Bi-Lingual Quiz

At our February Guild meeting we had a bi-lingual quiz to decide which team would represent us at Federation level of this competition. The winners on the night were: U. Forde, A. Broughan, M. Flynn and yours truly. The Federation round of this quiz will be held sometime in March, but no date as yet.

Collections for Charity

You will probably have noticed our members outside the church on 18th and 19th February collecting for The Arthritis Foundation of Ireland. We would like to thank all who supported this collection. The total collected will be printed in the next **Newsletter**. We will be out collecting again on Friday, 24 March, for Daffodil Day. This collection is in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. **Please support this worthy cause.**

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Celbridge/Maynooth Drama Event

Celbridge and Maynooth ICA drama groups are getting together to provide us with a night of drama on Thursday, 9 March, in Scoil na Mainistreach, Celbridge. The two one-act plays to be staged will be "Slander" and "The Red Haired Galley Boy". A good night's entertainment is guaranteed. The show will start at 8.00 p.m. and all are welcome. Admission is £2.50 at the door or tickets can be booked from any ICA member in Celbridge or Maynooth. Tea will be served at the interval, cost 50p.

Superquinn Night Out.

Over twenty ladies from our Guild were among the large ICA attendance at an International Night at Superquinn, Naas, on Monday, 30 January. Ellis O'Malley gave us a full report on what seemed to have been a great night out. The ladies willingly tasted the pizzas, cold meats, breads, etc., offered by Superquinn. The French and Italian wines flowed freely and entertainment was provided by the multi-talented Superquinn staff. Well done Superquinn.

Activities

Badminton is going well in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, according to Marion. Crafts are in the ICA Hall on Wednesday mornings and Monday nights. New members welcome.

Next Meeting

The next Federation meeting is on 22 March in Kill. All members welcome to attend. Our next meeting will be on 2 March at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be a "St. Patrick's Day Badge", made by your own two hands, of course! I was delighted to see another new face at our February meeting. If anyone else is interested in joining our Guild, why not come along to our March meeting.

Connie Harpur, PRO.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

March Meeting

This will take place on Tuesday 21st at 8p.m. in the Divine Word Hostel. There will be a "Garden Talk" given by Finola Reid. The competition theme is "An Exhibit in a tea pot". This is for all classes A, B and C and the space is 24". The plant competition is 3-daffodils same or mixed. All are welcome. Admission for non members is £3.

April Meeting

This will be our Annual Spring Show. All details will be in the next Newsletter.

Toni Read PRO.

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

Its never too early to start saving. That's an old but true saying. To encourage young savers the Maynooth Credit Union have dropped the membership fee for children joining. Whether its for a holiday or to help with their school books, give children the pride of saving for what they want.

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Michael Mooney

THE MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

First Birthday of Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club.

On Saturday night the 21st January 1995 we celebrated our first birthday with our biggest group of teenagers ever at our usual venue at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. The celebrity for the night was Ray Darcy of R.T.E. who was compere for our Blind Date for the night. There were eight contestants and two sets of couples received two special prizes. The first spent their date bowling in Palmerstown and the second lucky couple spent their date in Donatello's Restaurant in Maynooth. When Blind Date was finished Ray took to the table tops where he took over as D.J. for the night and went down a treat where he gave away some stickers and tee-shirts to the teenagers.

We have come a long way in one year but it is not without the hard work and the strength of our hard working committee. There is a number of people who have made this all possible for us and without their help we would not have been so successful, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, we wish to extend a special thanks for making all their facilities available to us. The management and staff of the Students Union Complex. The A.I.B. Maynooth. Our forty two host and hostesses who have worked so hard together to run the events. At present we are preparing for the Host and Hostess of the year event, after a night of interviewing we got two winners out of a very close contest, they are: Ann Gildea, Scoil Dara, Kilcock and Conor Newman of Maynooth school. On Monday night 20th February 1995 we travelled to Rathcoole for the first heat. We are at present finalising our events for the coming months. We hope /continued

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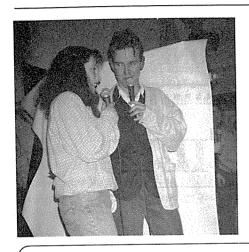
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to take part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, complete our issuing of our own special I.D. cards and all are looking forward to our weekend away in April to the Corrib Hotel in Galway for the national awards - that is but some of our activities for the coming months.

On a personal note I would like to thank everybody else who has helped in any way and also our teenagers for coming, keep up the attendance. Our next disco is on the 25th February 1995 at the usual venue.

Martin Caine



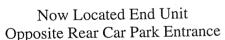
Ray Darcy interviewing No Name Club Member for Blind Date

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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE

Our A.G.M. took place on Feb. 7th in the Health Centre. The Chairperson Josephine Moore welcomed everyone to the meeting. In her address she thanked the committee for their hard work and dedication through the year. She also thanked the business people, organisations and the community in general for their huge contribution and support, without which the work of the committee would be very difficult indeed.

The Secretary Patsy O' Rafferty, gave a comprehensive account of the years events, with recommendations where appropriate. The Chairperson thanked her for her attention to detail.

The Treasurer Catherine Mulready in her financial report produced a detailed statement of accounts to the satisfaction of all.

The Chairperson took this opportunity to thank Catherine for her competent book-keeping right through the year. A special word of thanks was expressed to Eugene O'Reilly who audits our books annually and for his generosity in this regard.

The committee welcomed the return of Phyl Donovan to the "fold", after an absence of several years, and the arrival of a new member Mary Simon.

The election of officers then took place and the committee for the coming year is as follows. Josephine Moore (Chairperson) Patricia Nolan, (Vice Chairperson), Patsy O'Rafferty (Secretary), Joan Lennon (Asst. Secretary), Catherine Mulready (Treasurer), Patricia Cusker (Asst. Treasurer), Brigid Tierney, Marie O'Toole, Lily O'Riordan, Betty Moore, Kathleen McAtamney, Georgina Mulready, Ita Loughnane, Aileen Dunne, Helen Doyle, Imelda Delaney, Agnes Boyd, Phyl Donovan, Mary Simon and Lynne Whittaker.

Our annual collection this year will take place from the 9th 12th of March, and I trust we can rely on the usual generosity, that is the hallmark of our community. Speaking of generosity, many thanks to Fr. Boylan and Mr. Ashe for their complimentary tickets given to our senior citizens for their superb production of "Oliver". Congratulations to all those young people who performed brilliantly, both on and off stage. They did their school, community and themselves proud.

We held our Valentine's Party on Sunday Feb. 19th in the Post Primary School. We were joined by our friends from Leixlip, who contributed well to the enjoyment of the evening. We began with Mass, celebrated by Fr. John Dunne. In his homily he reminded us of the true meaning of love, before the advent of "king-sized cards".

During our entertainment, we had a competition for the most romantic couple. Who ever said romance is for the very young, has never seen Jimmy Toole and Eileen Kelly in action. They danced away with the bouquet, chocolates and Whiskey Liquor. Congratulations to them and all who won spot prizes.

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I take this opportunity to thank Carol in the Flower Pot for the beautifully presented flowers and chocolates.

Finally I must end on a sad note, in which we extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mary Waldron. Mary was a much loved and valued member of our club, and will be sadly missed

"May she rest in peace".

MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK LIONS CLUB

The Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club once again rise to the challenge, this time in support of the major fund-raising drive by the directors of the Hole-in-the-Wall Gang Camp.

In 1988 Paul Newman founded the Hole-in-the-Wall Gang Camp in Connecticut U.S.A. which every year allows 800 children with Cancer and Blood Disorders to enjoy a fortnight in the woods with excellent but unintrusive Medical Supervision. Barretstown Castle on 500 acres of Wooded Park Land is owned by the people of Ireland and was made available by the Irish Government to create the European Camp where children from all the countries of Europe will come and enjoy the facilities.

As in Connecticut and while at the Barretstown Gang Camp, the children will swim in the heated pool and fish in the lake; ride ponies through the woods and camp overnight on an island; do pottery, woodworking, other arts and crafts, music and drama and many other activities, all supervised by a qualified staff. A special feature at the European Camp will be outdoor activities on the farm and castle grounds, as well as storytelling, music and puppetry that reflect the different cultural backgrounds of the children attending the Camp.

The Board of Directors at Barretstown have committed themselves to raise £5 million for the construction of these facilities and the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club will play no small part in helping to achieve this goal. Lion members Shane Moore and John Kearns who are keen cyclists have spent the winter months in preparation for the enormous undertaking, of cycling coast to coast across America in an effort to raise funds for the Barretstown project. This amazing challenge has been organised by our Past President Lion James Kelly who has been in touch with Lion Clubs all across America to help with accommodation for the lads and fund raising functions at each stage of this Marathon Cycle.

The Ceremonial start on the 9th of March from Barretstown Castle to Dublin Airport via the Mansion House to meet with fellow cyclist John Gormley, Lord Mayor of Dublin. They will carry his greetings for St. Patrick's Day to the Lord Mayor of San Francisco as they fly out from Dublin to the West Coast of America. This formal cycle begins just two days later on the 19th March with Stage No. 1 from San Francisco to Oakley. Paul Newman will present a Certificate of Appreciation to each Lions Club who raise \$1,000 or more, it being the cost of sending a Child to stay at Barretstown Castle.

Leaving Oakley Lions Shane and John immediately face the daunting task of climbing the Sierra Nevada Mountains, cycling through five mountain passes all 7,000 plus above sea level, many that may be impassable with freezing snow and blizzards at this time of year, all this before reaching their first rest period in Carson City.

Descending onto the plains of the Great Nevada Basin, Lions Shane and John, on occasions cycling up to 100 miles per day, will cross the Great Salt Lake Desert with temperatures soaring well over 100 degrees Fahrenheit. Their journey will take them across the plains of Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South New York, Connecticut before reaching their goal. Having completed some 3,500 miles they will arrive at Oakbrook, "The Worlds Lions Club International Headquarters" to a hero's welcome. Finally a visit to Ashfort where Paul Newman set up the first Hole in the Wall Gang Camp in 1988, then on to New York for a well earned rest before flying home to Dublin to a Civic Reception at Barretstown.

On Saturday, the 4th March, 1995, at 8.00 in the Moyglare Manor Hotel a press conference/reception and meal will be hosted by the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club to wish Lions Shane and John "Bon Voyage".

You can help by supporting the occasion on the night. Tickets will be available at the door at £10 each. The entire project will be recorded on video, starting with the reception on Saturday, the 4th March, with their departure from Barretstown on the 9th, their cycle across the continent of America and finally their arrival home.

This video will be released in the early autumn and the proceeds from same will further help to enhance the facilities at Barretstown Gang Camp.

May we wish them well.

Lion - C.H. Lyons. PRO Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club

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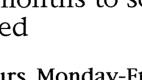
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Newsletter editorial member John Drennan has made the breakthrough that many people only dream about, he has become a leading columnist with the top selling Sunday Independent Newspaper. Many life long journalists can only aspire to reaching such dizzy heights.

John, who has graduated with an MA in History from Maynooth College has achieved a lot for his young years. He has written the popular and much celebrated local history, "Cannonballs and Croziers", which is presently selling well in the shops. At the end of this month his book "The Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong" is due to go on sale. This much awaited book will be scrutinized closely by many locals. John, a witty and humorous writer commenting on his new found success said "I can now enjoy a life of vice and debauchery at last". Everyone is delighted with the success of this popular young man. More anon.

Hanniffy Elected to Y.F.G. National Executive.

At the recent Young Fine Gael National Conference held in U.C.D., local girl Brid Hanniffy of Kingsbry has been elected on the first count to the National Executive of Young Fine Gael. Brid, daughter of Vincent and Ann Marie, who studies Economics and Politics is also the P.R.O. of the U.C.D. branch, which is the biggest in the country. This articulate young woman is hoping to have some influence on the decision making process of the larger F.G. organisation and I am sure we will hear a lot more from her in the future.

Blotto About Lotto.

Some locals are getting blotto and doing the lotto in Bradys the Clock House. This syndicate which is supposed to be comprised of around 32 members has had, in the recent past, a large turn-over of participants and nearly half the town has been involved at one stage or another. In this regard if the jackpot is won it could give rise to a very interesting legal scenario. This fact has been exercising the mind of Nicholas Donovan. Meanwhile Donal Finnan says one thing and Mac (Jim McDermott) says something else. Larry McEvoy is left clutching a stub of numbers which has "cancelled" written on it and is wondering where it came from. All in all it makes for very interesting listening and debate. All local solicitors would do well to drop in for a pint.

CHRISTMAS CAB ASSAULT IGNORED

Mr. Dennis Behan, Painestown, Donadea, a driver for the past five years with MCL Cabs, is still waiting for gardaí to investigate an assault on him on St. Stephen's Night.

After picking up six guests, four men and two women, from a party in Celbridge, Mr. Behan drove the group towards The Square in Tallaght. Around Templeogue they began to claim he was taking them the wrong way. At the basketball arena a man from the rear of the coach grabbed the steering wheel while the front passenger suddenly pulled the handbrake. They then attempted to take the keys of the vehicle. Mr. Behan /continued

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stopped the bus when one of the girls claimed to be feeling sick. Once outside one of them rugby-tackled him as another head-butted him. He sustained a broken jaw and lacerations to the right eye and forehead.

After receiving medical attention, involving a metal plate in his jaw, Mr. Behan went to Tallaght gardaí on January 6th to make a statement. "Firstly I was told to come back another day as no-one was around to take my statement", he complained. "After objecting to this I was asked to wait for half an hour. Finally the garda at reception took down my details." Mr. Behan's case, the gardaí initially told him, should be dealt with by the Templeogue station. Next he was referred to the Tallaght station and then to the Celbridge gardaí. "I was being told that each station was the correct one to deal with the assault," he said. Eventually he was told that they "might be in touch in a week or a month". "Since then, six or seven weeks ago, I've heard nothing from the gardaí at all."

As a small farmer with young children, Dennis being out of work for the past two months has affected his family badly.

With the plate in his jaw, farming work isn't possible in cold weather and he has incurred large medical bills as well as the loss of income. Although by nature he is reluctant to complain, he feels he has no option but to press the gardaí to take some action on the assault. "I feel my case has been both passed around and passed over. After seven weeks, nothing seems to be done," he said. "Perhaps if my case gets wider attention someone in the gardaí might make a move to prosecute these people and bring some justice into the situation."

CAB THIEF

Cab Thief 'Takes a Cab'

Eugene O'Shea of M.C.L. Cabs had further difficulties around the Christmas. On New Year's Eve night an unknown man who was without a return ticket from the Hitchin' Post stole the waiting mini-bus. The next day the bus was found parked on the Dublin end of Main Street. "We're trying to piece it all together," said Eugene, "but it seems that after he 'borrowed' the bus in Leixlip and left it in Maynooth, he came into the office and paid one of our drivers to take him home to Kilcock. It's still under investigation as to who he was, but it's left us eager to find out who this fellow was who took a bus to 'take a cab'."

BREAK AWAY

Solving A Holiday Problem

Short breaks and holidays are important for both children and parents, and even more important when a child in the family has a mental handicap.

BREAK AWAY is a scheme which offers short breaks OR holidays to children with mental handicap. It involves "host families" in the community taking the child with mental handicap into their own home for breaks. Many "host families" have found the experience of sharing the care of a child with

mental handicap to be a positive one for their families. In addition to this, it seems to encourage understanding and acceptance of mental handicap in their locality.

The scheme has been operating successfully since 1981. It has played an important part in creating an awareness of the special needs of children with mental handicap and this, in turn, helps to break down some of the barriers these children often face in their lives.

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To expand the scheme, social workers in mental handicap agencies are now recruiting new host families.

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For further information please contact:

Brid Leahy, Social Worker, Saint Raphael's, Celbridge, Co Kildare. Tel: 6288161

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY TRIP TO ARMAGH PLANETARIUM

On Tuesday, 6th of December, 1994, a party of sixty-one students from Maynooth Post Primary School visited the Armagh Planetarium. They travelled by bus and were accompanied by two teachers. The Planetarium had just had a new projector installed and also a new extension added, housing a number of experiments on light and astronomy. This puts the Armagh Planetarium among the most modern in Europe. Maynooth Post Primary School was the first school in the Republic to see the new extension and the trip was filmed by R.T.E. for inclusion in the programme Echo Island. At the time of writing this article, the transmission date for the programme was not known.

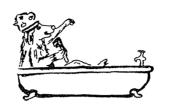
The bus left Maynooth at 9.10 am and arrived in Armagh at 11.40 am. R.T.E. cameramen were waiting for us at the Planetarium and commenced filming as we arrived. After a quick lunch, the students visited the new extension and were filmed as they participated in experiments there. From 12.30 pm till 1.30 pm they watched a demonstration of the new projector in "The Star Theatre" where they were also filmed. At this stage, four of the students agreed to a television interview with an astronomer from the Planetarium while the remainder of the /continued



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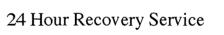


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students did some shopping in the town. We left Armagh at 4.00 pm and arrived back in Maynooth by 6.30 pm.

Maynooth Post Primary School can proudly boast of being the first school in the Province of Leinster to visit the Armagh Planetarium. Our trips began many years ago. Since then, other schools have followed suit. For educational purposes, a Planetarium is better than an Observatory. A Planetarium works independently of weather conditions or time of day. A visit to an Observatory is only of value during the darkness when stars are visible. The ideal months for viewing the sky are from November to February when darkness falls early. Unfortunately, our weather tends to be at its worst during these months and cloudy skies interfere with visibility. Another advantage of a Planetarium is that it can create artificial situations by showing conjugations of planets which are rarely visible. Time lapse experiments can be performed in which the behaviour of the solar system over a period of one year can be shown in the space of one minute. Such visits are both educational and entertaining and represent the nearest thing to practical experiments in astronomy. This is important, as the Junior Certificate has an optional section known as "Earth Science" which deals with astronomy. Visits to the Armagh Planetarium have now become an established tradition in Maynooth Post Primary School and will continue in the future.

Maynooth Post Primary School Under 16 Football

Maynooth Post Primary School beat Athlone Community School by 2-7 to 2-4 in the under 16 north Leinster quarter final. The match was played in Maynooth. With the aid of a strong breeze, Maynooth were 6 points ahead at half time. Athlone reduced the deficit but Maynooth held out for a fine victory. Outstanding players for Maynooth were Darren Naughton, Eamon Gallagher, Niall Byrne and Ronan Donnelly in goal. This team will now advance to the semi final where they will meet Rathangan Vocational School.

Maynooth Team: N. Byrne, R. Donnelly, P. Watters, J. Ryan, F. Kirwan, D. Coughlan, M. O'Reilly, E. Gallagher, E. Guha, D. Naughton, K. Gannon, M. Byrne, J. O'Shea, V. Nevin, D. Buckley. Subs: E. Byrne, J. Reilly.

First Round Of Kildare Ladies Senior Football League

Maynooth Post Primary School beat Leixlip by 2-3 to 2-2 on the 28th of November 1994. On the 8th of December 1994 they also beat Kilcock convincingly. This will now see Maynooth Post Primary School through to the next round where they will play against Clane early in the new year.

Maynooth Team: L. Kearney, T. Kearney, U. Burke, P. Burke, C. Tolan, M. Maguire, S. Healy, P. Purchell, A.M. Snee, A. Fahy, M. Flood, V. Breslin, E. Fahy, S. Weld, E. Mahony. Subs: B.A. O'Shea, K. Furlong.

Michael J. Walsh

COLLEGE NOTES

Reunion

Launched at a reception in the Bank of Ireland's House of Lords on Monday, 6th February, the St. Patrick's College reunion is predicted to be the biggest ever college graduate gettogether in the history of the country. Chairperson of the committee, Marie Therese Kilmartin, presented graduate of the college, Senator Michael O'Kennedy, a complimentary ticket at the launch.

Tickets for the event which will take place on 22nd April are currently on sale at £35 for a full ticket and £20 for a day-only ticket. 2,500 graduates are expected to attend. The programme begins with a mass in the college chapel, celebrated by the president, Canon Mathew O'Donnell, at 12pm. From 2 p.m. graduates may enjoy guided tours of new developments on campus, lectures by well known members of staff, a Bicentenary debate and the much talked of song 200 representing 25 years of the annual song contest. Finbarr Wright, also a graduate, is expected to perform. To finish the night a Gala Ball will be held. Other members of the committee are Ronan Barry, Denis Leavy, Joanne Costello, Fergus Henegan and Catherine Fox. For further information contact the committee on 7083968.

The occasion also marks the launch of the Alumni Association — a graduate organisation which Ronan Barry believes will provide services for ex-Maynooth students — from contact networks and work experience to further reunions.

College Rag Week

Very few people can be unaware that St. Patrick's College Maynooth's Rag-week '95 was upon us.

On Monday 13th the King and Queen of Rag Week officially launched the proceedings by releasing balloons outside the Students' Union at 1 o'clock.

The week will not just be for mindless fun (we're told) but to raise money for the Alzheimers Society of Ireland. In this cause, the many clubs and societies will be trying to outwit each other both to entertain the student body and raise cash. Events such as a Blind Date Competition, a D.J. in the canteen and a "Slave Trade" all hope to help charity while providing fun

A notable event on the weeks calender has been the Monday's "Fashion Show".

Lynda Phelan, co-ordinator and compere of the night told us: 'We wanted to create a fashion show with a difference'. Using major stores in Dublin and local shops — Dawson's and the Attic swop-shop — as well as designs from Limerick College of Art and Design and Keith Mongan's Golf Shop, Kilkenny, they intended to use as varied a mix as possible.

'We tried to stick to Irish-made designs, but it's difficult to get Irish Clothes on a student budget'.

"The show's intention was to be very dramatic, theatrical", said Lynda. "Themes such as violence and drugs play a large part of it". She had one model posing in leather boxer shorts

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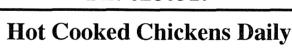
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with a gun, to the sounds of a Pulp Fiction-style track. "The overall idea was to create a fashion show which was as creative as possible, incorporating students' ideas, a message they themselves want to tell," she said. With the idea in mind, "you have to see it to believe it", Lynda is sending a full recording of the event to "Head to Toe".

Also images of the show are being put on the internet, giving it instant world-wide viewing potential.

It seems that no-one will be left unaware that Maynooth Ragweek '95 was upon us!.

Bus Eireann/Fitzgibbon Cup

The Fitzgibbon Cup has been one of the highlights of the GAA hurling calendar since it's inception in 1909. This year St. Patricks College, Maynooth have the honour of hosting the event as part of it's ongoing Bi-centenary celebrations.

Colm Hogan (27) a Seminarian in the College is vice-chair-person of the Cup Committee. Coming from a Tipperary hurling background involving his father, chairman of the GAA in North Tipperary, and a brother, who plays in goals for Tipperary. Colm is joined on the Fitzgibbon Cup Committee by Fr. Liam Ryan (chairperson), Olan Rynn (secretary), Donal Flynn (treasurer), Michael Moynihan (pro) and some ten committee members. Between them they've not only secured the event for Maynooth, they've also gained a generous deal of sponsorship from Bus Eireann, something for which Colm wishes to express his gratitude. A final coup for the Committee is gaining RTE's coverage for the semi-finals and finals.

Fixtures are as follows:

Saturday, 4th March/Sunday, 5th March, semi-finals in Clane: Winner Group 1 v Winner Group 2

Winner Group 3 v Winner Group 4.

We'll keep you notified on all results from these matches.

GARDA TALK

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Again this year we look forward to a highly successful parade in Maynooth free from major traffic problems that characterised past events. A gentle word to parents please to keep a watchful eye on the younger ones, they tend to wander, with the excitement of the day.

Please obey Gardai and stewards, their concern is your safety.

Dinner Dance.

Our dance will take place on 3rd March at the Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge. A limited number of tickets are still available. An excellent night is assured. Thank you to all our patrons for their kind support.

I.D. Card Scheme.

On 6th May 1993, Maynooth Gardai together with local publicans launched I.D. card scheme for persons aged 18 and over.

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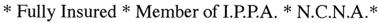


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Submission to the forum for Peace & Reconciliation

The Maynooth miscarriages of Justice Group presented a written submission to the Forum for Peace & Reconciliation at Dublin Castle. The **Newsletter** serialised the submission in the January and February issues and the following is the final segment.

LANGUAGE, CULTURE, SPORT, EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Given the need for reconciliation and genuine pluralism as guarantees of peace, and the need to build structures and channels for establishing a lasting peace and building on it, we suggest some measures in the fields of culture and community affairs. In all the following recommendations, it should be noted that the development of understanding, the empowerment of disadvantaged communities and groups, and differentiated structures are fundamental.

1. THE LANGUAGES OF IRELAND

In the context of a revision of the constitution of Eire, whether it be as a step towards a final settlement or as part of that settlement, care should be taken to ensure equality of status and cultivation of the various languages spoken throughout the island.

(1A) Status of languages

The Irish (Gaelic) language should be given equal status with English in the Constitution and its present status as "first" official language be revised. This equal status should be put into effect and guaranteed in a comprehensive Bill of Language Rights defining co-officialty in the fields of administration, the courts, the education system and other official bodies. Such a Language Bill should be enacted both in Northern Ireland and in the Republic. This is being proposed in order that every citizen shall have access to Irish and English, in every age group and wherever that person may be (in Kerry or in Ballymena).

(1B) Promotion of Ulster dialects

(1) That proper recognition be given to the particular linguistic heritage of Ulster through a statute-based cultural heritage scheme. This would be available especially in Ulster, in the form of introductory courses in schools, inclusion of Ulster/Scots dialect in school syllabi, and in both Northern Ireland

and the Republic through modules offered in 3rd level colleges and teacher training. In the Republic this should lead within a very short time to the inclusion of Ulster/Scots heritage in Irish Studies courses in primary and secondary schools.

(2) Parity of status for the Ulster dialect of Irish with the other dialects: this implies the correction of the current gross imbalance in teacher posts, teaching materials and representation in the media of the Republic. The situation within Northern Ireland in this particular respect is reasonably satisfactory.

2. ARTS AND THE MEDIA

(2A) Community Arts

In order to further the empowerment and improve the skills of disadvantaged urban and rural communities, decentralised community arts support should be given to local arts groups (i.e. amateur theatre/performing arts, writers circles, art groups and classes). Small local arts centres and "pocket theatres" should be encouraged and assisted where they exist, and started up in other areas. All this activity would be a worthy recipient of funding from the various international/cross Border funds. These local structures could be further encouraged to set up networks for mutual benefit with groups from across the Border on both sides.

(2B) Community Media

In order to strengthen local identity, and to increase community morale, self-perception and disseminate skills in the community, support should be provided for initiatives in the media. Current examples include community radio stations, community cable networks, local magazines and neighbourhood newspaper. Initiatives such as Shankill local radio which broadcast during the Summer of 1994 should be extended and made into more long-term projects. A cross-community dimension to such activities could be encouraged.

The results of such initiatives are to provide training in media skills for the community, and young people can especially benefit from this; a skills base would be built up in the community which would have effects on prospects for employment in a range of fields; awareness could be built up through such activity and exchanges with other such groups.

The importance of acknowledging local identities as part of a new society could play a significant role in improving relations between various sections in both Northern Ireland and the Republic, in increasing interplay between groups and leading to a cross-fertilisation of ideas and views.

(2C) Training institutions

A media training institute funded internationally should be set up to provide training in radio, television and electronic media for members of disadvantaged communities and minorities.

(2D) Media initiatives

The limited co-operation between the state and private media sectors in Northern Ireland and the Republic should be increased. This is a particularly urgent question with regard to increasing mutual understanding. Link-ups between BBC and RTE or other smaller stations have already happened, but should be greatly developed. International and EU funds should be used to this effect. Joint programmes and link-ups could take place in the main State media, in the independent radio sector, in Irish language television and radio, and in the print media.

3. EDUCATION

(3A) Pluralism in education

In the interests of a pluralistic society and the maximum freedom of choice for various groups, support should be increased for (a) minority schools, (b) interdenominational schools and (c) non-denominational/secular schools.

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Perhaps most importantly, education should be pluralistic in the age dimension. Community-based courses, cultural awareness and courses for specific skills should be available to all and especially to disadvantaged communities, where "second chance" education is often lacking.

(3B) Curriculum change to reflect new realities

Programmes for mutual understanding in schools to be extended to schools throughout Northern Ireland and the Republic. Input into these programmes should be broadly based. The teaching of history is particularly sensitive in this respect, and should reflect a genuine pluralism rather than a pandering to perceived images.

4. SPORTS

(4A) Facilities and exchanges

International funds should be applied in particular to creating and developing sports facilities in disadvantaged communities where State neglect in both parts of Ireland have been manifest in this area of activity. The social and professional benefits of such developments hardly need to be pointed out here.

In the interests of furthering understanding, an office should be set up and funded under international auspices to set up links and exchanges between clubs from both parts of Ireland, and to provide assistance with contacts/networks, travel funding etc.

(4B) Structural changes

Many sporting bodies are organised on an all-Ireland basis and already play an important role in bringing people together within the North and between North and South, with perhaps the IRFU and the GAA best supported. We look forward to the day when the GAA will drop its prohibition on members of the RUC and other security forces within the context of the reform of policing structures and practices. Such a development will assist the peace and reconciliation process in a meaningful way.

The two soccer authorities, the IFA and the FAI, can also assist the process by resuming cross-border contacts and tournaments and beginning a process with the longer term aims of an all-Ireland national league and international team.

5. COMMUNITY POLICING AND POLICING IN GENERAL

The question of policing in general is central to a permanent resolution of conflict in Ireland. A situation has now been arrived at where the police forces of both parts of the island are alienated from large sectors of the community. This must be remedied within a short period of time if harmonious coexistence is to be realised.

The following steps should be taken as a matter of urgency:

- (a) the establishment of a ceasefire-monitoring body to deal with problems arising in policing (NB this applies equally to Nationalist and Unionist areas in Northern Ireland). Independent ombudsmen dealing with police matters should be legislated for on both sides of the Border.
- (b) a wide-ranging debate should be initiated on the question of policing, the reform or abolishment of current structures, lessons drawn from similar situations (e.g. South Africa). New types or models of policing should be included and planned for.
- (c) among the new aspects of policing, the move towards an unarmed police force should be given priority in Northern Ireland, as a permanently peaceful situation makes an armed police corps unnecessary. Indeed, the continuing existence and visibility of armed police may eventually become an irritant in the peace process.

6. COMMUNITY LINKS

We note the historical links between the mayorships of Dublin and Belfast and urge closer co-operation between local authorities. 'Lower' levels of these authorities such as Town Commissioners, Community Councils and community organisations should also be encouraged in this process. We suggest the 'twinning' of towns, residential areas, youth clubs, etc. As with the sports exchange body, we propose the creation of Community Links offices on both sides of the Border with sufficient resources.

ACRA, the national body for residents associations could have an important role to play in this process through exploring common problems i.e. changes in funding for local authorities, resulting in ever increasing rates in Northern Ireland and service charges in the Republic.

CONCLUSION

We believe that the above proposals if implemented will accelerate the process of reconciliation in Ireland on the basis of justice and empowerment at all levels in society.

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Mourners Upset by Flood

Last month, due to above-average rainfall for the time of year, many parts of the country suffered flooding, which is regarded as the worst seen in living memory. There was some flooding around Maynooth, notably on the College farm and on the Dunboyne Road. Many of the terrible roads around the town were dotted by large puddles which resulted in pedestrians being continually splashed by passing motorists.

Climb a wall

However, it was the flood at Laraghbryan, on the Cemetery Avenue, that caused most disgruntlement and annoyance to local residents. Local man Kevin Connolly was astounded to see the avenue completely blocked to pedestrians by a very large pool of water. At a recent funeral he witnessed mourners having to turn back and to climb a wall to gain access to the cemetery. He told the **Newsletter**, "It is totally unacceptable in this day and age that mourners and the bereaved should have to face a situation like this."

Kevin was most concerned about the distress this would cause to people at a very sensitive time in their lives. Community Council Office Supervisor Norah McDermott also spoke of the embarrassment she felt at witnessing this occurrence. Councillor John McGinley was contacted, after which some work was carried out at the scene. Since so many locals regularly visit the graveyard and as the Ryan family also live up this road, it is vital that this well-known and recurring flood flashpoint is sorted out once and for all.

New job to come on stream at Post Office

Following suggestions by locals that queues appeared to be getting longer at Maynooth Post Office, since its relocation to the Main Street, the ever pleasant and efficient Post Master, Eoin Donovan, explained the situation to the Newsletter.

According to Eoin the post office remains open during lunch hour and this places extra demands on staffing. This is a facility that he does not have to provide. However, it is being used by a lot more people than expected. Eoin added: "The unemployment payments which were transferred to us recently are having a certain impact on the counter." Eoin explained: "At the moment the two of us working on the counter are stretched to our limit but there is still not enough business for three." However, Eoin has plans to employ a third counter hand towards the end of the summer months. He noted that the post office is gradually getting busier in line with the growth of the town.

Busy days

On Mondays and Wednesdays there is unemployment payments. Thursdays and Fridays are pension days. Tuesdays and the remainder of the week on which Children's Allowances are paid are always busy. Saturday mornings are the quietest times to call.

Eoin also suggested that there is no need to queue for postage stamps as they are available at the shop counter and indeed are obtainable in many shops around the town. There is no doubt that Eoin and his colleagues are determined to provide as good and efficient a service to his customers as is possible.

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Horse attack

Very recently, two of Maynooth's few and cherished amenities, namely the Harbour Field and the canal bank (Leixlip side) were under severe threat from horse-inflicted surface damage.

One horse owner was training a horse over a number of days in the Harbour Field, where there was a danger that damage would be done to the pitch surface. An approach was made to the persons involved and thankfully this activity has since ceased. If continued, real problems would arise when the ground hardens in the summer months and youngsters could run the risk of twisting their ankles on the rough surface.

Canal bank ploughed up

Around this time in a separate development and in no way connected with the above, people began to notice surface damage caused by horses on the canal bank Leixlip side. Then it was noted that part of the fence at Pike's Bridge had been removed. It was now evident that strange activity was afoot-Maynooth was undergoing a horse-attack.

Mathew Kennedy, chairman of the Royal Canal Amenity Group was promptly contacted and the speed at which he went into action to rectify the situation is to be admired by all. Both he and his colleagues immediately replaced the fence at Pike's Bridge. Then they put in place a barrier where the ditch on the canal bank was breached and where the problems appear to have originated from. According to Matt if anyone interferes with this barrier they will be deemed to have committed an offence.

Not tolerated

Matt is quick to emphasise "that the people of Maynooth gave money very generously for the restoration of this canal bank walkway, which is in fact a linear park and is primarily intended for pedestrian use". Both the local committee and the O.P.W. are dedicated to maintaining it and will not tolerate any private enterprise using public property and damaging it. Damaged surfaces have in the past given rise to legal claims.

Impassable

At the moment the canal bank is practically impassable by a walker and Matt and his colleagues intend rolling the torn-up surface before it hardens. There is presently a fifty mile long linear park between Dublin and Mullingar and similar problems have been encountered in other areas.

Access Restricted

Due to the work being carried out on the new bridge access by pedestrians to the Leixlip side of the canal is restricted. The contractors are reluctant to let any members of the public pass through their site for insurance reasons. Apparently it will be late summer before access will be restored.

Finally with the growing health consciousness and interest in walking, there is no doubt that the community is fully behind Matt and his fellow committee members in their efforts to preserve this scenic and beneficial amenity. They are to be congratulated for their endeavours.

MUINTIR MA NUAD Senan Griffin Profile



Co-opted as the Fine Gael candidate in the Kildrought Inn, Celbridge, on January 10th, local teacher Senan Griffin replaces Minister Bernard Durkan as a local Kildare County Councillor at the end of the month. "I felt that I should give a go at representing the people of Maynooth in the way that Bernard Durkan has done," he explained. He feels that it was par-

ticularly rewarding to follow Mr. Durkan because he had recently been made a Minister.

Born in Doonbeg, West Clare, Senan's primary education was in Kilrush. Later he worked as a carpenter while attending night classes in Bolton Street, Dublin, for three years. He briefly began his teaching in Belmullet, Co. Mayo, before joining St. Conleth's in Newbridge for three years. He's taught woodwork and technical drawing in Maynooth Post Primary since 1972. With his wife, Mary (Lohan), a native of Co. Galway, he lives with their three children in Ballygoran, on the outskirts of the town.

Senan takes up the office keenly aware of both other Councillors' past records and his own long-term goals: "I'm thinking of Maynooth not in the short term but in 20 years from now. The future of the town is something we're creating today." In this regard he focuses on Maynooth's development and social problems, elements which he ultimately sees as bound together.

Collective involvement prevents crime

Senan is very concerned about the provision of facilities and amenity land for team sports in Maynooth. "Any team sport is good for the youth. Collective involvement is collective responsibility," he believes. He says that individual recreation is slightly different from a community event. "There's more satisfaction and benefit in getting 20 people to work to a system than one person achieving a goal single-mindedly." This philosophy linking community activity to community responsibility he has learnt first hand. His involvement with politics, beginning in 1977, in ways replaced his footballing career - during which he won six county medals with Clare. Currently he trains 2/3 teams each year in the Post Primary School and he has also managed the county vocational team for three years, taking them to the Leinster final, something he stresses he was never alone in doing. "With the rapidly-growing population in Maynooth, petty crimes are no doubt on the increase," he believes. "Possibly drugs are the next major worry. There's an onus on parents to take a pro-active role in knowing their children's social habits, not just leaving things to the Gardaí or waiting until things get out of hand."

Cohesive collective goals

On the controversial issue of rezoning Senan believes that there is a need for compromise and bargaining with developers to get the badly-needed amenity land for the people of Maynooth

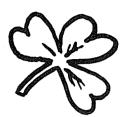
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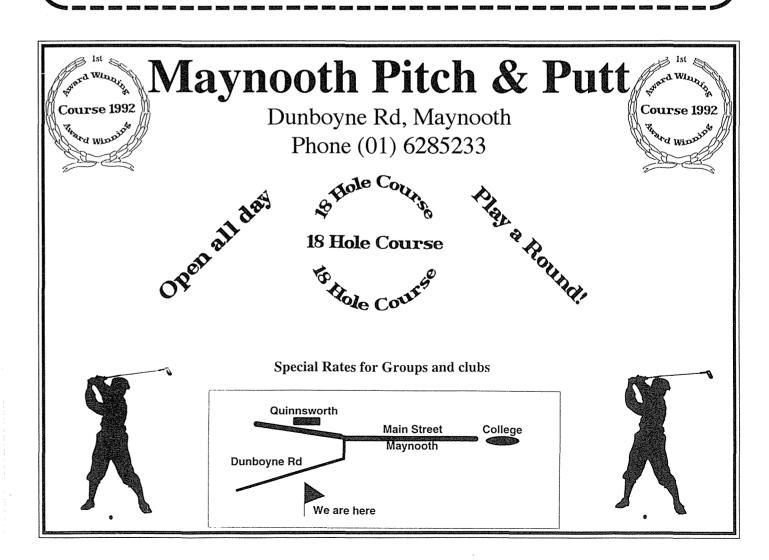
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so that deeper social problems may be avoided. But he believes it's not just a "single-minded" or solitary endeavour. All areas of the community are called upon by Senan to take an active role, not just on the big issues like land zoning but on a local level. The redevelopment of the Main Street, the awaited extension of the secondary school, the Blacklion ring road and the terrible condition of the county roads are just some of the topics he looks forward to tackling.

"A prosperous future for Maynooth is something we all hope to continue building. With an impressive record in local and political affairs standing to him it seems Senan Griffin will be a Councillor helping to build such a vibrant future for Maynooth.

NOTES FROM NAMIBIA

The people sitting outside the semi-circular stone wall were silent. A man on the raised platform at one end had set up a telescope and once darkness fell, scanned the night sky. Most, however, reserved their attention for the activity around the water-hole. The first to come was a solitary elephant. In the quiet, they could hear his long refreshing draughts. His thirst slaked, he dawdled for a while; turned, swaying, to watch the watchers and browse the scraggy thorn trees that stood in the dry landscape. It didn't look like very succulent fare, but this was October, well into the dry season and the whole of the Etosha National Game Park in northern Namibia seemed to be cloaked in a layer of white dust.

A busy cheep-cheep sound announced the arrival of some guinea fowl. They darted in from the right, drank hastily and left, looking for all the world like guilty gate-crashers. A long quiet silence followed. The smells of evening barbecue or braai, as it is called in southern Africa, wafted over from the thatched rondavels that circle the viewing area.

As the shadows darkened, every now and then one seemed to come to life and move. This usually turned out to be a jackal. These seemed to be the uneasiest drinkers of all: they moved shiftily about, ever alert, ears swivelling to catch sounds, drank hastily and slunk away into the darkness. We saw some later, prowling in similar stealthy fashion among the buildings of the rest camp, going to scavenge around the braai sites and dust-bins. We were warned to avoid contact with these animals because they carry rabies.

"Rhino!" an excited whisper on the far right, and the first of these creatures was dimly visible on the horizon, straight ahead. Three or four more would follow during the evening, among them a cow and her calf. Usually it was the deep clinking sound of moving stones that announced the arrival of these heavy creatures: the stony terrain made a silent approach impossible for them.

The elephants, arriving later in a group, were surprisingly dainty. The sound of the moving elephants was not rung from the landscape, but it was more like an aura made up of the puff of their breathing and the friction of their pads in contact with the ground: a living sound.

When the female led in her herd of fewer than twenty younger females and calves, a solitary rhino and a cow and her calf had already occupied positions to the left and right, respectively. Mama elephant went purposefully towards Mama rhino, who then removed herself and her calf to a position on the middle of the far bank of the watering hole. Satisfied, the elephant chief came to drink more or less opposite the rhinos' new position. All proceeded peacefully for some time. Some of the younger elephants were frisky and one of the older ones always seemed to be on the alert, turning watchfully outwards from the pool. Then, there was less drinking and the herd just seemed to be mostly standing about, resting and being affectionate to one another. Some had wandered off a little to browse.

The matriarch seemed to take exception to the solitary male rhino. She headed over and seemed to be trying to run him from the scene. A lone elephant had arrived in the wake of the herd. When Mama had dealt with the rhino, she greeted this fellow, standing heads close and touching him with her trunk. It was saddening to read later a reference to the destructiveness of elephants.

Watching the giraffes drink was an education. These tall creatures, who sashay gracefully across the plains and browse serenely on the higher branches of trees, have a hard time of it at the water-trough. The whole operation has to be carefully coordinated. They move their forelegs carefully forward and to right and left, as a photographer places two feet of a tripod. Then they lower their long necks to bring their heads down to the surface of the water and keep them there until they have quenched their thirst. Returning to upright is very tricky. In a complicated kind of lurch, the head is jerked back up towards its normally high position at the same time as the feet are brought back in under the shoulders. It's quite a lumbering manoeuvre. The giraffe must be most vulnerable to attack at the water-hole.

The thought of doom brings the memory of vultures, seen circling at a distance from our car, next day, as we made our way sightseeing at the various watering holes between the Halali and Namutoni rest-camps. The first time, we couldn't get near enough to see what dead animal was providing lunch for these scavengers. Farther on, however, we were luckier. Beneath the soaring birds, by a water-hole, lay a very high dead elephant. Another unlovely corpse was being feasted upon on the farther bank. Had they fallen prey to the big cats or died victims of anthrax, which is rife in the elephant population? Either way, it's all part of life in the wild.

Much as I enjoyed all these animals I set my heart on seeing at least one big cat. On the last day of the trip, I was prepared for disappointment. We pulled up behind two or three other cars at our last planned stop. The woman in the vehicle in front pointed. The colour was bleached from the scene by the intense sunlight, rocks, trees and water approximating a scintillating greyness. A first glance did not immediately pick out the indolent forms under the scrawny trees. Resting in the shade, conserving their energy for the hunt in the cool of the evening, were a male and several females. The hush of the human viewers was matched by the caution of the zebra and other hoofed animals who kept a respectful distance.

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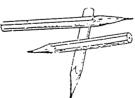
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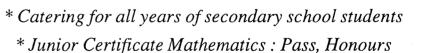
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When my husband was first invited to do some training in Namibia, at the beginning of 1994, I had everything to learn about this country, which lies on the Tropic of Capricorn and is nearly ten times the size of Ireland. Let's start with the easier part: location. Most people can probably find the Republic South Africa (RSA) on a map of the world, at the end of this huge continent that faces out over miles of ocean towards the glaciers of Antartica. To the north-west, on the southwest coast of the continent, south of Angola and west of Botswana, lies the Republic of Namibia.

The capital, Windhoek, lies amongst the hills of the central plateau, about a mile above sea-level. The western coast is largely desert - the red sands of the Namib, and the great Kalahari desert lies between Namibia and Botswana. Through Walvis Bay, one of the best deep-sea ports on the west coast of Africa, Namibia has direct shipping links with the outside world. The country is rich in minerals, including uranium, copper and diamonds.

Namibia, like Ireland, has had a colonial past, but one that is more recent than our own. Known until 1968 as South West Africa (SWA), it was the last colony in Africa until it held its first democratic elections, supervised by the UN, in 1989. Its Constitution was drawn up and the country declared an independent democratic republic in 1990.

The longest-established Africans in this area are the Khoi, or San people who still follow a nomadic, hunter-gatherer existence in the Kalahari area of the north-east. The largest group, Ovambo peoples, were traditionally farmers who occupied the northern areas, including parts of southern Angola. The traditional Damara lands are in a region towards the north-west, and those of the Namas towards the south. Both of these peoples speak languages that use a series of click-sounds. The Herero lands lay south of the San; and the Rehobothers dwelt between where Windhoek is now, and the Namas. All of these peoples and other smaller groups have had shared and parallel histories before and after the coming of Europeans to this area. They sometimes lived in co-operative peace with each other and at other times were in conflict over land and water rights.

The first Europeans to land on these shores, about 500 years ago, were Portuguese explorers trying to find a sea-route to the East (ie China). In the seventeenth century Dutch explorers from south of the Orange river were probably the first Europeans to actually meet people who lived here. It was in the late eighteenth century that white traders began to move into the area, again from the south, as well as some missionaries and explorers.

In the 1830s, the German colonisation of the area began with the settlement of Luderitz, on the southern coast. The German colonists used force and a policy of divide-and-conquer in order to establish control over what eventually became known as German South West Africa. British traders established a town at Walvis Bay, and in 1876 Britain annexed the area. It was returned to Namibia by South Africa only last March, to great rejoicing. The first German Commissioner was the father of the ill-famed Nazi War Minister, Herman Goring. It was when Goring Senior had to retreat to Walvis

Bay, before a Herero chief of the time, that the first troops were sent from Germany to support the German colonists, in

The strong measures taken after this to subdue the African peoples living in Namibia eventually provoked resistance, especially by the Herero, Nama and Damara peoples, between 1904 and 1907. By 1906, almost 80% of the Herero population (about 70,000 people) had been killed. Still more were imprisoned or fled. Although the numbers were smaller, the same fate was dealt to the Namas.

During the First World War, South Africa, at the request of Britain, invaded through the ports and took over Windhoek. South Africa took over the administration of South West Africa on its behalf, under the League of Nations, in 1921. Thus Namibia became, to all intents and purposes, a fifth South African province, undergoing further settlement, this time by white Afrikaaners, both from RSA and Angola. By 1937, practically all the fertile land had been taken over and the majority black population displaced onto reserves of poor land. Many of those who resisted these changes paid with their lives. The apartheid policies for which south Africa has been infamous were pursued also in Namibia.

The Namibians did not simply accept what was being dealt out to them. They organised, mostly in trade unions at first, and many of these had the achievement of national independence as one of their aims. In 1960, one of these became the South West African People's Organisation (SWAPO), led by Sam Nujoma, who went on to become the country's first democratically-elected president, after almost 30 years of liberation struggle.

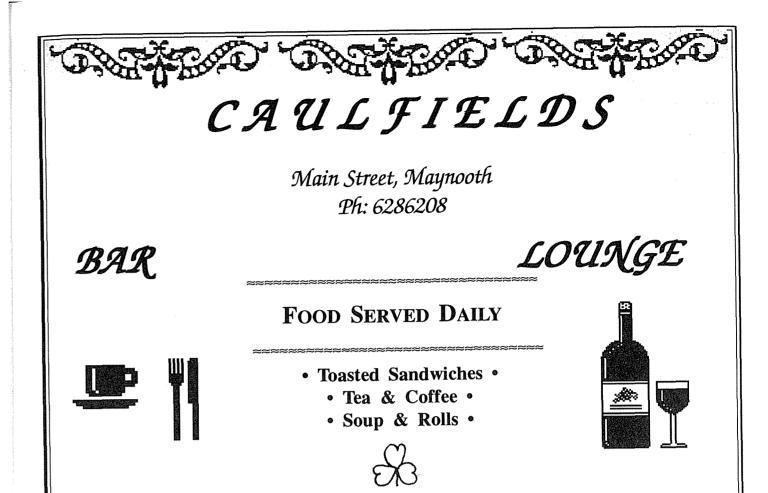
A prominent Irishman played a distinguished part in the process of transformation from colony to free democracy. Namibia was, for a time, the only country in the world to be directly under the jurisdiction of the United Nations. It was Nobel Peace Prize winner, Sean MacBride SC, who represented that body here at that time.

The UNTAG force that supervised the country's first fullydemocratic elections in 1989, included a number of Irish policemen. It was one of these officers who briefed my husband and myself, on behalf of the Agency for Personal Service Overseas (APSO), before we left Dublin last September.

It is possible to see many parallels between the history of Namibia and that of our own country. Clarifying exactly what these are, might provide subjects for many an interesting thesis.

Emer McDermott, Windhoek.

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The theme of Peter's entry was based on St. Patrick's College Maynooth's bi-centenary and he had hoped Telecom Eireann might have used his entry to coincide with this auspicious occasion.

Peter himself is a keen Call-Card collector and up to recently had over 2,000 Call-Cards in his collection.

To Peter, we in Maynooth **Newsletter** say, well done. You are a credit to your family, your school and Maynooth. Congratulations.

Leo Armstrong.

THE FINAL CHAPTER

Little Baby Bridgid was laid to rest on the 10th March 1994. Almost one year later, with the assistance of a number of people the Baby's grave is completed, with a well finished job by Frank Walsh. This job could not be completed without the financial assistance of a number of contributors. Some wish to remain anonymous, but there was one particular contribution which really touched me. The adults and children of College Green, Maynooth who did carol singing and gave me their money are also to be congratulated.



I would wish to thank all the other people who contributed and I will thank them personally myself. I also would like to thank the staff of the Community Council Offices for their assistance through the **Newsletter**, my colleagues in the No Name Club, and the people who wrote in to me with ideas. Last of all I would ask the people of the area if they are in the cemetery to spare a thought for Baby Bridgid.

May she rest in Peace.

Martin Caine.

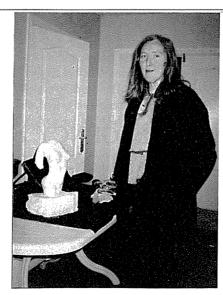
Art & Music

FRANCES McCORMACK

After banding together a few friends, Mary Ferris from Kill and Doreen Kimberly from Navan - to name but two, local sculptor Frances Mc Cormack held what she believes to be the first sculpture exhibition in Maynooth on the 21st-22nd of January last. Primarily sponsored by Quinnsworth, in particular she wishes to thank Mr. James Hugh who provided cheese, wine and glasses. The exhibition received a very warm response.

Displaying 47 pieces in all, mainly in Bronze and Plaster, Frances was pleased at the enthusiasm expressed by visitors. "Two budding 15 year old Artists even brought in plaster work of their own to see what we thought", she reflects. The general impression was that theres not only a hunger for exhibitions of the type held last month - there's also a wealth of talent locally which is also looking for venues. Local artist and sculptor Greg Stevenson has been described as one of the "up and coming" of these new talents.

"If the facilities were available, both to create and display, I'd say the sky's the limit, as far as creativity is concerned", she said. "At the moment I have to share a studio, and travel to Dublin for casting Bronze - unfortunately the facilities there aren't great". Ideally Frances would love a locally based studio if the right place was available. As for venues she imagines the prohibitive costs of hiring professionally equipped display sites, prevents a much larger group of Artists emerging. Perhaps if a hotel/venue was willing to accept a nominal fee and/or a percentage of the sales made - this catch 22 situation might be broken. At the moment all roads lead to Dublin in terms of creative facilities and display venues. It seems a pity that our growing and especially our young community are without the opportunity to enjoy and share in such events due to lack of facilities. Perhaps under the influence of local artists such as Frances Mc Cormack things may be changing for the better.

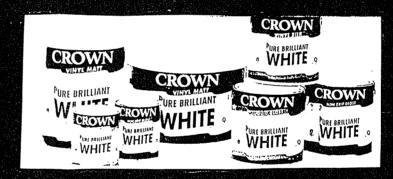


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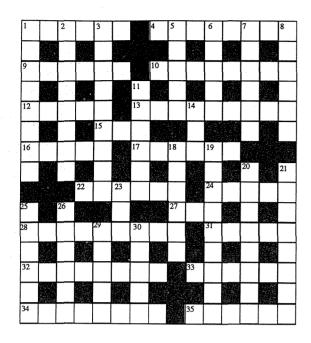
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- Leave quickly when you have no more remaining (3, 3)
- Grappling types you may see in a ring (8)
- 35 All seeps away when these lads are not at home (6)

Down:

- 1 See Curly held firmly! (8)
- 2 "Commun" little Albert is there for everyone! (8)

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- The simplicity of having gullibility (9)
- 5 Formerly of that American intelligence agency (2-3)
- 6 Uneven and may sound canine (5)
- 7 Incursion which is off the footpath (6)
- A girl and her French friend get some high-seasoned sausage (6)
- 11 Sure thing may be a strange lad! (4-2)
- 14 Looks round and green and little to eat (3)
- 18 Achieve understanding and bring aloft? (6)
- Storage area for a conflict point with a place to live (9)
- 20 Additional to main meaning may be above the sound (8)
- 21 Is earlier than romantic appointments (8)
- 23 A rare French drink, somewhat a kin (3)
- 25 Insist upon being a bit silly to begin (6)
- 26 Gets zero rates when one does this (6)
- 29 A test for the "beak" (5)
- Where the flea may be when told off (2,3)

Solution to Crossword 87

Across: 1, Relive; 4, Rainbows; 9, L-Abel-S; 10, Sprinter; 12, Baron (barren); 13, Christian; 15, Tar; 16, Cacti; 17, Ank-Les; 22, S-ever-S; 24, Pippa; 27, Syl; 28, Utterance; 31, Aitch; 32, Trump-ET-s; 33, Unbend; 34, Re-enters; 35, Prises.

Down: 1, Roll back; 2, Liberace; 3, Valentine; 5, As per; 6, Nails; 7, Obtain; 8, Spring; 11, Scrape; 14, Ill; 18, Kisses; 19, Explainer; 20, Spotless; 21, Rawhides; 23, Via; 25, Butter; 26, Attune; 29, Repot; 30, Not-ER.

Winner of Crossword No. 87 Mary Callaghan, 145 Kingsbry, Maynooth.

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Now we must restrain our friend from plunging in at the deep end!
But what can we say or do
to stop him landing in a stew?
"X, although she may be French the lady's just another wench".
"X, this thing will work out bad you're old enough to be her dad".
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The idea for the musical came from the transition year students, the first such year to operate in the school. Without a full-time music teacher at the school such a venture has proved difficult in previous years. The aim was to provide an "out of class" experience. However, the enthusiasm for the production quickly caught on throughout pupils and staff. Almost 170 people were involved at every level from leading roles, stage hands, construction, wardrobes and sets . . . even parts of the cover design of the programme were done by the students. Thus "Oliver" was really an all-school musical experience for those lucky enough to attend . . . for those who coudn't get tickets there's no use in pleading to Tom Ashe for extra musical nights out "please sir can we have some more".



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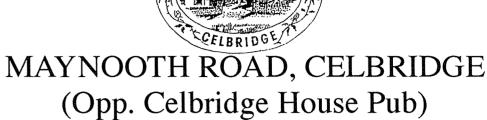
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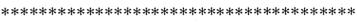






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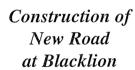
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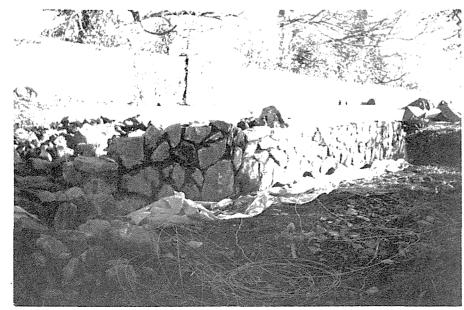
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Construction of wall on Straffan Road







Wall building on new Blacklion Road

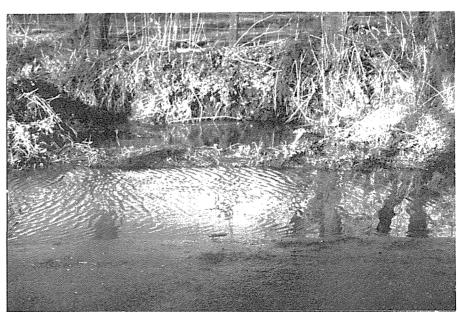
Today



Some of Maynooth's Potholes

Rubble in River at Meadowbrook/ Greenfield





Flooding on Road to Laraghbryan Cemetery

DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE

Five Fast Jacket Potato Fillings

Serves 4

Cost: Approx. £1.50 per filling Time to prepare: 15 mins. Time to cook: 1 hr. 30 mins.

For perfect baked spuds, choose good-sized old ones with a floury texture such as Desirée, King Edward or Pentland Crown. For a crispy skin, rub cleaned potato skin with a little oil and salt. Bake at 400°F, 200°C, Gas 6 for 1-1¹/₂ hours until tender. Fill with one of the following:

1.- Curried Beans: Warm a large can of curried beans, spoon into spud and sprinkle over 1tbsp (15ml) each of chopped green pepper and onion.

Cals: 218 per spud.

2.- *Provencal:* Fry 1 deseeded and sliced red pepper and 1 sliced onion in 1tbsp (15 ml) oil. Divide 8oz (225g) garlic and herb soft cheese between spuds and top with peppers and onion.

Cals: 359 per spud.

3.- *Pizza Style:* Divide 8oz (225g) warmed tomato pasta sauce between 4 potatoes. Add 8oz (225g) sliced pepperoni and 4 halved olives. Sprinkle over 4oz (100g) grated mozzarella and 2oz (50g) grated Parmesan. Grill for 3 mins.

Cals: 465 per spud.

4.- Tex Mex: Divide ¹/₄ shredded iceberg lettuce between 4 spuds. Add 8oz (225g) chopped cooked chicken. Peel and slice 1 avocado, place over chicken. Spoon on 4tbsp (60ml) soured cream and 4tbsp (60ml) fresh chopped chives.

Cals: 270 per spud.

5.- Swiss Style: Divide 6oz (150g) grated Gruyère cheese between 4 spuds, spoon over 4tbsp (60ml) thousand island dressing and 6oz (150g) thin ham. Fry 1 red onion in 1tbsp (15ml) oil for garnish.

Cals: 465 per spud.

Lemon Butter Cake

Ingredients:

100g (4oz) butter 100g (4oz) caster sugar 2 (size 3) eggs

Grated rind of 1 lemon

100g (4oz) self-raising flour, sieved.

Pinch of salt

Filling:

60ml (4tbsp) lemon curd.

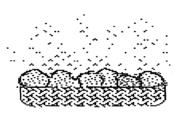
Topping:

50g (2oz) butter

175g (6oz) icing sugar sieved, lemon juice.

- 1.- Set oven 170°C, 325°F (mark 3). Grease and line two 18cm (7in) sandwich tins.
- **2.-** Beat together butter and sugar, beat in eggs and rind. Fold in flour and salt.
- 3.- Put in tins, bake for 30-35 min.
- 4.- When cool, sandwich with curd.
- 5.- Topping: soften butter, stir in sugar and enough lemon juice to give a spreading consistency.
- 6.- Spread topping over cake and swirl.

Cost £1 Preparation: 30 min. cooking: 30-35 mins





Irish Pork Casserole

Preparation time: 15 mins. Cooking time: 70-95 mins. Cost: about £6.50 Serves 4

Ingredients

2 lb/one kg shoulder of pork, trimmed of surplus fat and diced, one tablespoonful of oil, one onion, finely chopped, 3 leeks, trimmed and sliced, 2 carrots, pared and chopped, 14oz/400g tin tomatoes, one tablespoonful clear honey, 1/4 teaspoonful ground ginger, pinch of mixed spice, dash of Worcestershire sauce, salt and freshly ground black pepper.

Method

Heat the oil in a flameproof casserole, add the diced pork, turn over as it cooks so that it browns evenly, lift out on to a plate before adding more meat. When all the pork has been browned, lower the heat slightly and put in the onion, leeks and carrot. Stir gently over a moderate heat until slightly softened. Add the tomato juice and the tomatoes, the honey, spices, Worcester sauce and seasoning. Bring to boiling point, add the pork. Cover the casserole, leave to simmer gently for 60 - 70 mins, or until the pork is tender. Stir the casserole to make sure it is not cooking too quickly or becoming too thick and sticking to the casserole. Some water can be added if necessary. Taste and add seasoning if needed.

Note.- If preferred, omit the ginger and spice and use a bouquet garni instead, or one teaspoonful of mixed herbs. Other vegetables can be added - one or two small courgettes, thickly sliced, ¹/₂ green or yellow pepper. Served with creamed potatoes or freshly cooked small pasta.



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Elusive Springs

In parts of Ireland, Spring traditionally begins on St. Brigid's Day, February 1st but according to an old proverb, it is not Spring until you can plant your foot upon twelve daisies! But this criterion is only one of many would-be harbingers of that elusive season.

For meteorologists, the first day of Spring is March 1st. They base their seasons on the cycle of the average temperature throughout the year - with the three coldest calendar months being Winter, the three warmest Summer, and Spring and Autumn filling in the gaps. Astronomers regard Spring as beginning at the vernal equinox in March and ending at the summer solstice in June

Shrubs, Border Plants and Roses

So Spring arrives officially this month and by the end of March the garden will be well on the way to a new season. The earliest shrubs will have started to bloom, Mahonia japonica with its bright yellow spikes of strong scented flowers, the mezereon (Daphne mezereum), equally strongly scented but purplishpink in flower, camellias, and japonica. These and other shrubs can be given a fertilizer dressing this month, watered in if the soil is dry; and so, too, can herbaceous perennials, making the dressing relatively high in potash content if flowering is not all it might be.

Division of the border plants can also be undertaken successfully. Rose pruning will be in full swing; clematis pruning started last month, should be finished by the middle of this one. Evergreens can be planted this month, watered in well at the time of planting, and put in when the soil is moist. If in a windy position, give a temporary shelter of sacking, or polythene, while they establish, as wind is one of the main causes of browning of foliage, particularly conifers. Moisture vapour is literally blown off the surface of the leaf, and the roots do not replace this until they take hold of the soil. If dry weather follows planting, spraying overhead with a drenching spray of clear water once or twice a day will do much to mitigate the effects of desiccation.

The corms and tubers started into growth last month in the greenhouse will be ready for potting; dahlias can have cuttings taken from them. Rooted chrysanthemum and carnation cuttings will need potting on in 3-in. pots; pelargoniums rooted from autumn cuttings will be growing and may need potting on. All sorts of pot plants can be turned out of their pots, the old compost removed, and replaced with fresh, or if they do not like root disturbance, the top $1^{1/2}$ in. can be scraped off and replaced with a topdressing.

Herb Garden

In some parts of the country it is possible to sow seeds of herbs out of doors this month, but if the garden is a chilly one or the soi heavy, it is better to sow in the greenhouse. Parsley is always said to be slow to germinate, but in warm soil it comes up just as quickly as the other herbs, and an out-of-doors sowing of it in April will produce more plants in the long run than a March one. Dill, coriander, sorrel, chives, sage, sweet marjoram and summer savory all germinate easily.

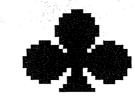
Lawns

Lawns can be given a spring clean, by first raking (provided there is no moss), then topping with razor-sharp mower blades, and following with spiking and the first feed. Where there is moss, spring is a good time to treat it with lawn sand, but a more long-lasting remedy is to improve the soil drainage or plant food content, so that the grass always grows strongly.

Vegetable Garden

Parsnip can be sown in early March; it is very hardy and needs a good long season to develop. Most of the rest of the vegetables, summer cauliflower, early carrots, leeks, onions, lettuce, peas, radish and spinach beet can be sown outside later this month. Celery, celeraic, cucumbers, melons and more tomatoes can be sown in heat.

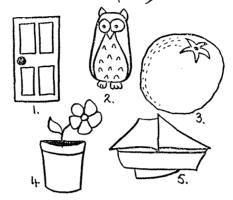


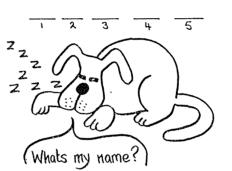


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H. B. DENNIS/ALMC TRYOUT RALLY 21ST JANUARY 1995 FORTUNE FAVOURS THE BRAVE

On Saturday, 21st January, the Hella Championship regulars assembled at The Boyne Valley Hotel, Drogheda, for round 5 of the Hella/ECCO Navigation Rally Championship, a 90 mile run through north County Meath, hosted by Aer Lingus MC. With much of the route covered by treacherous and in many places unpredictable patches of ice, Brian Flanagan/Don Foley gave a display of skilful and often courageous driving to bring the Carwatch Auto Alarms Nissan Micra home 10 minutes clear of the field. Robert Dancey/Vincent Fagan, in the Chevette, found the timing too tight for the prevailing conditions and dropped odd minutes throughout the night to take second. Just 1 minute behind came the unwieldy Peugeot 405 of Monaghan Semi-Experts, Bosco McGorman/Noel Hall. They had been neck and neck with the eventual runners-up right up to the last section through Townley Hall but they took the wrong option here and dropped 1 minute to the Chevette

Joint Clerks of the Course Paul Webb and Eoin McDunphy, debuting in the roles, put together a well thought out format of Plot and Bash, Regularity, and pre-Plot which kept the Navigators busy whilst their drivers struggled to stay on "terra firma"

Winston Whyte/Alan Nairn decided to err on the side of caution in the conditions, feeling that discretion was the better part of valour, and brought the venerable RS2000 home 4th. and 3rd in the Experts Class. An encouraging 5th. went to the Sunbeam of Richard O'Mahony/Doug Corrie. Richard also found a distinct lack of traction in the Sunbeam and he and Doug were eventually forced to indulge in some cut and run through the last four sections in order to stay within lateness.

Number 1 seeds Trevor Farrell/Harry Bleakley decided to brave the conditions in a Fiesta 1.8 Diesel. They were running steadily in 3rd overall up to TP18 but missed TP19 at Stifyans Cross and then booked in early to TP20 which resulted in their dropping back to 6th and 3rd Expert.

In the Novice Class Ian Elliott/Rachel Cullivan found themselves progressively dropping time as the night wore on. Down 16m by the time they reached the halfway Control at Aclare House they decided to skip TP16 but still could not pull back any of their accumulated lateness and decided to skip the final string of Plot and Bash and cut straight to the finish Control. They were nevertheless pleased to take their 3rd class win of the season and 7th overall to move themselves into a slender 1 point lead in the class.

Dermot Hassett, accompanied by Stephen O'Neill on this occasion, indulged in some judicious skipping when they like Elliott/Cullivan, found that they were 20m late booking into the halfway Control and had to skip the following 4TPs before rejoining at TP20. They were nevertheless pleased with their 2nd in the Novice Class and 8th overall.

With brother Enda otherwise engaged for the evening Matt Hume called upon the services of Peter Murphy to guide him around in the Avenger. Their troubles started early on when they took the long way round into TP4 at Rossnaree House and dropped 5m. It wasn't long before they found themselves on maximum lateness and began skipping from TP10. Things did not improve in the second half and they finished 9th overall and 4th Experts. Third in the Novice Class went to the Volvo 340 of Damien Walsh/Derek McGrath. They had a disastrous first half but recovered after the halfway Control to drop just 20m of their total 232m on the run home.

The Historic Class was won once again by the father and son team of Robert and Stephen Bolton. Stephen confessed to getting it all wrong on the Regularity and though this section was eventually scrubbed it did result in them running perilously close to maximum lateness in their later stages and they too were forced to skip. They are nevertheless enjoying the opportunity to get in the practice for the more serious Retrospective events.

The award for the most observant crew on the event must go to Malcolm Day/Brian Cleary. Thinking that the erratic handling of their Fiat 127 was being caused by a deflating tyre they pulled over between TP2 and TP3 to attempt a change. As Malcolm alighted to do the necessary he promptly fell to the ground announcing incredulously "it's f***** icy!".

Despite the conditions the event produced just two retirements. A change of car to the ex-Mervyn Miller Peugeot 205 GTi, unfortunately did not bring a change of fortunes for the luckless Mervyn Dunn/Rory Dooley. They broke a fan belt after just 10 miles and with no spare or suitable alternative, Rory apparently wasn't wearing tights on this occasion! they were forced to make for home. Also in terminable difficulties very early on was the Sunbeam of Noel Devlin/Deirdre Grogan. Their back axle cried enough after just two miles and they were out.

Paul Webb and Eoin McDunphy put a considerable amount of work into this their first event and with changes having to be made on the day because the severe weather made some sections impassable, in a Discovery!, they coped extremely well under the pressure and more than merited the praise of all concerned.

Results

1. B. Flanagan/D. Foley 3m, 2. R. Dancey/V. Fagan 13m, 3. B. McGorman/N. Hall 14m, 4. W. Whyte/A. Nairn 33m, 5. R. O'Mahony/D. Corrie 77m, 6. T. Farrell/H. Bleakley 104m, 7. I Elliott/R. Cullivan 118m, 8. D. Hassett/S. O'Neill 127m, 9. M. Hume/P. Murphy 153m, 10. D. Walsh/D. McGrath 232m, 11. T. Gilchrist/A. Binley 265m, 12. G. Brown/G. Burke 285m, 13. M. Day/B. Cleary 300m. Historics: R. Bolton/S. Bolton 169m.

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The above Officers and Committee were elected at our 15th A.G.M. which took place in the local G.A.A. hall on Sunday 12th February.

Fixture List For 1995

| Date | Venue | Tee Times |
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| 4th March | Athy | 11.30 - 1.00 |
| 8th April | Tullamore | 10.30 - 12.30 |
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Under 21 Football Tournament: Maynooth 4 goals 3pts V Kilcock 8pts.

Played in Kilcock on Sunday 15th January at 11.30 a.m.

Under bad conditions this turned out to be a good game of football. Maynooth playing with the wind in first half were first to score a point by Paul Garvey then after 15 minutes Maynooth got their first goal by Eddie Mitchell. After 20 minutes a further point by Paul Garvey and then a goal by David Mahoney and just on the half time Eddie Mitchell got his second goal to leave the half time score Maynooth 3-2pts to Kilcock 2pts.

Kilcock playing with the wind were on top in the early stages of the second half but Maynooth killed off their challenge with a goal by Hugh Purcell midway through the second half. With the aid of some good goalkeeping by David Cusker, Maynooth held out for a good win:

Maynooth Scorers:- Eddie Mitchell 2-1pts, Hugh Purcell 1 goal, David Mahoney 1 goal, Paul Garvey 2pts. Also to play well, David Cusker, Mickey Noone, Ken Killoran, P. Guinan and Peter Burke.

U 21 Football Tournament: Maynooth 10pts V Dunboyne 3-7pts.

Played in Maynooth on Sunday 22nd January at 11.30 a.m. Playing in bad conditions Maynooth did not deserve to lose this game. It was lost because of very bad finishing by our forwards. The first half was played in great spirit and after 15 minutes Maynooth lead by 3pts to 1pt, Maynooth's points coming from Paul Garvey 2pts and Paul Flood 1pt. Dunboyne struck back and scored 2 goals and 2pts before half time Maynooth defence were badly at fault for both goals to leave the half time score Dunboyne 2-4pts to Maynooth's 3 points. The second half started with Maynooth playing with a slight breeze and were on top but could not take their scores. Maynooth tried hard to cut the Dunboyne lead but for some bad shooting and good defence by Dunboyne held Maynooth at bay. Dunboyne broke down the field and got their third goal, this knocked the heart out of Maynooth: Try as they did they could not get the scores.

Maynooth Scorers:- Paul Garvey 6pts, Paul Flood 1pt, Hugh Purcell 1pt, Mark Nugent 1pt, Derick Flemming 1pt. Also to play well Mickey Noone, Peter Burke, David Mahoney and Thomas Fay.

Under 21 Football Tournament - Sunday 5th Feb. in Maynooth at 11.30 a.m.

Maynooth 2-8pts. V Confey 1-9pts.

This match started with Confey playing with a strong wind in first half and they took their chances and by half time were in front by Confey 1-7pts to Maynooth 1pt Paul Garvey getting Maynooth's point from a free. The second half started well for Maynooth scoring 4pts without reply then Maynooth were given a penalty and David Mahoney scored from the spot after 15 minutes. Maynooth drew level in the 20th minute but Confey broke down the field to score a point. Maynooth fought back to draw level then in the last minute Confey scored a point from a free. From the kick-out a long ball into the Confey goal found Mark Nugent who scored a great goal to give Maynooth a good two points win.

Maynooth's Scorers:- Paul Garvey 5pts, David Mahoney 1 goal, Mark Nugent 1 goal, Ken Killoran 1pt, Ronan Quinn 1pt, Paul Flood 1pt. Also to play well. Eamonn Dunne, Mickey Noone, Thomas Farrell and Eddie Mitchell.

Under 21 Football Tournament:- Maynooth 5pts V Leixlip 5pts. Played in Leixlip on Sunday 12th February at 11.30 a.m.

Played in very bad conditions this turned out to be a fair result. Leixlip playing with the wind in the first half were on top but some good defending by Maynooth defence held Leixlip to 4pts to 1pt at half time. Maynooth in this half missed a penalty after 5 minutes.

The second half saw scores hard to come by and it took Maynooth 15 minutes to get their first point of the second half. A point by Paul Garvey, further points by Hugh Nevin and Ken Killoran left the sides level with five minutes to go. At this stage Leixlip got their only point of the second half. With one minute to go Maynooth through Paul Garvey got a point to leave the sides level.

Best for Maynooth were:- Paul Garvey 3 pts, Hugh Nevin 1pt, Ken Killoran 1pt, Mickey Noone, Eamonn Dunne, David Mahoney, Thomas Farrell and Stephen Noonan.

Lotto Result-15/01/1995, Jackpot £1,200: Numbers 5-16-19. No Winner.

5 x £10. Mickey Noone, Carol Curtis, Kathleen Bennett, Brian Curtis, Irene Dunne.

Lotto Result-22/1/1995, Jackpot £1,300: Numbers 9-21-24. No Winner.

5 x £10. Lorraine Dempsey, Eric Doyle, Mary Travers, Mrs. M. French, Bert Carrutters.

Lotto Result-29/1/1995, Jackpot £1,400: Numbers 8-14-21. No Winner.

5 x £10. Mrs. Slevin, Jude Donnelly, Shay Tyrell, Jimmy Dempsey, Collett Colts.

Lotto Result-5/2/1995, Jackpot £1,500: Numbers 1-5-15. No Winner. /continued



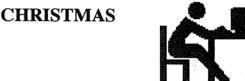
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Lotto Result-12/2/1995, Jackpot £1,600: Numbers 1-3-16. Congratulations must go to Mrs. Mary Lysart, 2 Maynooth Park, on winning our Lotto this week.

Ardclough Football Tournament Final for the John Farrell Cup on Sunday 12th February 1995.

Maynooth 4-2 points V Ardclough 6 points.

Maynooth playing against a strong breeze in first half were on level terms at half time Maynooth 1-2pts V Ardclough 5pts. Maynooth playing with breeze in the second half were on top but it took Maynooth 15 minutes to get their first score of the second half. A goal by J. Riordan and further goals by Johnny Nevin and Paul Garvey Maynooth came out easy winners. Best for Maynooth were; Paul Garvey 1-2pts, S. Molloy 1 goal, J. Riordan 1 goal, J. Nevin 1 goal. Also to play well K. Fagan, P. Ennis and J. O'Toole.

Maynooth G.A.A. Club Golfing Society-Outings for 1995 Date:- Saturday 25th March Club:- Kilcock Tee Time:-

9.00a.m. - 10.00a.m.

Date:- Saturday 6th March Club:- Highfield Tee Time:- 12.30p.m. to 1.30p.m.

Date:-Saturday 10th June (Captains Prize) Club:-Mount Temple Tee Time:- 10.00a.m. to 11.30a.m.

Date:- Friday 23 June (Golf Classic in aid of pitch development)

Club:- Kilcock All Day - Time Sheet (Last Card 4p.m.)
Date:- Saturday 9th September (President's Prize) Club:-

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To win Captain's Prize a player must have played in one other outing.

To win President's Prize a player must have played in two other outings.

The following were elected to look after teams in 1995.

Junior A team:- K. Connolly (Manager), P. Nevin, M. Gillick, N. Farrelly.

Junior B team:- M. Donnolly (Manager), M. Murtagh, P. Nevin, M. Riordan.

Junior C team:- G. Connellan (Manager), M. Doran, M. Gahan.

Under 21 team: J. Edwards (Manager), T. Fay, K. Connolly. Under 18 teams: P. Ennis (Manager), F. Devereux, J. Nevin, Joey Nevin L. O'Toole.

Under 16 team:- M. Gillick (Manager), M. McCarron, A.N. Other.

Under 14 team: - D. McDermott (Manager), J. O'Rourke, A.N. Other.

Under 9's and 13's Saturday morning training resumes on February 18th at Moyglare Road.

Under 11's and 13's will definitely be competing in the North Kildare League with a strong possibility of under 9's and 15's also taking part; D. McDermott, J. O'Rourke, P. Curran, Johnny

Nevin, Thomas Farrell and P. Ennis will assist on Saturday mornings. Further help is needed however.

Our first two matches in Senior Football League Division 2 for 1995 are Sunday 12th March, Maynooth V Castledermot in St. Mary's Park at 3.00p.m., Sunday 26th March, Maynooth V Grange in St. Mary's Park at 3.00p.m. Come along and give our teams your support in 1995. More fixtures in next issue of Newsletter,

Tommy Fay PRO



At Maynooth Hurling Club Dance in Club Hours, L-R: Phil Brady, Jimmy Treacy, Jimmy McLoughlin, Josie Murphy, Phil Burke, with the McCarthy Cup won by Offaly in 1994 All Ireland Hurling Final

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Eight athletes from the club took part in the indoor championships in Nenagh on the 4th and 5th of February and came away with a total of seven medals. David Campbell showed once again what a fine athlete he is by winning three gold and one silver. Karl Ennis took gold in the 2k. walk, while Patrick O'Rourke in the 60 metres sprint and Martin Cunningham in the 1500 metres took bronze medals respectively.

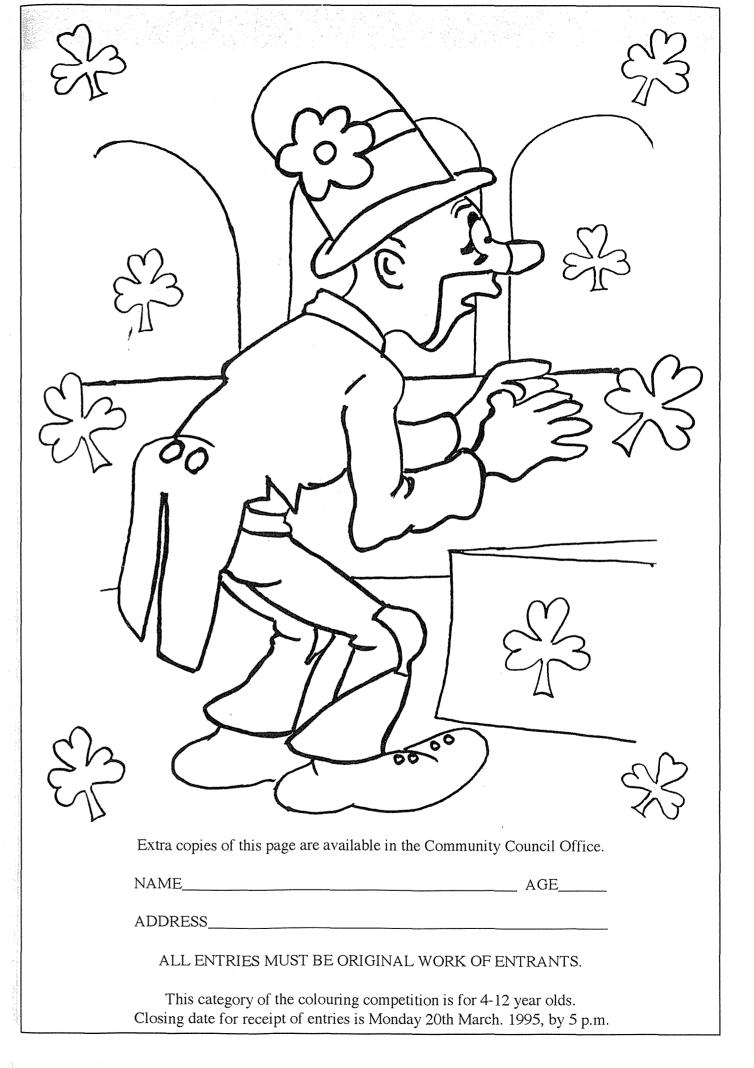
Declan O'Rourke although failing to get among the medals ran a fine 300 metres race and was only beaten on the line into fourth place. Sarah Commane despite her lack of fitness finished fourth in her heat. Conor Diggins (1,000 metres) and Patrick King (600 metres) both tried hard, but found the pace too hot.

David Campbell's events were:-

Long Jump (1st.) High Jump (1st.) 600m. (1st.) 300m. (2nd.)

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

We are now into our third term this year and would like to welcome all new members who have just joined us. We wish our members who have moved on, the best of luck in the future. /continued



Please remember all fees to be paid by 11th March.

Don't forget our fancy dress for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. (Members Only) Prizes for the most topical outfits. More information at a later date. So get your thinking caps on.

Margaret O'Neil PRO. Claire O'Rourke PRO.

MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

The inevitable weather took its toll on playing days in the early part of this year. However, underfoot conditions were not as bad as last year due to a number of drainage jobs during '94. We expect this improvement to continue through '95. As we did not officially close this year we hope at the time of going to press that the course will be open and in play.

This year we expect to run Sunday morning competitions. These events will be outside any other events running and will be open to all players.

Prices for the coming year will change slightly from March. The prices will be as follows:

WEEKDAYS: £2.00. With Hire £2.50 WEEKENDS: £2.50. With Hire £3.50

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As can be seen these prices are the same as last year with the exclusion of the split weekday rate. We hope these prices will be seen as offering good value to our customers. This will be the third year that our prices have remained at this level.

Finally on a more general note with the slight hysteria that prevails since rezoning maps have come on view I wish to allay fears that the Pitch & Putt is "for sale". Certainly rounds of Pitch & Putt are to be bought but that's about the extent of it.

Looking forward to seeing you all during the year.

TUG-O-WAR REPORT

There is a hymn which begins with the lines:

"Bright builder of the heavenly poles eternal light of faithful souls".

These fine words may not exactly be about tug-o-war, but we'll claim them anyway. Tug-o-war has a spiritual dimension where there is struggle and pain and you have to dig deep into your reserves to attain the elation of victory. As the days get longer men begin to think about heading towards the poles and I'm not talking about the north and south poles.

With training due to commence in April we are on the lookout for new members. Anyone interested can enquire in Bradys The Clock House.

Training

In general training is not too severe initially with plenty of breaks for pipe smoking and story telling. The better the story the longer the break. All you need to become a tug-o-war man is a pair of steel-capped boots, which cost around £50 and can be purchased in Army Bargains, St. Mary's Street. These will last for years. Following the success of the 'Big Eight' team in the late 70's Maynooth has become a strong base for tug-o-war. Regrettably not all our members are interested in training. If we get our act together we could return to the glory days - it's up to you.

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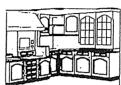
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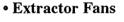
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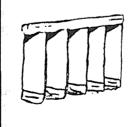
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DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

The Maynooth Draft Development Plan was finally agreed by the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council in February and will now go before the full Council in March. It will then be put on public display in Maynooth Public Library for a three-month period from the beginning of April. Any individual or group may make a submission on the plan in this period. All submissions received will then be considered by the Area Committee and the full Council and the revised plan will then go on display for a futher period of at least two months. This extension to the normal one-month period was agreed at the proposal of Cllr. Catherine Murphy, who pointed out that major revisions were made to the Draft Plan at this stage in the case of Leixlip and argued that community groups needed more time to organise against changes which they felt did not agree with the Community's interests.

We will be keeping the Maynooth Community informed on developments. In the meantime, Catherine Murphy is available to discuss the Draft Plan at 46 Leixlip Park, Leixlip (Tel: 6244903).

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan.

The Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council will meet on 20th February with a view to finalising the draft plan. This will then go to the full Council for approval at it's meeting on 27th March. The draft plan will then be put on display locally for 3 months in order to give the public a say in the future development of the town.

Completion of Kingsbry Estate.

Cllr. John McGinley has tabled the following motion for the Celbridge area Committee meeting on 3rd March.

"In view of the inordinate delay in the release of the bond from the Insurance Corporation of Ireland that Kildare County Council proceed immediately with the work necessary to take Kingsbry Estate, Maynooth, in charge and that alternative funding be used while awaiting the release of the bond".

Pedestrian Walkway between College Green and Beaufield.

At its meeting on the 26th January the Celbridge Area Committee agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's proposal that monies be allocated from the 1995 Discretionary Grants to provide a footpath, lighting and suitable walls at this location.

Rockfield Lodge Pedestrian walk

At its meeting on the 26th January the Celbridge Area Committee agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's proposal that this pedestrian walk be closed off through the use of a section 76 closure. This motion will go to the full Council for approval at its meeting on the 27th of March.

Greenfields, Maynooth.

Cllr. John McGinley has tabled the following motions for the Celbridge Area meeting on 3rd March.

- 1. "That three public lights be erected on the back lane of Phase 2 Greenfields".
- 2. "That funds be allocated out of the 1995 Discretionary funds to drain and resurface the back lane at Phase 2 Greenfields. (A botched job was carried out here by the Council three years ago)".

Land for Council Housing.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Manager to buy land in Maynooth for Council housing as a matter of urgency. The Council own no suitable land in Maynooth for housing at present.

Straffan Road.

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., and Cllr. John McGinley have asked the county engineer to carry out major repairs on the roads between Mullen Bridge and Celbridge Road Junction. This road is now in a dangerous condition as a result of the Gas pipe laying and the construction work. Emmet Stagg, T.D., has also been in contact with Bord Gais Eireann concerning this matter.

The Square, Maynooth.

Following discussions with the County architect, Cllr. John McGinley has agreed that the Council's plans for the Square are more in keeping with history than those proposed by the Office of Public Works consultant. The Council's plan comprises of one tree lined road to Main Street. Brady's side is closed off. A small fountain replaces the toilet block and between the fountain and Larine House there is a pergola on lime stone walls, 3.8 m high. The rest of the square has interlocking paving with seating outside Brady's and with trees strategically placed.

In order to facilitate a major pipe laying, as part of the Straffan Road project, it is probable that the Toilet Block will be demolished by the time you read this and not a moment too soon.

Taghadoe to Ladychapel.

Arising from complaints concerning the condition of the road from Taghadoe Cross to Ladychapel Emmet Stagg, T.D. has been in contact with the County Engineer. The County Engineer has promised urgent repairs at this location.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., has made strong representations to the Minister for defence, Hugh Coveney, T.D., concerning Army Band representation in Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade.

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Birthdays

Happy 40th Birthday to Tricia, from Annette and Orla. Thanks for everything.

Happy belated 10th Birthday to Michael O'Malley, love from Elaine O'Carroll.

Happy Birthday to Dara Folan, on the 18th March, love and kisses Mam and Dad, Aisling, Shane and Sarah.

Happy Birthday to Conor Bean at Nuada, Dunboyne Rd, Maynooth, who celebrates his fourth birthday on March 4th. Love from Daddy, Mammy, Aisling, Brian and his grandparents

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Anne and Brian McAuliffe, of 10 Rockfield Rise, Maynooth, on the birth of their daughter Laura Marie. Love and best wishes from the McAtamney and McAuliffe families.

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Daughter also Michael and Noel, relatives and friends of Josephine Nolan (nee Tynan), Greenfield, Maynooth.

Mrs Betty Fay, O'Neill Park, on the death of her mother Mary Connolly (nee Kelly), St. Bridgets Terrace, Robertstown.

OBITUARY

On 31st January, the death took place of Jack Connolly, in his 85th year.

Jack, or Fiddy as he was affectionately known, was born in Dillon's Row, son of Tom and Kate Connolly. He attended the convent and the boys' school (the present band room). After a short spell working in the college, he began his apprenticeship as a baker in Ballinamore in Leitrim. An accomplished Gaelic footballer, he played for Leitrim while resident there.

On his return to his home town, he took up employment with Kelly's of Kilcock. He played for the Crom Abu's and won many medals with Maynooth, notably the Leinster Leader Cup and the Intermediate. He later captained the team.

Unfortunately a serious knee injury, although operable nowadays, would prematurely finish his playing career. Following two years incapacitation his injury left him with his distinctive straight leg.

A master baker, he joined Boland's Mill in Dublin, where he worked until his retirement at 70 years of age. Pre-deceased 17 years ago by his wife Martha Tracey, he is survived by his sisters Anne, Breda and Monica, and brothers Adam and Kevin, and his darling girl Mena. He will be missed by his friends and relations alike.

His funeral to Laraghbryan was attended by some of his old team-mates who draped the coffin with the Crom Abu jersey. His prowess at the game is best summed up by the accolade "He was a sweet footballer".

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Ellen O'Brien, Kilcock would like to thank everyone who sympathised with them in so many ways at the time of their bereavement. Their kindness is very much appreciated and will always be remembered. We will be having. Mass offered for all your intentions.

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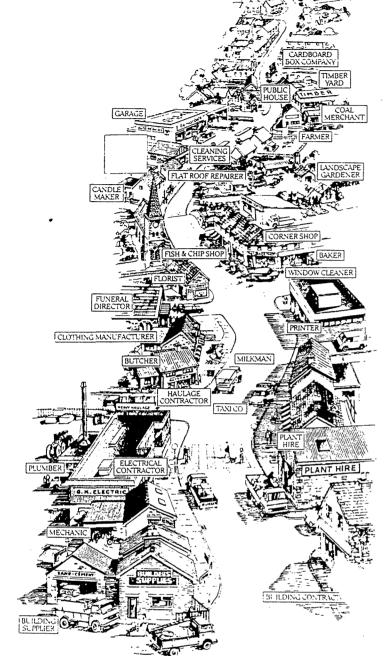
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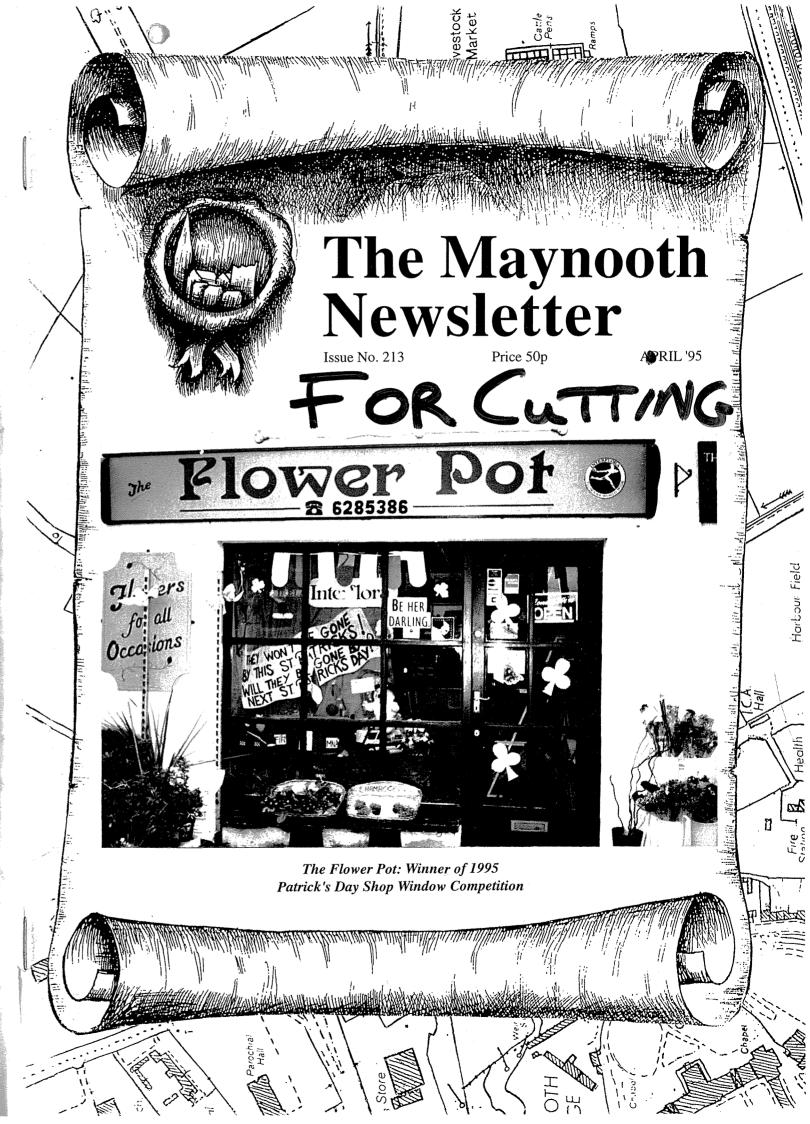
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Editorial

This issue of the **Newsletter** cost you 50 pence. The bad news is that if we are to continue to produce the **Newsletter** we will have to consider a significant increase in the cover price. In the past 18 months our costs have gone up to such an extent that each monthly issue is losing almost £300. The reasons for this increase in costs are threefold. First, the Newsletter is now ten to twenty pages bigger than it was two years ago. For 50 pence you are now buying a magazine with an average of 64 pages. These extra pages cost money and this is one of the reasons why our printing bill has gone up by 25% in the last eighteen months. Second, the price of paper has increased well beyond the rate of inflation, again adding to our production costs. Thirdly, the Newsletter has always made a significant contribution to the running of the various Social Employment and Community Employment Schemes run under the auspices of the Community Council, schemes which we believe make a very useful contribution to the local community. So, in buying the Newsletter you are contributing to the success of these schemes as our profits go to pay for such things as office rental and insurance. Again, over the past two years the numbers employed on these schemes has increased and the Newsletter has been making a correspondingly higher contribution.

The result of all this is that it now costs over £2 to produce each copy of the **Newsletter** for which you are paying 50 pence. We have recently increased our advertising rates to help bridge the gap but we believe an increase in the cover price is no longer avoidable. If readers have strong views on the issue of a price increase we would like to hear from you. As yet no decision has been made on the new price but, one way or another, we hope you will continue to support your Newsletter.

Happy Easter to all our readers from the Editorial Board.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

By now 'Kids Kottage' Day Nursery will have closed, by order of Kildare County Council, Ger Scanlon pointed out in the March **Newsletter**, the nursery was regarded as a business in a residential area.

'Kids Kottage' is regarded by the planning authorities in exactly the same way as, let's say, a garage repair workshop, located in a residential area. Apparently, the planners see no difficulty in having a childcare facility in a business area.

I doubt any parent would want his or her child spending the day in an industrial estate or shopping centre facility. Children are not commodities. They live in residential areas and should, therefore, be cared for in residential areas.

I call on the authorities and particularly our local politicians to ensure the implementation of the 1992 Children's Act. Until we have legislation in this regard, local authorities will continue to impose closure or relocation of day nurseries.

My little boy spent almost 4 happy years in 'Kids Kottage'. He has received excellent care and attention. It has been a marvellous service to the parents of Maynooth and will be greatly missed. Although, I have been lucky enough to find another excellent childminder, I resent being forced by bureaucracy to move him.

Finally, may I express my heartfelt thanks to Ger and her great staff for the wonderful care they took of Eoghan. May I also wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

Mary Hind

Dear Editor

A chara,

It takes some nerve to suggest that a meeting organised by a political party and attended by fifty people represents the views of Maynooth's 7,000 residents. Yet that is precisely what Fionan Hardiman suggests in his letter to the March issue of the Newsletter concerning the Maynooth Development Plan. We know from experience that public meetings - even with much larger attendances than the Fine Gael meeting referred to by Fionan Hardiman - are notoriously unreliable barometers of public opinion, especially when organised for partisan purposes.

Fionan Hardiman suggests that Democratic Left's opposition to rezoning of land in Maynooth for residential purposes represents a "narrow ideological view" of development. Our view of development is that the overall interests of the community must take precedence over any sectional group. The present population of Maynooth is 7,000. There is already enough land zoned for residential development to cater for a further 5,000 people. Does Fionan Hardiman have any vision of how big he would like Maynooth to eventually become? Does he have any grasp of the difficulties involved in providing water supplies and sewage disposal for a population in excess of 12,000?

There is an urgent need to provide amenity and recreational land for the existing Maynooth population. Rezoning large tracts of land for residential development in return for "gifts" of amenity land is not the proper way of providing for this

need. Once the rezoned land is developed, there will be an additional need for amenity land for the enlarged population and the treadmill will continue. We must decide on a satisfactory target size for Maynooth which does not destroy the character of the town, and we must find ways of providing for the amenity and recreational needs of that target population.

The Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council has rezoned for amenity purposes sufficient land in the Maynooth area for the town's immediate needs. It has also proposed a Special Development Levy on new housing developments to provide the funds to purchase this rezoned land for local amenity purposes. The people of Maynooth should unite in supporting this approach to tackling the problem, rather than campaigning for "solutions" which will turn Maynooth into an unrecognisable suburban sprawl.

Is mise, le meas,

Proinnsias Breathnach Maynooth Democratic Left

Dear Editor

Car parking in Greenfield Estate

Some people have a habit of parking their cars across the public footpaths in the Greenfield Estate area. This obstructs the footpath for pedestrians who wish to pass by. It is the action of an ignorant person to do this; it shows contempt for pedestrians and I wish a garda officer would have a word with the people who do this.

Greenfield Resident

Dear Editor

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Old Greenfields Residents Association I was elected Secretary.

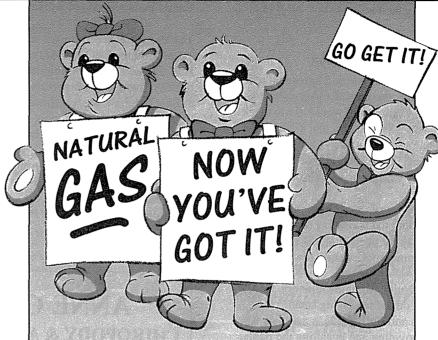
Upon receiving previous correspondence from the outgoing secretary my attention was drawn to the fact that a petition sent to Kildare County Council to have bollards put up included a list of people not living in the area, a number of children and the name of a dog - all of which were confirmed by the committee when this was pointed out at the last meeting. I was slated and the matter was laughed off by the other members of the committee saying I was making a fuss over nothing.

I do not consider that a committee who behave in this fashion and who deceived Kildare County Council with such a list have the right to our support. I duly resigned. I am now, through the Maynooth **Newsletter** calling upon the remaining members of the Committee who may have been implicated in this deceiving Kildare County Council to resign.

Leo Armstrong

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The A.G.M. will take place on Monday, April 3rd, at 8.00p.m. in the Post Primary. All Councillors are asked to attend. The Council would like to extend their gratitude to John McGinley and Freda Kelleher and their St. Patrick's Day Committee for their trojan work in organising the Parade.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 1995

Despite the weather I think that everyone will agree that with 56 different groups taking part, the parade was a great success. On behalf of the Parade Committee I would like to thank all those who helped us in any way. In particular I would like to thank the following:- Our major sponsors:- Caulfields, Lee Mallaghan, The Leinster Arms, Willie Kiernan and The Roost. Also, all the other businesses who contributed to ensure we were not at a financial loss.

- Mattie Callaghan for providing the reviewing stand.
- Leo Bean and Tommy Sherry for decorating the stand.
- The Staff of Maynooth Community Council Office for their trojan work.
- Sheila McKenna, Jane MacNulty, Antonio Quinones, Nancy O'Neill for flower arranging on the reviewing stand.
- Katie's Flowers for flowers and ribbons.
- Willie Kiernan for again providing and installing the public address system.
- Paddy Desmond our Master of Ceremonies.
- Our 30 Guests on the reviewing stand.
- Canon Matthew O'Donnell for being guest speaker.
- Mrs Sheila Smith for the power supply for the Public Address.
- Sergeant Peter Kearney and the Gardaí for their advice and help.
- Emmet Stagg, Minister of State, Department of Transport Energy and Communications for his help in getting the Army Band.
- The Maher School of Dancing for their performance at the reviewing stand.
- Owen Byrne, our Mayor for leading the Parade, with Charlie O'Neill and his carriage.
- All the stewards who performed their tasks so professionally.
- Quinnsworth for the use of the car park.
- Pat Travers and Peter Finan of the Parish Hall committee for providing the chairs and steps for the reviewing stand.
- The Leinster Arms and the Roost for providing tea and sandwiches for our guests.
- Eddie Sherry for cleaning the Main Street.
- Patricia Condron and George for the crash barriers.
- Freda Kelleher and the rest of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee for giving the Maynooth Community something of which to be proud.
- The participants without whom there would be no Parade and the general public for showing up in such great numbers.
- The Residents of Greenfield Estate for their continued cooperation.
- All the business people who did such a splendid job of decorating their shop windows.

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- e) Best Costumes: Keable School of Dancing
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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Elsewhere you can read of our plans for 1995 which FAS workers under our supervisor Martin Sherry will be carrying out over the coming year.

Once again we had a float in the St Patrick's Day Parade sponsored by Gerry Mulcahy (Butcher) with the theme Maynooth Fights Litter.

Our thanks to Cormac Eddery and Ciaran McDermott who donated boxing gear to help "Fight Litter".

Our thanks also to Mattie and Elizabeth Callaghan who worked so hard on the float.

Finally, our thanks to Gerry Mulcahy (Butcher) Greenfield Shopping Centre, Maynooth, for sponsoring our float.

Our A.G.M. takes place in the Maynooth Community Council offices at 8pm on Wednesday, 12th April, 1995. All welcome.

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The sweat shirts sponsored by Maynooth Credit Union were much appreciated and greatly admired at the St. Patrick's Day Parade. We wish to thank the children who marched on the day despite the harsh weather conditions.

At this stage the games are well underway. We would like to see as many children as possible taking part.

For this year's games we have entries for the following events:-Art, Handball, Swimming, Athletics, Hardcourt Tennis, Table Tennis, Badminton, Hockey, Variety, Basketball, Hurling, Camogie, Volleyball, Modelling Project, Chess, Pitch & Putt, Draughts, Rounders, Gaelic Football, Rugby, Gymnastics, Soccer.

Please note dates for the following:-

Art & Modelling: Post Primary School, 8th April, 10.00a.m.

Gymnastics: Girls School, 6th April, 6.00p.m. - 8.00p.m. Swimming: Stewards Swimming Pool, 20th May, 4.30p.m. -

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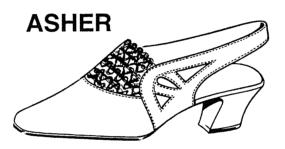
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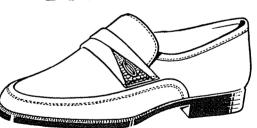


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St. Patrick's Day Parade

This year the elements were again kind to us for the Maynooth parade which took place between some Siberian like showers and when we marched off at eleven O'clock on the button from Greenfields shopping centre the only things we had to contend with were the pot-holes and mini swimming pools on the road to the square (roll on the new road in 1996). Once these had been negotiated we could stretch our legs and enjoy the real parade. On our return journey we paused at the reviewing stand to entertain the masses with our country and western number "hoe down" hoping to be joined by a posse of line dancers but there wasn't a stetson or cowboy boot to be seen. Ah sure next year is another year. The good news is that we were delighted to retain the cup for the best band award this year. Maybe if we talk nicely to Freda and her team of organisers they will allow us to keep it?

Parade Number Two

Unfortunately our day was only half over with the end of the Maynooth parade. After a little liquid refreshment and a bite to eat we had to saddle up and ride into the west - as far as Enfield to be precise - for their St. Patrick's Day parade. They too had the holy man on their side as we drove through hail showers both there and back but had sunshine in between. The weatherman predicted gale force winds from the west and was he right? Just ask our bass drummer Mick Hyland. We had to hold on to his drumsticks to keep him from being blown away. Of course there were other problems to contend with too, like picking our steps through the excesses of the horses parading ahead of us (definitely not Cheltenham material) and chasing flying music parts almost back to Kilcock. However all's well that ends well, we got home with all equipment intact and ready for our annual trek to the international marching band competitions in Limerick on the following Sunday.

Limerick 1995

Sunday 19th March at 7.30 a.m. saw Barton's coach laden with sleepyeyed saxophonists, half awake horn players,, a bright-eyed and bushytailed bassist and an assortment of other instrumentalists in various stages of awakening heading in the direction of Limerick for our annual expedition to the international marching band competitions held there every year. Once again the weatherman played his part to perfection with that

well known classical piece entitled the four seasons. During the hour long parade we experienced spring, summer, autumn and winter but unfortunately we only came prepared for one of them. However we are well known as a band for all seasons and we survived for another day. Alas the competition was very tough and we came away empty handed but there's always next year. We made up for our disappointment by having a ball for the rest of the day. The craic on the way back included some fine solos such as John Currans interpretation of "Help me make it through the night", Jane D'arcy's "Turkey in the straw" and the band choirs treatment of the sounds of the sixties led by Peter Brazil on his ukelele. The Hazel Hotel in Monasterevan did the honours in feeding the hungry hordes and we now look forward to our return trip to Limerick on June 24th.

That's about all for this month from a very exhausted P.R.O. see you again next month.



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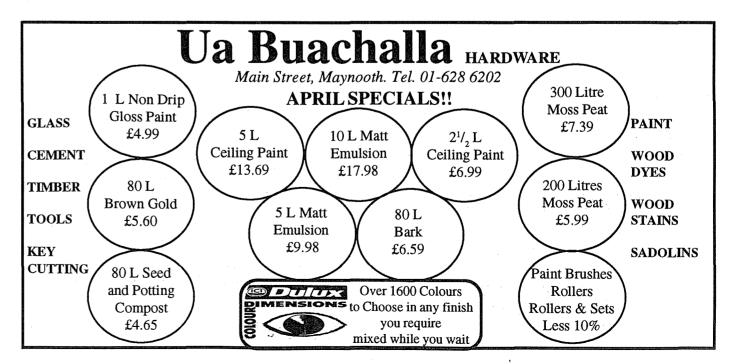
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Answer:

Only the married women who were claiming a Social Welfare payment in their own right during the period December 1984 to November 1986 will be entitled to the additional equality arrears. So, if you were not getting your own payment during that period, then I am afraid you are not due any arrears.

Married women living with their husbands who were claiming Unemployment Benefit, Disability Benefit, Invalidity Pension, Injury Benefit and Disablement Benefit between 23 December 1984 and 15 May 1986 were paid a lower rate than that paid to men. They also received Unemployment Benefit for 12 months rather than 15 months. The amount due here was paid in 1992.

Married women who were receiving any social welfare payment between 23 December 1984 and November 1986 did not receive any increase in their payment for their husband or child dependents. Some of these arrears were paid but not under the same rules as applied to men at that time. The balance of these arrears are now due.

Married men who lost their wives as dependents in November 1986 were paid a transitional or compensatory payment from November 1986 to July 1992. Married women receiving a social welfare payment anytime in November 1986 are now due these compensatory payments from November 1986 until their claim ended, or July 1992, whichever date was first. However, in her judgement Miss Justice Carroll put a limit on this entitlement as they were out of time for a portion of these monies.

The Minister for Social Welfare has said that the Government is committed to paying the legally determined entitlements of married women to social welfare equality payments. The programme for Government provides that all payments due will be made within a four year period. These payments will be made by a special unit within the Department which will identify women entitled to payments and will advertise in order to attract applications from all eligible women.

Details about the procedure for claiming these arrears are not yet available. Women who think they may be affected may if they wish write to the Department of Social Welfare-Equal Treatment Arrears Section, Dept. of Social Welfare, Con Colbert House, Con Colbert Road, Kilmainham, Dublin 8 Tel: 01-8748444, stating their R.S.I. Number, the social welfare payment that they were claiming during the relevant period and seeking any arrears due to them in light of the High Court judgement. Request an acknowledgement from the Department of receipt of their claim and watch the newspapers for details.

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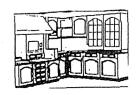
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I.C.A. NOTES

The highlight of March for our Guild in Maynooth was the "Night of Drama" in Celbridge on 9th March. Celbridge and Maynooth ICA drama groups got together in Scoil na Mainistreach to stage two one act plays.

Celbridge opened the night with a one act drama, "The Red Headed Galley Boy". This was followed by tea and biscuits and then the night ended with the one act comedy "Slander", presented by the Maynooth Group. We trust the audience enjoyed themselves and we thank all who supported us.

The March guild meeting of Maynooth ICA was held in our hall on Thursday 2nd March. Mrs. Imelda Delaney was in the chair and she welcomed all the ladies to the meeting.

Missing Minute Books

The ICA is organising a national collection of all old guild minute books for the ICA archive. Maynooth guild will be submitting its books, so that all the information contained in them can be held in safe keeping for future generations. However we have one small problem - we cannot trace the minute books covering the years 1964 to 1978. We are also missing our "Guild of the Year" book. If anyone has these books or knows of their whereabouts please contact the guild President, Imelda or you can phone me on 6286787.

No Annual Show

The sad news from our guild this month is that there will be no Annual Show this year. As there was not a sufficient number of members willing to go onto an ad hoc organising committee, it was decided by those present to abandon the idea of having a Show this year. Our President says she hopes it will be possible to hold a Show in 1996.

We are sorry to disappoint all those who normally enter the Show. "Thank you" to all who sponsor classes or give donations each year. We hope that if we are able to organise a Show in 1996 that you will still continue to support us so generously.

Collections

We collected £120 for the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland in February. We were out again collecting for Daffodil Day on 24th March. The total of this collection will be published in next Newsletter. "Thank you" to everyone who supported these two collections.

Make and Model Competition

The Kildare Make and Model competition will not now be held until after Easter. This means, ladies, that you have even longer to finish all those lovely garments! The date and venue for this competition will be put on the notice board in ICA hall as soon as it is available.

Activities

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday morning, starting at 10.45 a.m. Marion says she would love to see a few more new members.

Crafts are in the ICA Hall on Monday nights (8.00pm start) and Wednesday mornings (10.30am start). Mary would also like to see some new members.

This is an ideal time to join the ICA as our AGM is coming up on Thursday 4th May. The fee is £18 per annum, payable at the AGM. So unlike a lot of clubs it doesn't cost the earth to join and you will be surprised how easily you will make lots of new friends.

How does your Garden Grow?

Well, after a very informative talk by Mr. Fionan Hardiman, at our March meeting, I'm sure we are very busy in our gardens. Fionan's very interesting talk covered such topics as indoor plants, lawn care, soil type, choosing a plant, pruning, etc. Thanks to Fionan for coming to our meeting and answering all our questions.

National ICA Day

National ICA Day is on Saturday 22 April. This is the 85th Anniversary of the organisation. In Kildare we will be celebrating with a craft display and a floral festival in Naas, plus street entertainment. There will be a buffet supper that evening in Carragh Community Centre and the night will finish with a ceili. Admission to buffet/ceili is £5.00.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held in our hall on Thursday 6th April. There will be a "Bring and Buy" at this meeting, to raise money for two "part scholarships" to An Grianan. There will also be a Guest Speaker at our meeting. So, ladies please come on time as we have a lot to get through. The competition for April will be "A decorated (hard boiled) Easter Egg". I look forward to a large attendance at what should be a very interesting meeting.

Connie Harpur, PRO

married women to social welfare equality payments. The programme for Government provides that all payments due will be made within a four year period. These payments will be made by a special unit within the Department which will identify women entitled to payments and will advertise in order to attract applications from all eligible women.

Details about the procedure for claiming these arrears are not yet available. Women who think they may be affected may if they wish write to the Department of Social Welfare-Equal Treatment Arrears Section, Dept. of Social Welfare, Con Colbert House, Con Colbert Road, Kilmainham, Dublin 8 Tel: 01-8748444, stating their R.S.I. Number, the social welfare payment that they were claiming during the relevant period and seeking any arrears due to them in light of the High Court judgement. Request an acknowledgement from the Department of receipt of their claim and watch the newspapers for details.

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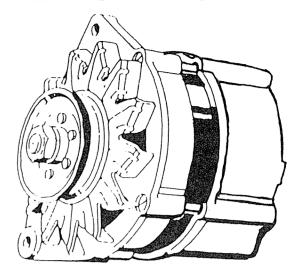
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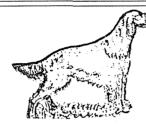
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LIONS FASHION SHOW

Maynooth and Kilcock Lion's Club are holding their annual fashion show in the Setanta Hotel, Celbridge on Thursday 6th April at 8pm.

Featuring the latest in ladies, gents and childrens fashions from the Spring Summer season. The event is in aid of the Senior Citizens Mosney Fund. Clothes featured in the show will be contributed by among others Dawsons, Chez Michelle, Tinkerbells and Moulin Rouge.

Valerie Boylan from Nuzstop explains that many of the shops will be providing their own models - some are professional. "The show always gets a great reception," said Valerie, "its a very good cause and all work, from Margaret Kenny as commentator to myself and Freddie as co-ordinators, is given free".

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MAYNOOTH CASTLE COMMITTEE

The Committee has had the opportunity to see the recently issued discussion document and plan prepared by the Consultant Architect to the O.P.W., Shane de Blacam.

There are many interesting implications for the Castle, College and Town, and the Committee are now planning for an open seminar for public discussion.

Details of this seminar will be published in the next issue of the **Newsletter**.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

April Meeting

This is our Annual Spring Show and will be held on Tuesday, 11th April, in the Divine Word Hostel. Competitions will be judged in accordance with the N.A.F.A.S. schedule of definitions - eighth edition. Only one entry per exhibitor per class. The committee will in no way be responsible for any loss or damage sustained to exhibits either at the show or in transit. Judge's decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. The show will be open to all from 7.00pm until 8.30pm.

Judge will be Peggie Campbell.

All enquiries/entries to: Mrs Felicity Satchwell, Mariaville, Maynooth. Phone 01-6286240.

Theme: Floral Inspiration

Class 1 "Easter". An exhibit in a basket. Space 18". Confined to those who have not won a 1st prize at any Flower Club Show.

Class 2. "Easter Bonnet". An exhibit using fresh plant material. Space 24". Confined to those who have not won 3 x 1st prizes at any Flower Club Show.

Class 3. "Two's Company". A modern exhibit. Space 24". Class 4. "New Trends". An exhibit inspired by Continental

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Class 5. "From the Potic". A Pot at flour exhibit. Space 30".

Class 5. "From the Patio". A Pot-et-fleur exhibit. Space 30". Class 6. "Slainte". A Petite exhibit between 4" and 9" in height, width and depth.

Class 7. "Melody Makers". An exhibit to include driftwood. Space 24".

Class 8. "Memories" A miniature exhibit in dried plant material. Space no more than 4" in height, width and depth.

ALL ENTRIES IN CLASSES 1-8 MUST BE THE UNAIDED WORK OF THE EXHIBITOR.

Plant Section

Class 9. One stem of flowering shrub. Any variety - trees excluded.

Class 10. One daffodil or narcissus.

Class 11. Vase of flowers from the garden, excluding daffodils and narcissi. Not more than one stem of any species.

Class 12. Four sticks of rhubarb.

Class 13. Collection of polyanthus. Not more than 6 stems, same or mixed.

Class 14. Three tulips, same or mixed.

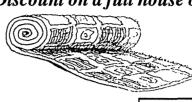
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Cups

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RHSI Spoons (2) - Winner of class 9 and runner-up in classes 1 and 2

Entries taken on morning of the show. Staging 11am - 1.00pm.

Entry fee £1 for up to 3 entries and 30p per entry after that.

Toni Read P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH-KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Now we are approaching our main event of the year which is our trip to the Corrib Hotel in Galway for our National Awards. It is our second year in existence and we have been successful in the Leinster Regional heats in which Conor Newman, a student at Maynooth Post Primary School did us the honours. He was an excellent candidate and we wish him all the success in Galway on the 8th April 1995. Our I.D. cards for the club are coming along nicely, we will have most of them ready for our next disco on the 1st April 1995. Anybody who has not got one, should contact their school reps or any committee members or Dawsons Menswear. The I.D.'s are free, all that is required is the completed form to be signed by a teacher and one photo which can be availed of from the committee if you bring sufficient proof.

Due to our success in the St. Patrick's Day Parade we would like to thank the people who supported us. A special word of thanks to Christy Maxwell of Walsh Western Trucking Company for his tremendous support on the day. Last of all I would make a special plea for more adult support.

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In last month's issue I asked for your support for our Annual collection. This you gave with overwhelming generosity and our weekend endeavour realised the unprecedented sum of £1,604.66. This result speaks volumes and nothing I can say will either add to or take from the effect of such a response. To say thank you is so important, and yet seems so inadequate.

While those who subscribe to our fundraising are of vital importance, there are many who facilitate us in so doing. Therefore we would like to thank the proprietors of Maynooth Shopping Mall for the use of their premises and Ollie for his courtesy to our committee. To the publicans for permitting us to permanently invade their establishments and to the G.A.A. club, Barry's shop and Brady's for allowing us to have a collection box on their premises permanently. To the non-committee members who were so generous with their time and last but by no means least, Vincent who took so much trouble with the posters, even if he was spotted with his arms around a pole in early hours of Sunday morning! Spring has that effect on some people.....or so they tell me!

Our Easter party will take place on Sunday April 9th in S.V.D. house commencing with Mass at 3.30 p.m. We will also have our Easter Bonnet competition, so if you have not already made your bonnet, you still have a week to do so.

Our morning club will close for Easter on Thursday, April 6th, and will re-open on Tuesday, April 25th.

All that remains now for me to do is wish a very happy Easter to one and all, and may I wish all our senior citizens who have not been so well, a very speedy recovery. We look forward to seeing you all at our Easter party, le Cúneamh Dé.

MAYNOOTH SCOUTS

Over the last two months, the scouts in Maynooth have been kept quite busy. At the beginning of February, two of our leaders, Mr John Dowling A.S.L. and Miss Catherine Mannion A.S.L. arranged an outdoor activity for our scouts, a treasure hunt. This event was held on a Saturday morning at 10.00am. Each patrol were sent out in intervals and only allowed 3 hours in which to complete the treasure hunt. The scouts then came back to the den where food was prepared and an evening of games, films and songs ensued. They then settled down in the den for the night. A very enjoyable day was had by both the boy and girl scouts and leaders.

Since the end of February and beginning of March, preparations for the camperaft in April and St. Patrick's Day Parade were being made. Not only did we march this year but we also entered a float, which held some of a site's equipment. This day went off extremely well with the boy and girl scouts winning first prize in the marching section. Congratulations to all involved.

Yours in Scouting Margaret Power A.S.L.



MAYNOOTH CHESS CLUB

On Thursday 16th march Russian International Master Alexander Baburin (grading 2550), currently one of the top players in the world, appeared as the special guest of Maynooth College Chess Club (in Classhall G, The Arts Block).

Unfortunately, on the night there were only twelve people present, however Alexander unperturbed by this, opened the proceedings with an exciting, yes, an exciting lecture on how he would beat everbody present simultaneously. The lecture consisted of how Alexander opened his games to give him an advantage and further analysis on how he drove home his advantage. Very interesting discussions occurred during this lecture.

This is the second time Mr. Baburin has graced Maynooth with his presence. In 1993 he played thirty-seven people at the same time, suprisingly the score finished 37 - 0 in his favour. This year only nine players competed against him, maybe this was due to the timing of his appearance (the day before Paddy's day), but thus could not be avoided, it was either on the night or never. The nine put up some excellent performances. After one and a half hours of play Baburin had defeated seven of his opponents. The other two matches at this stage looked pretty even. On these two boards Baburin was up against two former chess club presidents Brian Galligan (who is a member of the Community Council's staff) and Seamus Callagy (a postgraduate student in Kairos). Baburin went on to win against Seamus after a miscalculation. All was not lost though. Brian was two pawns up and in a won position. Of course he made a mistake allowing Baburin to draw the game. Brian although happy with the draw, knew he'd let Baburin off the hook. Brian said afterwards, "Hopefully over Easter I will get to play Mr. Baburin 'one on one', he won't get away next time". Unfortunately Baburin was unavailable for comment.

This event was a good experience for all who attended but, next year we would like to see a lot more attending. If you are interested in playing chess, whether to start or improve Maynooth Chess Club meets at 6.00p.m. in Tutorial Room 4, the Arts block, Maynooth College.



Jeremy Farrell presenting examples of his work to his Head Master Mr. Tom Ashe.



Brian Galligan (2nd from right) on his way to drawing against Alexander Baburin I.M.

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Another success for Maynooth Post Primary

In a time of high unemployment, where the emphasis is on education and entrepreneurial skills, one young man has risen to the challenge. This is Jeremy Farrell a native of Maynooth, and a past pupil of Maynooth Post Primary school.

On Monday last Jeremy who is Ireland's newest and hottest young independent telephone card designer returned to his old school to present Head Master Mr. Tom Ashe with a complete set of his work.

Jeremy began designing and producing limited edition telephone cards for the collectors market as part of a project for his exams. He is now studying Marketing & Foreign Trade at Colaiste

Ide in Finglas, "Rather than do a text book simulation, I decided to do a live business project. "He told us. "I am now learing all the things the text books do not tell you. Experience is a great teacher. I took one of my Dad's hobbies and I'm turning it into a business. "

After the success of his first card CEASEFIRE 1994 he followed it with STRONGBOW 1170 and now AIDS KILLS. fifty of which he has donated to the AIDS Helpline as part of their Dublin Appeal for funds. It is believed these cards will fetch a high price at auction.

His forth card is already in production. Jeremy does all the artwork himself. "I am involved at all levels of the project from concept to design, right to production and marketing." Jeremy explained, "I sell direct to collectors. First call goes to Irish collectors. I do a lot of work by post. If you are on my mailing list you get notification by post of all cards I bring out and a 30 day option to buy."

There is an increasing amount of foreign interest in his wok, with his cards having been sold as far away as Hong Kong and Australia. "I have also had a lot of interest from the US," Jeremy told us. By the time he leaves college Jeremy hopes to be fulltime self-employed.

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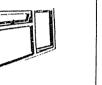
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CARTON AVENUE



Complaints are being made about the condition of Carton Avenue. Beer cans and off-licence bags are strewn everywhere and there's evidence of late night bonfires. We've also been told that since the bollards were removed traffic and even cattle have been seen on the walk. There's also reports of vandalism to the wooden seats and litter bins - using this wood as fuel. With a new Tidy Towns Fás scheme about to begin it's possible that these problems will be tackled but looking at the Avenue and Pound Park where the same problems are evident we must ask if cleaning up the problem after the act is really the solution. Carton Avenue was cleaned up before and when the brushes were put away the vandals came out again. Surely something more can be done than simply cleaning up after these people? If you've any ideas or comments please contact the Newsletter.

EYE HEAR

The St. Patrick's Day parade in Maynooth was a marvellous success and drew a large crowd into the town from the surrounds. It may not be the biggest parade nor does it have an excess of novelty acts but it is nonetheless a great effort on behalf of those involved. It does exactly what it is supposed to do - to give us all an excuse to wear the shamrock and have a good day out to boot. It was a great day for community spirit and created a relaxing and celebratory mood for the town's folk. If anyone was critical of the proceedings they may very well be missing the point. Everyone should let all those involved know that we are fully behind them in their efforts to bring a bit of life to Maynooth and to uplift the place! God knows we need it.

OLDEST SOCIETY IN IRELAND

The Maynooth Mortality Society is the oldest of its type in Ireland. Members pay £20 per year. Local undertaker Oliver O'Reilly, who has an agreement with the Society, provides his Funeral Parlour at Main Street free of charge and makes all the relevant arrangements for the family of the deceased. Contributions begin around 40 years of age and you do not have to contribute on reaching the age of 80 years. £350 is

paid on the death of a member and both man and wife are covered. Sounds like a good idea to join up. Chairman: Ger McTernan. Sec. Paddy Nolan. A/Sec. Kevin Murphy.

PARISH RETREAT

There were good attendances of both young and old for the St. Francis Xavier Novena of Grace held in St. Mary's Parish Church between March 4th and March 12th. Interesting homilies were delivered by the visiting priest, the Very Rev. Fr. Ignatius of the Passionist Order. He received an appreciative round of applause from parishioners on completion of the retreat. There are good attendances at daily Masses during Lent in preparation for the Easter ceremonies.

PETER'S PIPE

Local man Peter Finan was to be seen at the parade sporting a fine new pipe which he is breaking in. Maynooth has been such a cold windy place of late which reminds me, where are the men of Maynooth going to light their pipes if "the thing" on the square is removed? I bet you no architect has thought of that.

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Front L-R: Garrett Skerritt (Instructor), Sharon Murphy, Marie Carr, Paula Trotman, Sandra Grehan, Michelle Groarke. Back R-L: Pamela Bryan (Co-Instructor), Tony Costelloe, Tom Deane, Gus Roche, Noel Walshe, Royston Murphy, John Lyons, Tom Madden, Denis Dempsey. Absent but received cert, Noelle McTiernan, Eoghan Lennon, Ann-Marie Daly and Kay Skehan.

GARDA TALK

St. Patrick's Day Parade

A special word of thanks to organisers, participants, and spectators for an excellent parade again this year.

The Garda Siochana are delighted to provide whatever assistance that may be required to ensure success.

Burglaries

In the January issue of the **Newsletter** we made a special appeal to residents to report suspicious activity to Gardaí. Thank you to all those concerned people who took the time and trouble to ring us. We renew that same appeal again. Please ring us immediately should you observe anything unusual. If you plan to go away for a few days, let us know. Encourage some trustworthy neighbour to look after your house.

Dinner Dance

Our 5th Dinner Dance in aid of Garda Benevolent Fund took place at the Setanta Hotel, Celbridge, on 3rd March. Among the attendance were the Garda Commissioner Mr. Culligan, and Local Officers Supt's Walsh & Hurley. A sincere thanks to our patrons, sponsors, without whose support the dance would not function. Looking forward to seeing you all at next year's event.

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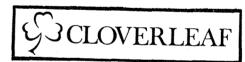




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Geroid McTernan

If Maynooth is to have a living legendary figure it will have to be Geroid McTernan, a Leitrim man with a republican background, a strong faith, a deep sense of duty and an inate understanding of the local community, which he has served faithfully, both by newspaper reporting and active involvement, for up to fifty years.

Following in his father's footsteps

Geroid, or Gerry as he is known, was born in Ballinamore. Co. Leitrim, in Easter week 1916 and grew up in the formative years of the new Irish State. In 1932 he joined Irish Railways as a Boy Porter at the young age of 16 years. His father was a foreman in the goods dept., his eldest brother was an apprentice fitter, so in effect Gerry was following in his father's footsteps. In those days the hours were long, working from 10am to 8pm, six days a week, he earned the princely sum of 7^s and 6^d. At 21 years he was paid off and worked in various jobs as a shoe salesman, a vacuum cleaner salesman and in his aunt's shop in Ballinamore.

The road to Maynooth

He was recalled to the railway and appointed to Killeshandra in 1940. He was later appointed to District Relief work at Mullingar in 1943. This work took him to Leixlip station in 1944, when he took lodgings in Maynooth. Around this time he met his wife to be Ita Burke. After working in various parts of the Midlands, he was appointed signalman at Maynooth station, in January, 1947. Gerry and Ita got married in September of the same year.

Many involvements

As soon as he settled down, Gerry got involved in his local community, where he helped out with the Annual Children's sports day in the Convent grounds. As well as helping the local handball club, he became a member of the G.A.A. grounds committee. He then became involved with Brady's Dart Club, the North Kildare Cycling Club, BLE Athletics, the local Drama Society and the Church Choir. He helped with various events, too numerous to mention, including helping to decorate the town for the Annual Corpus Christi processions and for the arrival of Pope John Paul II in 1979, when he was one of the stewards in the college grounds. He presently keeps up a busy schedule and is involved with the Community Council, the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, the Mortality Society and is a member of Maynooth Peace Reconciliation and Justice Group.

Great Cycle Era

In the 1950's Gerry was made secretary of the North Kildare Cycling Club. Tom Flood was chairman and Phil Brady was president to name but a few. In conjunction with Maynooth Festival week, between 16th and 23rd May 1954, they ran a big cycling rally every evening which drew large crowds. In his event Barney O'Brien who was then a leading Irish cyclist won the 90-mile Grand Prix of Kildare and was crowned with a laurel wreath. Also in this event 17-year-old Johnny

Thompson won the admiration of the large attendance of spectators by putting up a daring performance in the 3 mile novice.

Formed BLE Athletic Club

Gerry has also been involved in both athletics and soccer as Vice-Chairman of Kildare BLE and treasurer of Maynooth Boys' Soccer Club, when it was reformed in 1976.

"The Leader Man"

Gerry became a correspondent for the Leinster Leader for over 30 years, when he contributed to the North Kildare News and was known locally as the "Leader Man". It all began in 1954, when in those days journalists used to gather news by visiting local pubs, such as Bradys - the Clock House. Gerry, then secretary of the Cycling Club, was introduced to Leader journalist, Myles O'Mahony. Gerry became an influential voice and the main local contact of many journalists in the years ahead.

Michael O'Toole, Evening Press columnist and ex-Leinster Leader reporter, gave Gerry a big write up in his book, "More Kicks than Pence". The following extract from the book sums up Gerry's immense contribution and central role in Maynooth society. It begins, "My first port of call on Mondays was to Maynooth, where our correspondent Gerry McTernan held court in Phil Brady's Lounge Bar. Not only did he have good news sense but he was a parish institution and involved in a huge range of activities from meals-on-wheels to the G.A.A. Nothing escaped him and he had a genuine feel for village life in all its moods and subtleties. He was particularly assiduous in covering weddings, calling on the home of the bride to write down the details of the trousseau. He rated these weddings 'one bottle', 'two bottles' or even 'three bottles' affairs, signifying the number of bottles of stout he had been treated to as he took down the details".

There is no doubt that being a local correspondent must have taken up a lot of time and effort on Gerry's behalf. He makes little of this and still contributes to the Maynooth Newsletter. announcing deaths, birthdays and other items of interest. Writing became easy for Gerry because his work with Irish Rail involved dealing with invoices and reports.

Religious Aspect

Gerry is blessed with a strong faith and has been the instrument of many charitable deeds. In 1982 he was the recipient of a Missionary Honour conferred on him by the Sisters of the Holy Rosary, Killeshandra, Co. Cavan, in recognition of 30 years of support. He feels lucky in life and has made a good recovery from a recent illness.

Missionary Collection

In 1977 Gerry, along with Dan Newton, the late Jimmy Horan, Larry Begley and Paddy Sheerin, organised an exemplary missionary collection in support of the work of Fr. John Nevin. They held the "Fr. John" collection in all local pubs at weekends and over a number of years raised thousands of pounds in direct aid of Fr. John's missionary work in Pakistan.

Family

Gerry and Ita have six sons who are all doing well for themselves and living locally; Larry (Kilcock), Peter (Dunboyne); Gerry Jnr. (Old Greenfield); Tony (Silken Vale); Martin (Laurence Ave.) and Raymond (Moyglare Village).

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Like Gerry they all have some form of community involvement and he has 13 grandchildren whom he and Ita enjoy babysitting.

Politics

It is hardly surprising that a Leitrim man, born in Easter Week 1916, would become a true blue republican. He was secretary of the local Sinn Fein Cumann for a number of years before its decline but still remains a Sinn Feiner. He has attended Guards of Honour over Wolf Tone's grave in Bodenstown and Anthony O'Rentry's grave in Celbridge.

In May 1991 the Revive the Spirit of 1916 committee held a memorial ceremony in honour of the Maynooth men who marched to Dublin and fought in the Easter Rising. Gerry was given the privilege of planting a tree in honour of the occasion. Gerry also attended the memorial ceremony for the late John Joe McGirl, in his native town of Ballinamore, in May 1994. Presently, he is a member of the Maynooth Peace, Reconciliation and Justice Group who recently made a submission to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation at Dublin Castle.

Musical Tastes

Gerry enjoys traditional music and often regrets that he didn't learn to play a musical instrument. He particularly likes traditional songs which relate to the heartbreak of emigration, such as Mother Mo Chroi or Danny Boy. He recalls some great sing-songs in Brady's many years ago. In those days everyone listened respectfully and in turn received their "noble call".

Philosophy

As Maynooth marches on into a new era in its developmental history, Gerry who has done so much and is not content to rest on his laurels, continues to play an important role in the shaping of its future. This is a great tribute to his enduring kindness, his political astuteness, charisma and strong commitment. All civil minded citizens would do well to model themselves on the life of Geroid McTernan and when you see him enjoying a pint in his beloved Brady's - the Clock House, you should stop for a moment and remember his deeds.

We wish him, his wife and family many years of contentment and success to come.

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MAYNOOTH PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE GROUP

On behalf of the Maynooth Peace, Reconciliation and Justice Group we would like to thank you for serializing our written submission to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation, Dublin Castle. We hope your readers found it to be a worthwhile local initiative to the Peace Process.

As a follow up we have joined forces with the Literary and Debating Society of Maynooth College to co host a public meeting on "The Way Forward for the Peace Process after the Framework Document".

The meeting will take place on Tuesday 4th April 1995 in Maynooth College at 8pm and we have invited the following speakers.

Emmet Stagg, Minister for State.
Billy Hutchison, Progressive Unionist Party.
Her Excellency, the United States Ambassador, Jean Kennedy Smith.

Ms. Irez McCormack, Belfast based Trade Unionist.

The chair for the meeting will be Mary Cullen. We are anxious that this meeting will afford an opportunity for all the residents of Maynooth and surrounding areas to participate in an unique and positive contribution to the peace process.

Everybody is invited Yours sincerely

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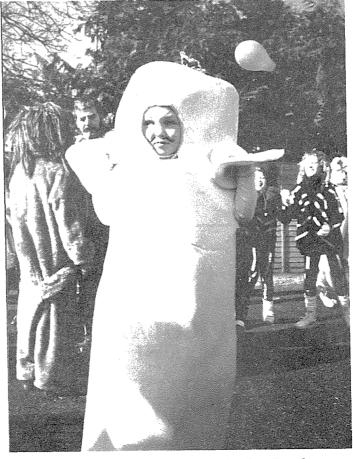
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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Success in Mathematics Olympiad

Three students from Maynooth Post Primary School have just completed a training course for budding mathematicians in U.C.D. under the guidance of Professor Laffey. Eithne Cunningham, David Coughlan and Barry McKeon were chosen from their excellent Junior Certificate results, as suitable to train for the International Mathematics Olympiad to be held in Toronto in July 1995. Another student of the school, Morven Duffy, is also attending the course for the second consecutive year. She got in to the top 40 last year.

Success in Debating and Public Speaking

A total of ten students were involved this year in various debating and public speaking competitions for Maynooth Post Primary School. Brian Durkan, Hugh Denman, Claire Duke, Elizabeth Whittaker, Maebhdh Flood and Finola Griffin proved able debators, making maiden speeches in the first round of the Leinster Schools Debating Competition. Finola Griffin successfully debated to the quarter final. There is obviously great potential for next year's competition.

Lorraine Downey, Anna Martin and Hugh Denman participated in the Mental Health Competition, and Lorraine Downey and Claire Duke were winners in the Soroptomist International Public Speaking Competition. They went on to represent North Kildare in the Leinster Final but despite excellent performances, they were defeated by girls from Dun Laoghaire.

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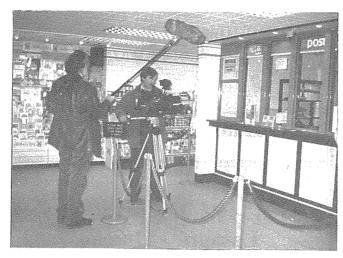
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CROSSWORD SPECIAL PRIZE GOES TO MRS. M. CALLAGHAN

Our first Special Prize Crossword, which is sponsored by the Mill Wine Cellar, was won by Mrs. M. Callaghan, of 145 Kingsbry, Maynooth. The prize was an Irish Whiskey Gift Box and it comprised of a bottle of whiskey, two whiskey glasses and a whiskey measure. Mrs. Callaghan has an avid interest in cryptic crosswords and hardly a month passes without the **Newsletter** receiving an entry from her, so for this reason we believe the first special prize is going to a very deserving winner and we wish her "Sláinte!" The Mill Wine Cellar have been very generous in providing this prize, which will be repeated for this month and for May, so make sure your entry is in before 5 p.m. on Friday, April 21st, if you want to have a chance of winning this very desirable prize.



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MONAGHAN MC RALLY 11TH MARCH '95 FARRELL/BLEAKLEY BY A WHISKER.

After 100 miles of typically demanding Monaghan Navigation rallying, Trevor Farrell/Harry Bleakley brought their Escort through to win the penultimate round of the Hella/ECCO Navigational Championship by 1 minute from the Mazda 626 of locals Andy Mackarel/Liam Higgins. The latter were delayed when they had to physically wrench the bonnet open to facilitate emergency repairs. An incredible third overall were the novice crew of Raymond O'Neill/Stephen O'Neill in their Sunbeam just 2 minutes further back. The result means that Stephen adds the Novice Navigator title in the Hella series to his National Crown which he clinched two weeks earlier on the Cavan Drifters Rally. Brother Raymond still has a little to do if he too is to add the Hella title to his National Crown.

A huge entry of 34 crews assembled at the Coach House in Glaslough to tackle a very intricate route set out by former National Champion Ronnie Hawe and his Assistant Clerk of the Course, David Hamilton. A string of eight short sections south of Glaslough opened proceedings before crews headed northwards skirting the Border around Aughnacloy to the Halfway Halt at Emyvale. The 60 mile second half took in the famous Monaghan mushroom factory slot at Leitrim and the complex of whites through Bryanlitter which was to cause much heartache for some of the potential winners before returning to the finish back in Glaslough.

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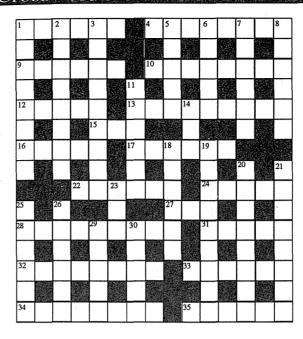
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Entries before 5 p.m., Friday, 21st April, 1995

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Sports

Robert Dancey/Vincent Fagan had to do well on this event if they were to have any chance of taking the Hella Championship. However their aspirations went up in smoke when they made a wrong approach to TP 6 at Mullaloughan. Though they dropped just 1 minute for the rest of the night they were left languishing down in 9th, unable to stop their rivals Flanagan/Foley from taking the Championship spoils. Kieran McGorman/Derek Coleman had been going steadily up until TP 20. However they got confused around Annaseeragh and made a wrong approach into TP 21 which saw them slot in behind the Dancey/Fagan Chevette at 10th.

Elsewhere in the classes former Hella Championship winning driver George Mackarel navigated by wife Wilma, took 2nd in the Novice Class in the faithful Kadet ahead of the 3rd placed Semi's Bosco McGorman/Noel Hall. The latter also managed to "let it fall" when they were in a very strong position just two TPs from home on the approach to TP 29 and took a considerable amount of time to regain "Terra Ferme".

Ian Elliott/Rachel Cullivan took 3rd in the novice Class in their Mini after a typically steady run. Rachel has thus made sure of her runners-up position in the Novice Class in the Hella Championship whilst Ian has it all to do on the ALMC Jumbo Rally if he is to take the Drivers title in the series. Matt Hume/ Enda Hume looked set for a good result on this occasion but "brain fade" saw them fall foul of the Bryanlitter complex and they made a wrong approach into TPs 21 and 26 to come home last of the points scorers. Mervyn Dunn/Rory Dooley's unprecedented run of bad luck continued on this event when they picked up two punctures within one mile which resulted in their finishing well out of the points on this occasion. Dermot Hassett/Deirdre Grogan driving the ex-Paul Webb Kadet had been going well until a Brake Caliper came adrift and jammed a wheel forcing them to retire.

The extraordinarily high entry on this event, twice the Naional average, would be envied by many clubs around the country. It is a testimony to the quality and level of interests n Navigation Rallying in this part of the country, a situation or which Ronnie Hawe, David Hamilton, Martin McKenna ind many others within the Monaghan and Cavan Motor Clubs nust take full credit.

Results:

lst. T. Farrell/H. Bleakley 2m, 2nd. A. Mackarel/L. Higgins 3m, 3rd. R. O'Neill/S. O'Neill 5m., 4th P. Duffy/P. Higgins im, 5th D. Hagan/C. Maguire 7m, 6th J. Hughes/J. McAnarney m, 7th B. Flanagan/D. Foley 9m, 8th W. Whyte/A. Naim 12m, th R. Dancey/V. Fagan 16m, 10th K. McGorman/D, Coleman

Jon Foley, Championship Registrar.



PITCH AND PUTT NOTES

Now that all the bits of the Patrick Day Float have been collected after the winds during the parade we can now turn our attention to the serious business of Pitch & Putt.

We are delighted to be able to confirm Maynooth Pitch & Putt as the venue for this year's Community Games County finals. This is a great achievement for such a young course and we are grateful for the work done by the Maynooth Community Games Committee for their commitment in promoting our course at county level. We look forward to a very exciting competition during the months leading up to June.

As previously mentioned, we will be starting Sunday morning competitions during April. We will advertise this nearer the time of the first competition.

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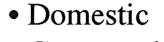
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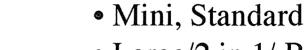




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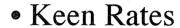


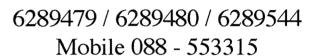
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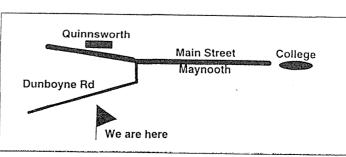
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GYMNASTICS WIN

Maynooth Gymnastics Club, under the careful and energetic guidance of Des Hogan and Gina Connelly, won the Kildare Interclub competition in Newbridge on Sunday 12th March. This is the third consecutive year Maynooth have won the nine year running competition against clubs in Enfield, Edenderry, Prosperous, Clane and Kilcock. It would be difficult to select any one of the 30 winners out for praise but Alan Philbert (1st - Boys U12), Brendan Eddery (1st - Boys - U14), Lauren Eddery (1st- Girls U8), Laura Finlay (2nd- Girls U8's) and Lee Walsh (2nd-Boys U8's) deserve special mention, as does the teams captain Rachel Cunningham - seen with plaque. Speaking of the future ambitions of the club Gina Connelly feels that "we have a good chance in the Community Games and even the County Finals". The teams two hour weekly training session on Monday from 3 - 5pm in the parish hall must be paying off as the team had a county champion in David Warren last year. It seems with Rachel as their captain and Des and Gina coaching them, there's no stopping the young, vibrant gymnastic club.



Rachel Cunningham and Gymnastics Club winners



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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Match Report - Kildare Minor League Division 2

Maynooth 0-3 V's Na Fianna 1-5

This was the opening match for Maynooth in the 1995 league.

Conditions on the day played a major part in the final outcome with the visiting team making better use of strong wind.

Failure by Maynooth to capitalise on their many chances in the first half proved the home side's downfall. However, notwithstanding that, the commitment and effort displayed by Maynooth should see them getting the right result in future games.

Best for Maynooth were: R. Darcy, D. Coughlan, R. Murphy, J. Lawlor, D. Moore, S. Griffan and C. Ryan until injured.

Team: I. Hayes, R. Darcy, C. Ashe, M. Bennett, D. Coughlan, D. Moore, A. Nugent, R. Murphy, J. Lawlor, B. Glennon, M. Nugent, C. Ryan, T. Byrne, S. Griffan, J. Rossiter. **Subs:** S. Brennan for B. Glennon, G. Furlong for C. Ryan.

Match Report - Kildare Minor League Division 2

Maynooth 0-3 V's Sallins 4-12

Maynooth were forced to field with only 14 players for this game against last year's county finalists. This handicap proved insurmountable and Sallins made excellent use of their extra man. However, credit to Maynooth who battled all the way to the final whistle and in the end were beaten by a very well organised Sallins team.

Best for Maynooth were: M. Bennett, C. Ashe, J. Lawlor, S. Griffan, M. Nugent, S. Brennan and T. Byrne.

Team: M. Tumelty, R. Darcy, C. Ashe, M. Bennett, V. Nevin. J. Lawlor, E. Heaslin, S. Griffan, R. Murphy, S. Brennan, M. Nugent, J. Greene, T. Byrne, A. Gaffney.

Senior Football League Div. 2 - Celbridge 2-6 V Maynooth 7pts.

Maynooth got their 1995 season off to a bad start with the loss of this game to Celbridge. Maynooth, playing the better football, could not put the scores on board.

Maynooth Scores: P. Garvey - 3pts., K. Fagan - 2 pts., M. Kelly- 1 pt., K. Killoran - 1 pt.

Under 21 Football Tournament Final played in Leixlip on March 17th, at 4.30p.m.

Summerhill 1-9 pts. V Maynooth 1-5pts.

Maynooth Scores: P. Garvey - 3 pts., H. Nevin - 1 goal, E. Mitchell - 1 pt., D. Fleming - 1 pt.

Maynooth fell yet again at the last hurdle after playing well right through this tournament. Maynooth try as they did but could not overcome a very good Summerhill team.

Lotto Result 19/2/'95:- Jackpot £500. Numbers: 5 - 11 - 19, No Winner. 5 x £10. - C. O'Neill, A. J. Collige, Mick Nolan, Nuala Whelan, John Scariff.

Lotto Result 26/2/'95:- Jackpot £600. Numbers: 14 - 16 - 22, No Winner. 5 x £10. - Brid McCormack. Patsy O'Rafferty, Ann Delaney, Seán Farrelly, Séamus Nevin. /continued

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Lotto Result 5/3/'95:- Jackpot £700. Numbers: 14 - 18 - 19, No Winner. 5 x £10. - Rosemarie Shields, Eugene Fagan, Gerry Connellan, May Daly, Gerry Connellan.

Lotto Result 12/3/'95:- Jackpot £800. Numbers: 7 - 16 - 22, No Winner. 5 x £10. - Anne O'Grady, Big Mac, Marie Gleeson, O'Malley Family, David Farrell.

Lotto Result 19/3/'95:- Jackpot £900. Numbers: 1 - 9 - 13, No Winner. 5 x £10. - John Flatley, Pat Flaherty, C. O'Flaherty, Nan Tracey, Mick Gleeson.

GOLF CLASSIC

Golf Classic in aid of Grounds Development in Kilcock Golf Club on Friday, 23 June, 1995. To book place on Time Sheet contact Tommy Fay at 6286161 (9.00a.m. to 4.30p.m.) or 6289193 (5.15p.m. to 9.00p.m.) £100 per team of four.

Under 16 Division 2 Football League 1995

Friday 31st March Maynooth V Monasterevin, home 7p.m.

Friday 7th April Maynooth V Caragh, away 7p.m.

Friday 14th April Maynooth V Athy, home 7p.m.

Friday 21st April Maynooth V Sarsfields, away 7p.m.

Friday 5th May Maynooth V Round Towers, away 7p.m.

Friday 19th May Maynooth V Confey, home 7p.m.

Friday 23rd June Maynooth V Sallins, away 7p.m.

Under 14 Division 2 Football League 1995

Friday 28th April Maynooth V Athy, home 7p.m.

Friday 12th May Maynooth V Round Towers, home 7p.m. Friday 26th May Maynooth V Celbridge, away 7p.m.

Friday 2nd June Maynooth V Naas, home 7p.m.

Friday 9th June Maynooth V Ballyna, away 7p.m.

Friday 16th June Maynooth V Rathangan, away 7p.m. Friday 30th June - a bye.

Minor Football League Division 2 Fixtures 1995 All Games 11a.m.

Sunday 5th March Maynooth V Na Fianna, home.

Sunday 12th March Maynooth V Kill, away.

Sunday 19th March Maynooth V Sallins, home.

Sunday 2nd April Maynooth V Caragh, home.

Sunday 16th April Maynooth V Suncroft, away.

Sunday 30th April Maynooth V Round Towers, home.

Sunday 14th May Maynooth V Confey, away.

Sunday 2nd July Maynooth V Athy, away.

Sunday 16th July Maynooth V Kilcullen, home.

Senior Football League Division 2 1995

Sunday 12th March Maynooth V Celbridge, home, 3p.m.

Sunday 26th March Maynooth V Grange, home, 3p.m.

Sunday 9th April Maynooth V Milltown, home, 3p.m.

Sunday 16th April Maynooth V Kilcullen, home, 3p.m.

Sunday 30th April Maynooth V Kill, away, 3p.m.

Sunday 7th May Maynooth V Athy, away, 3p.m.

Sunday 21st May Maynooth V Monasterevin, away, 3p.m.

Tuesday 30th May Maynooth V Caragh, away 7.30p.m.

Tuesday 20th June Maynooth V St. Kevin's, away, 7.30p.m.

Tuesday 27th June Maynooth V Rheban, home, 7.30p.m. Tuesday 4th July Maynooth V Two-Mile-House, home, 7.30p.m.

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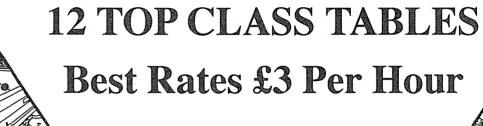
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The prize winners were as follows:
1st) Mark O'Mahony — Mrs. Doubtfire
2nd) Colin O'Neill — Space Man
3rd) Lee Walsh — Swimming Bag
Runners-up
Jessica O'Connell — Oriental Girl
Christina Sheehan — Queen of Line dancing
Eoin Cooney — Little Batman

P.R.O.s: Claire O'Rourke and Margaret O'Neill

MAYNOOTH TAE KWON-DO

Adult's beginners classes will be commencing on the 5th of April in the Maynooth Post Primary Gym at 8 - 9 p.m. Strictly 18 and over.

Assistant Instructors, Seán Foy 2nd Dan and Antoinette Mooney, 2nd Dan are taking on beginners aged 8 - 14 in the Parish Hall on Mondays 6 - 7 p.m.

Members of Maynooth Tae Kwon-do also competed in a colour-belt Tournament in Naas on Sunday 12th March. Prizes were:

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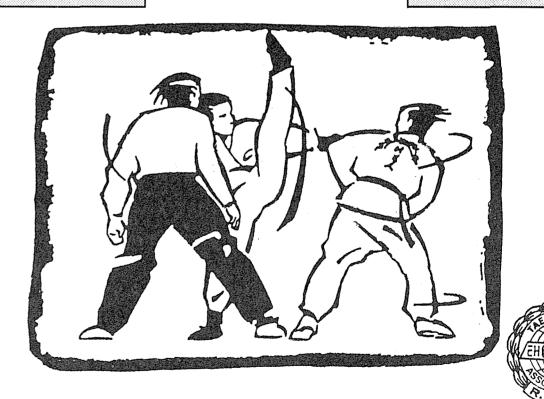
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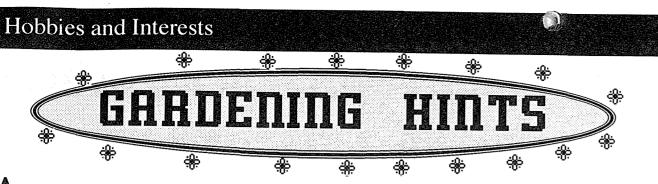
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pril is one of my favourite months, if not the favourite. I love the bright mornings and lengthening evenings, the dawn chorus of the birds and the blossoming of flowers and greenery everywhere.

The Flower Garden

The traditional sunshine and showers of April, and rising temperatures bring the garden to life with a vengeance and time is at a premium. The spring-flowering perennials begin to colour the border, but the really blazing display is given by the bulbs which have been growing away below the soil surface through the winter and will have poked through in some places, and now burst out of their protective sheaths to unfold a rainbow of colour. A garden in spring without daffodils is unthinkable - those shining yellow trumpets belong nowhere else - but there are so many other kinds that are lovely, in white, cream, combinations of white and yellow; some are double and some fragrant (the jonquils and narcissi).

All the annuals can be sown out of doors this month, and those that are best sown now and earlier, can go in, nasturtiums, aster, targetes (African and French marigolds), zinnia and salpiglossis (painted tongue). Border plants can still be put out, pansies, sweet peas, montbretia, gladioli and antirrhinums can be put in their flowering positions, and annuals pricked out last month in the greenhouse can be put out and gradually hardened

Shrub planting can continue, both of hardy kinds and those which are tender; pruning of the late-summer kinds should be completed this month, and the very early spring and winter flowering kinds can also be tidied now. If feeding was missed last months, shrubs and perennials can still be treated, roses can have their first feed and, later in the month, mulches can be put on to moist soil. Spraying for rose black spot and mildew must be started, using a systemic fungicide which gives a month's protection. Lawn cutting can start in earnest, and grass seed for new lawns can be sown now.

Weed control is a priority, either by hoeing, forking and hand removal, mulching or chemical treatment. Lawn weeds are best treated with hormone herbicides. Whatever is used, however, read the directions first, and then follow them.

The Greenhouse

The greenhouse will be crying out for attention - to prick out seedlings into trays and boxes, to put out and harden off bedding plants and half-hardy annuals, to put on or plant in the greenhouse border, chrysanthemums, carnations and pelargoniums, also tomatoes (the first three will want stopping if it has not already been done), and to pot on corms started last month. Water will be required in increasing quantities by all plants; very careful management of heating and ventilation will be necessary, with night frosts still about, even snow and bright sun during the day alternating with showers and strong winds.

The Vegetable Garden

Outdoor vegetable sowing can safely include autumn cabbage. maincrop carrots, lettuce, Brussels sprouts, peas, radish, savoy, spinach beet, beetroot, broccoli, cauliflower, globe artichoke, and all the herbs, including parsley at the end of the month, unless it is warmer than usual. Some of last month's vegetable sowing can be hardened off and planted out now, lettuce, leeks, onion and cauliflower. The spring cabbage sown last autumn will be the better for a fertilizer dressing.

Pears, cherries and plums will blossom this month; blackcurrants begin to leaf and flower before the month is out, and should be sprayed with lime-sulphur if big bud is a trouble, when the leaves are about the size of a 10p piece. Otherwise a general greenfly spray over the top fruit, and blackcurrants, will save a lot of trouble and work later one

Wild Flowers

Along with an increasing interest and concern for the environment there has been upsurge of interest in the flowers of countryside. Seeds can now be purchased for wild flower gardening and and not only are the flowers grown for their appeal in the garden but they are also being used increasingly by flower arrangers.

However those planning a trip to the countryside complete with secateurs should bear in mind certain rules: only cut from plants which are plentiful and never take more than you need. Never dig up a plant and never cut a protected species. Having regard to these rules you are now ready to collect flowers from the countryside. It is useful to bring with you damp tissues or newspaper together with plastic bags and a few wire tires. Cut blooms at the open stage, when some but not all of the buds are open. Wrap the cut flowers and sprigs of foliage in damp paper and place the bunches in one of the plastic bags and close the bag with the wire tie.

The following is a list of commonly used wild flowers and trees.

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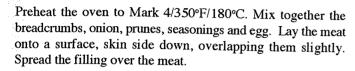
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1 egg, size 3, lightly beaten 2 small breasts of lamb watercress, to garnish



Roll the joint and secure with cocktail sticks. Tie the meat with string to hold it in place while cooking. Start at one end and take the string under the meat and tie a knot at the top of the joint. Hold a short length of the string in one hand, pass the longer end under the meat, bring back up and pass through the loop and pull. Repeat until the meat is secured well. Remove cocktail sticks. Place the meat in a roasting tin and cook uncovered for 30 minutes, reduce temperature to Mark 3/325°F/160°C, cover with foil and continue cooking for a further 1 hour 20 minutes. Serve garnished with watercress.

Tip

Serve this tender joint with a gravy made from its own juices. Pour away the fat, sprinkle 2 tbsp/30 ml plain flour over the pan and stir well. Bring to the boil ³/₄ pint/450 ml water or juices from any of the vegetables you may be serving with the meat and add to the pan.

HOT CHOC 'N' BANANA SOUFFLÉ

40g/ 1¹/₂ oz caster sugar 3 eggs, size 3 3tbsp plain flour 1 tbsp cocoa powder 240ml/8fl oz milk 2 ripe bananas 1 tbsp lemon juice 2 tbsp chopped plain chocolate

Sauce

3 tbsp orange marmalade, juice of 1 orange, icing sugar for dusting, dessert biscuits to serve.

- 1 Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas Mark 4. Lightly grease 4 (150ml ¹/₄pt) ramekin dishes and lightly dust with some of the caster sugar.
- 2 Place the remaining sugar in a saucepan with 1 egg and 1 egg yolk; beat until smooth. Mix in the flour and cocoa then gradually stir in the milk until smooth. Gently heat, stirring constantly, until very thick. Pour into a clean bowl and cool.
- 3 Thinly slice half a banana and sprinkle with the lemon juice to prevent browning. Mash the remaining bananas and beat into the chocolate mixture with the remaining egg yolk and chopped chocolate.

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- 4 Whisk the egg whites in a clean bowl until stiff then fold into the chocolate mixture. Divide the mixture between the dishes and place three slices of banana on each. Place dishes on a baking sheet and bake for 25-30 minutes until well risen
- 5 For the sauce, melt the marmalade with the orange juice; boil for 1 minute then pour into a small jug. Dust the hot soufflés immediately with icing sugar and serve with the sauce and dessert biscuits.

Tip

To prepare in advance, the soufflés can be made just before baking. Pour the mixture into the dishes and freeze. Cook straight from the freezer at 200°C/400°F/Gas Mark 6 for 40 minutes.

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For the filling:

1pt/600ml double cream, whipped.
For the top and sides:
4oz/125g flaked almonds, toasted, ¹/₄oz/15g butter, 6oz/175g caster sugar.

- Preheat oven to Mark 3/325°F/170°C. Lightly grease and base-line 2, 8in/20cm sandwich tins with non-stick baking parchment. Sift flour, bicarbonate of soda, baking powder, cocoa powder and sugar into a large bowl. Beat golden syrup, oil, eggs and milk together and beat into dry ingredients until well combined.
- Divide between the prepared tins and bake for 35-40min until risen. Cool in tin for 10 min. Turn out, remove paper and cool completely.
- 3 Cut each cake into 3 layers. Sandwich 5 of the layers with three-quarters of the double cream. Spread remaining cream around edge of cake and press toasted almonds into it to coat sides completely.
- 4 Melt the butter in a large, shallow, non-stick frying pan. Sprinkle sugar evenly over base and cook over low heat until sugar dissolves and turns a caramel colour. Pour over last sponge layer. Dip a knife into hot water and immediately cut into 8 segments. Reassemble on top of cake. Store in the fridge and eat within 4 days.

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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our A.G.M. took place on the 9th March in the I.C.A. hall. There was a very disappointing turnout to hear reports of the years work carried out by the committee. Chairman Mattie Callaghan thanked all for their help and stated it was going to be a very interesting and difficult one for the association with all Bord Gais developments in the estate and the link road at Straffan Way.

Among items discussed at the A.G.M. were the following: Proposed development at end of Greenfield Drive/Carton Court. Grass cutting quotation.

Lighting on the estate.

Laneway between Lawrence Avenue/Maynooth Park. Increase of £2 on Annual Subscriptions from £10-£12 It was pointed out that annual subscriptions had remained the same for over 5 years.

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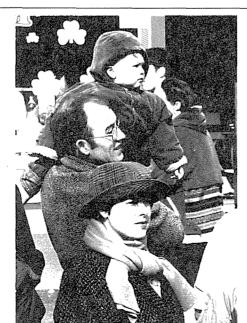
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And poor Bobby is in desperate despair.
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And now instead of paying out real bread,
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I saw him in the town this afternoon,
He said, "arrests can be expected soon".

Tommy Cambell

THE LESSON

I've thought about freedom and what it means
And of those most excluded of beings.

If a woman gets freedom will you see her again?
There is no consensus among many men.
"Leave her off and bedamned", said one
But Leeson St. dames he hoped she would shun.
With drinks and fun she might soon forget
ALL you have done since the day you first met.

II

As I sat there that morning I plainly could see
That she flustered about so erratically
I thought to myself now there's something up
As she made tea for herself and forgot my auld cup
She looked out the window all up on her toes
And I thought I would get that most mortal of blows
Then she took holy water, splashed it over her face,
As though she feared she was falling from grace
And I her partner looked on in dismay,
The driving instructor was coming that day.

Willie Healy

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Oh dear friends pray may we converse,
In the sound mode of pure ancient verse,
Now I know tug-o-war is high on your minds,
Like the strands of the rope that so tightly binds,
When you look into the field now hold yourself back,
To the height of the poles your dreams they do stack.

To the dome of the sky let you cast up an eye,
Till the slant of the sun at the uprights does lie,
See the primroses that grow all around,
Don't trample on them as you cross o'er the ground.

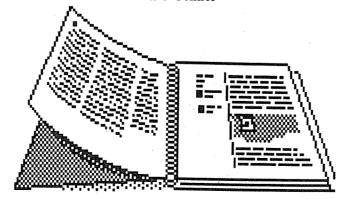
Take the barrel up slowly raised from its slumber,
And hold it on high with pride in your number,
Raised to the heavens let it hang there aloft,
As pendulum swings, it creaks faint and soft,
Forget your troubles, let them all dissipate,
As you dig in your heels and keep the rope straight.

As the sky it grows darker, and the sun it goes down,
They'll all see your barrel hang over the town,
Passers-by will say, "they're at it again;
How do they do it, those strong sturdy men?"
And curious children will all stop and stare,
Wondering how that barrel stays up in the air,
But the elders will say, "Them, they deserve no praise
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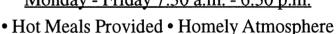
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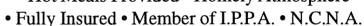
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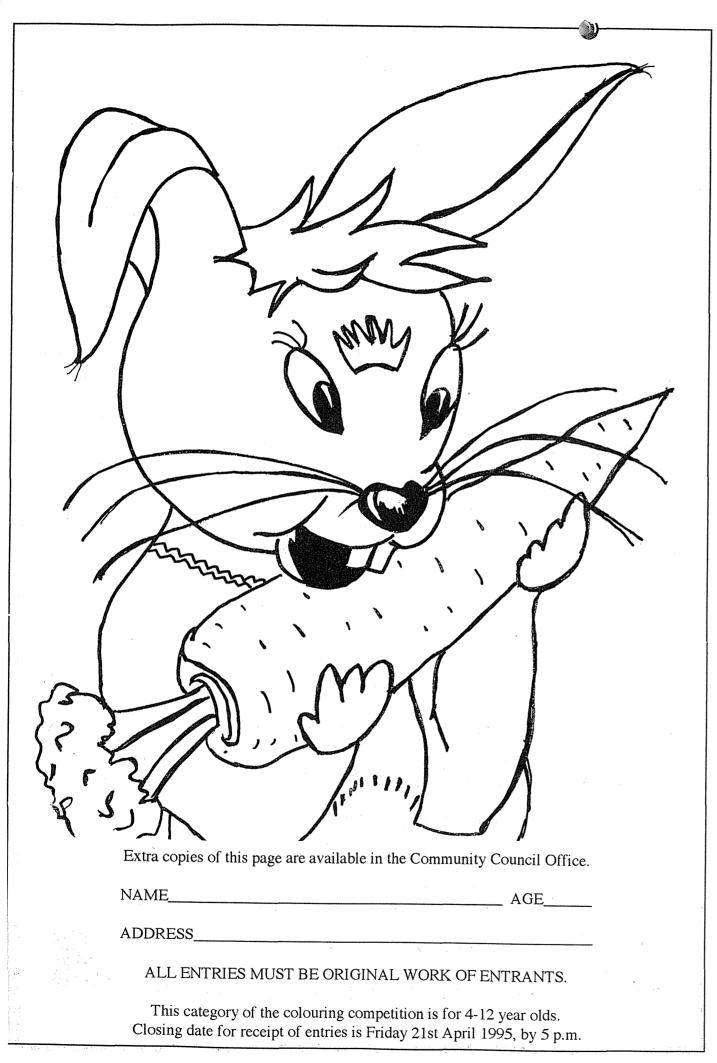
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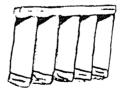
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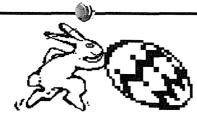


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What did the Sardine call the Submarine?
- A Can of people.

What's white outside, green inside and hops?
- A Frog Sandwich.

What animal with two humps can be found at the North Pole?
- A Lost Camel.

What's red and flies and wobbles at the same time?

- A Jellycopter.

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2nd:

Elaine Houlihan, Cowanstown, Maynooth. 2nd:

Niall Doogan, 12 Beaufield Lawns, Maynooth.

3rd:

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Political Party Notes

FINE GAEL NOTES

Motion submitted by Senan Griffin M.C.C. that Kildare County Council make arrangements to carry out urgent road improvements on the following locations:

- (1) Maynooth Road, Celbridge, from Straffan Road junction to the motorway bridge.
- (2) Ballygoran to Pikesbridge.
- (3) Dublin Road, Maynooth alleviation of flooding and provision of proper footpaths.
- (4) The Timard Road.
- (5) The Cormackstown Road.
- (6) Moneycooley to Ballygoran.
- (7) Taghadoe to Ladychapel Road.
- (8) Barberstown to the motorway interchange.
- (9) Kellystown to Confey (Leixlip).
- (10) Kilmacreddock Road from the Green Lane to Ballygoran.

The above roads are in urgent need of repair and Fine Gael are seeking the support of all councillors to have funds made available to carry out these repairs.

Dep. Bernard Durkan, Minister of State welcomes the voluntary housing grants for the North Kildare Sheltered Housing Ltd. at

The Grove, Celbridge, £150,000. Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, £150,000. Ballinagappa Road, Clane, £75,000.

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Greenfield Estate:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked that the Discretionary Grants be used to complete the "hammer heads" at the ends of Greenfield Drive and Straffan Way. In addition he has sought funding for repairs to the footpath outside houses 18 and 19 Straffan Way.

Planning Application No. 95/000095 for 32 Apartments at Mill Street:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to refuse Planning Permission until the Mill Race is cleared and the land recovered from the river is restored. There is a serious danger of flooding as a result of the filling in of the river.

National Conference:

The National Conference of the Labour Party is being held in Limerick University from 7th - 9th April. Local Branch Members, Cllr. John McGinley and Margaret Clince are seeking re-election to the Executive Committee and General Council respectively.

Maynooth Post Primary School:

Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have welcomed the provision of additional funding from the Department of Education which will now enable the new Extension and Assembly Hall construction to proceed.

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Birthdays

Celine Galligan celebrated her 21st birthday in the Spa on Sunday 12th March. A brilliant night was had by all. Love and best wishes from Mam & Dad, brother & sister, Granny Kenny and Granny Galligan and especially from her boyfriend David Butler.

Happy Birthday to Sharon Halligan, Greenfield, 15 on March 26th.

Belated Birthday greetings to Bill Henrick, O'Neill Park, March 19th.

Belated Birthday greetings to Liam Farrelly, Greenfield, March 19th

Belated Birthday greetings to Tom Richardson, Mariaville on March 14th.

Birthday greetings to Gerard McTernan, Greenfield, 18 on March 8th and his grandad Gearoid, Parson St. on April 18th.

Happy Birthday to John Hearns, Greenfield on March 23rd.

Belated Birthday greetings to Lorna and Grainne Burke, Newtown who were 13 on March 2nd.

Birthday greetings to Jason O'Brien, Highfield, Kilcock who was 6 on March 8th and his cousins, Nicola O'Brien, April 7th and Joanne O'Brien March 13th.

Happy Birthday to Mark O'Brien, Newtown, Maynooth on March 22nd.

Belated Birthday to Anne Marie Burke, Newtown who was 16 on February 21st.

Happy Birthday to Sinead Cummins, Kilcock, 13 on March 25th.

Happy Birthday to Susan O'Brien, Highfield, Kilcock, 11 on March 22nd.

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Belated Birthday greetings to Mrs. P. Quinn, Greenfield on March 17th.

Belated Birthday to Mrs. Patsy Leavey, Greenfield, whose Birthday was on March 17th. Best wishes from husband Jim, son David, daughters, Yvonne, Angela, and all your neighbours and friends.

Happy Birthday to Aishling and Stacey McMechan, who will be 12 on the 17th April. Best Wishes and all our Love, Mam and Yvonne.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Peter and Marie Swords, Greenfield who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on March 31st. Best wishes from son Pete, daughter Samantha, grandson Wayne, neighbours and all your friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Congratulations to Patsy and Jim Leavey who celebrated their 27th Wedding Anniversary on March 17th, best wishes from all the family, neighbours and friends in Maynooth and elsewhere. A great day to drown the shamrock Patsy.

Congratulations to Raymond Richardson, Moyglare Village, son of Joe and Maureen Richardson, who was conferred with his Doctorate of Philosophy at Dublin City University on 11th March. Raymond was very proud to have his grandparents Tom and Cissie Richardson, Moyglare Road and Michael and Julia O'Donoghue, O'Neill Park, present at his conferring.

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Sympathies

Brothers and sisters of Jack Nolan, Limerick, formerly Maynooth.

Jim Smith (butcher), Maynooth, on the death of his mother.

Wife, sons, daughter, daughters-in-law, brothers, sisters, grand-children, large circle of friends of Thomas M. Hayes, Carton Court, Maynooth, late manager, Bank of Ireland, Borrisokane and Ballaghaderreen.

Frank and Mary Flood, Oak View, Crinstown, Maynooth, on the sudden death of (2 years) only child Kenneth, also to grandparents, relatives and friends.

Sons, daughters-in-law, sister, brothers, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Catherine (Kate) Flynn (née Jennings), Old Carton, Maynooth, late of Turlough, Castlebar.

All members of Maynooth Tug-O-War wish to express their deepest sympathy to Jimmy Towey of Brady's team on the sudden death of his father John, from Tubbercurry, Co. Sligo. R.I.P.

The entire community joins in extending their deepest sympathy to Kevin and Norah McKevitt and family, of Laurence Avenue, on the tragic loss of his two brothers in a boating accident at Carlingford Lough. The two men, Eugene aged 39 years and Fergal aged 33 years, were returning from mussel harvesting when their fishing boat, "the Nichola Ann", sank suddenly on the afternoon of Monday, March 6th. These young men leave behind young families and there was countrywide sorrow at their untimely deaths. May they rest in peace.

To the family of Mrs. Annie Daly of O'Neill Park, Maynooth. Born Annie Monaghan in Moyglare in 1896, she was Maynooth's oldest citizen. She will be sadly missed by her family and large circle of friends. May the Lord have mercy on her soul.

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The wife and family of the late Christopher Edwards, Crewhill wish to thank all who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, the kind neighbours, Rev. Fr. B. Supple, P.P.; Rev. Fr. D. Cogan, C.C. Dr. Cowhey, and nurse, G.A.A., Jean's food stores, to all who called personally, and who attended removal, Mass and funeral, those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and messages of sympathy. Trusting this will be accepted by all as a token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Nolan (Josephine), Greenfield, Maynooth. The family of the late Josephine Nolan would like to take this opportunity to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. To all the friends who called, those who sent Mass cards, letters and floral tributes. To all who attended the removal of the remains and funeral. A special word of thanks to Paddy, Nuala and staff of Moyglare Nursing Home who took such excellent care of her in her final illness. To all the kind neighbours in Greenfield who faithfully visited her over the years. Many thanks to Rev. Fr. Supple and Fr. Cogan for all their kindness to all of us during this sad time. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually we trust this will be accepted by all as a token of our appreciation.

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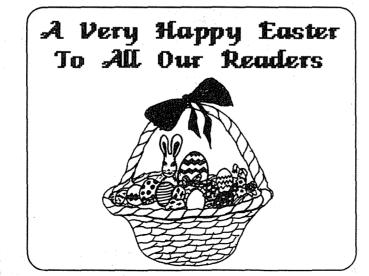
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Maynooth's Traffic Halved by Motorway

A survey carried out by students from Maynooth's post-primary school has shown that traffic through the town has been halved since the motorway opened last December. Over 30,000 vehicles were passing through the town each day before the motorway opened, a figure that has now been cut to about 14,500.

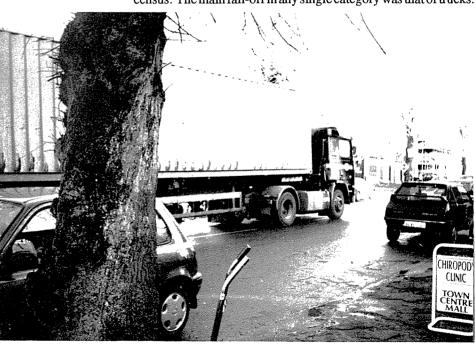
Maynooth post-primary's transition year's Social and Environmental Studies class, under the guidance of Mr. J. Nevin, conducted a traffic survey recently to examine the impact of the bypass on vehicle movement through the town.

Over a week in November 1994 and January/February 1995, i.e. before and after the by-pass, the class divided into ten groups of three. Each section was assigned to a specific hour between 0800 and 1800 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of the surveyed week. They then recorded the number of cars/light vans, large vans/trucks, minibuses/buses and motorcycles — also noting the direction of the traffic. They found that before the motorway 30,862 vehicles passed The Square. Wednesday proved slightly busier with about 500 extra cars. On average the numbers travelling from the west was 400 more each day than those heading away from Dublin.

Hour-by-hour changes were also noted. For example, on Monday, 14th November, traffic from the east was highest

between 5-6 p.m., with people travelling home from work and the Mart. From the west it peaked earlier, at 8-9 a.m., due to people journeying to work, college, etc. Each of the three days roughly followed this trend, with high volumes of vehicles moving to/from work through the town. The survey also noted sundry reasons for traffic movements, such as buses taking students to/from the College and the effect of parents taking children to/from school.

The survey results proved very interesting after the motorway opened. Again, more traffic came from the west and roughly similar daily variations existed. The class noted that, as bus routes haven't changed, this traffic proved equitable with the November census. The main fall-off in any single category was that of trucks.



The final result was that in the second, post-motorway, survey showed only 14,649 vehicles on the Main Street, a 52.1% decrease in the amount of traffic recorded in the first survey. The report's conclusion states that "while the number of cars decreased from 25,209 to 12,691, the amount of minibus/bus use has only been reduced from 605 to 441. Trucks have decreased from 4,901 to 1,579 but this is quite a large number as trucks are required to travel to the Mill and Mart in Maynooth".

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

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Editorial

Community Employment Projects are under attack from two very different sources. The Government has decided to reduce the numbers on these projects and Mr. John Drennan in his opus "The Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong" views them as useless. If two such illustrious sources are attacking the projects perhaps there is some remnant of worth in them. Community Employment Projects are not the answer to unemployment but they give some semblance of what it is to work to their participants and they contribute to the local community.

The government proposal to cut back the number of participants on projects will drastically reduce the number of workers in the Maynooth Community Council projects.

The reduction will mean a loss of almost £1,000 per month to our projects through material grants. Proposed training for workers will also be cut back. It will be very difficult for Maynooth Community Council to continue our many services to the local community.

A week of protest against the cut-backs is being organised the week after Labour Day by the Irish National Organisation of the Unemployed. Maynooth Community Council will be supporting this week of protest and we would ask for your cooperation and support if the Community Council offices are closed without prior notice.

We cannot protest against the other attack but we would ask you to judge for yourself the worth of the local projects.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor.

In the April edition of Maynooth Newsletter you allowed through your letters' column an unprovoked, scurrilous and slanderous attack on the committee and members of the Old Greenfield Residents' Association. The purpose of this attack was, by using untruths and half truths, to undermine in a most vindictive manner the credibility, public standing and hitherto excellent community service performed by the committee of the Old Greenfield Resident's Association. You, Chairman, and your board have aided and abetted this cowardly and underhand deed.

At a public meeting on the 3rd of April 1995 in the Boys National School in Maynooth, the author of that slanderous epistle was made aware of, in a forthright manner, how well the committee and resident's association is supported in Old Greenfield and how much Old Greenfield appreciates what has been achieved.

This outpouring was an attack at the very heart of the old and well established community which is Old Greenfield. Being made aware, in no uncertain manner, of these facts he agreed that he had gone over the top in his attacks. As amends he is prepared to write a retraction. We hope to see this in the forthcoming edition of the Maynooth Newsletter. If this retraction fails to materialise in the next issue, we, the committee, feel very strongly that a retraction or disassociation must be printed by the editorial board in the next issue as you were ultimately responsible for the publishing of the letter. Failure to do so will meet with a very strong reaction from committee and residents alike and we will be forced to take further action to restore the good name of Old Greenfield. We feel this was an oversight on your part and hope that it will not be repeated in the future.

Yours sincerely Manus McCarron, Chairman Anne Birchall, Secretary

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Community Council Notes

The A.G.M. of Maynooth Community Council took place on Monday, 3rd April and the following officers were elected:-Chairperson - Patricia Condron Vice Chairperson - Tom McMullon

Secretary - Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin Treasurer - Dominic Nyland

P.R.O. - Tony Bean

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWN - NOTES

We had a disappointing turnout for our A.G.M. held on the 10th April 1995. Chairman Bob O'Reilly thanked the committee and the previous Fás Scheme under the supervision of Ann Cotter for all the work done last year on behalf of Maynooth Tidy Towns. He welcomed to the meeting Martin Sherry, supervisor to the current Fás Scheme, and congratulated Martin and team on the work done to date.

He explained that the Fás Scheme was operating with the full backing of Maynooth Community Council and he thanked the officers for their support and help.

He also wished to record his thanks for the sponsorship of the St. Patrick's Day float to Gerard Mulcahy, Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre. Gerard has been and continues to be a great supporter of Maynooth Tidy Towns activities.

Because of all the construction and development work going, it is going to be difficult to keep Maynooth tidy. Our Tidy Towns entry form has now been forwarded to the Department of the Environment. We welcome the opening of the new Black Lion Road, we started the campaign to get that road piped and cleared up. That was over eight years ago. We are currently looking after the green areas;

- on Carton Avenue
- opposite St. Mary's R.C. Church
- small park area near Pound Street

We look forward to your co-operation in keeping Maynooth tidy and we will advise of further plans in the next Newsletter. Our next meeting is at 8.30 on the 10th of May in the Community Council office.

R. Farrell P.R.O.



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COMMUNITY GAMES 1995

This year's events are well under way. It is encouraging to see the children turn out in such vast numbers. Remember it is not necessary to be a member of a club to take part in the Community Games.

Our swim this year is on 20th May at 4.00p.m. at Stewart's Sports Centre, for boys and girls U8 - U16. Registration on the day. All participants must be living in the Maynooth area.

We congratulate all the children who have taken part in events already.

Quiz U.14 Team: Lyn Brennan, Claire Hogan, Martin Dolan, Conor McGlinchey, Brian Downey and Aidan Pidgeon.

Quiz U.17 Team I: Martin Farrell, Seán Lennon, Declan O'Connor and Paul Daly.

Quiz U.17 Team II: Martin Sheils, Peter Kinsella, Brian O'Malley and John McGarry.

Co-ordinator of Quiz: Brian O'Malley.

Girls U.13 Basketball Team: Emma Fleming, Lyn Brennan, Alana Murphy, Ciara O'Neill, Deirdre O'Rourke, Rebecca Flynn, Suzanne Butler, J. Fay, Emma Cullinan, Jennifer Gannon.

Co-ordinator of above: Jim Fleming.

Boys U.13 Basketball Team: Aidan Pidgeon, Shane Pidgeon, Richard Leavy, Michael Costello, Padraig O'Sullivan, Noel Healy, Aidan Molloy, Alan Baxter, Patrick Rochford, Martin Dolan. Co-ordinator of above: Anna Dolan.

Project

- (1) Geraldine O'Gorman, Emma Fleming.
- (2) Finbarr O'Gorman and Peter Sheehan.

Co-ordinator of above: Mary O'Gorman

Gymnastics Medal Winners: Girls U.8:

- (1) Lauren Ederry,
- (2) Mikaela Mahon,
- (3) Laura Finlay.

Boys U.8:

- (1) Niall Cooney,
- (2) Brian Bean,
- (3) Paul Clerkin.

Girls U.10:

- (1) Aisling Bean,
- (2) Tara Brennan.

Boys U.10:

(1) Damien Walshe

Girls U.12:

- (1) Emma Higgins,
- (2) Rachel Cunningham,
- (3) Cheryl Naughton.

Boys U.12:

(1) Alan Filbert

Girls U.16:

(1) Róisín Farrelly

Medal Winners in Art: Girls U.8:

- (1) Sinéad Kearney,
- (2) Norah McGlinchey,(3) Eibhlin Carr

Boys U.8:

- (1) Eoghan McCarton,
- (2) Ross Cullinan,
- (3) Dara Folan.

Girls U.10:

- (1) Triona Cahill,
- (2) Brenda Kearney,
- (3) Sara Folan.

Boys U.10:

- (1) Conor Devanney,
- (2) Colin Watts.
- Girls U.12: (1) Orla Tobin.
- (2) Aileen Devanney,
- (3) Julianne Kennelly.

Boys U.12:

- (1) Andrew Lynch,
- (2) Brian McLoughlin,
- (3) Brian Lynch.

Girls U.14:

- (1) Mary Keane,
- (2) Sharon Mc Loughlin.
- (3) Claire Hogan.

Boys U.14:

- (1) David Lawlor,
- (2) Alan H. Nolan.
- (3) Conor McGlinchey.

Medal Winners at Modelling

- **Girls U.10:**
- (1) Emma Howard-Williams Boys U.10:

(1) Mathew O'Gorman

Girls U.14:

(1) Sharon McLoughlin **Boys U.14:**

(1)Finbarr O'Gorman.

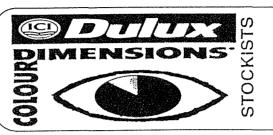
The Committee would like to thank all the parents who helped with the above events.



Geraldine O'Gorman and Emma Fleming, bronze medal winners in the County Finals Project Competition

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County dates to remember for this month are as follows: Basketball U.16 7th May, Scoil Dara, Kilcock. Variety 27th May, Scoil Mhuire, Newbridge. Gymnastics 27th May, Curragh. Volleyball 28th May, Kilcock.

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BAND BULLETIN

We spent last month getting our "wind" back after the rigours of our hectic March schedule and we had only one engagement to fulfil.

On Your Bike

This trip, which was to Edenderry, provided a couple of "firsts" for the present band. We had never been to this fine Co. Offaly town on a band engagement before nor had we had the pleasure of parading scores of cyclists to the start of a road race before. This again was a Sunday morning event and we compliment the brave band persons who tore their bruised bodies (from their Saturday night shenanagins) to join us at the head of the parade, while we are arranging a special collection for alarm clocks for those who did not make it to the starting line.

Summer Programme

We are looking forward to our Summer Programme of events which by now includes trips to Limerick, Clontarf, Terenure, Sandymount and the Curragh as well as our own Community Festival.

New Classes

We are constantly asked about new classes and we would like prospective members to keep an eye to this column as we hope to take on new beginners in September next.

New "Experienced" Members

With the expansion of Maynooth I'm sure there are some new residents out there who can play a musical instrument and have been with or would like to join a band. We would be delighted to meet you and welcome you to visit our Band Hall (which is at the end of the lane between the Irish Permanent and the Hula Bou on the Main Street) any Monday night between 8.30 and 10 o'clock, bank holidays excepted. Please give us a call.

Engagements

All requests for the Band should be directed to our Secretary Peter Brazil at Kealstown, Ladychapel, Maynooth, Telephone 6286878. Please give as much notice as you can.

See you all again next month.

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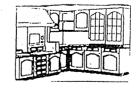
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The Minister for Social Welfare recently announced that the Government has decided to give full effect to the recent High Court decision which provides for the payments of Equal Treatment arrears to married women.

Who will Qualify?

If you were a married woman receiving a social welfare payment at any time in the period December 1984 to November 1986, or if you were unemployed at any time during that period, you may now be entitled to Equal Treatment arrears.

Entitlements

The following are details of the entitlements:

full increases for your child dependants.

Adult and Child Dependant(s) increases: an increase for your husband as an adult dependant.

Unemployment Assistance

To qualify for Unemployment Assistance your means at that time must not have been in excess of the limits which then applied.

Transitional Payments

If you were in continuous receipt of a Social Welfare payment from November 1986 onwards you may qualify for a weekly Transitional Payment. This entitlement will generally run from February 1989 for as long as you were receiving a Social Welfare payment up to July 1992. (In certain circumstances the entitlement may arise from 1987 onwards).

Compensation for delay

You will be paid compensation for the delay. This will be based on inflation. It will be paid on all arrears up to the date you are paid.

You will also be paid compensation on any Equal Treatment arrears payments already made to you, (in 1992/93).

Arrangements for Payments

Payment of arrears, inclusive of compensation, will commence in August 1995 and will continue on a phased basis as follows, subject to the qualifying conditions:

August 1995

You will be paid the Adult Dependants increase on claims in the period December 1984 to May 1986 and

•Compensation on arrears paid to you in 1992/93.

September 1995 to September 1996

You will be paid the Adult Dependant increase on claims in the period May to November 1986 and

•Child Dependant increases on claims in the period December 1984 to November 1986

Any Unemployment Assistance entitlement due to you.

October 1996 to early 1997

You will be paid any Transitional Payments due to you.

Application for Payments

If you have already been paid Equal Treatment arrears in 1992/93 then there is no need for you to make a further claim. The department will contact you directly.

If you have not already claimed and you think that you may be entitled to Equal Treatment arrears you should contact the Equal Treatment Arrears Section of the Department.

You can either telephone the special **Telephone Enquiry Unit** at (01) 704 3032 or write to the following address:

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CASTLE COMMITTEE

On Tuesday, 11th April, 1995, members of Maynooth Castle Committee met with representatives of the Office of Public Works (Monuments) and members of the Architectural Practice, Shane de Blacan & Associates.

Mr de Blacan gave a presentation of a report undertaken by his firm and commissioned by the O.P.W. Before presenting the report, Mr. de Blacan made it clear that the ideas proposed were independent of the O.P.W., Maynooth College, Maynooth Castle Committee or any other body.

The report includes a comprehensive survey of the castle and the town and compares this to earlier maps of the town, showing that much of the town remains intact from the 17th century. He suggested ways in which the town could enhance its historical features, as well as safeguarding them for the future.

Of particular interest to this committee were the proposals for the restoration of the castle. Various types of restoration were put forward, details of which will be presented at a seminar to be hosted by the committee in the near future. Representatives of the O.P.W. stated that they would not proceed with any restoration without the full backing of the community, and would continue to look to Maynooth Castle Committee to liaise with all members of the community interested in the castle.

On a final note, it must be stressed that while the report looked at many aspects of the town's planning, Maynooth Castle Committee is concerned with, as its name suggests, the Castle itself.

Paul Howard-Williams, for Maynooth Castle Committee.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

DRUGS — ABUSIVE SUBSTANCE : GARDA TALK

The Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association request, if possible, that **ALL PARENTS** of children attending Maynooth Post Primary School should attend a talk on the topic of "**DRUGS** — **ABUSIVE SUBSTANCE**" presented by personnel from Garda Drugs Division.

This very important talk will take place in the Maynooth Post Primary School at **8.00 p.m. on Tuesday 23rd May 1995.**A variety of drug samples will be on view and many signs and symptoms of evidence or presence of drugs will be discussed.

Dermot Nangle (Sec.)

I.C.A. NOTES

The April meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was one of the most enjoyable meetings we've had in a long time. Mrs. Imelda Delaney, President, welcomed all the members to the meeting which took place in the I.C.A. hall on Thursday 6th April. Mrs. Delaney reminded the ladies that our AGM would be taking place on Thursday 4th May at 8.00 p.m. and she asked the ladies to "please pay their membership fees (£18) on that night".

Daffodil Da

Our members, with the help of a few friends, collected £979 for The Irish Cancer Society on Daffodil Day. "Thank you" to all the people of Maynooth for their marvellous generosity.

Maynooth I.C.A. helps three charities with their collections each year. This year we have collected for The Arthritis Foundation of Ireland and The Irish Cancer Society and we will be collecting for The National Council for the Blind on 30th April.

Competitions

There are several competitions coming up for I.C.A. members over the next few months and here are some details;-

- 1. Healthy Eating competition sponsored by the Health Promotion Section of the Dept. of Health in April.
- 2. Set Dancing Competition for the Patsy Lawlor Cup the National Final will take place in early July and there will be a set dancing workshop on the same afternoon.
- 3. Make and Model Competition for Kildare will take place in Toghers, Naas on 23rd May at 8.00p.m. Admission is £3 and all are welcome. Entries have to be in by 11th May. This year there is a new section for "skirts". The novelty section is "clothes of 1910". Please note this year clothes can be made for any child, but there will be no children modelling.
- 4. Bi-lingual Quiz will probably take place in Dowlings, Prosperous on 9th May. Date and venue not confirmed at time of printing. Please come along and support the team from our Guild.
- 5. Table Quiz for the McCarthy Cup will be held at the end of May, but I have no more details yet from Federation.

Guaranteed Irish Sales Person of the Year

This year Maynooth will be well represented at the Kildare heat of the Guaranteed Irish Sales Person of the Year by Mr. Dermot Heffernan. Dermot who has worked in House Pride, Maynooth for twelve years, is married with three children and lives in Clondalkin. We wish Dermot every success in this competition.

Night Out

Ladies, there is a "night out" planned for Finans, Naas on 16th May. A coach has been booked to take us to Finans where we hope to enjoy a nice meal, some entertainment and a few drinks. Any member interested in this trip should contact Imelda as soon as possible.

French Night

We had a most enjoyable International Night at our Guild meeting, organised by our International Officer, Helen Doyle. Dr. Michael O'Dwyer gave a very interesting lecture on France;



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Bring and Buy

Kay and Veva were our auctioneers for our Bring and Buy at our Guild meeting and they did an excellent job. The event was held to raise money for two part-scholarships to An Grianan. The two lucky winners were drawn on that night too and they were Mary O'Gorman and myself. We also had a draw for a full scholarship to An Grianan, which was won by May Haren. This is an ESB sponsored scholarship which our Guild won at Federation level.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of Maynooth Guild will be our AGM and it will be held in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 4th May at 8.00 p.m. The national AGM will take place in the Corrib Great Southern Hotel, Galway on 17th May, starting at 11.00 a.m.

Our usual activities continue with Badminton in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings (10.45 a.m.) and Crafts in our Hall on Monday nights (8.00 p.m.) and Wednesday mornings (10.30a.m.). New members are always welcome.

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Michael Mooney

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our Annual Spring show was held on the 11th April in the Divine Word Hostel. There was a very large number of entries and the standard was extremely high. The onerous task of judging was undertaken by Peggy Campbell. The results of each section were as follows:

Theme: Floral Inspiration

Class 1 "Easter". An exhibit in a basket. First: Rosemary Smyth, Second: Ann O'Dwyer, Third: Teresa Ellis. Commended - Moira Baxter and Maureen Minnock.

Class 2 "Easter Bonnet". First - Maureen Stephens. Second -Carmel O'Leary, Third - Amanda Harris, Commended - Pat Dalton.

Class 3 "Two's Company". A Modern Exhibit. First - Imelda Desmond. Second - Felicity Satchwell. Third - Rosemary Smyth. Very Highly Commended - Noeleen O'Brien.

Class 4 "New Trends". First - Noeleen O'Brien. Second -Mary Strickland. Third - Sarah Angel. Highly Commended -Felicity Satchwell.

Class 5 "From the Patio". A Pot-et-fleur exhibit. First - Imelda Desmond. Second - Noeleen O'Brien. Third - Moria Baxter. /continued

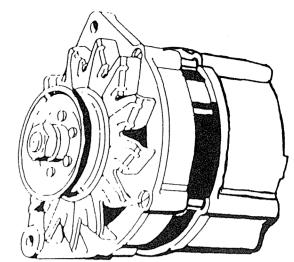
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Very Highly Commended - Mary Doyle. Highly Commended - Maureen Stephens and Commended Betty Farrell.

Class 6 "Slainte". A Petite exhibit. First - Rosemary Smyth. Second - Betty Farrell. Third - Felicity Satchwell. Very Highly Commended - Mary Doyle. Highly Commended - Amanda Harris.

Class 7 "Melody Makers". First - Mary Doyle. Second - Noeleen O'Brien. Third - Mary Cleary. Very Highly Commended - Sarah Angel.

Class 8 "Memories". A Miniature exhibit. First - Aileen Howard. Second - Maureen Stephens. Third - Felicty Satchwell. Very Highly Commended - Mary Doyle and Noeleen O'Brien.

Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup - Best Exhibit in Show - Imelda Desmond.

Satchwell Perpetual Cup - Best Exhibit in Classes 1 & 2 - Rosemary Smyth.

Flower Pot Perpetual Cup - Winner of Class 3 - Imelda Desmond.

AOIFA Perpetual Cup - Winner of Class 7 - Mary Doyle who also won a potted plant donated by "Flowers by Maura" of Dunshaughlin.

RHSI Spoons - Runner-up in Classes 1 & 2 - Maureen Stephens.

The first, second and third places in Classes 5 were also presented with shrubs donated by "Garden World" of The Square, Maynooth.

Plant Section

Class 9 One Stem of flowering shrub. First - Pam Acton. Second - Felicity Satchwell. Third - Sarah Angel. Very Highly Commended - Amanda Harris.

Class 10 One daffodil or narcissus. First - Mary McHugh. Second Rita Craigie. Third - Maura Devlin. Very Highly Commended - Mary Cleary.

Class 11 Vase of flowers from the garden. First - Mary Doyle. Second - Aileen Howard. Third Sarah Angel. Highly Commended - Amanda Harris.

Class 12 Four Sticks of rhubarb. First - Sarah Angel.

Class 13 Collection of polyanthus. First - Carmel O'Leary. Second - Mary McHugh. Third - Sarah Angel.

Class 14 Three tulips. First - Amanda Harris. Second - Mary Cleary. Third - Mary Doyle. Very Highly Commended - Aileen Howard and Carmel O'Leary. Highly Commended - Margaret Howe.

Bradshaw Perpetual Cup - Best exhibit in plant section - Carmel O'Leary.

RHSI Spoon - Winner of class 9 - Pam Acton who was also presented with a shrub donated by "The Orchard Nurseries" of Celbridge.

The second place in class 10 - Rita Craigie was also presented with a shrub donated by Amanda Harris.

May Meeting

This will be held on Tuesday 16th May in the Divine Word Hostel at 8pm. The Demonstrator is Marie McKeon and the competition will be as follows:-

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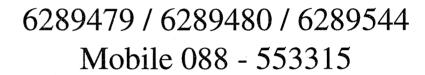
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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

Our Easter party took place on Sunday April 9th in S.V.D. House. Many thanks to Fr. Finbar Tracey for the use of their premises. Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Dunne S.M.A. who's good will and sense of humour should be bottled and sold as a tonic. We were joined on this occasion by a group from Summerhill "Active Retirement Association", who have some very talented people in their organisation.

The highlight of the evening of course, was our Easter Bonnet competition. The turn out was superb. Well done to all for making such an effort to join in the spirit of the evening. Congratulations to those who won in their own categories, but the overall winner was Betty Farrell (see photographs). Many thanks to Karen and Mary our two excellent judges, Neil for the photographs and Norah for making a "guest" appearance.

As many of you will know by now our committee celebrates its 30th birthday this year. May 1965 was when it all began. That year was designated "Old People's Year". For the first time our senior citizens were getting the recognition they so richly deserved. To mark that event Dr. Brendan O'Donnell, the then Medical Officer for the area, met with a group of people in Maynooth with a view to setting up a committee...... That's the kind of information you will find in the booklet we are producing on the history of the committee. All going well it should be available by the end of May, P.G., it will be launched at a special party on a date yet to be decided. I'd like at this point to thank in advance the people who are making all this possible, Mary Cullen for the work and time spent in compiling this booklet, our sponsors, Maynooth Book Shop, Barton's Transport, Seámus Grant, Joe Buckley, Donovan's Newsagents, Billy McCrory, David Geoghegan and Moyglare Nursing Home for making the finance available and Cardinal Press for all their help in this regard.

Finally our annual outing this year takes place on Sat. June 3rd. Senior Citizens who wish to go please let us know before Sat. May 27th.

Finally congratulations to Kitty Thomson who celebrated her 95th. birthday in April. Kitty now holds the honour of being our oldest resident.

A MESSAGE FROM MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK LIONS CLUB

We are a young organisation and while most people will have heard of us, very few know much about what we are. The international association of Lions Clubs grew from the first club founded in 1917 in Chicago.

This club was organised on the traditional lines of American businessmen's clubs with the addition of a very important aim: to provide service to the welfare of the community in which the members lived. The founders aims were to get successful business and professional men to use their drive, ambition and intelligence to work in improving their communities. The Lions movement has grown steadily ever since. By 1927 there were 60,000 members in 1,183 clubs in the U.S., Canada,

Mexico and China. One of the major projects, helping blind people, grew out of a speech to the Lions International Convention in 1925 by Helen Keller. Today there are Lions Clubs in no less than 150 countries with 32,000 clubs and a membership of 1.4 million.

In Ireland, the first club was started in 1955 and there are now 90 clubs between North and South as well as Lioness clubs for ladies, and Leo clubs for young people. Maynooth/Kilcock club commenced in March 1981 to serve an area including Enfield, Clane and Straffan, and has about 30 members. In our first twelve years we have managed to involve ourselves with many local community projects such as the Royal Canal restoration work in Kilcock, renovation of St. Mary's Church in Maynooth and the development of a Day Centre in Clane. We have provided funds both directly and indirectly to charities such as KARE, and to the relief of social deprivation in individual cases. Two very successful Lions Club activities have meant the provision of a week's holiday in Mosney every August for a group of old age pensioners from the area, and the establishment of an Anti-Drug Abuse Parents Self Help group which meets in Maynooth.

To provide these services we organise as many community based fund raising projects as possible, all of them designed to be good fun. One of these recent events was a Fashion Show held in Setanta House, Celbridge.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people who came and supported us on the night. All our advertisers and shops whose fashions were shown on the night. The models who gave their time free of charge. The Ladies Committee who worked hard to make the night a great success. Thank you all for your support.

G.V. O'Sullivan, Lions President.



Alicia Geoghegan, Aine O'Neill and Orla Beechinar Back: Sinead Cogan and Audrey Cannon

Maynooth Old People's Easter Party



Chris Dowling enjoying the Easter Party



Josie Moore and Betty Farrell overall Bonnet Winner



L - R: Imelda Farrelly, Tóisín Farrell



Kitty Thompson with her Easter Egg



L - R: Una Dunne, Mary Nolan & Mary Flanagan



L - R: Mary & John O'Reilly

MAYNOOTH PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE GROUP

As a follow up to our submission to the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation we co-hosted with the Literary and Debating Society and the Student's Union a public meeting entitled The Way Forward for the Peace Process after the Framework Document in the Callan Hall, Maynooth College, on Tuesday, 4th April, '95.

The final panel of speakers were Michael O'Riordan, Veteran of the Connolly Column, Spanish Civil War; Emmet Stagg, Minister for State, Dept. of Transport, Energy and Commerce; Bríd Rogers, S.D.L.P.; Billy Hutchison, Progressive Unionist Party, Shankill Road, Belfast, and chaired by Dr. Mary Cullen.

Michael O'Riordan pointed out that himself and Billy Hutchison were the first Communist and the first Loyalist speaking in Maynooth College. The main theme of Michael's address was the tradition of Protestants and Catholics uniting and working together for progressive causes. He instances the Connolly Column who fought on the Republican side in the Spanish Civil War and the anti-unemployment marches in Belfast in 1932, both of which involved Protestants and Catholics uniting in common cause and in the spirit of James Connolly's socialism and finished by saying "More Jaw Jaw means less War War".

Emmet Stagg started his address by saying, "this is an island that for the first time in a generation is free from political violence and there is now a unique opportunity for the political leaders of both communities in Northern Ireland to join the two governments in the search for new structures and co-operation between both parts of Ireland and between both islands". He also stated that the future would be built not on confrontation but on a secure foundation of dialogue and co-operation.

Bríd Rogers stated that we must never again allow our differences to cause bloodshed, but the basic problem has not changed, nationalists continue to be treated as second class citizens, this situation had to be rectified through dialogue and agreement which threatens no one.

Billy Hutchison spoke last and was greeted very warmly. In a sincere and wide ranging address he declared that there could be no return to war, that the road to political progress would be long as all the people of the North would have to agree on a half way house to accommodate all traditions. He recognised that the fifty years of Stormount rule was misrule and that the Progressive Unionist Party recognised that there was no going back to majority rule, while stressing that his Party is a Unionist Party and that 1 million Protestants in the North don't want to be ruled by the South, that unionism as represented by Molyneux and Paisley was not in the interests of ordinary working class Protestants. The P.U.P. are committed to a pluralist society.

The meeting was then opened to the large attendance for contributions and questions. Punishment beatings were condemned by Billy Hutchison but he pointed out that the R.U.C. did not police Republican and Loyalist areas and changes will have to be made in policing which will ultimately solve this problem. Our group was delighted with the success of the occasion as it brought together representatives of all traditions involved in the peace process in meaningful and friendly debate. We believe the occasion was a small but positive contribution to the on-going peace process and we plan to organise further events to enable residents and students of Maynooth to make their contribution towards a peaceful, more just Ireland.

Hilda Mooney (Hon. Sec.)

SCOUTING IN MAYNOOTH

What a busy month it has been! The Beavers were very successful in the Regional Art Competition winning first prize. On the other hand the cubs took it easy and travelled down to Achill Island for a few days (19th to 21st April). The Regional Camperaft is taking place in Larch Hill from the 21st to 25th of April. The Maynooth Unit are sending two teams, and so best of luck to them.



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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

On behalf of Greenfield Estate Residents and members we extend our sympathies to Kevin and Norah McKevitte and family of Lawrence Avenue on the recent boating tragedy in Carlingford.

There is a fund raising campaign currently underway by neighbours of the McKevitte family, details from Lawrence Avenue.

Our committee are currently collecting the annual subscriptions of £12.00 - usual rates for unwaged, O.A.P.s, etc.

The grass cutting campaign is currently underway.

Other items:

Bord Gáis have been back to rectify damage caused to greens and grass verges and, following a recent survey, will be back again shortly. We have also ongoing discussions with Kildare County Council and the Straffan Road Site Engineer about the wall on Straffan Way.

Finally, any items for discussion at the monthly meeting of the Residents Association Committee should be forwarded to our Secretary, Ann Connellan, 20 Straffan Way, before the 1st Monday of the month.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

OLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Annual Subscriptions

The Committee wish to extend a big thank-you to all our residents who contributed so generously to our annual collection. "Thank you" to Kathleen Creggy, Manus McCarron, Margaret McCarron and our secretary for their help in collecting this money; from Kevin McGovern, treasurer.

These subscriptions enable us to pay for the petrol and upkeep of the ride-on mower. The monies also help pay for the public liability insurance which covers us for all our residents' activities.

To the few residents we might have missed, your £5 annual subscription can be left with the treasurer, Kevin McGovern, and a receipt obtained there.

Lotto

April has seen the introduction of the Old Greenfield Residents weekly Lotto. Information from any committee member. Our first lucky weekly winner was Mrs Josephine Doolin.

Visitation to Kildare County Council.

"As dawn rose the posse set off for Naas". A delegation from our committee visited the Council offices in Naas. During this visit we submitted our application for the 1995 Council Area Maintenance Grant. Hopefully we will obtain the full

£500 grant as we did in '94. Included in our list of expenditure expected for '95 we included: a small mower, wheel barrows, trailer, tools, etc. Everyone should have received their wheelie bins. Everyone who has an account with Kildare County Council is entitled to one.

Our meeting with the chief planner Declan Kirrane was very fruitful. Discussed was the unfinished bridge, connecting Old Greenfield to the Meadowbrook Area.

Also discussed was the lack of safety fencing and replacing of hedging all along the boundary of the river in the area. We urgently equested that the developer finish the landscaping in this area.

The footpath along this river is being used by motorists to bypass the bollards, anyone with registration numbers of said motorists can leave them to our local Gardai who will bring this matter further. The footpath between Mrs. Lawless and Mrs. Flanagan is also being abused in the same fashion.

National Tree Week

Old Greenfield Residents obtained 20 trees for planting in our area. The committee decided to give these trees to the houses on the lane. Here we will be assured that the trees will mature and everyone can enjoy their view. Anyone interested in this can contact our Chairman Manus McCarron or any committee member.

Goal Posts

The children who play football in Phase 2 wish to thank P.J. Rochford for again repairing the goal posts.

Congratulations to Ted Connolly on his retirement from Manor Mills. A great night held by his work colleagues was enjoyed by a huge circle of family and friends. Enjoy your retirement Ted.

Congratulations to the U16 Gaelic Footballers. We have two excellent players in our area; i.e. Darren Naughton and Niall Byrne. Great work lads and continued success for the summer.

Happy 80th birthday, Mrs Flanagan

Congratulations to Nana Flanagan on her 80th birthday. A surprise party was enjoyed by all in the Leixlip House Hotel.

General Meetings

Our General Meetings usually take place every first Monday night 8.30 pm Boys' National School. Due to Bank Holidays in May and June, our general meetings will be the second Monday night in May and June.

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our new neighbours in Greenfield Close. All residents are welcome to our General Meeting.

Our next General Meeting will be 8th May '95 8.30 pm Boys National School.

6.30-9amWakeup Leinster

with Tom Browne & Caroline O'Brien. Sunshine Music & Chat all year round.

6.00 News

6.02 Morning, the day ahead

6.15 Farm News

6.20 Weather

6.30 Tom's Alarm call, lines open (0503)

6.50 Who's up this morning? Requests &

7.00 News

7.12

On this day-events of the day in years gone by

7.20 Weather

7.30 Amazing News Headlines

The Morning Mystery Voice 7.40

7.51 Newspaper Headlines & traffic up-date

8.00 News

8.05 Ohimaries

8.07 Telecom Community Diary & traffic up-date

8.09 The Early Morning Riser

8.18 Morning Papers

8.21 Weather

8.26 Traffic Up-date

Amazing News Headlines 8.30

8.35 Local traffic up-date

Leinster's Regional Challenge 8.40

8.47 Morning Sports up-date

8.55 Birthday file

9.00 News

Mornin' All with Chris Walsh. It's the 9.04 Elder Lemon and the world is his oyster - chat, crack, guests, phone-ins -

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Midday Matinee with Noel McCaul. 1.00 Featuring:

1.15 Bargain Counter

1.25 Weather

1.30 Bingo Numbers 1.45 Telecom Community Diary

2.05 Your Birthday Partners

2.15 Bargain Counter

2.20

2.30 Bingo Numbers

McCaul's magazine snippets

2.45 Who said what: Ouotes of the week 3.00 Regional News

3.05-6 Afternoon Drive

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5.15 Traffic Report

5.30 Telelcom Community Dairy

5.45 Sports News

5.50 Mart Report with Jim Norton (Tues &



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10.10-12 noon

An Bóthar Eile with Anne Conway. Youth and Community Activities, book reviews, competitions on CKR's bilingual magazine programme.

12.00-2 Noel McCaul's Essential Collection -Noel's own personal choice of quality music and solid Gold Hits.

2.00-6 Saturday Spin Clem Ryan's music with live Irish racing and all the Sporting Head

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1-2pm Country forum with Jim Norton and Monica Carr

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Residents Associations

RAIL PARK RESIDENTS' NOTES

The Annual General Meeting of Rail Park Residents' Association was held on Wednesday 12th in Caulfields' Meeting Room. The annual subscription is now due. The subscription covers grass cutting and general tidying up - it is still £12.

Election of Officers Chairperson - Frank McCarrick Secretary - Kay McKeogh Treasurer - Eamonn McKeogh



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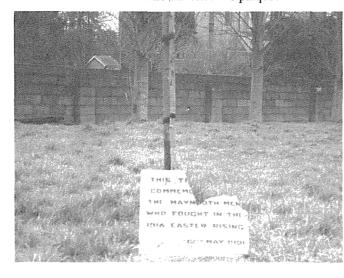
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1916 PLAOUE VANDALISED

It is with great sadness that we have to inform the people of Maynooth of the vandalising of the plaque to commemorate the fifteen Maynooth men who fought in the 1916 Easter Rising. The plaque was erected in Pound Park by the 75th anniversary committee and was unveiled at a ceremony on Sunday 12th May 1991. Those present included relatives of the 1916 men, Phil Brady, Mary Cullen, Hilda Mooney, Ann and Harry Mc Auley, Fr. Supple P.P., Maynooth Brass & Reed Band and Gearóid McTernan who unveiled the plaque.



The breaking of the plaque took place on Friday 24th March and was reported to the area co-ordinator of neighbourhood watch, Bridie O'Brien. We are determined that the plaque be replaced, the total cost being £70. We would appreciate financial support from any source but we would especially appeal to those who may feel in some way responsible.

Donations can be given to Bridie O'Brien, Gearóid McTernan or direct to our bank a/c with the Bank of Ireland, Main St., Maynooth, no. 21241890, entitled "The 75th Anniversary Committee".

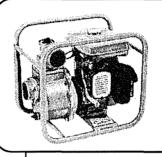
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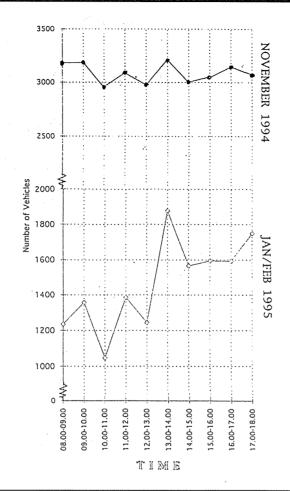
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The final paragraph makes the important point that "the effects of the motorway are not being realised completely in the short term due to the roadworks on the Straffan Road, which will disrupt traffic until October 1995. Cars seeking access to the motorway from the centre of the town are slowed down as a result. However, even if the full effects have not been seen yet, the facts show that the traffic in Maynooth has been reduced by over 50% and the results of this decrease can only be positive."

This "slow down" due to the Straffan Road roadworks is something noticeable among all Maynooth car owners. Obviously, in terms of freeing up the roads, the 50% reduction in traffic is a good thing. But what does the result say about the town's commercial interests? Many traders have indeed complained that custom was being adversely affected by the Straffan Road — often customers taking their business elsewhere rather than face the tailback. However, what remains to be seen, and is not tackled by the report, is the possible impact of the motorway on traffic not passing through Maynooth but stopping for commercial reasons. Perhaps a survey conducted on a Saturday would remove the commuting and transport vehicles, giving a picture of those stopping to trade in the town. Perhaps combining the enlightening "traffic survey", which deals with "vehicle flow", with such a "commercial traffic survey", showing "customer flow" would be a useful project for future transition year classes?



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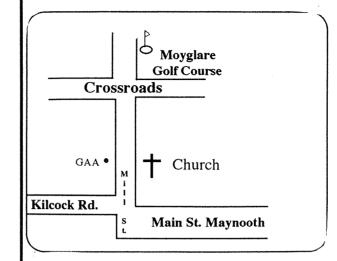
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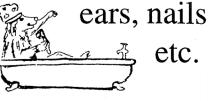
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EYE HEAR

From pint to Pierrepointe

All sessions begin with a pint. The Feeney brothers were there. Prionsias Breathnach was also partaking. Darren Moran and Noel Brady, himself were serving. All the lads were there. Then Micky 'Mixey' Tracey (F.G.) and Eamonn Gallagher (F.F.) got stuck into a political argument. Says Eamonn "Wasn't it nice to see John Bruton, like a nice little altar boy, giving the cup (Irish Grand National) to C.J." "Your crowd lost three Taoisigh in five years", said Mickey. "We didn't get rid of them, they left", countered Eamonn. John Gallagher was laughing. Micky opened up again, "all you westerners came up here and threw a stone into the canal and if it sank you stayed and if it floated you left... so you stayed". Other banter flowed.

Then it was revealed that Micky was baptised on the day Kevin Barry was hanged. Then the chat turned to Pierrepointe and hanging, ropes and weights etc. Pius Kelly said "there was a fellow waiting to be hanged in America, but he had ate so much he was too heavy to be hanged". Nice tactic. Soon we faced the cold night. God help Kevin Barry. God help Pierrepointe.

Upcoming Wedding

Many locals are beginning to turn their minds from the drudgery of life to the upcoming wedding of local girl Helen Finnan and west of Ireland man, Danny Grehan. This popular young couple, Danny (of Glenkerrin Homes) and the elegant Helen (of Helen's Hair Affair Studio) have become leading socialites, lighting up many local events. Together they bring a sparkle and vibrance to the Maynooth social scene. They are to be married in St. Coca's Parish Church, Kilcock, on Sun. June 4th, with reception afterwards at the Ambassador Hotel in Kill. This event will be a happy oasis for many who weave their way through the dunes of excavated clay that now adorns the rapidly changing Maynooth landscape. We are also looking forward to a Line-Dancing exhibition from Ann, i.e. not "lion" dancing from Nicholas.

Peadar catches 'em

Local Garda Peadar Haren, who recently apprehended some thieves breaking into town shops, was off catching a different kind of prey (though every bit as slimey), when he went fishing on a recent Sunday afternoon. The town was resting in quiet peace neath a lazy evening haze and Peadar gone fishin'. All was well with the world.

Excruciating Cruciate

Eric Leavey is less than content. This 'gaelic' warrior, who follows a great family footballing tradition, is laid up with and awaiting surgery for a torn cruciate ligament. Hopefully all will go well for Eric who wants to return to the fray as soon as possible.

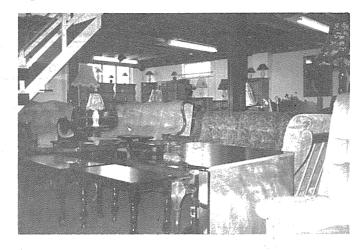
STREET TALK

The signs of the future of a town are the people who are willing to invest in it and start new businesses. Nothing looks worse in a town than locked shutters during business hours. Thankfully they are being unlocked in Maynooth at the moment.

In the recent past business people are showing confidence in the town and putting their money where their mouths are.

Coming in from the west we find three new enterprises in Mill Street

Upstairs Downstairs



This is a double venture between two complementing businesses using the same unit. Paddy O'Neill from Rathfarnham has opened a furniture shop. He has beautiful period furniture of all designs. The rocking chair with its rocking footrest catches the eye immediately. You'll need one for everyone in the house. To adorn his furniture he has a big selection of table lamps, vases and pottery pieces.

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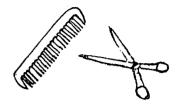
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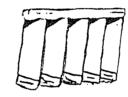
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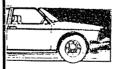


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Maynooth Hire All



Also in Mill St., Kevin Fagan has opened a much needed service in the area. Kevin's slogan is "you require it - we hire it". It looks to be very true. For the builder, DIY enthusiast, gardener, home decorator and the carpet cleaner he seems to have all the machinery you'll need.

His selection of equipment is unbelievable. Cement mixers in electric, diesel and petrol forms, mowers, diggers, carpet cleaners, transformers, scaffolding and ladders. He will even rent you the trailer to bring the gear home.

Kevin is a Dublin man from Garristown. A very nice fellow for a Dub. Married with one child, he has had a hire shop in Ashbourne for the last four years which he will continue running himself.

Managing his Maynooth enterprise will be Kenny Moore from Dunboyne.

Kenny will look after you well and if you have a problem with your own machinery he will look after that also.

This is a venture deserving of local support and is bound to be very successful. Good Luck

Irish Permanent



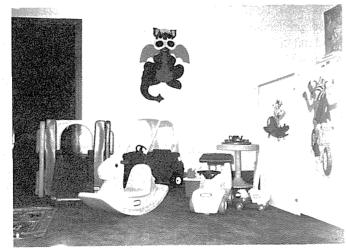
The moment you enter the bright and modern lobby of Maynooth's new Irish Permanent on the Main Street you'll

notice that the staff have a welcome to match. Manager Sean Curry seems delighted to be at the helm of the Irish Permanent's new flagship in Maynooth. Himself and his team Grainne Fleming, John Hughes, Bridget Cash and Patricia Nolan intend to give an alternative banking service to the area with a diverse and attractive range of products from investments to mortgages to car loans. They also have a 24 hour ATM lobby.

Mr. Curry believes the new Irish Permanent will be a great asset to the town and with his team he looks forward to dealing with local business and the college, not to mention students and the general person on the street. Some offers currently available are supercerts — 43% guaranteed over six years (D.I.R.T. Paid), mortgages at 1% below the normal variable rate i.e. at 7% to new customers, current accounts with free Direct Debit facilities and the facility of a £100 overdraft with only £2.50 interest per quarter.

Sean describes himself as a "Meath man with a Dublin reg. working in Kildare", originally he worked in Crumlin. Both John Hughes and Bridget Cash worked in Naas, Patricia Nolan came from Ballyfermot and Graine Fleming from St. Stephens' Green. However, they've all come together in the very amiable surrounds of the new Irish Permanent to present an alternative and friendly banking service to the Maynooth Community. Why not go in to see the office and it's welcome for yourself?

Kinder Crescent



In a beautifully laid out and specially built for the purpose, Sharon and Yvonne Regan have opened a Nursery and Montessori School at 481 The Crescent, Straffan Road, Maynooth.

Having qualified at the London School in Dublin, they worked in a nursery-school in Ashbourne.

The pleasant young ladies have set a very hard task for themselves. The nursery opens at 7.30am and closes at 6pm. The Montessori School runs from 9.30 to 12 noon. The children attending the nursery are also included in the schooling.

They cater for children from 3 months old to school going age and for the month of July there will be a Kinder Camp for all /continued



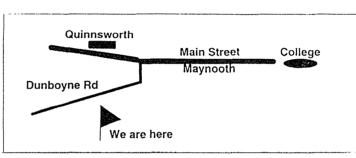
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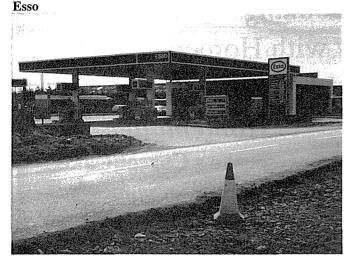
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GARDA TALK

Drugs

The issue of drug abuse (which is much to the fore in the news today) should be the concern of every citizen. The Gardaí in conjunction with Maynooth Post Primary School have organised a special drugs awareness talk for 8 p.m. on 23rd May, 1995, at the school.

The guest speaker will be a member of the Garda Drugs Squad from Harcourt Square in Dublin. All parents are urged to attend, where you will be given an insight into the signs and symptoms, haunts and habits of people who abuse drugs. The last such talk drew large attendances, and even if you were present then, you should renew your knowledge on the latest drugs available to young people today.

Holidays

As we approach the holiday period once again, we would appeal to householders to make contact with a trustworthy neighbour to keep a watchful eye on their residence while the house is vacant. It is imperative to notify the Gardaí of the period of absence, and a contact number where a keyholder may be con-

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GIVING TONGUE!



The Main Street was not the only venue for filming in Maynooth this month. While the filming was busily going ahead in Maynooth another film was being made in Carton. This film is a production for the B.B.C. and is set in the mid eighties. It is about an English woman who is lobbying for anti-blood sports legislation. The Carton gardens were used for the hunt scenes. The sight of hunting horses and hounds would not be unusual in Carton but the sight of English policemen and cars is unusual. The only hiccup in the day's filming was that it was a glorious sunny day and it was supposed to be a dull wintry day in November. The film is due to go out on television in the coming year and it is called 'Giving Tongue'.

Carton was again being used as a film location, when a pop video was made on Sunday the 23rd of April. The singers involved were Shane McGowan and Máire Brennan. The song will be used as the theme music for the film 'Circle of Friends'. However, it was quoted that one half of the duo did not turn up - the male half!

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The end product may look very glamorous but as we saw for their period in Maynooth they work long and strenuous hours, often starting at 6 a.m. working through to 3 a.m. next morning.

With "Ronnie's Electric Dreams" shop and the Army post at the avenue people were wondering what the hell was going on. They spent two days working in the Roost starting at 6 a.m. through to 7 p.m. Other shop-fronts and parts of Maynooth were also used.



The film is directed by Gerard Stembridge and produced by Ed Guiney and Stephen Rennicks.

Gerard is best known as co-producer of "Scrap Saturday" on RTE. He was a director there for five years and also works in theatre, opera, comedy and television.

The film, which is costing £800,000, is for general release and will be launched early next year.

The setting is a garrison town and is about its people. The lead role is played by Andrew Connolly, who previously starred in "Corner" and "Joy Rider", two other good Irish films.

His wife 'Michelle Houlden' from "Fair City" who is fed up with a bad, boring relationship and a domineering husband, goes to work on having a good time for herself. Depicted as a very bad girl in the film she is quite the opposite off set.

Other artists you may recognize are Jasmine Russell the singer in "Fair City" and Pauline McGlynn of "Far and Away". Pauline was on Scrap Saturday also, as was Peter Hanley. The youngest on the set is a discovery of the director. He is young Finton Lee from Navan. Hopefully he has a bright future in acting. /continued

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Peter Nevin, Secretary

JUMPING FOR CHARITY

It may have been the first of April but Christopher Byrne from Greenfield wasn't trying to be in keeping with The Spirit of The Day when he jumped out of a perfectly good airplane, some 9000ft over Clonbollogne, Co. Offaly. This parachute jump was in Aid of the D.S.P.C.A. (Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) - a cause Christopher feels strongly about. So much so that the 6th year post primary student collected in excess of the required £250 to help the D.S.P.C.A. by doing the jump. He's very grateful to many friends from the school who contributed and to local businesses — Maynooth Credit Union, The No-Name Club, Celbridge House, C.P.L. and Quinnsworth in particular — who subscribed to his appeal. Other local funders include Maynooth Jewellers, Talking Heads, Elite, Geraldine Arms, Bradys, Maynooth Book Shop, Top of The Crop, Optometrist and Moviemasters.

His tandem jump with Army Instructor Terry Murphy involved a climb to 9000ft. The solo jump, which Christopher hopes to do over the summer, involves six hours training — but it's only from 2000ft and there is no "free-fall" — The chute opens automatically once you leave the plane.

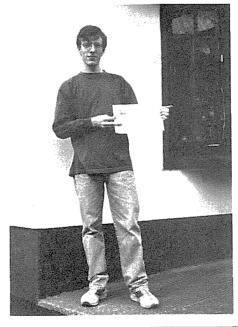
The tandem jump involves a full 30 seconds of free-fall, which Christopher found the most exciting part ... "It's like the best Rollercoaster you've ever been on but much faster and freer . . . it's hard to describe the experience unless you've felt it yourself."

From the free-fall the Boyne and the Bog of Allen could be seen. At 2000ft, falling at over 150 m.p.h. the chute is opened. On safety, Christopher points out that there is always a secondary chute which opens automatically if the first one fails ... only if people do the jump knowingly ill or injured is the event dangerous. The rest of the descent took 6 minutes.

Features

Christopher now hopes to take further training and gain membership of The Club over the summer. The eventual cost of the jumps will be only £12.50 and as he gains experience his jumps will gain altitude. We wish him luck with that. So if you are looking for a good cause and good fun for over the summer why not look up (pardon the pun!) the D.S.P.C.A. on 4935502. They'll send you sponsorship information.

The D.S.P.C.A is a charity organisation founded in 1840. It serves the entire Dublin city and county region with just nine paid staff who investigate reports of abuse and rescue animals. They operate three clinics which offer advice and treatment one in Tallaght and two in Ballymun - which took in over 3,000 animals last year. Currently they're involved in a school's education programme, encouraging pupils to look after and respect animals. To date they've talked to 4,000 children. They also operate an emergency ambulance which answered some 15,000 calls received last year to the above number. Although they don't collect stray dogs they do protect all animals from pigeons to swans and ferrets. As it is run on a charity basis you can imagine that the D.S.P.C.A. needs our support. So if you want to follow Christopher and help the D.S.P.C.A. why not call the above number?



Christopher Byrne safely on ground after his jump

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KAIROS - STUDENTS- "SEIZING THE OPPORTUNITY" TO PUT MAYNOOTH ON THE AIRWAVES!

In September 1990 the Kairos Communications Institute (K.C.I.) established a course offering under-graduate and post-graduate diplomas in Christian Communications and Development. In that year there were twelve students on the course, now in 1995 there is a total of twenty-two students, including a large contingent from countries like India, Indonesia, Argentina and Poland.

The course offers education and training in all aspects of the media, e.g. publishing, printing and broadcasting. Students develop skills in writing, computing, photography, radio and video production as well as learning about development issues. It is a very practical course and the students use their knowledge and skills gained in the production of a magazine, e.g. 'EXPOSURE' which was published in December of last year, as well as in the production of radio-documentaries and short films.

As part of their course studies the class set up a radio station. This year K.C.I. broadcasting on 102.5 FM aired from April 3rd to April 12th between 4p.m. and 8p.m. daily, the longest the station has ever broadcasted. This was due to the fact that Maynooth College is celebrating its Bi-Centenary and there was extensive coverage of this in the radio programmes. The radio station was a tremendous success this year especially, because of the broad agenda drawn up by the students, which covered an enormous range of topics in a very short time.

Each day the station opened with 'Talk and Tunes'. This was a programme in which various personalities were interviewed on their life, work and achievements. With people such as Dr. Susan McKenna-Lawlor co-founder and Managing Director of Space Technology Ireland, John Hume M.P. and playwright Frank McGuinness, the programme proved to be extremely interesting and highly entertaining. An hour and fifteen minutes was allotted each evening to the 'Afternoon File'. This was a magazine programme consisting of tape packages, live interviews, phone interviews, book and film reviews and featuring comedy duo "D' Unbelievables".

At 5.45 each day there was a fifteen minute news magazine which dealt with stories of local interest as well as national and international news headlines.

There also featured daily a forty-five minute documentary slot. Each documentary was individually produced by a member of the communications class as part of their course work. These informative and topical programmes ranged from the 'Big Issue' magazine to the phenomena of line-dancing which was simultaneously broadcast on C.K.R. FM on Monday, April 3rd.

At 6.45 each evening there was a special 'Bi-Centenary slot' on the timetable. There were interviews with different academic personalities who spoke on many subjects, all of which had an historical relevance to Maynooth College; such as the /continued

interview with Professor Gerard Gillen of the Music Department who spoke on the History of Music in the College.

However, the 'Discussion Programme' which ended the broad-casting each evening with its live interviews in the studio covering controversial, social and local issues caused an audience to 'prick up its ears' with its lively panel and intense debate. There were many exciting discussions including the 'Divorce Issue' and the 'Bi-Centenary' special which featured a panel of twelve and was chaired by guest presenter Eithne Hand from R.T.E.

The K.C.I. Radio Station was the result of many weeks of planning and work, by all the students and staff at Kairos. Its success and popularity stemmed from the sheer variety of content in its programmes and the fact that it highlighted and discussed issues that were of importance and interest to the people of Maynooth.



What is Frances Dalton going to get!

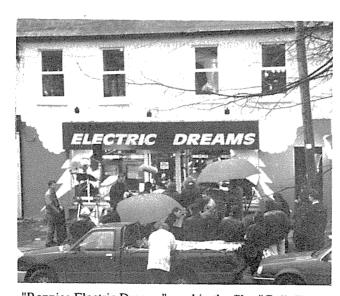
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RIVERDANCE STAR CHOOSES SEINE "OPTION"

Jean Butler, star of the Riverdance show, made the 'Seine' choice by using Travel Options, here in Maynooth, to book her post-Point Paris holiday.

Jean was recommended to our local travel agents by friends in Maynooth. She went for two weeks to Paris with her boyfriend using her under-26 youth card. Sinéad Leonard was quick enough to get the camera and Jean was happy to pose with staff...although a bit surprised by the fuss her appearance created.

The next Riverdance show is back in July — booking is advised well in advance . . . and speaking of summer bookings those nice people in Travel Options suggest you make your way in to them as soon as you can for those summer holidays. — Sure you'd never know who you'd meet!



Staff of Travel Options with Jean Butler

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND

Services for May:

Sunday 7th May 10.30 a.m. The Eucharist.

Sunday 14th May 10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer.

Monday 15th May 10.30 a.m. The Eucharist, St. Matthias The Apostle.

Sunday 21st May 10.30 a.m. The Eucharist.

Thursday 25th May 10.30 a.m. The Eucharist, Ascension Day.

Sunday 28th May 10.30 a.m. The Eucharist.

Please note change of time on 1st Sunday, all services now at 10.30 a.m.

ULSTER BANK APPOINTMENT



Ms. Marian Donovan has been appointed Manager of the Ulster Bank branch in Celbridge.

Marian has been with Ulster Bank for 13 years and has a range of experience in many aspects of banking. She comes to Celbridge from the Regional Director's Office in College Green where she was Personal Assistant to the Re-

gional Director for the past three years. Prior to that Marian held positions in the Bank's Castlepollard and Maynooth branches as well as in the Regional Office Advances. At 30 years of age, Marian is one of the youngest managers to be appointed in the Ulster Bank branch network.

Originally from Tipperary, Marian has lived in Maynooth, Co. Kildare, for the past six years. She is married to Eugene Donovan, the Postmaster/Newsagent in Maynooth, and they have one son, Caolin.

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M'LADY KILDARE

On Saturday 22nd April the first ever M'Lady Kildare Competition was held in G.A.A. Maynooth. This competition was for married women over 35 working in the home or outside the home and involved in community work. The event was run by Citizens Information Centre, one of Community Councils Sub-Committees. The contestants were Sheila Jolley, Madeline Stynes, Catherine Mulready and Margaret Loane from Maynooth, Teresa Byrne and Bridie Clancy from Leixlip, Marie Murphy and Helen Corbett from Kilcock, Teresa Campbell, Caragh, Margaret Delaney, Sallins, and Nellie Dillon, Naas. All these ladies provided us with a great nights entertainment and compere for the night was J.J. Power from Caragh. The ladies worked in associations as volunteers in Community Games, Breakaway Scheme, G.I.F.T., Scouts, Credit Union, Summer Projects, Mothers Union, Community Associations, Athletics, Football Clubs, I.C.A., Old Peoples Committees, Town Commission, Youth Clubs, Residents Associations, Dramatic Societies, Nursing Home Associations, Care of the elderly, Aids Committees, Multiple Sclerosis, National Council For The Blind to mention but a few. Some of the ladies ambitions for the future were as follows, to do a Bunji Jump, to go to Disney, to be an Accountant, to fly away with Richard Branson, to learn to drive before 50th birthday, to live long and die happy, to go to Nashville and to run a pre-school in a third

The winner of M'Lady Kildare title was Helen Corbett from Kilcock who previously resided in Maynooth. Helen was a very worthy and popular winner on the night. Her husband Gerry and daughter



• Winner M'Lady Kildare Helen Corbett

Caroline were there to cheer her win as were her supporters from Kilcock. Helen has done countless walks for Multiple Sclerosis the latest one being the Great Wall of China. She is now in training for the ladies Mini-Marathon for the same fund. Helen now goes forward in June to the M'Lady Erin Competition in Balbriggan and we wish her the best of luck.

The prize of Donegal China and £75 was sponsored by the Bank of Ireland, Maynooth. The raffle prizes were donated by Upstairs-Downstairs Furniture Shop, Roost Public House, Trish Condron and Maisie Nott. Music and song on the night was provided by David Jolley and Maisie Nott. Our M'Lady Kildare sash was made by Breda Cunningham and Breda also did the photography on the night. The G.A.A. provided the venue and Willie Kiernan provided the P.A. system.

To all these people we are very grateful for their continued support. Our judges on the night were Marie Wright, Breedge Tuite and John Doran all from Balbriggan Breakaway Festival and we are indeed very thankful to them for their time in judging the competition. We hope this contest will be an annual event.





Entrants for the M'Lady Kildare competition.

'WORKING OUT' IN THE MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At the end of March last, three post-primary school students came to Maynooth Community Council and joined the bustling staff in order to gain some work experience. Shane O'Meera, Emma Cooney and Sandra Brady; all transition year students here in Maynooth, carried out their training at a very busy time in the office - as it was the week that news items and articles for the Maynooth Newsletter are compiled.

They became actively involved in all aspects of the day-to-day running of the Community Council office. They worked on reception taking in and giving out work for the public i.e. typing, photocopying - some of the many services they provide. The students were shown around the accounts room where they learned a little about calculating wages, social insurance and they gained an insight into the taxation system.

However, their time in the Community Council was predominantly learning the many different procedures involved in producing the **Newsletter**. I think one can safely say, Shane, Emma and Sandra were all quite surprised by the sheer volume of the work that is necessary to produce a newsletter of its quality; not to mention the arduous task of proof-reading, spell checking and correcting news items. The students were shown how advertisements are drawn up on the computer using a package called "pagemaker" and Shane who spent two weeks in the office became in his own words "quite proficient" on it.

Shane, Emma and Sandra spent a hardworking but a very worthwhile time with the Community Council staff. It was as they said themselves both "educational and interesting" and hopefully it will encourage next year's transition students to gain their experience "WORKING OUT" in the Community Council.



L - R: Sandra Brady, Shane O'Meara and Emma Cooney

ANNIVERSARY NOTICE

Peter O'Toole

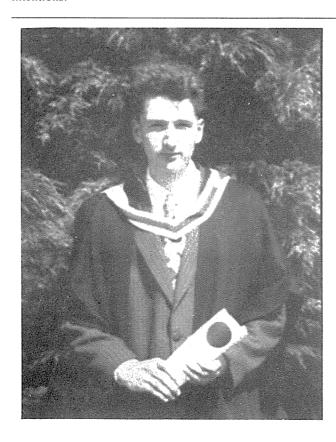
On the occasion of the first anniversary of the late Peter O'Toole of Pikesbridge, Maynooth, the O'Toole family wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge and to thank everyone who helped, supported and comforted us during our great loss.

In particular we would like to thank our relatives, friends and all our kind neighbours. Special thanks to our Parish priest Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, Fr. Denis Cogan, C.C., and all other clergy, the college authorities, Students' Union, classmates and the local G.A.A. Club.

We also wish to acknowledge the help and assistance of the local Gardaí, Dr. Christopher O'Rourke and Dr. Michael Fay.

We deeply appreciate and will always hold in grateful remembrance the kind expression of sympathy, from all the people of Maynooth on the death of our beloved Peter.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.





DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE

Ginger Square With Cornflake Topping

10oz (300g) plain flour 1 level tablespoon ground ginger 1 level teaspoon bicarbonate of soda 4oz (125g) tub butter or margarine 6oz (175g) golden syrup 1 egg, size 3 4fl oz (125ml) milk

For The Topping:

2oz (60g) cornflakes 4 level tablespoons golden syrup 7in (18cm) square cake tin, lined and greased

Set the oven to moderate, Gas Mark 4 or 350°f/180°c.

Sift the flour, ginger and bicarbonate of soda into a bowl.

Add the rest of the cake ingredients and beat together for 2-3 minutes until well mixed.

Spoon the mixture into the cake tin and level the surface.

To make the topping:

Crush the cornflakes and mix them into the golden syrup.

Spread evenly over the cake.

Bake above centre of the oven for about $1^{1}/_{2}$ - $1^{3}/_{4}$ hours, until a skewer comes out clean when inserted in the centre. Leave to cool in the tin for 10 minutes, then turn out on to a wire rack to finish cooling.

Herby Scrambled Eggs with Bacon

Serves 4

385 Calories per serving 5 1/2 fat units per serving

150g/5oz lean back bacon
4 medium tomatoes
6 eggs, size 2
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
5ml/1 teaspoon dried mixed herbs
150ml/¹/₄ pint semi-skimmed milk
25g/1oz half-fat spread
10ml /2 teaspoons oil
30ml /2 tablespoons freshly chopped parsley
4 bread rolls, 40g/1¹/₂oz each

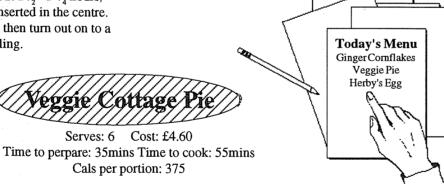
Grill the bacon well and cut into bite-sized pieces. Roughly chop the tomatoes.

Lightly beat the eggs, and add the seasoning, herbs and milk.

Heat the half-fat spread and the oil in a non-stick pan. Add the eggs and cook over a gentle heat for 4 to 5 minutes while mixing with a wooden spoon.

Add the bacon and tomatoes and cook for a further 3 minutes until the eggs are lightly scrambled. Serve immediately, sprinkled with freshly ground black pepper and chopped parsley.

Accompany each serving with a bread roll.



2 garlic cloves, crushed 2 leeks, sliced and washed 8oz (225g) parsnips, halved lengthways and sliced 3 sticks celery, washed and chopped 8oz (225g) carrots, halved 4oz (100g) button mushrooms, halved 1lb (454g) can mixed beans in mild chilli sauce 1/4pt (150ml) passata

Topping

1¹/₂lb (680g) potatoes, peeled 1¹/₂lb (680g) parsnips, peeled 4tbsp (60ml) fresh chopped chives 14oz (397g) carton cheese sauce 2 eggs, separated

¹/₄pt (150ml) vegetable stock

2tsp (10ml) sunflower oil

Heat oil in a large pan and fry garlic for 30 seconds. Stir in leeks and cook for 1 minute. Add parsnips and celery, cook for 2-3 mins, then add carrots. Stir well to cook veg evenly.

Mix in the mushrooms and mixed chilli beans. Add passata and stock and season to taste with freshly ground black pepper. Bring to the boil and simmer for 20 minutes.

Spoon into an ovenproof dish. Boil potatoes and parsnips until tender. Drain and mash. Stir in chives, cheese sauce and egg yolks. Whisk whites until stiff and fold into topping.

Spoon potato topping mixture over vegetables. Fluff up the surface with a fork. Bake at 400°f, 200°c, Gas 6 for 25 minutes until topping is golden. Serve immediately.

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GARDENING HINTS

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SUMMER COLOUR

The best plants for lots of summer flowers are half-hardy

annuals and tender perennials. There are plenty of plants

on sale now, but don't buy them before the end of the month unless they're staying indoors, or you could lose

There's an enormous range of plants from which to chose.

Old favourites like begonias, geraniums, fuchsias, petunias

and lobelia can be combined for a mass of colour. It's

down to personal choice whether you prefer flaming colours

or subtle shades. Keep a look out for new versions of old

faithfuls, like double-flowered busy Lizzies (Impatiens)

and the 'New Guinea hybrids' with attractive foliage.

'Surfina' petunias are fast-growing and produce masses of

flowers in many colours, including white, pale pink and

purple. There are new fuchias like the 'Fantasia' varieties

with upright-facing flowers, and F. triphylla 'Thalia' is

fast becoming a real favourite with its purple-red leaves

them to a late frost.

and clear red blooms.



ay's weather can be all over the place. The good days can lull you into a false sense of security but Jack Frost could still be lurking around and tender plants and shrubs should be protected from his ravages. But all in all May can be a great time to be out of doors with borders bursting with flowers, the birds filling your garden with music and the first real buzz of insect life will remind you that summer is on the way (hopefully!).

Flower Garden

Flowering trees make a wonderful display of blossom during the month of May with the flowering cherries (Prunus) making a wonderful contrast with the golden rain tree (Laburnum). The common white-flowered hawthorn (C.Smonogyna) should not be shunned as it makes an excellent prickly hedge that's a wonderful wildlife habitat. Grow a wild rose through it and you have the best of all rural worlds.

Climbers really come into their own this month covering walls. fences and pergolas with curtains of colour. There are so many different clematis that a carefully chosen range of varieties can give colour from early spring to late

Flowered bulbs should be dead-

headed, with the exception of small bulbs that can be left to self-seed. Never cut off, twist or tie the dying leaves, but leave them loose to die back naturally so that the bulbs can store up reserves for next year. If it's essential to clear the ground before the leaves have completely died back, lift the bulbs carefully with a fork and replant them close together in a trench out of the way. They can then be lifted and stored in summer for replanting

Alpines such as Aubretia and Arabis that have become straggly should be trimmed back after flowering. Polyanthus and double primroses should be lifted after flowering and divided into single plants.

Lawn

Mownewand established lawns regularly as growth increases. Put the grass cuttings on the compost heap and mix them well with other coarser material or they'll become a soggy airless mass. Don't put grass clippings directly on borders as a mulch, because they heat up and this could damage the plants.

Evergreen hedges that are formally shaped should be lightly trimmed towards the end of the month, including box (Buxus sempervirens), holly (Ilex), privet (Lingustrum) and Lonicera nitida. Shape the hedge so that it's wider at the bottom, which looks good and gives it added stability. Shears are best for small hedges but powered clippers are a lot easier for tall hedges.

Such hedges are favourite nest sites for birds, so do watch out for nests and leave them undisturbed until the fledglings have flown. Garden Pests need to be carefully monitored. Using chemicals to control garden pests and diseases may be necessary in severe cases, but widespread use of chemicals often makes things worse in the long term as they kill both the pest and its natural predators like ladybirds and hoverfly larvae. If you have to spray, do it as late as possible in the evening when there are few beneficial

> insects around, and on a windless day. Surround vulnerable plants with crushed eggshells or ashes and this will prevent the slugs attacking them.

> Water shrubs, trees and other plants that were put out in autumn or spring. A few days of sunny weather accompanied by a brisk wind will soon dry out the ground. In such cases, plants may need daily watering.

Kitchen Garden Herbs

Mint can be lifted and divided into smaller pieces for replanting. Unless you want it to take over the garden its better to restrict the roots by planting it in tubs or pots. Make regular sowings of frequently used herbs like Parsley to be sure of a continuous supply.

Vegetables to sow in rows include beetroot, carrots, French beans, parsnips, runner beans, salad vegetables and salsify. Thin out vegetables sown earlier in rows.

In a seedbed early in the month, sow autumn cauliflower, calabrese and kale.

Checklist

- •Plant evergreens by the end of the month.
- •Protect young plants against slugs.
- •Weed and mulch borders if you did not do so earlier.
- •Stake and tie perennials regularly as they grow.
- •Start hardening off plants raised under cover.



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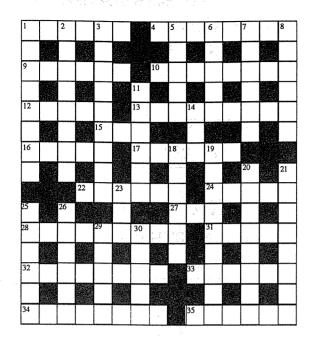
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Across:

- Knock or shake about at the food counter (6)
- There's nobody left, OK? (3, 5)
- Again points to the centre (6)
- Feelings for a movement between two points (8)
- Punctuation point for a part of the body (5)
- 13 The type of payment you may give under unlawful pressure (9)
- 15 Is she likely to turn up a day early? (3)
- Wrong even though you hear you tie it like that!
- Settled in and there are three points to Ted! (6) 17
- A level for the star-struck (6)
- If you got the woman's wrap this way then it's sure to be hot! (5)
- This bug may sound like a relation (3)
- flowery (9)
- Though made a mistake, 'e and Ed have a posh car 31 between them (5)
- The narrowest narrow dwelling a bird could find (8) 32
- Aggravate pointedly (6) 33
- Giving way, possibly under pressure (8)
- 35 Saw eye to eye on a selfish trait (6)

They may give evidence of outdoor drinking (4,4)

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- Ability to manage without difficulty (8)
- It's wrong, including us in the end (9)
- Figures to the junction creates a curtailment (5)
- One going round to decay the operating room (5)
- A Latin lady who may reach great heights of fame (6)
- An aid for the blind? (6)
- 11 Sharper at wailing (6)
- One does not make a meal for a horse (3)
- Turns outwards to have fun in the ship (6) 18
- 19 Such a production is beyond any bird (6.3)
- 20 You may get it in "stir" or you may stir it about (8)
- When Rose is beyond it, decapitate! (4-4) 21 23 To the time when a pound is missing from the till (3)
- 25 It's not quite poultry — more like chicken-feed (6)
- Stop work and attack (6) 26
- 29 Admitted to having possessed (5)
- O is in Tír na nÓg or, more correctly, according to legend he was there (5)

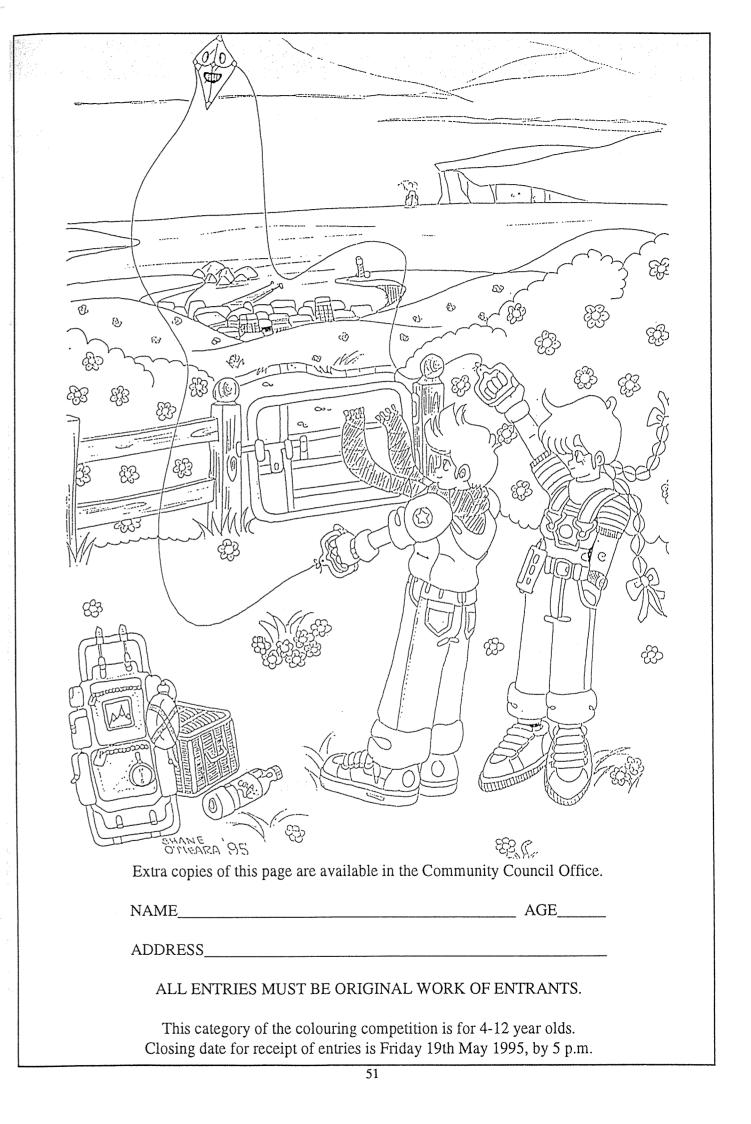
Solution to Crossword No. 89:

Across: 1, Stripe (St-ripe); 4, Ramparts (ram-parts); 9, Energy (NRG); 10, Spreader (SP-reader); 12, Proxy (pro-xy); 13, Unnatural (anagram); 15, Bar; 16 & 24, Raid a store; 17, Rattle; 22, Skewer (Skew-ER); 24, See 16; 27, Tot; 28, April fool; 31, Easel; A gathering of poems and literature that could also be 32, Two turds (two thirds); 33, Decree (Dec-Ree); 34, Rescales; 35, Assent (as sent).

> Down: 1, Sleepers; 2, Rhetoric (Rhet-O-Ric); 3, Piggybank; 5, Aspen (as pen); 6, Pleat; 7, Riders; 8, Stroll (St-roll); 11, Burrow; 14, Art; 18, Turtle; 19, Listeners; 20, Conserve ("con" serve); 21. Hellbent; 23, Elf (E.L.F.); 25, Rafter; 26, Broods; 29, Lauda (louder): 30, Oldie.

Winner of Crossword No. 89:

Eugene Fitzpatrick 8 Maynooth Park



Political Party Notes

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Allocation of Discretionary Grants:

At the Celbridge Area Committee meeting on the 12th April the following allocation was agreed for Maynooth.

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Straightening and Surface Dressing £17,000
Dunboyne Road and Carton Wall
Surface Dress £10,000
Ballygoran/Pikes Bridge
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Footpaths at Rail Park £4,000
Beaufield/College Green Pedestrian Walk £7,000
Motorway to Taghadoe
Regulate Edges £10,000
Parson Street/College Entrance £7,000
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Surface Dress £7,000

Maynooth Draft Development Plan:

The Draft Plan was unanimously agreed at the March meeting of the Council. It will now go on display at the Maynooth Library in mid-April for 3 months. Any member of the public or group of individuals can make a submission seeking a change in the Draft Plan. The Council then considers these submissions and the revised plan will then go on display for a further 2 months when again members of the public can make submissions. These submissions are then considered by the Council and a final decision must be made before the end of 1995. If you require assistance on this most important matter please contact Cllr. John McGinley or Minister Emmet Stagg.

Replacement of Obsolete Public Lights:

At the March meeting of the Council the County Manager agreed with Cllr. John McGinley's proposal that a replacement programme be drawn up with the E.S.B. for the replacement of the 7,000 public lights throughout the county. Most of these are in the housing estates that were built before the mid '80s.

£200,000 for the footpaths in Main Street:

At the March meeting of the Council the County Manager agreed to allocate £200,000 towards the cost of providing proper paved footpaths in Maynooth.

Planning Permission Refused:

Planning permission for 32 apartments at Mill Street has been refused. One of the grounds for refusal is that the applicant has not shown significant legal interest in the portion of the site reclaimed from the Lyreen River.

Pedestrian Walkway, Rockfield Lodge:

Kildare County Council agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's motion to have this pedestrian walkway closed off. This will be advertised by Kildare County Council and if there are no objectors the builder can proceed to close it off in line with the residents' wishes.

Success for Maynooth Branch Members:

At the Party's National Conference Margaret Clince was reelected to the General Council on the first count and Cllr. John McGinley was re-elected to the Executive with an increase of 51% on his previous vote.

Kingsbry Estate to be Completed:

As a result of a motion submitted by Cllr. John McGinley the County Manager has stated that the estate will be completed in the immediate future. The long wait will soon be over and the estate can then be taken in charge by the Council.

Labour Advice Services:

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., is available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4p.m. in Caulfields private meeting room and his colleague, Cllr. John McGinley is also available at the same venue every Thursday at 8p.m.

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Maynooth Development Plan

Due to technical hitches, the Draft Development Plan for Maynooth has not yet gone on display in Maynooth Public Library. However, it should be available from the beginning of May. We urge all civic-minded residents of Maynooth to make the effort to examine the draft plan. In particular, people should look at the various land rezonings which have been applied for in and around the town. While the majority of local councillors, including Catherine Murphy, are opposed to most of these rezonings, which would destroy the character of Maynooth, it is possible that rezonings could be imposed by councillors from outside the local area, as happened in the case of Leixlip. It is important that the local community should be aware of this danger and be prepared to oppose it if necessary.

Blacklion Road

The newly upgraded and recently opened Blacklion Road is a smashing job and a credit to those involved. However, many local residents, especially from the Leinster Cottages and Convent Lane area, will be disappointed that there has not been a change in priority at the junction between the Blacklion and Dunboyne roads at Kildare Bridge which would redirect traffic into Maynooth via the Dublin Road. Surely this was the purpose of upgrading the Blacklion Road in the first place.

Councillor Catherine Murphy has now put down a motion at Kildare County Council to change the priority at the Kildare Bridge junction, to erect signs directing Maynooth-bound traffic onto the Blacklion Road, and to impose a two-tonne weight restriction on the stretch of the present Dunboyne Road between Maynooth and the Kildare Bridge junction.

Public Transport Issues

Councillor Catherine Murphy has requested Irish Rail to investigate the possibility of having Sunday evening mainline trains stop at Hazelhatch from where students returning after the weekend could be transported to Maynooth by special feeder buses. Catherine Murphy has also asked Dublin Bus to provide a better Sunday evening service on the 66 route to connect with trains arriving at Heuston Station.

Dublin Bus has informed Catherine Murphy that all 66 buses into Maynooth will terminate at the Straffan Road terminus under a review of services along the western routes which is currently being carried out. As part of the Dublin Transport Initiative, a Quality Bus Corridor is to be inaugurated between Lucan and Dublin City Centre. The 66 route buses will feed into this corridor, which will mean a greater frequency of services, better buses, and greater speed due to additional bus lanes and priority for approaching buses at traffic lights along the corridor.

Sports

MAYNOOTH MAN WINS HELLA RALLY **CHAMPIONSHIP**

Maynooth man Don Foley, has won the Hella/East Coast Rally Championship for a record 4th time with navigating Dubliner, Brian Flanagan, in the Car-Watch Auto Alarms Nissan Micra, they took the title with one round still remaining. Don has also clinched the Kildare Rally Championship for a record 8th

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Fifteen years is a long wait but well worth it. These were the words said by wily veteran Paddy Foy in his victory speech in Tullamore Golf Club on Saturday 8th April. Paddy had produced a marvellous round of 39 pts. to clinch the overall prize sponsored by Gerry McTernan, delighted to see the prize of a "Free week-end to Athlone" going to Parson Street's answer to Nick Faldo.

Played in ideal conditions, this tough and demanding course proved a formidable test to many of our proven golfers. Congratulations to Paddy on his 1st. overall prize as he proved on the day that he had too many irons in his bag for the likes of Liam Farrelly, John Doyle and Co.

Our next outing is our week-end trip to Athlone 4th — 6th May, playing Glasson on Friday and Mount Temple on Saturday. Names to any committee member A.S.A.P.

Tullamore Results

1st. Overall — Paddy Foy - 39pts.

1st Class 1 — Ray Delemere - 38pts.

2nd Class 1 — Tom Sheehan - 36pts.

3rd Class 1 — Joe Moore - 35pts.

1st Class 2 — Ken O'Brien - 38pts

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2nd Class 2 — Willie Moore - 37pts.

3rd Class 2 — Bernard Dempsey - 36pts.

1st Class 3 — Miley Scanlon - 35pts (B.9)

2nd Class 3 — Colm Feeney - 35pts.

3rd Class 3 — Sean Moore - 30pts.

Front Nine — Sean Tracey - 20pts.

Back Nine — Gerry McTernan - 18pts.

Visitors Prize — Trevor Cassidy - 29pts

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The fourth term consisting of eight weeks started on April 22nd and will run until Saturday, July 1st. Please note that there will be no swims on the following dates: Saturday, April 29th - pool closed for May Bank Holiday weekend. Saturday, May 20th - this day has been set aside for Maynooth Community Games swimming competitions (N.B. no buses other than lengths bus will run). Any members currently holding Community Games swimming trophies are asked to return them to any member of the Community Games Committee. Saturday, June 3rd - pool closed June Bank Holiday weekend. Saturday, July 1st, will be a free family swim and no buses will run on this day.

The committee will assume that each member is returning unless written notice is submitted to the committee or bus supervisor prior to the commencement of the fourth term. Please note that because we are a non profit making club, once a place is booked for a term the full term's fee is then due.

We hope to hold our A.G.M. the third week in May, all parents will be notified of the date. Names are currently being taken for the waiting list for the '95-'96 swimming year.

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

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES.

Result of our golf outing to Kilcock Golf Club:

Overall winner:- Gerry Long (18) 38 Pts.

Second:- Matt Doran (17) 36 Pts. on backnine

Third:- Tommy Fay (5) 36 Pts.

Next outing to Highfield Golf Club on Saturday 6th May. Tee time 12.30 to 1.30 P.m.

Senior Hurling League: Maynooth 8pts. Broadford 4 pts.

Maynooth had a very good win in this Senior Hurling League match in Maynooth. Maynooth playing with a slight breeze in the first half were the better side and by half time were leading by 6pts. to 1pt. at the turnover it was Broadford who controlled the game and got within 2 pts. of Maynooth. But Maynooth fought back and ran and good.

Winners: Best for Maynnoth were, Tom Coffey 4pts., Joey Nevin 2pts., Thomas Farrell 2pts., Also to play well were Andrew Fay in Goal, Killian Fagan, Mick Nevin and John Cushen.

North Kildare League Under 11's Carbury 3-4 V Maynooth 2-4

In the first league game of the season Maynooth had a lot of the play. However scores were hard to come by. The second half followed the same pattern with a goal between the sides at the finish.

Best: P. Ennis, B. Coffey, K. Gannon, D. Redmond. Team and Scorers: P. Campbell, D. Redmond, B. Coffey, T. O'Corcoran, J. Murtagh, K. Gannon, A. Sweeney, B. Downey, P. Ennis (Capt.), F. O'Donaghue, S. Curran, D. Comerford, P. Broughan, B. O'Malley.

North Kildare League Under 11's Maynooth 5-9 v Leixlip 1-5

A superb performance by P. Ennis made sure Maynooth were in control all through the game. Well helped by B. Coffey, J. O'Neil, K. Gannon, F. O'Donoghue Maynooth ran out easy winners.

Team: P. Campbell, F. Deveraux, B. Coffey, D. Redmond, A Sweeney, K. Gannon, F. O'Donoghue, J. O'Neill, P.Ennis, B. Downey, B. O'Malley, D. Comerford, G. McCarthy, S. Broderick, F. Molloy.

Scorers: F. Molloy 1 goal, S. Broderick 1 goal, P. Ennis 3-9pts.

1st. Team Results to Date:

Maynooth 4-2pts V Ardclough 0-6pts

Maynooth 1-8pts V Enfield 1-7pts

Maynooth 0-7pts V Celbridge 2-6pts (League) Maynooth 0-10pts V Ratoath Harps 0-6pts

Maynooth 2-8pts V Grange 0-3pts (League)

Maynooth 1-11pts V Milltown 0-4pts.

Maynooth 1-4pts V Kilcullen 0-12pts (League).

The team has won two and lost two of it's league games so far and has yet to produce anything like the football it is capable of. The games against Celbridge and Kilcullen in particular were very disappointing. In the Celbridge match Maynooth insisted on taking on a physically stronger, more experienced but less fit side at close quarters instead of opening the play out. They paid the inevitable penalty. In the Kilcullen match Maynooth couldn't really quibble with the result as Kilcullen were the hungrier side thirsting for revenge for their defeat at the hands of Maynooth in last year's Championship. A big improvement will be needed over the coming weeks when the side have five away engagements against Kill, Athy, Monasterevin, Caragh and St. Kevins. In addition the 1st round of this year's Championship is fast approaching so it's time to knuckle down lads.

Particularly prominent in the games to date have been:- Paul Flood, Pascal Ennis, Mick Nevin, Mick Kelly, Ken Killoran, Killian Fagan, Mickey Noone and Johnny Nevin.

Under 16 Division 2 Football League 1995 Friday 31st March

Maynooth 1-7pts V Monasterevin 2-1Pt.

Maynooth opened their under sixteen campaign with a hard fought but determined victory over a resilient and tough /continued

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Josephine Fay with daughter Joey



Helen & Pat White with daughter Sandra

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Monasterevin side. Maynooth dominated midfield from the throw in and got off to a flying start with a great goal from Brendan Mooney at full forward. Alan Nugent and Eoin Guba won great possession in the first half especially against a stiff breeze. Eamon Gallagher (Captain) at full back marshalled his defence superbly. His kick-outs off the ground were superb but the man who gave a man of the match performance, in the first half was Marty Byrne. He fielded magnificently and got to every broken ball first. He set up scores and got three wonderful points himself with a "sweet left foot". However, before half time he was tackled from behind and his leg collapsed under him. He had to limp off but had done enough to set up a great victory for his team. With the wind at their backs Monasterevin laid siege to the Maynooth goal for a good part of the first half. However, they kicked some woeful wides maybe because of the wind.

Maynooth only conceded 1—1 in the first half and scored 1—4 themselves. In the second half Monasterevin got a grip on midfield and came more into the game. Rory Kelly and Niall Byrne at half back worked very hard to keep them out. Eamon Gallagher was now at centre back and David Coughlan had switched to full back. However, midway through the second half Monasterevin scored a cracking goal. Now the match was all square. But Maynooth dug deep and produced a great finish. Darren Naughton capped a great performance by knocking over a fine point to put us back in the lead. After a lot of hard work by John O'Shea and the other forwards, Adrian Boylan took two more fine scores. It ended with a three point win for Maynooth. Mick Gillick was happy to come away with a victory on our first outing after only one training session the previous Monday night.

Scorers for Maynooth were: Marty Byrne (0-3), Brendan Mooney (1-0), Darren Naughton (0-2), Adrian Boylan (0-2). Best for Maynooth were: Eamon Gallagher, Darren Naughton, Eoin Guba, Alan Nugent, Niall Byrne, Rory Kelly, David Coughlan and Marty Byrne.

Footnote: Marty Byrne has torn ligaments and will be out of football for at least two months. It is a pity as he was never playing better. We wish him a speedy recovery. It might give him a chance to study for the Junior Cert.

Thursday 6th April Caragh 0-13pts v Maynooth 3-8pts

In Maynooth's second outing at this level they came up against a very good Caragh side. Maynooth went into this game with an injury list of at least four players. Marty Byrne's leg was in plaster from the previous match. Rory Kelly was recovering from infection and flu, while Eoin Guba had an injured leg. Both had to be substituted half way through the game. Conor Lyons who came on as a sub played very well despite an injured shoulder. So despite this and playing against such quality players as A. McAndrew, R. Hayden and J. O'Sullivan it was a great achievement to triumph in this away match against the odds. We welcomed back Niall Naughton to the team.

The old under fourteen team which was victorious two years ago is slowly getting back together again. Niall filled in ably at centre forward for Marty Byrne. Our midfield didn't seem to get going in this game in the first half. This was due to the magnificent football of A. McAndrew at No. 8 for Caragh who is coincidently a cousin of Darren Naughton. It was also due to an injury which Eoin Guba was carrying. Despite this Maynooth went into a two point lead from the boots of John

O'Shea and Darren Naughton and Niall Naughton also knocked over a fine point. Eamonn Gallagher was kicking out fine long balls once again against the wind. Despite Eoin Nevin and Darren Naughton scoring we still went in at half time 7-5 down.

In the second half the team fought hard to keep in touch with Caragh with James Gallagher and David Lennon working hard in defence. Caragh opened up our defence for some good points. Maynooth came back and scored through Niall Naughton. Despite some bad misses we were still in touch. The game see-sawed throughout the second half. Adrian Boylan scored a great goal to draw the game but Caragh were still very strong around midfield and pulled away again. Mick Tumelty in the meantime had come on at full forward. He was taken down in the square with ten minutes remaining. Darren Naughton placed the ball for a kick which he must score to keep Maynnoth in the game. There was a commotion as his cousin A. McAndrew stood in goal to deny him. Darren coolly stepped up and slammed the ball off the bottom of the left hand post into the back of the net. That score brought Maynooth level and lifted their hearts. Minutes later Darren knocked over a thirty yard free to put Maynooth in the lead with minutes remaining. Niall Naughton capped a fine performance by chipping the goalkeeper in the dying seconds of the match. It was a tense, exciting match which caused the mentors on the sideline a few heart flutters. It was a magnificent victory for Maynooth and they're never-say-die attitude which won them the under fourteen championship, is alive and kicking.

Scorers for Maynooth: Darren Naughton (1-3), Niall Naughton (1-2), Adrian Boylan (1-0, John O'Shea (0-2), Eoin Nevin (0-1).

Best for Maynooth were: Darren Naughton, Eamon Gallagher, James Gallagher, Donal Lennon, Eoin Nevin, Niall Naughton John O'Shea and Niall Byrne.

Friday 14th April 1995 Maynooth 1-15 V Athy 1-2

On a balmy Good Friday evening Maynooth scored a comprehensive victory over Athy in the third round of the U/16 league. Maynooth outplayed Athy in all areas and could have won by a bigger margin except for some wayward shooting. Maynooth, missing three key players and playing against the wind didn't really settle in the first half. Athy were doing well at midfield through the hard work of A. Webster and T. McDonagh Maynooth were first however to register on the scoreboard with a well taken score by Eoin Nevin in the fifth minute. Darren Naughton who played his heart out and was many people's choice as the man of the match tacked on another score two minutes later. Athy were getting a lot of possession especially at midfield and centre back through S. Folen but their forwards were making bad use of the possession. Eoin Guba came more into midfield and John O'Shea tapped over another point in the twelfth minute. Darren Naughton working feverishly added another, three minutes later.

The next fifteen minutes remained scoreless as both sides worked hard but failed to register scores. This continued until seven minutes into the second half Eoin Nevin scored his second point. This steadied the Maynooth attack and they piled /continued

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on the pressure from then on. Mick Tumelty had the beating of the full-back and caused havoc in the Athy defence. Eoin Nevin and Adrian Boylan added on two more points before Niall Naughton rifled the ball after a great movement to the back of the net. This ended the game as a contest but Maynooth were not finished. Darren Naughton scored three more points including two marvellous frees. Adrian Boylan lofted two great balls over the bar as did Joe Lee when he came on as a sub. Niall Naughton also added another point to round off a great performance. Athy did manage to score 1-2, the goal was deflected to the net by Eamon Gallagher, who otherwise had an outstanding game as usual at full-back, but it was too little too late. It was a great performance by Maynooth with six forwards getting their names on the scoresheet.

Scorers: Darren Naughton (0-5), Niall Naughton (1-1), Eoin Nevin (0-3), Adrian Boylan (0-3), Joseph Lee (0-2), John O'Shea (0-1).

Best for Maynooth: Darren Naughton, Niall Byrne, Mick Tumelty, Eoin Guba, Niall Naughton, Joe Lee, Eoin Nevin, Eamon Gallagher and James Gallagher.

Best for Athy: A. Webster, T. McDonagh, S. Folen, and I. Webster.

Lotto Result 26/03/1995 Jackpot £1000 Numbers 1-10-18. No Winner: - 5x£10:- Tobin/Ryan, M.C. Dempsey, G. Connellan, Alison Jolley, G. Connellan.

Lotto Result 2/04/1995 Jackpot £1100:- Numbers 15-16-22. Jackpot won by Nessa Ledwith, Greenfield, Maynooth. Lotto Result 9/04/1995 Jackpot £500:- Numbers 3-17-23. Jackpot won by Annette Kiloran, Maynooth.

Lotto Result 16/04/1995 Jackpot £300:- Numbers 2-4-23. No Winner :- 5 x £10, Catherine Gleeson, Donal Downes, Steven Kennedy, May Haren, Ciaran Ryan.

North Kildare Football League

U. 13

Carbury 2-9 Maynooth 3-4

Maynooth travelled to Carbury for the opening round of the league and were beaten by two points by a strong home side. Despite having a lot of possession in the early stages of the first half Maynooth's only score was a fisted goal by Mark Kavanagh. Midway through the first half Carbury broke through for two goals and led at half time by 2-4 to 1-0. Maynooth rallied in the second half and with David Campbell and Patrick King taking control at midfield. The forwards at last started to find the target. Goals by David Campbell and Morgan Sweeney and points by Alan Baxter put Maynooth two points ahead with six minutes to go. However four unanswered points gave Carbury a rather fortunate victory.

Team and Scorers: M. Gleeson, S. Pidgeon, B. Doyle, P. Sheenan, S. Deveraux, P. King, M. Dolan, D. Campbell (1-1), P. O'Sullivan, A. Baxter (0-2), P. O'Rourke, M. Sweeney (1-1), M. Kavanagh, D. Lawler, C. O'Malley. Subs: A. Molloy, C. Cushen, C. Carr, M. Costello.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

With the recent improvement in the weather club games are being played on a regular basis and an enormous backlog of games will have to be cleared before the season ends.

Some recent results to hand are as follows:

Div. 3 Private Grds.

City Eagles 0 - Maynooth Town 1

A hard fought victory here for Maynooth with a lone goal by John Murray settling the issue. A little more luck in front of goal and the same player could have had a hat-trick. Best for Maynooth were Derek Dolan, David Thompson and John Murray.

Maynooth Town 2 - Ranelagh Celtic 2

Maynooth had to overcome a two goal deficit to earn a hard fought point in a close game. John Murray and Mick Faherty were Maynooth's scorers.

Cuffe Celtic 2 - Maynooth Town 3

Feature of this excellent away win was a sparkling hat-trick by Maynooth's left winger Michael Murphy. This was a good all round team performance with Maynooth's hat-trick hero shading the individual honours.

Maynooth Town 4 - Blackhorse Celtic 0

This Maynooth win was not as easily earned as the scoreline might suggest. Blackhorse had a dogged defence which took a long time to wilt under the Maynooth pressure. David Cusker, Barry Farrell, Anthony Smith and John Murray were Maynooth's scorers.

Watkins Cup

Maynooth Town 4 - Quarryvale Utd. 2

Maynooth showed impeccable character in overcoming a Quarryvale side whose code of conduct left a lot to be desired when defeat stared them in the face. After Maynooth had taken a 4-2 lead with ten minutes remaining the Dublin side indulged in an orgy of ill-tempered antics which did little credit to the game. Quarryvale had four players ordered off in a period where the referee was deliberately struck with the ball and was left with no option but to abandon the game. Maynooth kept their restraint during this time and thoroughly deserved their victory. Scorers for Maynooth were Joey Dempsey 2, Paul Byrne 1, and Gerry Quinn 1.

Div. 1

Maynooth Town 2 - Yellowstone 0

Probably the best performance of the season in defeating a very good Yellowstone side who have reached the quarter-final of the Sheeran Cup. Some terrific individual performances by Maynooth in this game notably Mark Murray in goal, Enda Carr, Paul Murray (good to have him back) and Tony Kearins who bagged both goals.

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MAYNOOTH TUG-O-WAR

The Summer Festival Tug-O-War Tournament due to be held in early June is set to go ahead thanks to the enthusiasm and organisational skills of Donal Finnan. Donal who has taken up the torch for Maynooth tug-o-war is embarking on a major fund raising drive for what promises to be a bigger than ever extravaganza.

The proposed tournament will be comprised of six competitions: U/12 boys, U/18 boys, U/18 girls, ladies, men (mixture of trained and untrained) and senior men.

Over the last three years many locals have enjoyed competing and bringing home substantial trophies sponsored by local publicans (The Roost, Brady's - The Clock House, The GAA Club, The Leinster Arms and Caulfield's), to whom we are very grateful. This tournament holds a special place in the lives of many locals and thanks to Donal a great tradition is set to continue. Everyone is behind him in his efforts.

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With so many people leaving the country it's nice to see someone returning.

Having emigrated almost 40 years ago Harry Kelly and his wife Breda have retired and returned to Maynooth. Breda was formerly Breda Corroway from Maynooth.

Harry, originally from Kildimo in Limerick, joined the army and later worked in the college. He met Breda and they went to Harlow in Essex and married there. After a while on the building game he went into continental coach driving.

Breda's family are delighted with their return. Her family includes her sisters Elizabeth (Babby) Newton, Bernadette Barlowe and Nellie Moody of Celbridge. Their brother Sean lives in England.

All their family and friends wish them a long, happy and healthy retirement in Maynooth.

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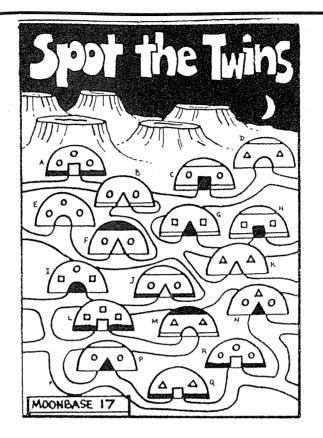
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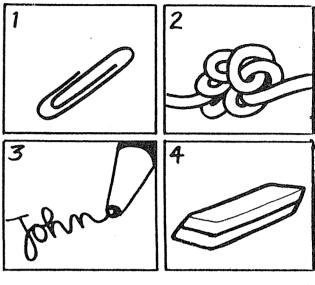


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- 2nd. Sarah Hegarty Barrockstown, Maynooth.
- 3rd. Amelia O'Connor Laraghbryan, Maynooth.
- 3rd. Séan Whelan Pagestown, Kilcloone.

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Birthdays

Congratulations to Bernie Fitzpatrick who celebrates her 21st birthday on 26th May, with lots of love from the Jolley

Belated greetings to David Newton who was 16 on the 9th of April from Dan and Babby.

Also belated are the greetings to Helen Sweeney and Joan Driver the "Terrible Twins" of the Community Council, from all the staff.

To Ilona Kelly, Beaufield, who will be 7 on the 25th of May, from Dad, Ruairi and Aisling.

Congratulations to Rachel Jolley, who will celebrate her 15th Birthday on 1st May. With lots of love and best wishes from Mam, Dad, Louise and Alison.

Nicola O'Brien, Newtown, Maynooth, who celebrated her 21st birthday on April 7th. A party in Celbridge House for the happy occasion was attended by family and friends.

Mrs. Julie Donovan, Greenfield, April 5th. Best wishes from Nicholas and Lorraine.

Ted Connolly, Greenfield, April 14th.

Pat Burke, Newtown. April 14th.

Mark McEvoy, Greenfield. 25 on April 8th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and all the family also to Jamie, grandson age 1.

Doreen Fortune, Parson Street, May 6th.

Declan Burke, Newtown. May 22nd.

Marie Burke, Newtown. Age 12, May 15th.

"The Twins" Mrs. Essie Brady, Highfield, Kilcock.

Peter Connor, Greenfield, Maynooth. May 4th.

Joe O'Neill, Greenfield, Maynooth. May 6th.

Mrs. Connie Burke, Newtown. May 14th.

Martin McTernan, Laurence Avenue. May 26th.

Peter McTernan, Dunboyne. May 11th.

LOST AND FOUND

Lost - Missing Yorkshire Terrier, colour silver grey body with blonde head. Wearing collar and flea collar (white). Last seen 10th April 1995, on Straffan Way. Any information would be appreciated. **Phone 01 - 6289598**

Sympathies

Son, daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Anne Daly, O'Neill Park, Maynooth.

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Wife, sons, daughters, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, brothers, sisters-in-law, brother-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of John (Jack) Fahy, Pagestown, Kilcloon, formerly Gortazoe, Carrandulla, Galway.

Joan Flynn, Kingsbry, death of her mother Elizabeth Flynn, Moylough, Galway.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Paddy Linnane of Bally Brack, Kilcock, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal mass and funeral, sent mass cards and other expressions of sympathy. The holy sacrifice of the mass has been offered for your intentions, as a token of our appreciations.

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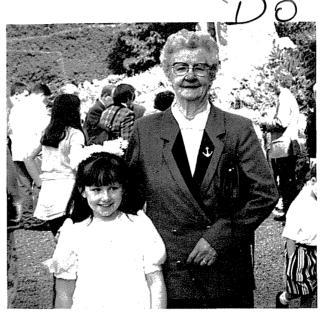
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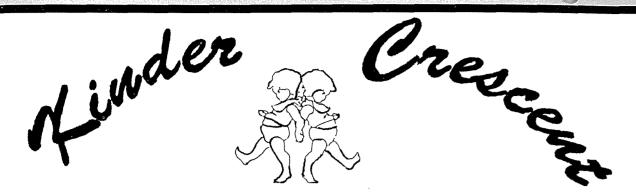


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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with something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

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

In last months issue your indulgence was requested if the Community Council Office was closed as a result of strike action against the cutbacks on FÁS Community Employment Schemes. Most of the staff of the Newsletter, Community Council, Supervisors and Sponsors marched to Dáil Eireann in protest against these cutbacks on May 12th.

We hoped our efforts would be successful and we were given to believe they had been. The government through it's various ministries, granted ten million pounds to FÁS to make up the short fall in funds. Unfortunately we have found that the implementation of the cut backs is going ahead and that nothing will change for the next few months. Thus we will be obliged to pursue further action to maintain or even come close to the position pertaining in February.

We would again appeal for your understanding and support if certain facilities are not available and we would ask you to get in touch with local politicians to see if it is possible to put pressure on the government to ensure that this very valuable asset to the community continues as at present.

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Community Council Notes

The Community Festival normally takes place during the month of June.

This year because of the state of the town it has been decided that it will take place in August. It is hoped that by then the town will be tidier and the "thing in the square" will be gone.

A large festival is planned to coincide with the bicentenary celebrations in the college. Anyone interested in helping with the festival planning should get in touch with the Community Council. Ph. 628 5922.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Our comprehensive report and entry for this year's Tidy Towns Competition has been forwarded to the Department of the Environment together with our £100 entry fee. We are greatly encouraged by the reaction of the residents of Maynooth to the excellent work being done by the Maynooth Tidy Towns FÁS team. For the summer months the team will be augmented by a number of students under the Students' Employment Scheme.

As part of our on-going policy with regards to re-cycling, we are pleased to advise that a waste paper re-cycling container has been installed in Maynooth Shopping Centre. We thank the shopping centre management and Kildare County Council for their co-operation in bringing this latest initiative to Maynooth.

We would appeal to drivers to stop parking on the edges or in some cases in the middle of the green opposite St. Mary's R.C. Church. It is ruining the green and destroying the edging.

Our annual door-to-door collection will take place during the latter part of June: notices will be placed in shop windows advising of dates. Please be generous. Thank you.

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COMMUNITY GAMES

The community Games have gone from strength to strength tere in the Maynooth area.

We are happy to report many successes at county level. Congratulations to Emma Howard-Williams for winning a gold nedal at County level in the modelling competition. We wish Emma success at Mosney later in the year.

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Our basketball U.16 Boys and Girls did us proud at their competition in Kilcock, arriving home with Bronze medals, Congratulations to all participants in this event and to Phelim Cassidy for his hard slog in bringing his teams to such a high standard.

Boys Team: Niall Cassidy, Seán Woodhouse, David Reddy, Ray Fitzgerald, Mark Dempsey, Seán Lennon, Peter Kinsella, Philip Ryan.

Girls Team: Emma Fleming, Christina Reilly, Lynda Cassidy, Claire McCarrick, Rachel Watson, Maeve Hedrington, Emer Smith, Sinéad Keenan and Brid-Ann O'Shea.

Athletics

Γhe G.A.A. grounds were the venue again this year. The Athetics themselves were a great success, sadly numbers were lown on last year.

The following are the results:-

Girls U.8 (60m)

- (1) Mikaela Mahon (2) Cianna Ennis (3) Emma Collins. Boys U.8 (60m) Final
- (1) William Healy (2) David Fagan (3) Brian Bean. Girls U.10 (100m)
- (1) Muire Ennis (2) Muireann O'Sullivan (3) Ashling Bean. Boys U.10 (100m.)
- (1) David Prendergast (2) Mark Collins (3) Brian O'Malley. Girls U.12 (100m)
- (1) Gillian O'Hurley (2) Emma Higgins (3) Triona Cahilll. Boys U.12 (100m)
- (1) Pierre Ennis (2) Stephen Healy (3) Fintan O'Donoghue. Girls U.14 (100m)
- (1) Lynn Brennan (2) Pearl Byrne (3) Aoife McTernan. Boys U.14 (100m)
- (1) Patrick O'Rourke (2) Patrick King (3) Christopher Flynn. Girls U.16 (100m)
- (1) Mary O'Sullivan (2) Brid-Ann O'Shea (3) Catherine Duff. Boys U.16 (100m)
- (1) Karl Ennis (2) Martin McLoughlin.

Girls Tiny Tots 3 - 4 yrs.

- (1) Shona Barrett (2) Michelle Doran (3) Theresa Doran. Boys Tiny Tots 3 4 yrs.
- (1) Conor Bean (2) John Comerford (3) Shane Collins. **Boys Tiny Tots 5 6 yrs**,
- (1) William Healy (2) Patrick Prendergast (3) Niall Diggins. **Mothers Race**
- (1) Pauline Barrett (2) Caroline Collins (3) Margaret McLoughlin.

Fathers Race

- (1) Michael O'Charcora (2) Willie Healy (3) Sean Fagan. Girls U.8 (80m)
- (1) Mikaela Mahon (2) Emma Collins (3) Cianna Ennis. Boys U.8 (80m)
- (1) Sean McTernan (2) Willie Healy (3) David Fagan. Girls U.10 (200m)
- (1) Muire Ennis (2) Muireann O'Sullivan (3) Catherine O'Riordan.

Boys U.10 (200m)

- (1) Brian O'Malley (2) Kevin Comerford (3) Norman Dunne. Girls U.12 (600m)
- (1) Gillian O'Hurley (2) Emma Higgins (3) Emma Donnelly. **Boys U.12** (600m)
- (1) Pierre Ennis (2) Philip Campbell (3) David Comerford. Girls U.14 (800m)
- (1) Lynn Brennan (2) Alannah Murphy (3) Pearl Byrne. Boys U.14 (800m)
- (1) David Campbell & Conor Diggins (2) Patrick O'Rourke.
- (3) Emmet Hall.

Girls U.13 (Walk)

- (1) Alannah Murphy (2) Pearl Byrne (3) Emma Fleming. **Boys U.13 (Walk)**
- (1) Pierre Ennis (2) Philip Campbell (3) David Comerford. **Girls U.17 (Javelin)**
- (1) Catherine Duff (2) Brid-Ann O'Shea (3) Mary O'Sullivan. **Boys U.16 (Discus)**
- (1) Donal Lennon (2) Martin McLoughlin (3) Séan Lennon. Boys U.14 (Shot)
- (1) Christopher Flynn (2) Patrick O'Rourke (3) Patrick King. Boys U.12 (Long-Puck)
- (1) James Mullarkey (2) Enda Diggins (3) Pierre Ennis. Girls U.14 (Long-Puck)
- (1) Joyce Foy (2) Lynn Brennan (3) Sharon Cummins. Girls U.16 (High Jump)
- (1) Lynn Brennan (2) Emma Fleming (3) Catherine Duff. **Boys U.16 (High Jump)**
- (1) Patrick O'Rourke (2) Karl Ennis (3) Seán Lennon.

Girls U.16 (1,500m)

(1) Mary O'Sullivan (2) Isabelle Fay.

Boys U.16 (1,500m)

(1) Karl Ennis (2) Donal Lennon.

Girls Marathon

(1) Mary O'Sullivan (2) Brid-Ann O'Shea.

Boys Marathon

D. Lennon.

May we take this opportunity to thank Michael and Marie Gleeson for the trojan work put into running the athletics event. A word of thanks to the G.A.A. Committee for giving us the use of their club and facilities on the day.

Chess and Draughts

Maynooth Community Games under 16 chess team checkmated their way into the County final, ending up with silver medals when they were defeated by Straffan.

The County final was played on May 16th at Maynooth boy's school, where the most exciting of the five games was that in which Straffan's top player Paul Dempsey defeated Donal Smith (Greenfield Drive).

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aul Dempsey proved a formidable opponent for Donal as he; All-Ireland under-14 champion, represented Ireland in the vorld championship in Hungary last year, and is already a enior inter-provincial player. Nevertheless Donal managed put him under some pressure before becoming last of the ive Maynooth players to succumb.

a the other matches All-Ireland under-12 champion Colm de losario beat Philip O'Shea (Beaufield Gardens) after another reditable performance by the Maynooth player. Eamonn D'Molloy beat Fergus Denman (Leinster Park), David Fogarty eat Mark Quigley (Moyglare Road), Art McGauran beat John Linsella (Beaufield Gardens), while substitutes Eoin Spring eat Nicholas Bell (Meadowbrook Crescent), Neil de Rosario eat Aidan Molloy (Beaufield Gardens) and John Hanafin beat Iichael Costello (Moyglare Road).

'his is Maynooth's second year in the competition. They deeated Rathangan 4-1 in their quarter-final tie on Tuesday April 5th. Games in order of completion (Maynooth names first): ohn Kinsella lost to Stephen Conway.

ergus Denman beat Liam Dawson.

'hilip O'Shea beat James Mangan.

1ark Quigley beat Aoife Conway.

Jonal Smith beat Dermot Mangan.

and on Friday April 28th Maynooth beat Caragh in an excitng semi-final, 3-2. Games in order of completion (Maynooth ames first):

Jonal Smith beat Aileen Heavey.

licholas Bell lost to Lorraine O'Brien.

ergus Denman beat Fergal Rooney.

1 Aark Quigley beat Enda Hannigan.

'hilip O'Shea lost to George Longwall.

all the Maynooth team are under-age next year.

Caragh defeated Maynooth 6-4 in an intriguing under-14 raughts quarter-final in Caragh school on Thursday May 4th. With each member of the team of five scheduled to play two natches each, Maynooth took an early lead through Aveen D'Keeffe, fell 5-1 behind and came back to 5-4 thanks to some terling play by James Mullarkey and David Lorenzo. In a ense closing match, David Lorenzo, playing with a cracked vrist as a result of a fall, shared his tie with Emer Dunleavy of Caragh allowing the mid-Kildare parish to go through to the emi-finals.

tesults (Maynooth names first):

Oonal Houlihan (Cowanstown) 0 Cian Ford (Caragh) 2 'ierre Ennis (Donaghstown) 0 Andrew Cullen (Caragh) 2 Oavid Lorenzo (Rail Park) 1 Emer Dunleavy (Caragh) 1 ames Mullarkey (Maynooth Park) 2 Adrian Delmar (Caragh) 0 Aveen O'Keeffe (Greenfields) 1 Donal Kealy (Caragh) 1 Substitutes: Damien Travers (Taghadoe) Justin O'Connell Moyglare Village).

Co-ordinators of the chess:- Eoghan Corry and Fergal Nangle. Co-Ordinators of the draughts:- Brian Galligan.

The Committee wish to thank Mr. O'Connell, Principal, Boys School for making his classrooms available to the chess and lraughts teams for their practice over the past number of weeks. A word of thanks also to Mr. Ashe, Principal, Post Primary School for giving us the use of the classrooms for the art, and he gym for the volleyball. Sister Aquinas, Girls Primary School for making facilities available for the gymnastics.

Pitch and Putt

Maynooth are privileged to host this years Pitch and Putt event for the County. This will take place at Tony Bean's Pitch and Putt course on the Dunboyne Road on 18th June.

Swimming

The swimming event took place at Stewarts Sports Centre on 20th May. This was a huge success and a popular event. We wish to thank lifeguards, Elaine Fleming and Liz Whittaker for doing the necessary on the day, also a huge thanks to all the parents who turned out to help make this event so successful and a great afternoons fun for the children.

Boys U.6

(1) Eoghan Farrell (2) Kieran Farrell, (3) Alex Cash.

Boys U.8

(1) Kevin Farrell, (2) Eidhin Carr, Joint (3) Eoghan McCartan & Ross Cullinan.

Boys U.10 (Freestyle)

(1) Mark Cummins, (2) Martin Hoare, (3) Jason Fitzgerald.

Boys U.10 (Backstroke)

The following are the results:-

(1) Mark Cummins, (2) Jason Fitzgerald.

Boys U.12 (Freestyle)

(1) Brian McLoughlin (2) Mark Watson, (3) Joseph McLoughlin.

Boys U.12 (Breastroke)

(1) Mark Watson, (2) Paul Haran, (3) Joseph McLoughlin. Boys U.14 (Freestyle)

Boys U.14 (Freestyle)

(1) Brendan Keogh, (2) Damien Travers, (3) Eoghan Hardiman. **Boys U.14** (Backstroke)

(1) Brendan Keogh, (2) Damien Travers, (3) Shane Pidgeon. **Boys U.14 (Breastroke)**

(1) Brendan Keogh, (2) Damien Travers.

Boys U.16 (Freestyle)

(1) Thomas Mullarkey, (2) Martin McLoughlin, (3) Séamus Cummins.

Boys U.16 (Backstroke)

(1) Thomas Mullarkey, (2) Seán Lennon, (3) Seamus Cummins. **Boys U.16** (Butterfly)

(1) Martin McLoughlin, (2) Thomas Mullarkey, (3) Séamus Cummins.

Girls:-

Girls U.10 (Freestyle)

(1) Aishling Bean, (2) Muireann O'Sullivan, (3) Claire Gannon. **Girls U.10** (Backstroke)

(1) Aishling Bean, (2) Muireann O'Sullivan, (3) Claire Gannon. Girls U.12 (Freestyle)

(1) Aileen Devaney, (2) Yvonne O'Shea, (3) Denise Dolan. Girls U.12 (Breastroke)

(1) Denise Dolan, (2) Aileen Devaney, (3) Yvonne O'Shea. Girls U.14 (Freestyle)

(1) Alannah Murphy, (2) Sharon McLoughlin, Joint (3) Rachel Watson & Emma Cullinan.

Girls U.14 (Backstroke)

(1) Sharon McLoughlin, (2) Emma Fleming, (3) Lynn Brennan. **Girls U.14 (Breastroke)**

(1) Sarah Maycock, (2) Rachel Watson, (3) Sharon McLoughlin.

Girls U.16 (Freestyle)

(1) Theresa Flood, (2) Emer Hoare.

Maynooth Community Games



Maynooth Community Games Under 16 Chess Team County Finalists
Philip O'Shea (Beaufield Gardens), Nicholas Bell (Meadowbrook Crescent),
Mark Quigley (Moyglare Rd), Donal Smith (Greenfield Drive).
Front Row: Aidan Molloy (Beaufield Gardens), John Kinsella (Beautfield Gardens),
Fergus Denman (Leinster Park), Michael Costello (Moyglare Road).



James Mullarkey, Maynooth Community Games Gold Medalist - Long Puck U.12



Emma Howard-Williams, Gold Medal Winner in U10 Modelling in Kildare Community Games

Girls U.16 (Backstroke)

(1) Theresa Flood, (2) Emer Hoare. Girls U.16 (Butterfly)

(1) Theresa Flood, (2) Emer Hoare.

Co-ordinator of above event: Jim Fleming. Please note date for County swim 10th June in Athy.

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Answer:

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You must apply for the subvention before being admitted to the nursing home. However, this rule does not apply if you entered the nursing home prior to the date these Regulations came into effect, September 1993.

In your aunt's case, if she has capital of more than £20,000 remaining, she is unlikely to be considered until her income goes below this amount. We cannot really say what will happen when even with the subvention she can no longer afford to pay the fees to the nursing home. She could apply to the Health Board to be transferred to one of their Welfare Homes. Not all Health Boards have Welfare homes. A medical assessment will be carried out and she will be put on a waiting list. We do know of one situation where the particular Health Board involved was very sympathetic to the case of a person in her nineties who had been in a particular home for a considerable number of years where they undertook to make up the shortfall in her income for the remaining time left to her.

This was just one individual case and we do not know the practice/policy of the various Health Boards on this issue. We can only assume that if the Health Board cannot accommodate the person, that the private nursing home may have to keep the person, even if the fees cannot be met in full.

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nembership and our newly introduced budget plan for paying our regular bills.

inally, congratulations are due to the team from the Boys Iational School, who took part in the regional finals of the redit Union schools' table quiz. Ashley Ledwith, Gilbert D'Farrell, Brendan Gaffney and Barry Hogan did us proud. Ithough they did not progress to the national finals, they are ndeed a credit to the school, and to our Credit Union. If All Annoth can be proud of the level of general knowledge hown by the pupils of our primary schools. Ashley, Gilbert, Brendan and Barry — well done.

Aaynooth Credit Union would like to thank the teachers from he Girls' and Boys' Schools for the work they put into the chools table quiz. We can now look forward to next year's uiz in the knowledge that we have children in our schools ble to compete and win with the best in the country.

1ichael Mooney

MAYNOOTH FLOWERAND GARDEN CLUB

lay Meeting.

his was held on Tuesday 16th May in the Divine Word Hosel. The demonstrator was Marie McKeon and her theme was Back to Nature and the Artist." Her arrangements were very xciting to watch, full of colour, fire and imagination. Everyne was delighted with her and took full advantage of the nowledge she imparted. Marie then judged our monthly cometition and remarked that the standard was extremely high.

lesults of the May Competition.

llass A: Ladies' Day at the Races. An exhibit space 24". First Mary Cleary, Second - Noeleen O'Brien, Third - Kathleen lleary, Very Highly Commended - Felicity Satchwell.

llass B: Ladies' Day at the Races. An exhibit space 24". First Annette Carroll.

Class C: Dinner Table. An exhibit space 24". First - Toni Read, Second - Mary Strickland, Third - Amanda Harris, Very Highly Commended - Janette McCann, Highly Commended - Carmel Kiely, Commended - Mary Temple.

lant Competition. One Stem of a flowering shrub. First - Amanda Harris, Second - Moira Baxter, Third - Carmel Kiely.

une Meeting.

This will be held on Tuesday 20th June in the Divine Word Iostel at 8p.m. The demonstrator will be Maureen Gleeson.

The competitions for classes A, B & C will be - "A Basket of Roses", space 24", and the plant competition is "One Rose" - my variety. All are welcome. Admission £2.

Sarah Angel will be opening her garden to the public on Saturlay June 3rd from 10am onwards. There will be a plant sale and tea and coffee will also be available. Admission will be

£2 and all proceeds will be donated to Alzheimer's. Sarah's garden is one of the loveliest in the Maynooth/Kilcock area and is especially beautiful at this time of the year. The address is Mrs. Sarah Angel, Newtown Prospect, Kilcock.

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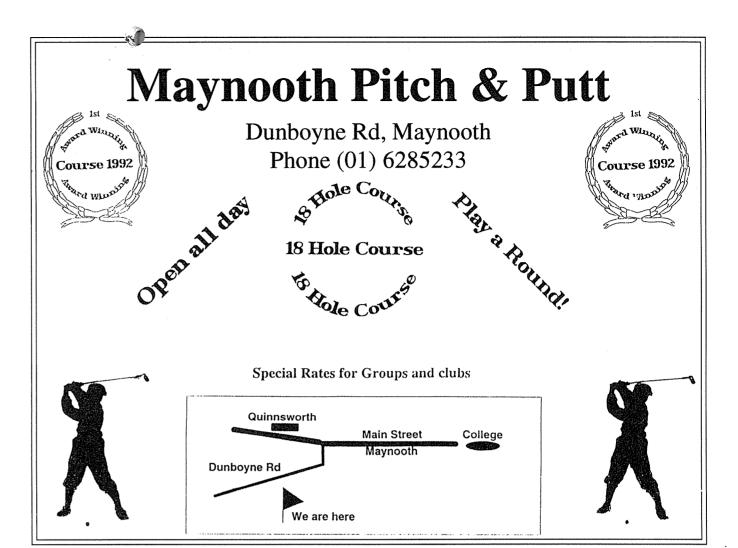
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MAYNOOTH ICA

The AGM of Maynooth ICA was held in the ICA Hall on Thursday 4th May. Mrs Imelda Delaney, our outgoing Presilent, thanked everyone for the help and co-operation she reeived during her three year term of office. Imelda wished ier successor the "best of luck".

New ICA President

Maynooth ICA has a new President in the person of Mrs Marion Souhan. Marion, who lives at Old Carton, Maynooth, is maried to Oliver and has two adult children. She has been a member of the ICA for over 16 years. During those years Marion nas been Contest Secretary, Arts Promoter, Sports Officer and Vice-President. Last year she was Chairperson of Maynooth Annual Show Committee and she also found time to act as Producer to the Maynooth ICA Drama Group. This vast exberience will stand Marion in good stead as she takes on the osition of President.

in her Presidential address, Marion, thanked Imelda for all her work over the past 3 years and said that "Imelda will be a hard act to follow". Marion says she "hopes to be able to maintain such a high standard".

New Committee

| Vice-President and Craft Promoter Mary O'Gorman |
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| SecretaryRosemary Hanley |
| Freasurer |
| Timire and |
| Assistant Secretary Veva Kearins |
| nternational Officer and |
| Kitchen Helen Finn |
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| Sports Officer Margaret Houlihan |
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Keys of ICA Hall

Mrs. Madeline Stynes, Moneycooley, Maynooth is still the 'Key Holder" for our Hall. Any person, or group wishing to book the Hall, should contact Madeline at the above address, or phone her at 6286443.

Collection for Blind

Thank you" to the people of Maynooth who once again conributed so generously to the annual church gate collection for The National Council for the Blind. Our members collected £131 at this collection on 30th April.

Guild Competition Winners

At each Guild meeting during the year we hold a competition for members varying from "A Decorated Easter Egg" to "A Homemade Christmas Card". All the entrants to these combetitions are awarded points with the winners receiving extra points. At the AGM the person with the most points, who this year is Mary O'Gorman, receives free membership for the following year. The 2nd prize of £10 towards the fee goes to To O'Connell and the 3rd prize of £5 fee reduction goes to Imelda Delaney. Well done ladies.

Badminton and Crafts

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, starting at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome.

Crafts are in the ICA Hall on Monday nights (8.00 p.m.) and Wednesday mornings (10.30 a.m.). The craft ladies are doing quilting, doll making, rug making, soft toy making, etc. During May the ladies were also busy preparing for the County Make and Model Competition. Results of this event which was held in Toughers, Naas on 23rd May will be in the next Newsletter.

Summer Holidays

The members of our Guild are officially on holidays from the end of June. There will be no meeting in July or August this year and the crafts and badminton sessions will also end at that time. So, now ladies you know - the holidays are official - it's a pity someone doesn't tell the children and husbands!

Kildare Week in An Grianán

This year Kildare Week will take place in An Grianán from 26th - 30th June. Three ladies from our Guild are going there that week and we hope they have a wonderful time.

I just can't wait that long to pay my first visit to An Grianán, so I am going there in early June. If the place is even half as good as people say it is, I am sure we will have a great time.

It was decided at our AGM that the draw for two part scholarships to An Grianán for 1996 will take place at our September meeting. Only fully paid up members will be included in this draw.

Bi-lingual Quiz

A bi-lingual quiz, sponsored by Bord na Gaeilge, was held in Dowlings, Prosperous on 9th May. Our team, while doing really well, didn't take home the honours. These went instead to Caragh who won and Two Mile House who came second.

Dr. Michéal O'Murchú ba ea fear na gceist agus tar éis na cheisteanna bhí ceol agus craic againn. "Luadh an Lamh Fada" an t-ainm a bhí ar an bhanna ceoil a bhí ann. Bhain gach duine taitneamh as an oíche.

Finans Night Out

Nearly thirty ladies from Maynooth Guild enjoyed a night out in Finans, Naas on Tuesday 16th May. We had a meal, followed by entertainment and a few drinks. When the night was over we were all safely transported home by Mrs. Eileen Lambert.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will take place on 1st June at 8.00 p.m. in our Hall. The competition on that night will be an "On the Spot".

The Federation AGM will be held in Caddamstown at 8.00 p.m. on 14th June. All ICA members are welcome to attend this meeting.

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he final party before the break will be held in the Post Priary School on Sunday June 25th, to coincide with the Tony mith Memorial Walk. As you know this annual event is orinised by the local branch of the Labour Party, but as we and to benefit we ask for your support.

ur morning club will close for holidays on Thursday, June 9th and will re-open September 5th.

inally, many thanks to Quinnsworth for their kind donation f a quantity of coal. Nice one Maureen.

HE MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK **IO-NAME CLUB**

he. A.G.M. for Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club will be eld on Monday 26th June 1995 at 8.00 p.m. in the Arts Buildig at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. New members are elcome.

in Saturday 17th June 1995 at 9.00 p.m. is Maynooth/Kilcock lo Name Club Awards Night. The Awards will take place at ie usual venue. The night will be a 60's night. There will be Prize of £50 for the best dressed couple in 60's gear. The dmission for that night is £1. The only people admitted that ight will be current I.D. card holders. Application Forms lay be obtained from School Host and Hostesses and returned igned to a Committee Member not later than the 3rd June 995. Any application received after that date will not be procssed until September. There will be no admission without D. Cards which will be checked on the night against the curent register. The I.D.'s are for 15 years and over.

1artin Caine **!hairman**

MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP

Intil further notice the "Mother and Toddler" group is closed. Ve are now in the process of finding a new premises to hold ur get together on Wednesday mornings from 10-12 noon. We would appreciate any suggestions anyone may have for a enue. The committee would like to take this opportunity to hank all the mothers for their input and would like to remind ther mothers it is a nice way to meet people in the area. Jappy Summer Holidays.

Diann McCann ?R.O.

ST. MARY'S B.N.S. PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Congratulations to all the boys who made their First Holy Communion recently. As this will probably be the last note for the Newsletter before the end of the school year, the Parents' Association would like to thank you for your continued support and wish you all a happy and safe summer holidays.



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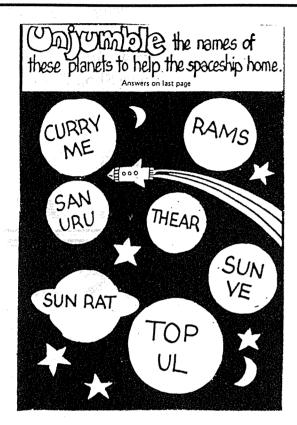
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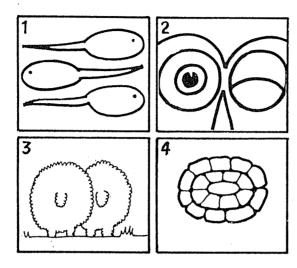


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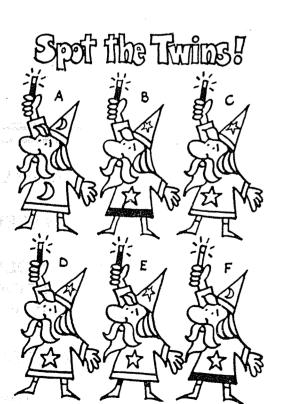




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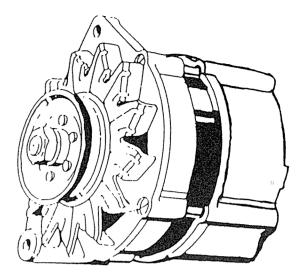
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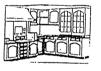
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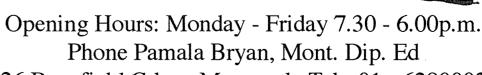
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MEADOWBROOK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

following the election of the new committee, the first general neeting was held on 25th April, 1995, in Caulfield's. Our hanks to the management and staff for the use of the meeting oom. Councillor Catherine Murphy, K.C.C., was invited to ttend and she gave a broad outline of the Maynooth Develpment Plan. The main topic of the evening was the proposed ink road through our estate. The results of the recent survey f residents was reported as follows: Against the road, 72%; n favour, 26%; undecided, 2%. Of those in favour, 75% exressed concerns about traffic levels/safety. A formal objecion is now being prepared and will shortly be lodged with Kildare C.C. Any resident is also entitled to lodge a personal bjection, if they so wish. A special thank you to Councillor Murphy for taking the time to meet with us.

Other matters arising were the poor state of the stream runing through the estate. A meeting has been arranged with ark Developments to discuss this and other work still outtanding on the estate. The old problem of late night noise gain has been causing disturbance. Residents were informed hat it is possible to take a court order against any person who persists in causing a public nuisance. This action can be taken free of harge. Further information from any member of the committee.

The question of association equipment being used by residents who have "overlooked" paying their subs (a tenner well spent n any man's language) was raised and it was decided to look nto some form of membership card scheme. A quote was ilso received for the grass cutting of green areas throughout he estate. This quote was misunderstood and was not as reported but £120 per cut. It would require 15 cuts approxinately per season. At a total cost of about £1,800 and judging by the trouble getting the £10 subs, volunteers are required and all residents are asked to keep the grass verges to the front of their houses cut. An estate clean-up day and some sort of ocial get-together will be on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

Due to the shortage of time some items were not dealt with at he last meeting and these will be carried over to the next. Residents will be informed of the date as soon as possible. Your attendance shows you care.

John Doogan (Chairman)

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The annual subs collection is well under way by the committee and various members of the association.

If you missed our collectors on your road you can drop the £12 subscription around to our Treasurer, Mary Farrell, 11 Greenfield Drive.

Our annual clean-up will take place in the middle of June. Watch out for a circular which will be issued with full details in the near future.

Finally, the annual sub goes towards the various commitments undertaken by the association in the upkeep of the estate and the running of the association.

RAIL PARK RESIDENTS' NOTES

Straffan Road Walls

At a recent meeting of the ad-hoc committee of Residents' Associations which is keeping a watching brief on the improvement work being carried out on the Straffan Road, concern was expressed about the walls which are being built between the road and the adjoining estates. The committee had been led to expect five-foot-high walls except near junctions. However, the wall which has been built at Rail Park clearly is not this height. Elsewhere, the wall is five feet high on the road side, but not on the inside.

It was agreed at this meeting that each residents' association would write to the local councillors and government ministers about this. Our main concerns were that high walls were needed in order (1) to prevent people taking short cuts across green spaces; (2) to prevent young children jumping/falling out onto the road; (3) to provide both visual and aural screening between estates and the road. We also sought jagged capping on the walls to prevent people walking along them.

At the time of writing, Rail Park Residents' Association has received replies on the issue from Ministers Stagg and Durkan, and Councillors McGinley and Murphy. The County Engineer has acknowledged that there is a problem, and has undertaken to investigate what can be done about it. It is vital that the requested modifications be done now, while the main work is in progress. Otherwise, it is likely to end up on an indefinite long finger. The ad-hoc committee will keep the pressure on. We will keep Rail Park residents informed through the medium of this column.

OLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Neighbourhood Watch meeting 11th May, 1995

Although our area co-ordinator Garda Martin Caine could not attend the meeting, this meeting was our best yet. A well attended meeting with over 25 residents present.

Many varied issues were discussed. A list of same has been made available to Garda Martin Caine. Anyone with enquiries from the Neighbourhood Watch scheme contact your street co-ordinator. All our new residents in Greenfield Close are welcome to all our meetings and can obtain their Neighbourhood Watch pack from the secretary Anne Birchall at No. 1.

The Re-erection of our Two Bollards

Congratulations to our local engineer John Gavigan on the quick installing of our two new concrete bollards. We await our final bollard. Mr Gavigan has assured us it will be erected as soon as possible. Hopefully these two concrete bollards will prove too much for the passing traffic. Once again the

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Residents Associations

children, as we all, can walk the lane, without the ever increasing volume of traffic abusing our cul-de-sac lane. Our local Gardaí have assured us, now the bollards are in place again, they will be watching for cars abusing this cul-de-sac.

Hedging on Lane and Footpaths

Also discussed at the meeting was the overgrown hedging and trees on the footpaths on the lane. These hedges are making it very difficult for people with prams and children to pass without getting their clothes or themselves torn.

Dogs and Cats

The dog warden is once again in Greenfield. Anyone needing his help with dangerous dogs and strays can get him at: 045 - 81765 Frank Mitchell.

Trees

There are some trees still available. Trees can be obtained from any committee member.

Public Lighting

Any public lights not working — the number of the pole to be taken and given to any committee member, or report it to K.C. Council at 045-97071.

Gas Repairs

The Gas company have re-seeded the green in phase 3. They also repaired the **Footpath** running alongside the river.

Financial Report

Our Treasurer Kevin McGovern informed our May meeting that we are once again in a healthy position in the black in the bank. We take this opportunity to welcome Margaret McCarron as our new assistant treasurer.

Results from Visitation to K. C. Council

Once again our visit to Kildare County Council proved profitable. The saftey railings above and below the bridge, are now in place, only a short time since our visit.

Our attentions must now be turned to the serious problem of the open river, at the end of Old Greenfield. All our energies must be channelled into achieving a safe environment for the children.

This river is a dangerous attraction to children, now the long summer evenings are approaching.

As suggested by Lorna Byrne, a combined effort of letters and lobbying by residents in Greenfield and Meadowbrook will have a positive result. We united, should be able to pressurise K.C.C. to erect a safety barrier running the full length of the open river.

This will make K.C.C. aware, as before, of our everlasting determination and persistence in such serious matters.

Football Leagues

Anyone interested in setting up mini football leagues for July - August '95, can contact Christopher Byrne. This great idea, suggested by Christopher, will combine boys and girls. We hope to have trophies and medals for winners. So get your

We hope to have trophies and medals for winners. So get your names in now!.

That's all for now folks. See you next month.

Secretary.

Features

EYE HEAR

The College Green One

Last November, Eugene O'Neill of College Green had an adventure not many would like to share, unless of course you desperately wanted a free breakfast. Eugene went over to Southampton to visit friends. To pass some time he entered a local hostelry.

While sitting at the bar he was set upon and robbed of all his cash by some coloured hoodlums. Later he went to the local Police station to report the crime. Having given his details he was told to wait a while. Soon plainclothes officers arrived and promptly arrested him under the Prevention of Terrorism Act. They mistakenly believed him to be a wanted man known as Eugene Francis O'Neill. Eugene insisted that his full name was in fact Eugene Oliver O'Neill although he had no documentary proof of this on his person. He ended up in a cell being interrogated by different officers. Meanwhile armed police sharp shooters were stationed on the roof of the holding station.

The following morning Eugene was asked what he would like for breakfast and while he was eating same, the prison officer kept complaining that he was getting a free breakfast while he himself would have to pay for his own (Life can be so unfair sometimes). By now Eugene was totally mystified and wondering if it was some kind of joke. However, he was soon jolted back to reality, when he heard the words, "BRING OUT THE PRISONER". Then he knew how serious a predicament he was in. Thankfully, the situation was eventually resolved and he was released from custody. When he returned home he became known locally as the College Green One.

Smokey Blue Heaven

Recently while crossing Mullen Bridge I noticed a large puff of smoke rise on the horizon way up the railway line. Initially I thought it was some sort of steam train or perhaps a diesel engine that was burning oil. However I soon realised it was railway man, Andy Graham, coming "puff" "puff" down the track smoking his new pipe. Luckily the fire brigade lads didn't see him or he might have got an awful drenching.

Wanna be Madonna's mut

This will delight all believers in reincarnation. Apparently superstar Madonna has a little pet Chihuahua Chiquita dog and its lifestyle is the envy of many. There are three vets on call 24 hours a day at each of her three residences.

As soon as the doggie develops a cough or any sign of ailment a vet will arrive and attend to it, at a mere cost of \$500 a time. This special pooch has it's very own chef and designated dog walker. Madonna even splashed out 7,500 dollars to buy it a lovely diamond choker.

I can just imagine Fr. Denis Cogan, Dinny Carroll, Denis O'Sullivan, Mick Scanlon, Patricia Condron and Pauric Kearney all queuing up outside the Maynooth traveller's shop. All Sudan and Rywandian papers please copy.

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MAYNOOTH TEST TRIAL

The Maynooth Festival Test Trial will once again take place in Doyles Mart on June 13th. As in previous years many of the top rank drivers in this discipline will be competing in this event. The event starts at 7.30 p.m. and all are welcome to come and watch as well as come down to meet the drivers at the prize giving in the Roost after the event.

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STREET TALK

Very little on the street talking scene this month.

On a sad note, the closure of the Esso petrol station on the Dublin Road, is disappointing to say the least. On a brighter note, Hugh O'Neill of Co. Meath is getting closer to opening his workshop in Coates Lane. He will be restoring old paintings, framing and other work in that field. More on this next month.

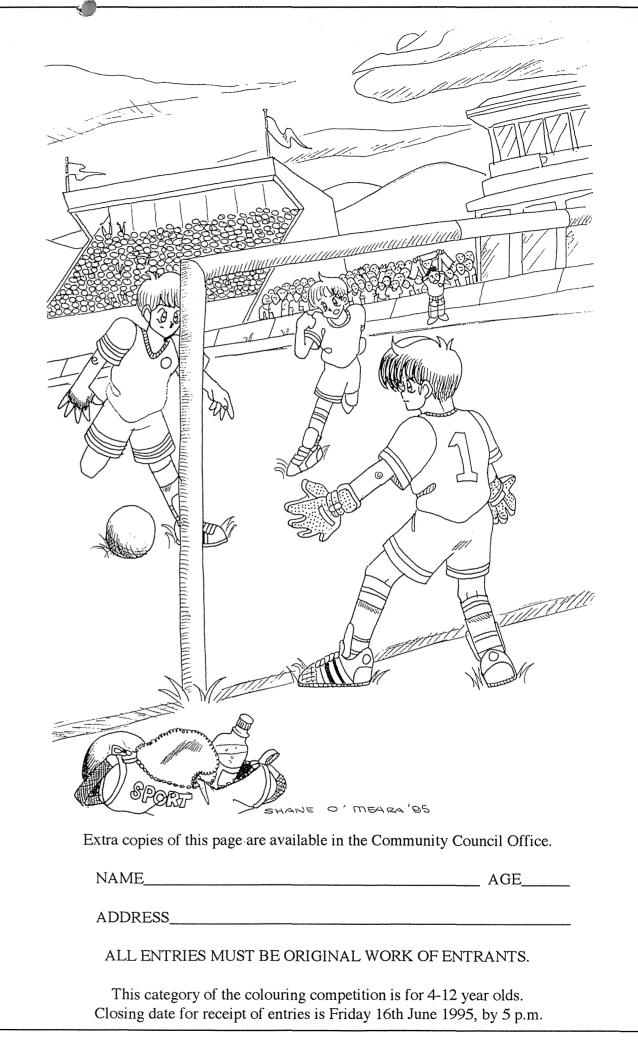


On an even brighter note, it looks like the drab building on the Main Street at Coates Lane is due for a face-lift.

Planning permission is being sought for change of use from retail to banking-financial institution plus an A.T.M. machine. We have very little information on this at the moment but we will keep you informed.



Interesting maybe, but Maynooth seems to be pretty unique having talked to a lot of people and having visited hundreds of towns and villages in the county I or my compatriots cannot come up with one that has more banking-financial institutions than pubs. Think about it.



HELEN'S COFFEE SHOP

Helen's Restaurant and Coffee Shop has been under new management since the 8th of May, 1995. The new proprietor is Patricia Mulchrone, famous for her delightful cuisine in the Hitchin' Post, and will run both restaurants in conjunction with one another. The restaurant will specialise in luncheon menus with daily specials from 12-2. Breakfast will be served all day with choice of menu for those who are really hungry or the delicate from the night before.

The restaurant will be called Rye Restaurant and Coffee Shop and has all the makings of a successful venture. With ample staff and friendly service this Restaurant should prove a valuable addition to Maynooth town's thriving industry.

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John Drennan

Maynooth College post-graduate and 24-year-old local man John Drennan has recently overcome a harrowing unemployment experience and has reaped the rewards of his studies with the publication of his first novel, *The Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong*. He also provided the text for Maynooth local history, *Cannonballs and Croziers*, and is a jour-

nalist working for the *Sunday Independent*. This popular and witty young man has a very appealing, humorous and descriptive style of writing and with two more publications in the pipeline he is on the threshold of even greater success.

Only son

John, the only son of William and Alice, was born at Lombard Street in Dublin, near the Pro-Cathedral. The Drennan family later moved to Old Greenfield, Maynooth, from where John attended the local B.N.S. and Post-Primary Schools. His parents have since moved to Portlaoise. As a teenager he played Gaelic games and was a full-forward on the local U/14 hurling team. John humorously describes how they "regularly got thrashed by teams from Prosperous whose players had beards". He also played rugby with the North Kildare club.

Entered Maynooth College

Being a brainy and precocious youngster, it was inevitable that he was destined for academia land inside the gates of Maynooth College. He commenced studying English, History, Sociology and Classics, and obtained a B.A. in English and History. John crowned his years of endeavour with a H.Dip. in Ed. and an M.A. in History.

John feels he missed out a bit by being a local resident. However, he found college life to be very entertaining and a great lifestyle. In those years things were not as competitive as they are now and he partook in a great many activities. According to John, today is the day of the Business/Finance student. The great impromptu mid-day drinking sessions in the Roost are

now replaced with a new breed of student who enjoys coffee and sandwiches.

Interests

Gradually, John's main interests became drinking and debating, and he added, "I sometimes combined both with interesting results".

Union President Campaign

John ran for the post of Union President in the last of the years with the big campaigns. The campaign van was a German Nissan with smiling figures painted over it. He recalls with some pleasure startling Sean "Buggy" Horan when he read his name over the loudspeaker. Kevin Tunney won the election, having secured the services of the local céilí band, comprised of Balla, Fred, Christy and the boys, to lure intending voters to his stand.

The Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong

After completing his degree course, John had to endure a traumatic period of unemployment, which he expected to be shortterm, but it became a more long-term thing. It was this experience that spawned his riveting and heart-rending first confessional novel, The Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong. Disempowered and stripped of almost all human dignity, Sean Armstrong fought back with the only weapons he possessed, his sharp pen and an even more sharpened intellect. The end product is a thoroughly enjoyable read about his battles with a system that apparently fails to see those it serves as real, actual human beings. The author, using his immense descriptive powers, brings to life the dole office, various characters, nature, romance, trips, occurrences, political satirism and various daily incidents which we can all identify with. It is a laugh a minute as the author uses humour almost as a defence weapon in the depths of adversity.

Frighteningly honest

It is a frighteningly honest account of the totality of effects of unemployment, not just economic but psychological and sexual as well. However, to say it's about unemployment is to limit it. It is a novel dispersed with numerous humorous dissertations and plenty of political satire. It is also a book borne out of pain and deep human anguish, which intensifies the emotions and shows the importance of love, as the relationship between Sean and his girlfriend Catherine undergoes traumatic changes. One's interest is heightened, wondering how they will end up and is Sean a narcissistic prat or a victim of his demoralising circumstances? This book, which the reader deduces may be loosely based on a Maynooth setting, has a universal theme and, despite its tragic elements, has a redeeming concept of beauty and transcendence. It comes highly recommended and is available at the Maynooth Bookshop and at bookshops nationwide. It is published by Blackwater Press.

Journalistic career

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The serialisation of his book has led John into a career in journalism and he now writes weekly articles in the *Sunday Independent*, mainly specialising in political topics. Attending the Dáil regularly over the last 14 years, he has acquired a deep knowledge of the political process. In John's own words, "I look at them and I write about them". He finds responses vary.

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Some politicians are terribly sensitive. In some ways the least intelligent politicians are the most sensitive. Others come up to him to chat and just laugh it off. From his observations, the most effective member of the Dáil is Michael Lowry. He views Dick Spring as more of a political operator and the politician who impresses him the most is Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, and he would not be at all surprised if she became the next leader of Fianna Fáil in about seven years' time.

Philosophy of Life

A significant factor in John's life is the importance of wonder. As his readers will attest, he is a keen observer of both humanity and nature. He sees a sense of humour as essential for survival.

Spirituality

Spirituality is important to John, particularly its quality of transcendence, and he added: "If we don't have that in our lives we don't have very much". He believes justice does exist, "but it is very shy most of the time".

Other works

John has been most impressed by Flan O'Brien's early works. However, he is not an avid reader, which helps protect his own individuality. He has already provided the text for the highly-regarded local history of Maynooth, *Cannonballs and Croziers*, which is currently available in the shops. However, he views his effort as a small contribution in the context of the great community effort which evolved around the publication. He is currently writing two new books, one which he describes as "cold . . . terrifyingly cold". The other one is very different, "very beautiful". We can all look forward to their publication with interest.

On the side of the people

All in all, John is a simple-living man who is on the side of the people who don't get a fair break. This is a shared similarity with Johnny Cash, his favourite musical interest. John is in essence an ordinary man with extraordinary talents, writing about ordinary things. Apart from his immense descriptive skills and intellectual prowess, it is I believe his deep sense of justice and almost brutal honesty which will set him apart from other writers. He is very definitely a true poet and prophet who is recognised in his own land.

We all wish him every success in his future career — he deserves it.

Footnote: On Saturday, 22nd April, John appeared on the *Kenny Live* chat show and became the centre of a debate which highlighted in a major way the plight of the unemployed.

GARDA TALK

Automobile Theft

The theft of your motor car can be the greatest financial loss any person or family can suffer and unfortunately in recent years it has become a "crime trade" countrywide.

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Protection of Property

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- 3) Do not leave property in a visible place.
- 5) Do not attempt to cover it with a coat, newspaper etc. this advertises its presence.

Prevent Stealing

- 1) Always lock all doors.
- 2) Close all windows fully.
- 3) Remove keys when vehicle unattended Never leave spare keys in vehicle.
- 4) Etch registration particulars onto all windows.

Security

- 1) Consider installing a car alarm.
- 2) Fit immobiliser to prevent hot-wiring.
- 3) Use some form of steering lock.
- 4) Fuel cut-outs can also be useful.

Most thieves are looking for an easy target, so avoid parking in isolated or dimly lit places and secure your car at all times even in your own driveway.

Road Safety

As you are all well aware, at present there are major re-developments in progress to various roadways and footpaths around Maynooth. The Straffan Road is especially experiencing major reconstruction work. These necessary developments bring with them changes in the geography of the road from time to time and hence the need to instill into all road users - pedestrians, cyclists and motorists - the necessity to exercise extreme caution and patience at all times when negotiating these roads. We would particularly like to stress the importance of obeying the traffic lights on the Straffan Road bridge as carelessness on drivers' behalfs have resulted in needless accidents at this location on previous occasions. If ever these lights appear to be faulty or out of operation we would kindly ask you to contact the local Gardaí immediately. In conjunction with these lights there are numerous other temporary road signs, markings and signals which must be respected for the period of reconstruction to ensure prevention of further accidents. Your patience, kind co-operation and assistance in these matters is deeply appreciated by the Gardaí and may be crucial in preventing unnecessary serious accidents.

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'Bord Gáis' in Maynooth recently held a very successful 'Teddy-Bears' colouring competition. It was open to all children under the age of twelve and there were over three hundred entrants.

The children were asked to paint or colour-in a picture featuring the Bord Gáis logo - the teddy bears. All the entries were of such a high standard it was difficult to decide on the prize winners.

However, there had to be winners and these were: 1st prize: Ciara Leavey, Old Greenfield, age 11. 2nd prize: Colin Watts, Moyglare Meadows, age 9. 3rd prize: Jennifer Feehan, Kingsbry, age 41/2.



They received as their prizes £50 and a set of teddy bears each. The entrants were presented with them in the Bord Gáis Showrooms, Main Street, Maynooth, on Wednesday May 17th by Joan and Deirdre of Bord Gáis Maynooth.

INTEREST IN CROSSWORD INCREASES FIVEFOLD!

Interest in our Crossword has increased fivefold in recent months and we wonder if this is due to the attractions of the "demon drink"! Since the Mill Wine Cellar began its sponsorship with the prize of an Irish Whiskey Gift Pack the number of entries has grown. The prize is undoubtedly attractive but we advise any winners not to partake of their trophy too close to the time they attempt the next Crossword as it is not guaranteed to assist you in solving the clues! We are delighted with the increase in entries and would like to express our gratitude once more to the Mill Wine Cellar, which is responsible for an increased amount of head-scratching around the town each month!



KEEPING WATCH



Overseeing the changing face of Maynooth are the three wise men above. With over 200 years between them, all or any of them could write a book on development of Maynooth over the years. So how about it lads, I'm only a blow in.

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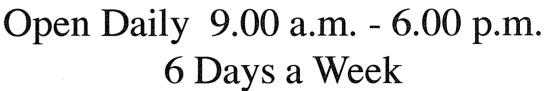
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Then I got this letter, right For the most part so polite "We notice sir in your account You've now exceeded the amount Of overdraft that we'd agreed To meet you we're in urgent need So when would be convenient then Tomorrow morning half-past ten" I thought the sum involved was small Yet to the bank did duly call

What happened in there on that day Is much too painful to relay Suffice it then for me to say I came out crushed like a squeezed fag packet Strapped in my "flexible" strait jacket.

Tommy Campbell Graiguepottle.

#### **DEFENCE OF SCHEMES**

A book review having already been done in this magazine, I just wish to pass comment on John Drennan's book.

A brilliant piece of witty writing, typical of this young artist. The positive side being covered, we will look at the negative side.

It is fairly depressing reading for people who have gone through 90% of the bad feelings he describes so well. Regrets of the past, guilt, depression and mostly despair in the future.

Journalism is a very tricky business and one must be very cute or very devious.

Is he going to follow the path of his fellow writers in the Sunday Independent? Is he going to follow the lead of Conor Cruise O'Brien or Bruce Arnold and take a tunnel-vision view of the subject. This he does on his description of schemes. Being one who spent time on a scheme, I do not understand his narrow-mindedness towards them. Nothing positive at all. John?

To the majority of us on the schemes it looks slightly contradictory. As you describe being in a prison "your house" and the depression was the scheme not a way to escape. To many



Community Employment workers Mary McMechan and Jane McNulty getting the Newsletter together.

of us who suffered like that, it was. If schemes are useless for everything else for this alone they are well worthwhile. Lie in the bed sweating or meeting up to 30 people in a fairly pleasant atmosphere? Which do you want? Did it not help somewhat in your problem with your uselessness? It did ours.

Are you going to follow your other fellow-artist Eamonn Dunphy? A brilliant journalist but master of the one-liner that causes controversy and sells papers and books.

You seem to be following him in your description of the people who run the schemes. Calling people "raving lunatics" is a bit like Dunphy. Maybe they are not all fully sane, but then again which of us is? Are you?

Getting away from John and to the positive side of schemes. To the majority of people in them they have the opposite effect to John's.

Get you out of the house. Meet people and be generally useful if you want to. To others the work experience and courses are invaluable.

So, John, I would ask you when you are writing about something that affects so many people broaden your mind a little.

We wish you a long and successful career.

#### Pius Kelly



Community Employment worker Siobhán Howard-Williams happy working on her project in Community Council office.

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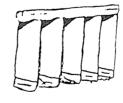


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# A REACTION TO JOHN DRENNAN'S JUDGMENT ON C.E. SCHEMES



Community Employment workers L-R: Anne Marie Thompson, Karen Cullen, Sandy Nolan and Sheila McKenna busy calculating wages.

If Mr. John Drennan believes that Community Employment Schemes are "absolutely useless" then he should have seen the faces of those who stood to lose out when cutbacks were announced recently. Those looks, though mute, spoke volumes of disagreement with the opinions he expressed on television some weeks ago.

No-one is heard praising C.E. schemes as cure-alls for the dire unemployment situation - because they aren't. On the other hand, practically nobody who is employed on them is heard voicing opinions like John Drennan's. His is the opinion of the "newly secure" (since he is now in a well-paid job). When people are among the "still insecure" their opinions are not expressed so stridently because they are too well aware of their position if the schemes were not available — their gloomy situation would be an awful lot worse.

A place on a scheme is not going to fill a person with an enormous feeling of self-importance — but it is hugely better than being totally without anything to do. However, it would be wrong to give the impression that the schemes only provide psychological comfort, because they give much more than that.

The C.E. scheme run by Maynooth Community Council, which produces the Maynooth Newsletter among other things, gives people a very broad range of skills which they may have had no contact with previously. These include the opportunity to learn typing; acquire the basic skills of using computers for word processing and advertisement make-up; deal with the public in areas regarding the collection of advertising and helping the public in compiling theses, CVs and essays; acquire a better understanding of spelling and punctuation through proofreading; make up wages and deal with banks and government forms in connection with same, and many, many other skills.

There is no long queue of employers at the door of the office waiting to offer jobs but when people on the scheme apply for employment they are in a position to say they have skills which they didn't have before they joined it. To that extent they are better off than they were beforehand.

So C.E. schemes are not "useless" because apart from making people better equipped than they were they also give them



Theo O'Keeffe, Maria Roche, Paddy Caulfield, Rita Flynn and Gerry Bright happy at work as Community Employment scheme workers.

something to be involved in and this is infinitely better than leaning against a bar counter, sitting in a bookies or staying at home in your sittingroom watching the "box" in the corner all day. There is also a down side to the schemes, but that's another story and it can wait for another day.

Paddy Caulfield

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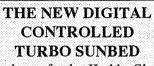
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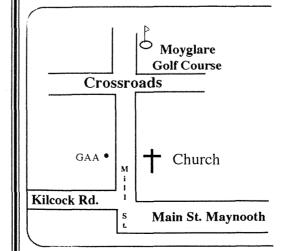
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# **SERVICE CHARGES -**THE BATTLE GOES ON

Recent Government decisions have brought the service charges issue back into focus. First there was the dictate, that it will be necessary for a local authority to obtain a Court order before disconnecting a resident's water supply. The second concession was revealed in Ruairi Ouinn's budget speech, when he offered a tax allowance for charges paid.

When the charges were imposed over ten years ago some three hundred Maynooth people took part in a protest march from the shopping centre to the Council offices at the Harbour. However, as the trend of disconnection and costly court actions loomed over them and amid claims of harassment and intimidation, few people found within themselves the resolve to continue the campaign. This is not to say that the people of Maynooth were in favour of the charges, quite to the contrary. In a poll carried out eight years ago and subsequently submitted to the Co. Council, some 95% of people were against the charges and saw them as double taxation.

#### Will continue to fight

Men like Michael Quinn and Matt Carroll have continued to fight the charges through their involvement with the Kildare branch of ACRA. Speaking on the recent changes, Michael Quinn said, "while we welcome the ability to offset a small part of the charges against your tax liability, the fact that the courts will become directly involved could have serious repercussions." He continued, "we maintain that the family home should not be used for raising taxes but rather all taxes should be based on income - we will continue to fight for the total abolition of service charges".

#### Middle of night

Presently, the main spotlight is on Fingal and South Dublin where some 60% of residents are claimed to be ignoring the charges and where water disconnections are being carried out in the middle of the night. Matt Carroll has always believed that nothing would ever really be done about the charges until the battle moved to Dublin. With all the main political parties seeking to increase their vote in the capital, it will be most interesting to see how things will develop in the future.

One thing for sure over ten years later the water charges are still leaving a sour taste in the mouths of Maynooth's hard pressed tax-payers - it is the taste of injustice.

#### Willie Healy

#### **NOTES FROM NAMIBIA**

Having already written about our trip to Etosha to see some of the big exotic animals, I would like to tell you now about some of the less dramatic creatures we see regularly, closer to home, here in Windhoek

Outside our kitchen window, at the back of our house, there stands a guava tree. Some of the higher branches bear no leaves and at first we thought that this was due to frost damage that had occurred during last year's unusually cold winter. Then we began to pay more attention to the activities of our resident weaver bird. About the size of a finch, with deep yellow feathers and a black face-mask, this little male builds the beautiful little hanging nests that give him his name by weaving grasses or strips of leaves into a cosy shelter for his mate and their eggs and chicks.

Shortly after we arrived, there were about seven nests and the number eventually climbed to over a dozen. Then some disappeared and we began to notice debris scattered under the tree. We began to wonder if we had a neurotic perfectionist on the property. However, a visitor explained that Mr Weaver builds a nest and Mrs Weaver comes to inspect it. If she is not happy with it, she destroys it. So we began to feel more sympathy for the hard-working little fellow. Alas, the branches, already bare of leaves, were eventually denuded of nests also, and the little builder vanished. We were disappointed, but not too surprised.

The rains were late this year, but when they did arrive, the naked branches at the top of the guava tree began to clothe themselves. Then the weaver bird returned and started to build again. And the newly-grown leaves disappeared! Then we realised that any weaver nests we've seen are usually hanging from bare branches. So was it frost, or is it the weaver? And when are we going to see some chicks? (See below).

Then there is that four-legged furry creature that locals call meerkat in Afrikaans. Less than two feet long, brownish, slim and sleek, with a pointed nose and lovely little ears, it lay on its belly under a tree, legs splayed out to the sides. Ever alert, it sat up and scrabbled in the earth or the grass and came up nibbling - beetles and other insects, presumably. We got out the binoculars and the animal book and decided that it was a yellow mongoose. Then there were two: one a suckling female. We were delighted, because these animals have a reputation for dealing severely with snakes. One of my strongest ambitions while I'm here is to avoid ever meeting one of those long sinuous creatures. So the mongeese - or mongooses - are very welcome in the garden. We donate all our chicken bones and other meaty waste to the cause of keeping in with these little protectors.

Smoky, next door's stand-offish black cat, wasn't willing at first to share territory in our garden with the newcomers. So they had it out and as neither won, they have to put up with each other. Smoky is a fearsome predator, as the feathers occasionally strewn on the grass can tell. He's done in at least one dove and it's a delight to watch the intensity of his concentration when he is stalking his prey.

There are wild cats in this country - not just the big ones, but smaller animals, the same size as ordinary domestic moggies.

# **Features**

We've come across several that have been domesticated or have attached themselves to human households. They seem to me to have somewhat more distinguished features than the average pussy-cat, such as more pointed ears and muzzles. On the way to the coast, in Karibib, there is a beautiful shop that specialises in semi-precious stones, which houses a tamed wild or feral cat. This one has grown fat on a diet of biltong or dried beef and is as beautiful as any show specimen.

We've heard the jackals howling in the neighbourhood once or twice at night and next morning we've seen dog-like pawprints in the sand. Around here, dogs are usually confined to gardens, to provide burglar-proofing on the hoof, so to speak, so the prints were likely to have been made by the noisy scavengers in the night.

Before I could get this piece in the post, we found some broken egg-shells on the concrete path beneath one of the six nests that hang from the stripped branches. Mostly they were blue with irregular brownish spots, although one was white. They were a bit bigger than a child's marble. All were broken nearer the round than the pointed end. The chicks must be really tiny when they emerge. Ma and Pa are busy ferrying in food and we're dying to see the youngsters venture out into the big world.

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# March on Dublin





Richard Bruton decided to cut Community Employment Schemes after previous ministers promised to increase them substantially. "Take note Minister for Finance", if farmers and teachers are allowed to March on the Dail why not Community Employment Scheme workers. So here's what happened.

It was like 1916 again when a group from Maynooth headed for Dublin. The battle this time was for the jobs (although menial) of about 60 workers. Seven thousand jobs were to be cut, 25% in Co. Kildare. So we headed for the capital, taking the scenic route. It was lovely going up the quays in heavy traffic to get to Kildare Street from Maynooth.

We eventually got there with 45 minutes to spare. Lads burstin time for a pint — great relief!. After a pint in O'Donoghue's we went back to the demonstration. The ladies went to Power's Hotel and Buswell's.

The large crowd was not organised well enough. Maynooth, Dublin and Tipperary North and South were very well represented but where were the rest? There were great speeches and plenty of cameras from the "Indo", the Press, the Times and RTE.

Mary Mac did us proud on the 6 o'clock News and left no-one in doubt as to why we were there. She put up many great points for the retention of the schemes at their present strength.

Protest continued, taken over slightly by whom I thought were professional protesters. They would probably be there if there was a protest for the protection of the frog.

March on the Dail. No-one there. Disperse back to Donoghue's. Having good crack with some Brits. Instruments appear. Sing-song started Brian playing, Liam singing, great crack! Great country, singing your head off with a pint in hand! Happy, 3.30 Friday afternoon!

Pints later — "got to go, lads". Replies of "No way, I'm staying!" "I'm staying!" "Me too!" "You lucky baskets! I'm afraid I have to. Good bye."

On the bus home we took the scenic route again, back through city centre. We learned of the ladies' exploits in Power's. It had been educational — they learned what the English wear under Scottish kilts. Helen was in the dark! Sing-song on bus. In Maynooth eventually after what had been a great day. Worked well, got £10 million!





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On a work surface, lay 4 pieces of bacon at right angles to each other forming a cross, with the sides of the rashers slightly overlapping. Thread the rashers over and under each other, making sure that the four pieces of bacon touch each other.

Lay a little kidney and liver in the centre of the bacon and a little mustard and seasoning to taste. Fold the rashers over alternately into the centre, to give a woven effect, working in a clockwise direction. Using 2 cocktail sticks secure the bacon ends together. Repeat to make 7 more parcels.

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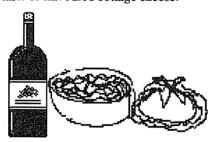
Serves: 4
Preparation: 5 minutes
Cook: 35 minutes
Total calories: 936

4 baking potatoes oil, to brush salt 20z/50g butter, cubed small bunch of chives or few sprigs of mint, to garnish Pre-heat the oven to Mark 7/425°F/220°C. Wash potatoes and prick well. Boil for 10 minutes or wrap each one in kitchen paper and arrange in microwave. Cook on High for 15 minutes. Remove paper, brush the potatoes with oil and sprinkle liberally with salt. Cover each potato with aluminium foil, place on a baking tray and bake in the oven, or on hot barbeque for 20 minutes until cooked.

Remove from the heat, cut a cross in top of each potato and add a cube of butter. Garnish with chives or mint.

#### Tips

For a change, serve baked potatoes with a selection of ready-flavoured mayonnaise or butters. Transform them into a main course by topping them with something more filling. Ready-cooked chicken mixed with mayonnaise and curry powder, or cooked minced beef in a tomato sauce would both be delicious. If you're counting calories, try ham topped with slices of fresh apricot for a tangy taste or flavoured cottage cheese.



# CURED MEAT AND GORGONZOLA SALAD

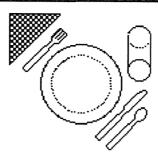
#### Serves: 6

Use a selection of your favourite cured meats to make this quick and easy starter. As an alternative to Gorgonzola, you can use any blue cheese of your choice.

200g (7oz) bag of mixed salad leaves 6 slices Parma ham 12 slices salami 12 slices pepperoni 170g (6oz) Gorgonzola cheese 24 black olives, about 85g (3oz)

#### For the dressing

The juice of 1 lemon 3 tablespoons olive oil 1 to 2 cloves garlic, crushed 1 tablespoon snipped chives Salt and freshly ground black pepper



Arrange the mixed salad leaves on individual chilled serving plates. Tear the Parma ham into strips. Fold the circular meats in half, then half again, to make a cone shape. Arrange the meats among the salad leaves. Crumble the Gorgonzola between your finger-tips. Scatter the cheese and black olives over the salad.

Place all the ingredients for the dressing in a screw-topped jar and shake vigorously until well emulsified.

Carefully drizzle the dressing over the salad and serve at once accompanied by warm Italian bread.

# RUM AND RAISIN SYLLABUB

Serves: 6

225g/8oz raisins 180ml/6fl. oz. dark rum 600ml/1pt. double cream 2 egg whites, size 3 100g/4oz caster sugar demerara sugar for sprinkling

#### Method

Place the raisins in a bowl with the rum and cover. Leave to soak for at least 2 hours or overnight. Strain the rum into a large bowl, reserving the raisins, and add the double cream. Whisk until soft peaks form.

In a separate bowl, whisk the egg whites until stiff peaks form. Gradually whisk in the caster sugar until glossy. Using a large metal spoon, carefully fold the egg whites into the cream with half the raisins.

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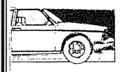
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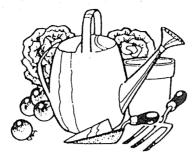
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### Hobbies and Interests

# GARDENING HINTS

ne can now relax that the first spring rush is over and take time to wander around the garden, mark the gaps and note the plants doing badly, and decide on new ones to fill them in or replace them.



It is very important, this wandering around; it looks aimless, but in fact, the more one can do it the better. In the process a good gardener observes his/her plants and their reactions to his/her treatment and draws conclusions which result in better plants and even more attractive interlocking of their habits of growth, colour, leaf shapes and flowering. He/she sees the beginning of pest and disease attack, the onset of weed infestation, the need for water, the appearance of deadheads and the over-luxuriant growth that wants pruning away.

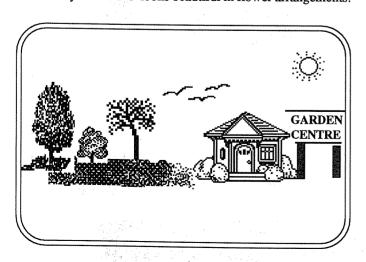
### The Flower Garden

Jobs to do, if one must, are staking border plants, pruning early summer flowering shrubs, tying or ringing sweet peas, liquid feeding of annual and bedding plants, mowing the lawn, spraying for rose mildew, blackspot, greenfly and caterpillars. The last of the bedding plants should be out at the beginning of the month, together with dahlias and chrysanthemums.

Biennials can still be sown this month for next season's spring flowering. Watering is likely to be necessary constantly, particularly the lawn. The quick growing hedges can be given their first cut in early June, privet, blackthorn, hawthorn and gorse.

One shrub that definitely needs to be planted as a single specimen is the magnificent wedding cake bush (*Vibernum plicatum*). This large shrub forms tiers of branches, the top side of which are covered with creamy-white flowers in May and June.

Herbaceous perennials are looking really well now, with many plants in flower and others forming neat clumps of fresh foliage. One of my favourites is Lady's mantle (Alchemilla mollis) which has beautiful scalloped leaves and froths of lime-green flowers, but do cut the dead flowers off if you don't want it to seed itself everywhere - not a bad problem to have though! Lady's mantle is also very useful and looks beautiful in flower arrangements.



Containers and hanging baskets can now be planted up or moved outside if they were planted last month. All containers need regular care and attention:

- Water them regularly. Remember that there's a lot of plants growing in a confined space and they're entirely reliant on you for water. Rain is *never* enough. Containers usually need watering every day in warm weather and sometimes even twice a day later in the summer. There's more air movement around hanging baskets, so they dry out faster than tubs.
- Water first thing in the morning or in the evening if possible, rather than in hot sun. Water splashes can result in scorched flowers and foliage.





### The Vegetable Garden

Marrows can still be planted out at the beginning of this month, also outdoor tomatoes, celery, leeks, cauliflower, savoy cabbages, sprouts, broccoli, and autumn-winter cabbages. Vegetable seeds sown outside last month will need thinning and more seed such as peas, lettuce, parsley, radish, summer spinach, beet and shorthorn carrots can be sown outside.

### **Summer Fruits**

The soft fruit season will start in about the middle of the month, and will continue for six weeks, or so, with the earliest strawberries coming in at the end of June. Raspberries will be in full flower and should be sprayed ten days after the flowering starts, as raspberry maggot is likely to be a problem. The first gooseberries may be ready at the end of the month. Blackcurrants may just be ready for picking in the last week of the month.

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### Maynooth Draft Development Plan.

The draft plan is on display in the Council Offices Naas and in Maynooth Library from 22nd May to 25th August. Any objections or representations make to Kildare County Council concerning the draft will be taken into consideration before the second draft is made. If you require any clarification of the draft plan please contact Cllr. John McGinley at 6285293 or at his Advise Service every Thursday at 8p.m. in Caulfield's Private Meeting Room.

### Straffan Road Project.

Following angry representations from the residents along Straffan Road Cllr. John McGinley tabled an emergency motion for the Celbridge Area meeting of Kildare County Council on 8th May. As a result of this motion the County Engineer, John Carrick, stated that he would give serious consideration to the representations made on increasing the wall heights. He further promised that the decisions reached would be conveyed to the Residents Associations and individuals who made representations to the Council. The original agreement with the residents will have to be adhered to.

### Amenity needs for Maynooth.

The County Engineer advised the meeting on 8th May that he is employing a student planner this summer to investigate and prepare a report on the amenity needs of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip. This follows long time pressure from all Councillors in the area. It is worth noting that the needs of the three towns are not the same, i.e. some 30 acres of Council owned amenity land in Celbridge has remained unused for over ten years.

### 'Footpath' Kingsbry to the Crescent.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to provide footpath facilities as a matter of urgency in this area. The roadworks has made it very difficult and dangerous for pedestrians, especially those pushing children in buggies. Temporary arrangements have now been put in place.

#### Bus Service to Naas.

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., has welcomed the introduction of the new bus service between Maynooth and Naas.

The buses will operate from Maynooth at 9.35a.m. and 12.55p.m. with return journeys from Naas at 12.15p.m. and 3.00p.m.

The new service will also include stops at Kilcock, Straffan, Clane, Prosperous and Sallins.

### Convent Road/Dunboyne Road.

Arising from the continued use of the Convent Road/Dunboyne Road by juggernauts, Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have requested the County Engineer to impose a weight restriction on both roads.

They have also requested that the priority for traffic be changed at the junction of Dunboyne Road/Blacklion Road to give priority to traffic on Blacklion Road.

Both measures should have the desired effect on removing heavy traffic from Convent Road/Dunboyne Road.

#### **Labour Advice Services:**

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., is available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4 p.m. in Caulfield's Private Meeting Room and his colleague, Cllr. John McGinley, is also available at the same venue every Thursday at 8p.m.

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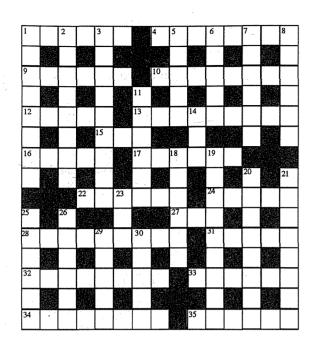
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### Across:

- With time added he only barely makes it (6)
- Not sure about anything, except every boat has left! (3,2,3)
- Prepares for a rail job? (6)
- 10 Obvious and with a male beginning (8)
- Likeness is clear when I'm of age! (5) 12
- One in response to the other (3.3.3)13
- 15 Not this either (3)
- Well lubricated! (5) 16
- 17 Stops prematurely (6)
- 22 They show the way in orderly fashion (6)
- 24 Small hill (5)
- 27 Female sheep (3)
- 28 A cleansing agent may put a man off! (9)
- 31 Put in a straight line (5)
- 32 Unskilled (8)
- 33 Layers of rock with a rat in the middle! (6)
- 34 Take a pace left or right to avoid (8)
- 35 Plymouth ----, that English soccer team (6)

### Down:

- Dump overboard (8)
- Climbable (8)
- Insinuating references which may be critical, disapproving or malicious (9)
- You can never get less than this (5)
- It seems your Spanish friend is telling your French friend to leave! (5)

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- They may be of paper, linen, music or lightning (6)
- Shrewd and perceptive (6)
- Attack from the air with the RAF involved (6) 11
- A tree for Irish men (3) 14
- Starts attacks (6) 18
- Resemble and have later! (4,5) 19
- 20 Only the one (8)
- Extend eastward in both directions! (8) 21
- 23 That ugly old crone (3)
- 25 Small whirls in the water as Edward expires (6)
- 26 Be there, finally (6)
- 29 If you know these you know your stuff but if you're on them you're near defeat (5)
- Weird, always i.e.(5)

#### Solution to Crossword No. 90:

Across: 1, Buffet; 4, All right; 9, Encore (E-N-core); 10, Emotions (E-motion-S); 12, Colon; 13, Extortive; 15, Eve; 16, Not so (knot so); 17, Nested (N-E-S-Ted); 22, Astral; 24, Stole; 27, Ant (aunt); 28, Anthology; 31, Erred (E-RR-Ed); 32, Thinnest (thin-nest); 33, Needle; 34, Yielding; 35, Agreed

Down: 1, Beer cans; 2, Facility; 3, Erroneous; 5, Limit (LIMI-T); 6, Rotor (Rot-O-R); 7, Gloria; 8, Tassel; 11, Keener; 14, Oat; 18, Splays (S-play-S); 19, Easter egg; 20, Porridge; 21, Dead-head; 23, 'Til; 25, Paltry; 26, Strike; 29, Owned; 30, Oisin (O-is-in).

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Eileen Dunne,

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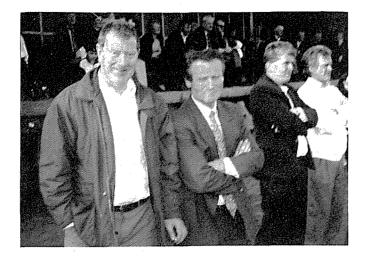
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Eamonn: "I think we're cattletrucked Tommy."

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Eamonn: "The curse of the crows to them. It would chill you to the bone just watching them. Whatever chance they had went at half-time when P.J. went out there and took over from Earley for the pep talk. Whatever he said worked on the Kildare lads. Maybe he'll be the first Kildareman in years to manage them."

Tommy: "Come on and we'll get a pint. I cannot suffer this any longer. Better crack annoying the customers in Bradys."

Eamonn: "We'll pull the plug in a few minutes. We'll have a few roast joints and listen to Mixie and Nicholas giving us stick for a while. But sure what the heck, we'll meet it head on. Come on! Good luck lads."

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As the badminton season once again comes to a close we must congratulate the 1st. and 2nd. mixed teams for doing so well this season. They did the club proud and gave us all a bit of a boost.

Our Summer Club will be in action again every Tuesday from 8.30p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Hall (boy's school grounds). Everyone welcome so why not come down and try your hand at badminton or if you're an experienced player but haven't played for some years, the summer club is an ideal way to get you back in shape for the autumn season.

Members £2 per night, non-members £3 per night. Hope to see you there!

In the next Newsletter (July) we'll let you know how our gettogether in the Roost went.

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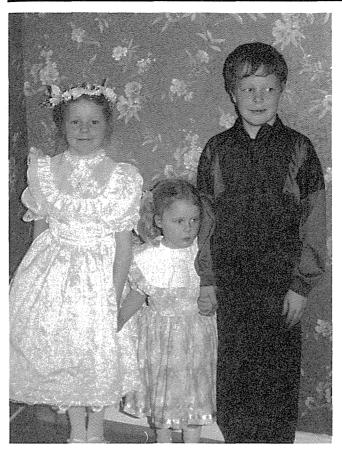
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# **Communion Day**



Jessica Perry with her brother and sister



Paul Brady with school principal Pearse O'Connell



L - R: Aidan Corcoran and Peter Lawler



L - R: Sally Garrett and Sarah Murphy

### MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Results of Weekend to Athlone, 5th-7th May:

Overall: G. McTernan — 74 pts.

Class 1: 1, J. Moore—73 pts.; 2, R. Delemere—71 pts.; 3, J. Kelly—68 pts.

Class 2: 1, S. Tracey—72 pts.; 2, D. Nyland—66 pts.; 3, W. Moore—48 pts.

Class 3: 1, S. Moore—57 pts.; 2, P. Foy—53 pts.; 3, P. Conway—51 pts.

Front 18: T. Moore—31 pts. Back 18: L. Farrelly—32 pts.

**Visitors:** J. Doyle, Saturday; J. Byrne, Friday; Cha. Farrelly, Overall.

The annual weekend outing took place on the 5th-7th May to Athlone, staying in the Prince of Wales Hotel and playing Glasson Golf Club on Friday and Mount Temple on the Saturday.

Twenty-three players participated over the two days in conditions more akin with the Costa del Sol. The Championship Glasson Course certainly lived up to its name and by 6 o'clock on Friday evening the top four were: G. McTernan, 41 pts.; S. Tracey, 36 pts.; J. Moore, 33 pts.; R. Delemere, 31 pts.

Day 2: Having survived the merriment of Friday night, the players assembled gingerly for their assault on Mount Temple. Another superb day's golf saw the field chasing the leader down to the last hole and by close of play the scores were: J. Moore, 40 pts.; R. Delemere, 40 pts.; D. Nyland 40 pts.; J. Kelly, 38 pts.; S. Tracey, 36 pts.; G. McTernan, 33 pts.

The overall results showed G. McTernan holding on by a single point from J. Moore to take the Christy Kenny Memorial Trophy, kindly sponsored by John Byrne (Maynooth Bookshop) and presented by Tess in Caulfield's on that Sunday night.

### Remaining list of outings for 1995:

Saturday, June 10th—Athlone Golf Club (Shay Moore Memorial).
Friday, July 7th—Edenderry Golf Club ("Dodo" Murray Memorial).
Saturday, August 26th—Portarlington Golf Club (Capt. T. Moore's Prize).
Saturday, September 23rd—Highfield Golf Club (Turkey Outing).
Saturday, October 21st—Trim Golf Club (President J. Carey's Prize).

### MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

By the time of going to press Maynooth should have its teams for the community games pitch and putt competitions. Both boys and girls teams will compete in the finals and we hope they can have the same measure of success as in previous years. This year will see advantage to the local players as the finals are to be played on the Maynooth course. We are grateful to the community games committee for promoting our successful application to the county board to have the finals awarded to Maynooth. We would be delighted to see many people turn out to support the competitors on the 18th. June at 10.00 a.m. In order to stage this competition we will have to restrict the course to competitors on this day. Notices with further information will be posted nearer the time of the event.

We will begin to run our own junior competitions during June. Notices of these will be placed in the pitch and putt clubhouse. Senior competitions will be run if there is sufficient interest from the players.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the 18th June.

Tony Bean

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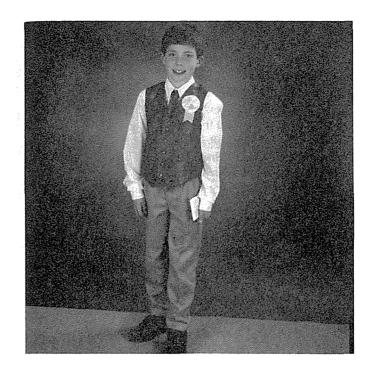
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David Canny 1st Communion Photograph of 6th May 1995



L - R: Sarah Prendergast & Tara Nolan



Catherine Riordan with twins Julie Ann & Clare



L - R: David O'Brien, Arlene Carr & Daniel Halligan

### MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

We are in the final term of our '94/'95 swimming year. All outstanding fees need to be paid immediately. Our junior and senior galas will be held this month. The A.G.M. of the Maynooth Swimming Club will be held on Tuesday 13th June at a venue to be decided. All parents will be notified of same. All club members need to be represented at this meeting, so that the swimming club can continue to benefit as many young people as it has done for the past twenty seven years. We ask parents to let us know if members will be returning in September for the '95/'96 swimming year. Forms will be given to members and parents are asked to fill them in and return to any member of the committee or bus supervisor. Also names for the waiting list can be given to the same people. Committee club members and their families express their deepest sympathy with Mrs. Claire O'Rourke and family on the sudden death of her father Mr. Patrick Walsh R.I.P. (of Limerick).

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

### MAYNOOTH TUG-O-WAR

At Collinstown there will be a reckoning, Whose limbs are weak, their bones will sting. Cling to the earth you mighty foe, Hold fast your grip or you will go. The rope of judgment it does burn And the navvies into heroes turn.

All bicycles, jeeps, hiace vans and horse-powered men must head for the Hitchin' Post on Sunday, 25th June, at 3 p.m., to take part in the coveted Hitchin' Post Cup. The competition is for men (confined).

This is the third year of the event which has been won twice by Brady's,- The Clock House, where the cup now resides. The winning teams have been trained by George Gallagher, Taghadoe. It is a tournament that has provided some very tough contests and given rise to plenty of debate in the ranks of tug-o-war.

We are very grateful for the help and sponsorship of Ken Mulvanny and Vinny of the Hitchin' Post. So come along and enjoy watching a good old Irish sport in action. Put the date down in your diary and come along for a good evening's entertainment and the crack will be good afterwards.

P.R.O.

### G.A.A. NOTES

### Under 14 League Division 2 Maynooth 3-2 v Athy 5-7

The first game of the league proved to be a very hard battle against an Athy team that really should have been playing in division 1.

However the lads kept playing football and never gave in. Even though they were always under a lot of pressure.

Team and scorers: J. Fagan, S. Lennon, T Halton, B. Doyle, P. King, A. Geoghgan, S. Devereux, D. Carre (Cpt), D. Campbell (1-0), W. Farrelly (1-0), C. Ennis (1pt), A. McCarron, S. Flaherty (1pt), P. Kinsella (1-0), C. O'Malley.

Subs: S. McDermott for S. Lennon. H. Lorenzo for C. O'Malley, D. O'Rourke.

### Under 14 League Division 2 Maynooth 7-10 v Round Towers 2-8

On a rather chilly May evening Maynooth players really set about winning this game from the throw in.

With D. Campbell and P. Kinsella winning a lot of ball at midfield and a great full back display by D. Carre well helped by A. Geoghegan at centre back, the forwards got a good supply which they made very good use of leading by 8pts at half time.

However, Towers fought hard in the second half but the defence held firm with the forwards scoring some nice points to run out convincing winners.

Apart from already mentioned S. Lennon, J. Fagan, T. Cassidy, C. Diggins, W. Farrelly played well.

Team and scorers: J. Fagan, D. Carr (Cpt), S. Pidgeon, S. Devereux, T. Cassidy, A. Geoghegan, C. Diggins, D. Campbell(1-1), P. Kinsella(2-0), P. King, W. Farrelly(0-3), C. Ennis(1-1), S. Lennon(3-4), T. Halton, A. McCarron.

Subs: S. O'Flaherty (0-1) for A. McCarron, D. O'Rourke, S.

Subs: S. O'Flaherty (0-1) for A. McCarron, D. O'Rourke, S. McDermott, H. Lorenzo and C. O'Malley.

### Junior Football League: Maynooth 1-10 v Clongorey 0-5

Maynooth had a very good win over Clongorey, played in Maynooth. Clongorey could not match Maynooth but tried hard and by half time Maynooth led by 7pts to 2pts. The second half got under way and Clongorey looked to be fighting back and scored 2 good pts before Maynooth had a very good

goal by Tommy Murray and this gave Maynooth the lead they needed and they ran out good winners.

Best for Maynooth: M.Scanlon 3pts, J. Gilligan 3pts, T. Murray 1 goal, J. Edwards 1pt, T. Farrell 1pt, H. Purcell 1pt, P. Burke 1pt, and in the same league Maynooth had a good win over Balltague by 1-8pts to 2-3pts. In this league Maynooth 'B' team are unbeaten so far. Maynooth 'C' team are not faring so well-up to now they have lost all their games, but fair play to them, they are young and still fielding a team. So lads keep up the good turn out and victory will come our way.

### Team results since the May issue:

### 1) Maynooth 1-9 v Kill 0-8 (League Away)

**Team:** (1) P. Flood, (2) E. Dunne, (3) M. Nevin, (4) P. Ennis, (5) M. Noone, (6) P. Stynes, (7) D. Mahony, (8) D. Casey, (9) K. Killoran, (10) John Nevin, (11) K. Fagan, (12) S. Molloy, (13) P. Garvey, (14) Joey Nevin, (15) L. O'Toole.

Sub: J. O'Riordan for P. Garvey.

**Scorers:** Fagan 4pts; Killoran and Joey Nevin 2pts each; Molloy 1 pt; John Nevin 1 goal.

**Best for Maynooth:** Flood (man of the match), Killoran, Mahony, Stynes, Fagan, Johnny and Joey Nevin.

Best for Kill: Behan, Cocoman, Kelly and Carr.

Referee: D. Callaghan, Sarsfields.

## Maynooth Photos



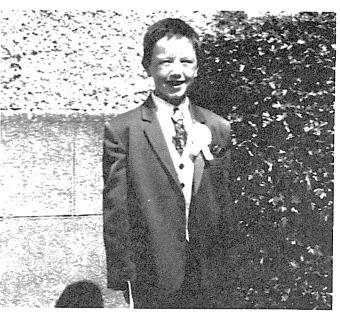
David Faherty, Marcella Connolly, married recently in Maynooth Church



The Wedding of Amelia Mullan, Cluain Aoibhinn and Andrew Parish at Ladychapel Church.



Niamh O'Gorman with Fr. Supple



David O'Haire



Ciarán Duignan, Paul Nelson, Damin O'Neill

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# 2) Maynooth 0-11 pts v Monasterevin 0-8 (Tom Keogh Cup).

**Team:** (1) P. Flood, (2) E. Dunne, (3) M. Nevin, (4) P. Ennis, (5) M. Noone, (6) P. Stynes, (7) D. Mahony, (8) D. Casey, (9) K. Killoran, (10) John Nevin, (11) K. Fagan, (12) Hugh Nevin, (13) P. Garvey, (14) J. Riordan, (15) L. O'Toole.

Subs: Joey Edwards for John Nevin (injured)

Scorers: Garvey 6pts; Fagan 3pts and Riordan 2 Pts.

**Best for Maynooth:** Flood, M. Nevin, Mahony (man of the match), Killoran, Fagan, Garvey and Edwards.

**Best for Monasterevin:** the Gleesons, Dempsey, Buckley, Colgan, Barry and Leigh.

Referee: Paddy Farrell, Johnstownbridge.

### 3) Maynooth 6pts v Athy 2-11 (League-Away)

**Team:** (1) P. Flood, (2) E. Dunne, (3) M. Nevin, (4) P. Ennis, (5) M. Noone, (6) P. Stynes, (7) D. Mahony, (8) K. Fagan, (9) K. Killoran, (10) L. O'Toole, (11) S. Molloy, (12) Hugh Nevin, (13) P. Garvey, (14) M. Scanlon, (15) J. Edwards.

**Subs:** M. Kelly for S. Molloy (injured), J. O' Toole for M. Scanlon, M. Scanlon for M. Nevin (injured).

Scorers: Garvey 4pts; Kelly and Fagan 1pt each.

**Best for Maynooth:** Flood, Dunne, Ennis, M. Nevin, Mahony, Fagan and Garvey.

**Best for Athy:** Sean McGovern, Glen Dunne, Shane Purcell, Paddy Purcell, Paul McLoughlin and Séamie Bolger.

Referee: Nicky O'Connell, Rathangan.

### 4) Maynooth 3-13 v Cappagh 6pts (Tom Keogh Cup)

**Team:** (1) P. Flood, (2) J. Conway, (3) E. Dunne, (4) N. Reilly, (5) M. Kelly, (6) P. Ennis, (7) D. Mahony, (8) Joey Nevin, (9) P. Burke, (10) L. O'Toole, (11) M. Scanlon, (12) H. Nevin, (13) P. Garvey, (14) J. Edwards, (15) T. Farrell.

**Subs:** M. Noone for P. Ennis (injured); M. Faherty for H. Nevin.

**Scorers:** Garvey 1-6; Farrell 2-1; H. Nevin, Burke and Mahony 2pts each.

**Best for Maynooth:** Kelly, Mahony, Joey Nevins, Burke, Hugh Nevin, Garvey, Edwards and Farrell.

**Best for Cappagh:** Kenneth Connolly, Ray Sloan, Noel Mallon, Joe Dooley, Anthony Mallon and Martin Byrne. **Referee:** Frank Duffy, Clane.

The highlight of the above four performances was the one against Monasterevin in the Tom Keogh Cup. For the fourth year in a row Maynooth succeeded in getting the better of their more fancied opponents in a "rip roaring" contest at Moyglare Road. The "low light" of the four games was undoubtedly our "rock bottom" performance away to Athy in the League. On a night when nothing seemed to go right we won an abundance of possession but simply handed it back to our senior rivals. Passes by hand and foot went astray with monotonous regularity and ruined any chance we had of making an impression on the game. Two valuable league points were secured in a physical encounter against Kill where we played our best football in the opening half with Killoran in particular being in dominant mood. We got very ragged in the second half, against the breeze, but still ran out somewhat comfortable winners. The Tom Keogh Cup game against Cappagh, who we meet in the 1st round of the Championship, told little of how that tussle might go. Both sides fielded without a number of regulars and were loath to show their hands too much before their more important clash in June.

Lotto Result: 23/04/1995, Jackpot £350: Numbers 11-21-24. No Winner: 5 x £10. P.J. Rochford, S. Gregg, Donal Hurley, Cathriona Fitzgerald, Larry McNulty.

Lotto Result: 30/04/1995, Jackpot £400: Numbers 10-12-24 No Winner: 5 x £10. Martina Dunning, Fergus Devereux, Margaret Molloy, Micheal Brady, Damian O'Neil.

**Lotto Result: 14/05/1995,** Jackpot £600: Numbers 9-16-18 No Winner: 5 x £10. Ann Cunningham, Ken O'Brien, Eamon Dunne, Ann Murray, John Doolan.

# Result of our golf outing to Highfield Golf Club on Saturday 6th May:

Overall winner:- Eddie Dunne 39pts.

Class I:-1st Gerry Long 37pts, 2nd Matt Doran 36pts, 3rd Jim Ryan 34 pts.

Class II:-1st C. Feehan 26pts, 2nd Terry Healy 25pts, 3rd Tony Kelly 24pts.

Our next outing will be our Captain's Tommy Fay prize on Saturday 10th June in Mount Temple Golf Club.

Tee Times 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

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### **SYMPATHIES**

CAINE — The entire community joins in extending their deepest sympathy to local Gárda Martin Caine, his wife Mary and family on the recent death of his father, Thomas, from the Newport area of Co. Mayo. Martin is a dedicated and committed Garda who is highly regarded for his work with local youth and for his other community involvements.

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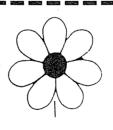
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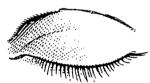
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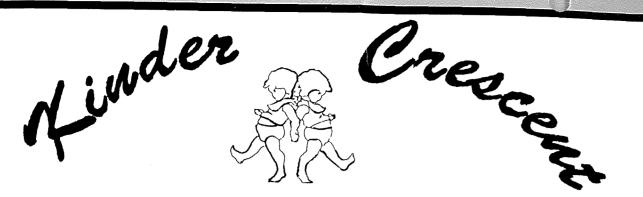
'Infamous' Bond Bridge 200 years old



We all know that Maynooth College celebrates its bicentenary this year but not many will know that Bond Bridge on the Newtown Road in Maynooth is also 200 years old in 1995. Its history, however, has not been quite as auspicious as that of the College and for the past 15 years residents in the area have been campaigning to have the bridge replaced. Since the early 1980s hundreds of houses have been built in the area beyond the bridge including Beaufield, Meadowbrook, Woodlands, College Green and Newtown Court. The result is a huge increase in the volume of traffic crossing Bond Bridge and there has been a spate of mostly minor accidents on the bridge in the last few years. Fortunately none has been fatal.

Resident Associations have been lobbying our local councillors for years to have major work carried out on the bridge. All councillors have expressed support but nothing has happened. The Co. Council has collected very substantial development fund levies from builders in the area with the expressed purpose of upgrading the roads. At the end of the day these levies are added to the price of each new house so if you live in Beaufield or Meadowbrook you have already paid your share for a new bridge.

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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

### Editorial

The Maynooth Newsletter has been part of the community for over ten years. We produce nine hundred and fifty copies every month and we hope most people get a chance to read some part of it - Sports Results, 'Eye Hear', Party Political Notes or even simply to look at the pictures. The Newsletter is produced by workers on the Community Council Community Employment Scheme but much of the writing is done by voluntary contributors. At present we need more contributors for all areas of the magazine. If you are the Secretary of a Resident's Association, Club or Society you would be very welcome to make an on going contribution. Political Parties can also submit notes. At present only the Labour Party and Democratic Left submit these on a regular basis.

If you think you could write on some of the above areas or if you wish to contribute a single article please get in touch with the **Newsletter** c/o The Community Council Office.

The Editorial Board of the **Newsletter** meets twice a month. If you think you would be interested in this aspect and have the time, again, get in touch with the **Newsletter**.

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### Letter to Editor

# Community Council Notes

Dear Editor,

#### Drugs

Parents of Post Primary students were invited by our local Gardaí to a lecture by a member of the Drug Squad last month at the school. A fairly well attended and informative meeting took place. We, the parents, saw all the varieties of drugs - L.S.D., Ecstasy, Heroin, E Tabs, the lot.

We were also told of the symptoms to look for in our children after they had started taking drugs. Did your mother or father find your fags? Something like closing the door when the horse had gone? It is up to parents initially to look after their children, some responsibility then moves on to their teachers. Early teenagers are the most vulnerable to drugs, that's their first years in the Post Primary.

A question asked at the meeting by some lady went as follows: "You are educating us, but what is being done to educate our teenagers?"

My interpretation of the answer was that our children's teachers or the local Gardaí or the drug squad are not allowed to try in any way to educate our kids about drugs. Why? Seemingly the Department of Health, in the seventies, tried this and sent experts around to schools to talk to the kids and they formed the opinion that they were only educating the pupils on the use of drugs, only encouraging them to try drugs.

I, for one, will give present day teenagers a bit more credit than that. If a little education is a dangerous thing, then maybe a bit more may save many of our teenagers from taking the wrong path? Is it worth trying?

Some people in Maynooth say there is no drug problem, others try to blame it on Maynooth being a University town. Both are wrong, Maynooth has a drug problem but so have Kilcock, Celbridge and Leixlip and they don't have a big college. Just realise it is a problem, and it is up to parents first, then teachers and anyone else who can help to keep this dreaded hell from even a few possible victims.

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The Community Festival will take place between the 13th and the 20th August. An Open Day in Maynooth College will be incorporated into the Festival. However, we want some new ideas for events during the week. So if you are interested please come to a meeting on Tuesday, July 4th, at 8.30 p.m. in the Community Council offices.

### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS REPORT

At the time of writing we are just starting our annual door to door collection. The money collected goes towards the entry for the Tidy Towns competition, insurance equipment and material for our work in the above campaign.

If you would like to contribute to the above collection and missed our collectors, a collection box is available in Maynooth Community Council office.

At our last meeting our chairman Bob O'Reilly gave a full report on the work done and hopes for the future, and the following are the main points.

He congratulated Martin Sherry and his Maynooth Tidy Towns FAS team for the work done to date in the following areas.

The appearance of the grass areas on Carton Avenue, Parks, traffic islands. The island opposite the church looked exceptionally well, particularly on Confirmation Day. Cars are being parked on the green areas opposite the church and we have the photographs and registration numbers to prove it. Plans for the future include strimming on the Dublin Road out to the 40 m.p.h. sign. We have for the time being suspended work on the Dublin Road Boreen until we get full co-operation from all authorities concerned with the overhead barrier at the entrance of this road. They were left open for a period of four days recently.

We have recently relocated the four stone planters to outside Carton Gate where they became a centre for rubbish bags. We have repeatedly requested Bord Gáis to repair the damage done and remove rubble left since last December on the Moyglare Road grass verge.

We thank the vast majority of the college students for their cooperation and respect for the Tidy Towns efforts. Unfortunately there is a very small percentage of students who recently vandalised and undid a lot of hard work done by the Tidy Towns team following an end of term function, who blacken the good name of the rest of the students. We have been assured that the Bank of Ireland sponsored bin damaged by E.S.B./S.I.A.C. contractors will be replaced, but when?

Also in the same area we have been advised that the bin for outside Carton Gate will be replaced shortly. This was promised by K.C.C. to facilitate the recent filming at Carton Gate. We are also trying to get paths on Convent Lane cleared and filled in. An observation on the days leading up to Cemetery

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### Sunday in Laragh Bryan, someone strimmed a grave area throwing pieces of grass over graves that had been planted and cleaned up previously. Please take care in future, because their actions, strimming the grass over pathways and graves,

caused additional tidying up for other people.

Finally our thanks to Paul Dowling Horticulturist in Lareen Garden Centre for planting the planters outside Carton Gates, the Council for re-siting the planters John Gavigan K.C.C., local person Monica Finn, Denis Cogan, K.C.C., staff of St. Marys, Kildare for their continued support and Senan Griffin for required attendance and assistance. Please try and keep Maynooth tidy. Thanks to business premises who are making an effort with hanging baskets, flowers etc.

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### **COMMUNITY GAMES**

This is a brief update on the games at County level.

#### Gymnastics:

Niall Cooney and Brian Bean secured the silver and gold medals respectively. A great achievement for these two young boys.

#### Swimming:

Maynooth was well represented on the day and were unlucky not to receive medals as we reached the finals in a number of events

### Hockey:

On 24th May two teams — Maynooth and Sallins — participated in the U16 Kildare County final. The two teams battled evenly until the last 10 minutes or so, when Sallins scored their first goal followed by a second goal before the final whistle, leaving a résult as follows:- Sallins 2 Maynooth 0.

The girls, captained by Lorna Houlihan, enjoyed the match and were proud to bring home the silver medals to Maynooth. The panel for the evening as follows: - Lorna Houlihan, Martina Dillane, Sharon McLoughlin, Brid-Ann O'Shea, Isabelle Fay, Eimear Hoare, Therese Flood, Sarah Murphy, Aisling Wall, Lorna Murray, Nuala Houlihan, Joie Fay, Elizabeth Hassett and Meadhbh McManus.

Many thanks to Dr. Mary Archer for her valuable coaching and to Margaret Houlihan for co-ordinating the hockey.

#### Rounders:

The girls' U13 Rounders Team made semi-finals this year. These girls show great promise for future competition. They exhibited great sportsmanship throughout practice sessions and in actual competition. Though the Maynooth girls' rounders team lost their semi-final competition against Prosperous, they made the Prosperous girls team work for their semi-final victory. The girls are looking forward to continuing their rounders practice on a year-round basis in preparation for the future competition.

Team: - Emma Fleming (Captain), Emma Cullinan, Andrée Heslin, Suzanne Butler, Ciara O'Neill, Niamh Feeney, Yvonne O'Shea, Heather Cooney, Sally Garnet, Denise Dolan, Alannah Murphy, Stacey McMechan.

Co-ordinators of Rounders team: - Jayne Savage and Siobhan Howard-Williams.

### Basketball:

Congratulations to our U.13 boys' Basketball team who won the 'B' section at Eadstown to qualify to play in the 'A' section. Unfortunately they were beaten at Newbridge by a very strong Newbridge team.

Team: - Richard Leavy, Padraig O'Sullivan, Noel Healy, Alan Baxter, Martin Dolan, Shane Pidgeon, Aidan Pidgeon, Aidan Molloy, Patrick Rochford, Michael Costello.

Co-ordinator of Boys' U13 Basketball Team: - Anna Dolan.

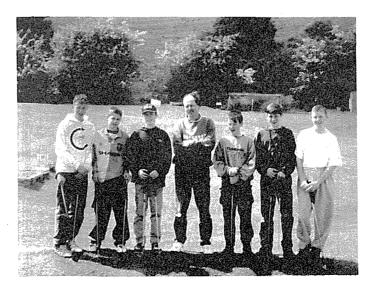
# Maynooth Community Games



Maynooth Community Games Volleyball Team Kildare Bronze Medal Winners



Brian Bean, Bronze Medalist Kildare Finals - Gymnastics



Maynooth Community Games Boys Team
Pitch & Putt 1995 County Finals

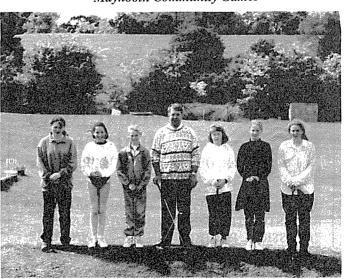
L-R: Seán Lennon, Seán O'Flaherty, Trevor Cassidy,
Alan Cahill, Team Coach, Martin Filbert,
Martin Sheils, Donal Lennon



Finalists U.13 Boys Basketball Team - Community Games Winners of "B" Section U.13 Kildare Community Games



Aisling Bean, 1st U.10 Freestyle, 1st U.10 Backstroke, Maynooth Community Games



Maynooth Community Games Girls Team
Pitch & Putt 1995 County Finals
L-R: Brid-Ann O'Shea, Emma Cullinane, Suzanne Butler,
Mattie Callaghan, Team Coach, Gillian O'Hurley,
Anthonine Rossiter, Margaret Callaghan

### Volleyball:

This is a very competitive event and our team did us proud, arriving home with bronze medals. Many thanks to Matt Doran for all the training involved here and to Tom Ashe, Principal Maynooth Post Primary School for the use of his premises for training purposes over the last number of weeks.

Team: - Emma Fleming, Emer Smith, Sharon McLoughlin, Claire McCarrick, Brid-Ann O'Shea, Margaret Callaghan, Theresa Flood, Ann Gannon, Caroline Farrell, Michelle Murray and Collette Cassidy.

Co-ordinator of above event: Bernie O'Shea.

Sincere sympathy to the Fleming family, Maynooth Park, on the sudden death of Jim's brother, Patrick, Killarney. R.I.P.

### Variety:

Congratulations to the Variety Team who won bronze medal position on Saturday 27th May in Newbridge.

Team: - Bernie, Michelle, Charlene, Clara, Orla, Sarah, Rebecca, Aoife, Orlaith, Aidan, Richard, Fergus and Philip. Many thanks to Rita and Ann-Marie Thompson for all their help with the show. See photo page 25

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# **Shay Moore Memorial Cup Results** Athlone G.C. 10-6-95

| 1st Overall                                 | Sean Tracey - 41 pts.                                        |                                           |                                                                                      |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st Class 1 -<br>2nd Class 1<br>3rd Class 1 | M Dempsey - 36 pts. R. Delemere - 30 pts. W. Moore - 29 pts. | 1st Class 3<br>2nd Class 3<br>3rd Class 3 | J. Doyle - 30 pts. P. Conway - 29 pts. B. 9. P. Doyle - 29 pts.                      |
| 1st Class 2<br>2nd Class 2<br>3rd Class 2   | T. Flatley - 34 Pts. M. Foy - 31 Pts. D Dooley - 26 Pts.     | Front 9 Back 9 Visitor (2's Club)         | T. O Haire - 14 Pts. S. Moore - 18 Pts. S. Grant - 25 Pts. S. Tracey and R. Delemere |

The next outing to Edenderry Golf Club on Friday 7th July Tee 2-30 - 5-30 (Timesheet) for Joe "Dodo" Murray Memorial Cup

### **BAND BULLETIN**

First my apologies for the absence of the Bulletin in last month's **Newsletter** but aren't we all entitled to a little holiday now and then.

#### June engagements:

Sunday the 18th took us back to Joyce's Country and Sandymount Green - a haven of peace in a concrete jungle. It was a beautiful location and a typical summer's day for our recital which was greatly appreciated by a large audience of sunbathers who preferred our music to the sound of the sea on Sandymount Strand, just a stone's throw away. A special word here to Madeline - sorry Deirdre Stynes for her dedication on turning out with the Band on her 21st Birthday well done - it's all downhill from here.

On Saturday, 17th June, we paid a welcome return visit to Limerick, this time for the annual Feile na Gael Parade. This parade is a prelude to the All-Ireland under age hurling finals which are sponsored by Coca-Cola. Children of both sexes this is the 90s now - from all parts of the country parade in their full playing strip with each county's team led by bands, again from all parts of Ireland. The result was a magnificent display of colour, music and excitement. We are happy to have been a part of this event for many years.

### **Corpus Christi:**

Thursday, 15th June, was an historic day for both the Band and the town of Maynooth for all the wrong reasons. Due to reasons which may appear elsewhere in the Newsletter the Corpus Christi Procession was not held this year for the first time in living memory. This has always been a very special occasion for the Band who have a long association with the Procession. Indeed the first public appearance of the Boy's Band in 1955 was in the procession. The older residents of Maynooth will have memories of the importance of Corpus Christi to the town. Every year in warm sunshine the procession, which included the Band, Children of Mary, First Communion children, the choir and tiny white garbed girls strewing flower petals in the path of the Blessed Sacrament as well as hundreds of rosary bearing walkers, made its way from the church to the convent where an altar had been erected. The nuns from the Convent, who at the time were not allowed out into the town, were already kneeling in place beside the altar. The procession would then return to the Church for Benediction. Unfortunately due to the increase in traffic in latter years the route was changed but the Corpus Christi Procession holds many happy memories for many many people and I'm sure they were as disappointed as the Band was to learn of the cancellation. We can only hope that 1995 was just a tiny blip and that next year, now that the by-pass is open and the road works almost complete, that perhaps we can return to a full procession with the outside altar being set up in the doorway at the entrance to the convent school. It would be a lovely thought and would certainly make up for our disappointment this year.

#### **Summer Snags:**

Summer is our busy period as far as engagements are concerned but it also presents difficulties in providing a full band for each function, particularly in recent years when the average age of our members has fallen greatly. With a combination of study, examinations, gaeltacht scholarships and holidays to contend with we find we are without many of our members at various times between May and the end of August. So if you happen to see a smaller than usual Band on an engagement don't be alarmed it's only a temporary shortage until normality resumes in September.

#### New members/classes:

Speaking of September, we hope to begin new music classes in addition to resuming existing classes when normal school classes resume in September. We would like all those interested, both male and female, from 10 years upwards to leave full details i.e. name, address, date of birth and telephone number in an envelope addressed to Peter Brazil our Hon. Secretary in the Post Office on the Main Street. We are particularly interested in adults as beginners and also those who can already play a musical instrument and may have already been a member of a band. They are very welcome to join us in the Band Hall (at the end of the lane at the side of the Irish Permanent office on the Main Street) any Monday night between 8.30 and 10 o'clock - Bank Holidays excepted. We would be grateful if you could let us have your names as soon as possible but certainly not later than the end of July in order to plan our classes. We hope to arrange an Open Night in late August or early September to announce details of our programme, give a short recital and explain the various sections and instruments within the Band to intending members. Parents, and in the case of older members, husbands and wives will also be invited. So please let us have all these details if you really are keen on music.

We will keep you informed of progress in our next Bulletin.

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### I.C.A. NOTES

The June meeting of Maynooth ICA was held in the ICA Hall Thursday 1st June. Our new president, Marion Souhan, congratulated all the ladies who did so well in recent Federation and Guild competitions.

### Maynooth Wins McCarthy Cup

Kill GAA Centre was the venue for the Federation Table Quiz on 29th May. Teams from all over Co. Kildare took part in the quiz, including two teams from our Guild. It was a very close contest and in the end only two points separated the first two teams. Maynooth took home the coveted McCarthy Cup with Ardclough in second place. Congratulations to Rosemary, Helen, Irene and Bernadette who were the members of the winning team. We hope to organise a 'night out' to fill the cup in September.

### **Make and Model Winners**

The ladies from our Guild were in winning form again at the County Make and Model finals in Toughers, Naas, in May. Maynooth won six prizes and the winners were:- Mary O'Gorman - 1st in Daywear Section, 1st in Skirt Section and 2nd in Children's Section. Mary Halton - 2nd in Crochet Section. Betty Moore - 3rd in Skirt Section. Jo O'Connell - 3rd in Section for First Time Entrants.

It was Jo O'Connell's lucky night at the Make and Model for as well as receiving a prize for her dressmaking she also took home a lovely Brother sewing machine. The machine was raffled among all those who entered garments in the competition and Jo's name was first out of the hat.

The overall prize of £50 plus the Murphy Cup was won by Kill Guild and we congratulate them on their success. Mary O'Gorman, our craft promoter, said she was delighted with Maynooth's performance and she congratulated the winners.

#### **Badminton Winners**

The badminton ladies ended the season with a club competition. Margaret Houlihan, our new Sports Officer, congratulated the winners who were: Group A: 1st Rosemary and May

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with Veva and Geraldine in 2nd place. Group B: 1st Marion and Margaret and 2nd Bernie and Ann.

### ICA Goes to Kerdiffstown House

Kerdiffstown House is a lovely place in Johnstown where groups of elderly people spend a week's holiday. As part of the activities for the week beginning 29 May, Mary O'Gorman was asked to do simple craft classes on three mornings. Mary and a group of volunteers were delighted to be able to help and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

### **Quilting Class**

There will be a course of quilting classes in our Hall in September, conducted by Mrs. Sheila Burdock. The classes start on Monday 18 September at 8.15 p.m. and the fee is £16 (which includes materials). This course may be fully booked by the time these notes go to press, but anyone interested should contact Mary O'Gorman.

#### An Grianan

An Grianan, which means the 'Sunny Place', was true to it's name on the 2nd weekend in June. We only had five minutes rain for the whole weekend and the atmosphere inside among the guests was even warmer than the weather outside. I went there on my own but was immediately adopted by a group of nine ladies from Lochmore, Co. Tipperary. The classes (I did gardening), food (I ate everything), drink (I didn't touch a drop!), and craic were great. I thoroughly enjoyed every minute and at £63 it was excellent value.

#### **Next Meeting**

Our next guild meeting will be on Thursday 7 September at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be an 'on the spot'. There will also be a draw for two part-scholarships to An Grianán for 1996. Only fully paid up members will be entered in the draw, so if you have forgotten to pay your £18 fee get the money in to Irene at the next meeting.

Finally, I hope all our members and friends enjoy their summer holidays and let's hope the sun shines.

Connie Harpur, PRO.

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| Day/Date        | Time                           | Meeting Place                     | Activity/Venue                                                                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                 |                                | WEEK 1                            |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tues 4th July   | 10.30am-12.30pm                | I.C.A. Hall                       | Registration £1.50                                                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 5th July    | 10.00am-4.00pm                 | Centre £2.50 (bring packed lunch) |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 6th July  | 7.30pm<br>9.30am-4.00pm        | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Swimming £3.50 St. Pauls, Raheny (bring packed lunch & swimming hat)                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 7th July    | 2.00pm-4.30pm                  | Boys School                       | Soccer/College<br>(Runners/runner boots only)                                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 |                                | WEEK 2                            |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon 10th July   | 2.00pm-4.00pm<br>2.00pm-4.00pm | I.C.A. Hall<br>Pitch & Putt Club  | Crafts 30p Pitch & Putt £1 over 10's (Bring own golf balls and clubs if possible)       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tues 11th July  | 12.30pm-4.00pm                 | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Bowling Tallaght £3.50                                                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 12th July   | 2.00pm-4.30pm<br>7.30pm        | Boys School<br>I.C.A. Hall        | Soccer / College<br>Film <b>50p</b>                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 13th July | 2.00pm-4.00pm                  | I.C.A. Hall                       | Quiz                                                                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 14th July   | 11.00am-3.00pm                 | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Fort Lucan £4.00                                                                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 |                                | WEEK 3                            |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon 17th July   | 2.00pm-4.30pm                  | Boys School                       | Tennis/Olympic Handball                                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tues 18th July  | 10.30am-4.00pm                 | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Swimming, Raheny £3.50 (Bring packed lunch & swimming hat)                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 19th July   | 2.00pm-4.00pm<br>7.30pm        | I.C.A. Hall<br>I.C.A. Hall        | Crafts 30p<br>Film 50p                                                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 20th July | 2.00pm-4.30pm                  | Boys School                       | Inter Project Fun Day                                                                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 21st July   | 11.00am-4.00pm                 | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Donadea £2.00 (Bring packed lunch & raincoat)                                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                 |                                | WEEK 4                            |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon 24th July   | 2.00pm-4.00pm<br>2.00pm-4.00pm | I.C.A. Hall<br>Pitch & Putt Club  | Bingo <b>50p</b> Pitch & Putt £1 over 10's (Bring own golf balls and clubs if possible) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tues 25th July  | 9.00am-5.00pm                  | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Annamoe Fun Park, Wicklow £6.00 (Bring packed lunch, old shoes & change of clothes)     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 26th July   | 12.30pm-4.00pm                 | Greenfield Shopping<br>Centre     | Bowling, Tallaght £3.50                                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 27th July | 2.00pm-5.00pm                  | Boys School                       | Fun sports day/college<br>Final Day of Project                                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

All trophies, medals etc. won during project activities will be presented at fun sports day.

(Parents and families welcome)

### MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

The summer holidays are upon us once again, mid-summers day has come and gone.

Before we know it the children will be going back to school. More expense, money for books, money for school uniforms, money for this, money for that. Where is it going to end?

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### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Dur outing this year was a most enjoyable event. The sun shone warmly as we strolled through the tranquil surroundings of St. Anne's Rose Garden, Raheny. A visit to Northside Shopping Centre and the scenic drive along the coast road completed the first half of a beautiful day. I take this opportunity to thank Barton's Transport for their generous giving of the coaches and their drivers John and Victor for their courtesy and co-operation.

We arrived at the Springfield Hotel at 6.45 where we enjoyed a splendid meal. The entertainment for the evening was provided by Kevin, Vincent and Jo. We arrived back in Maynooth about 10.30p.m., tired but content.

As the **Newsletter** had already gone to print before our final party and sponsored walk, the report will be on some future date.

The launch of our booklet has been deferred until September, as our club is now closed for holidays.

All that's left now for me to say is wish you all a very happy holiday and to thank each and every one of you for your generous support throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you all in the autumn.

Le Cúineamh Dé, J. Moore.

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### **Residents Associations**

# SILKEN ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The first general meeting of the Residents' Association was held on 15 June, at the Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

Our thanks to the G.A.A. Club for the use of the meeting room adjacent to the lounge bar.

The Chairman, Kevin Murphy, welcomed residents to the first Annual General Meeting of the Estate. The first committee of 10 representatives was elected comprising at least one resident from each cul-de-sac.

The residents voted unanimously against the proposed footbridge to the railway station. Concerns about the delays to the building of dividing wall and planting of trees, the completion of the footpaths and the entrance to estate were raised. The Chairman expressed the intention to meet with Mr. Dempsey of K.C.C. to discuss the estate entrance.

There is no lighting at the top end of the Estate at all. Parts of the estate are without any lighting. Poles are up in some cases without lights on top, or wiring appearing to be in place.

Footpaths were also in need of completion and were in a dangerous state of repair. Several residents had come to grief in the large hole at the end of the 4th street. It was said that the footpaths and lighting should be completed before the dark nights descended once again.

Speed ramps were discussed as a means of requiring cars to keep to the 30 m.p.h. speed limit. Garda Martin Caine pointed out that 3 cars in the estate were to blame here. Small children were often seen playing in building materials on the main estate road and the danger to children was obvious. It was said that there was to be another layer of road surfacing to be done to complete development of the estate. Planning permission would be sought to have speed ramps put in around this time.

On completion of Neighbourhood Watch forms, an informative meeting on Neighbourhood Watch will take place at which a video will be shown.

After a discussion of the security risks to any access at the Meadowbrook end of the estate the meeting voted 30-3 against any laneway. The estate would then have 'one way in - one way out'.

There was an issue to do with the actual name of the estate. Some residents have had problems with mail deliveries as the front 5 houses at the top end of the estate had been told that they were called either The Manor, Silken Vale or Silken Manor. It was pointed out the estate sign posted by Brady's called the estate Silken Vale. The committee will ascertain the correct position and pursue the matter from there. The Residents Committee obtained the approval of the meeting to meet with the site developer to discuss outstanding issues and their status. The proposed annual fee of a tenner was agreed to cover expenses to do with the estate. A Kids Register was

# Maynooth Old People's Dinner in Springfield



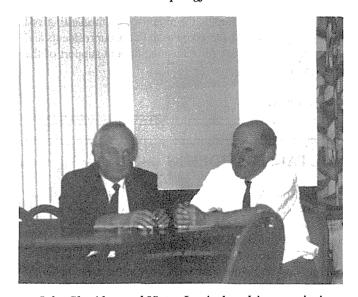
Greta Payne helping herself at Springfield



Margaret Dowling keeping an eye on procedures in Springfield



Pat and Josephine Doonan enjoying themselves at Springfield. Pat and Josephine are 51 years married.



John Sheridan and Victor Lewis, bus drivers, enjoying a well earned rest in Springfield.



Margaret and Jim Muldowney all smiles at Springfield



Luke Farrelly and Jack Dowling enjoy a cool drink at dinner in Springfield.

### Residents Associations

begun recording the names and ages of children for future events such as Father Christmas visits and parties. The idea of a barbecue sometime soon was proposed.

The Chairman thanked the meeting for such a good attendance and the meeting retired to the lounge bar.

Contacts: Kevin Murphy, ph: 6290194. Martin Burton, ph: 6289637.

# GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Saturday 24th June, we thank those who helped and to Kildare County Council for supplying the skip.

A full and comprehensive report has been forwarded to Bord Gáis, Kildare County Council, Telecom Eireann, E.S.B. on the various work needed to bring back the estate to a good environmental level. The wall on Straffan Road is a good example of this lobbying by the Straffan Road committee and our own association. Finally the organisers of the Carlingford boating tragedy draw have asked us to thank our residents and the people of Maynooth for their magnificent support of the above event.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

### RAIL PARK RESIDENTS

### **Straffan Road Walls**

Rail Park Residents' Association has been informed by Kildare County Council that the dividing wall between the Straffan Road and the green space at the entrance to the estate is to be raised to 1.5 metres (almost five feet) from its present height of 0.9 metres (about three feet). However, the existing height of 0.9 metres will be preserved for a distance of 25 metres from the entrance to the estate for motoring safety reasons.

Apparently it was the original plan that the wall should remain at its present height for its full length. However, the welcome decision to raise the wall was made following pressure

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The gap in the wall at the E.S.B. transformer, already being used by many as a shortcut across the green space, will also be closed up before the wall is finished.

#### Midsummer Barbecue

The Midsummer Barbecue, held on the night of June 17th, was once again a great success. Luckily, the weather held up for the occasion, despite some dire earlier predictions from the Met Office. The demand for space in the skips provided as part of the Annual Clean-Up earlier in the day also held up, as both were chock-full before being taken away in the late afternoon.

#### Subscriptions

All houses on the estate were called upon recently by members of the Committee in pursuit of the annual subscriptions which are essential in order to provide the skips and keep the green areas trimmed. If you have not already paid your subscription of £12, you can drop it into the Treasurer, Eamon MacKeogh, at No.119.



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Clear winner after the nine tests was Clive Peterson in his Mini Special from Dermot Carnegie, with Chris Grimes third. Best newcomer was Guido Marioni's Mini Saloon, whilst Ted Gaffney took third in the very competitive Novice Class. The Award for Valour (!!) went to David Kennedy, who entertained the crowd with a hair-raising display in the unwieldy Nissan Sunny SR.

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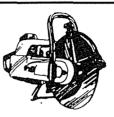
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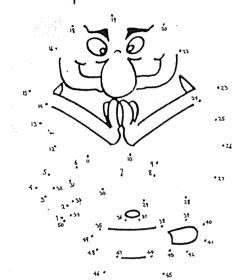
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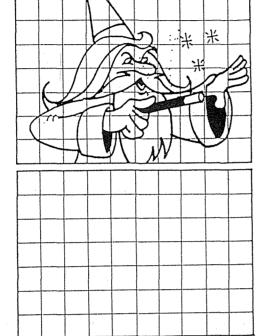
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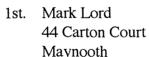
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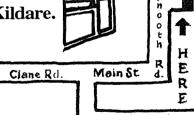
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the May issue of the **Newsletter** we reported on the vandaling of the plaque in Pound Park of the Maynooth men of 116. We also requested funds to replace the plaque and we re pleased to confirm the receipt of £55, thanks mainly to the enerosity of the proprietor and clientele of Brady's pub.

le have decided to await the completion of pipe laying in ound Park in connection with works on the upgrading of traffan Way and the Square before replacing the plaque. We see also very concious of next year being the 80th Anniverary of 1916 and the desire of other residents of Maynooth to ool resources to bring about a more significant memorial in the town.

or our part we would be delighted to join in such a new venire.

Iichael Quinn hairperson.

### **APOLOGY**

n our features article headed "Bord Gáis Colouring Competiton", we made a couple of blunders. It was not just a 3 ord Gáis Colouring Competiton, as it was run in conjunction vith "Maynooth Gas Showrooms". Our apologies there to oan and Deirdre.

Our other gaff was in listing the Prizes as 1st, 2nd and 3rd. They were all first prizes in different sections, so we would appreciate if Ciara Leavey, Colin Watts and Jennifer Feehan would forgive us.

We also apologise for the quality of the photograph as there was not enough light for our camera.

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Students on these courses will pay 50% of tuition fees for the 1995/96 academic year and thereafter no tuition fees will be payable.

# MAYNOOTH COLLEGE - VISITOR CENTRE

As part of their Bicentenary Celebrations Maynooth College has opened a Visitors' Centre in Stoyte House on the Old Campus. The centre which is co-ordinated by Mary O'Malley, was officially opened on June 1st with a cheese and wine reception and in attendance were the President of the College, Monsignor Matthew O'Donnell and Master of the College, Professor Seamus Smyth.

The centre will accommodate the large number of visitors and tourists interested in finding out about the college and its history. There are many precious artefacts on display, taken from various sectors of the College's history. These range from Callans 'medium sized coil' dating 1857 to the Cannon Ball used in the siege of Maynooth Castle dating 1535.



L-R: Murial Clarke and Aisling O'Malley working in the visitors centre

There are also a number of ancient ecclesiastical relics on display, including penal crucifixes as well as replicas of the Cross of Cong, St. Patrick's Bell and the Ardagh Chalice which are on loan from the National Museum.

There is a gift shop within the centre selling various bicentennial mementos, including books, tapes, T-shirts and key rings etc. There is also a Bicentenary Celebration video

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he centre also offers guided tours around the Old Campus to storical places such as the Russell Library, the College Chapel nd the College Museum.

our Prices: Adults £2.00, Students/O.A.P.s £1.00, hildren £1.00. roup of ten or more £1.50.

he Visitor Centre in Stoyte House is just one of the many iteresting focal points of Maynooth College this summer. here are also a number of art exhibitions taking place in St. fary's and in Renehan Hall.

he centre is open to everybody and there is no entrance fee.

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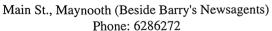
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### **GARDA TALK**

### **Drug Information**

On Tuesday 23rd May last, a large gathering attended a very informative drugs talk at the local Post Primary School, given by the Drug Squad, Harcourt Square. The latest information on drug abuse was discussed, and a quantity of substances were put on display. The Gardaí are most appreciative to Tom Ashe (Principal), all teachers and parents who attended. All parents are urged to take a special interest in the drug problem as they are often the only people to notice changes in mood swings and behavioural changes in people using drugs. All parents can contact their local Garda Station or the Drug Unit at Harcourt Square where confidentiality is assured. Some of the signs that may suggest someone is using drugs are:

- 1.- Exessive spending or borrowing.
- 2.- No regard for physical appearance.
- 3.- Lying or secretive behaviour.
- 4.- Sudden mood swings with unusual aggression or depression for no apparant reason.
- 5.- A waning interest in school, hobbies and friends.

What to do if you discover your child is using drugs? Don't panic - try and talk about drugs calmly - Many youngsters experiment and over-reacting could well make a small problem bigger. If drug taking continues, you must delve deeper. The earlier drug education begins, the better. It must begin at home. It will give children the confidence to say NO I don't want to do that or I can enjoy myself without drugs. It is worth reminding your children of the consequences of a drug conviction and indeed a drug record can restrict travel to certain countries.

Hereunder is a short guide to some of the commonly used drugs.

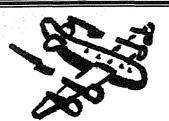
Cannabis: Commonly found in herbal form. Usually smoked by mixing with tobacco, gives off aromatic smell. Produces feeling of relaxation, can cause psychological dependence and among others can cause short term memory loss.

Amphetamines: Powder can be found in a variety of colours and maybe in pill or capsule form. Its use may cause excitability talkativeness, feeling of unlimited energy. Regular use can lead to weight loss and psychological dependance.

Ecstasy: Tablet or capsule in a variety of colours. Inhibitions disappear and increases energy. Side effects include dehydration, increased blood pressure and heart rate and it has been linked with fatalities.

L.S.D.: Taken orally as a tiny coloured tablet or impregnated in paper. Effects include hallucination, disorientation, panic, persecution mania, and conviction of invincibility. Flashbacks may occur several months after use.

Above is just a short guide to more of the commonly used drugs, and you should consult your doctor for further information.



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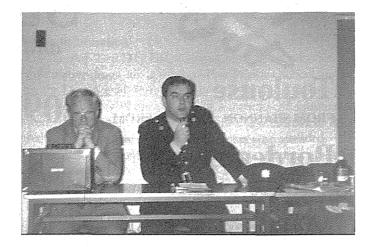
### RUG AWARENESS NIGHT FOR PARENTS F STUDENTS ATTENDING SECONDARY CHOOL

Will there be any free samples?" was the light-hearted joke n everyones' lips at the drug awareness night in the secondy school on 23rd May... funnily enough, there was, as Gaybo light say, one for everyone in the audience. The Vice-Princial Mr. Sean Ashe and Garda Martin Caine brought a Ban arda from Harcourt Street's drug unit, who for security reaons can neither be named or photographed, to inform everyne about substance abuse. Concentration was placed on canabis, as it was felt that this was the most common illegal rug available to young people. We were shown the resin, ow it is smoked - indeed how to inhale to best advantage nd the tell tale signs of a persons use of the substance i.e. in ehaviour and environment. The person would be relaxed, erhaps dropping out of sports etc., school work might deteorate etc. Like all habits we were told, a user will associate ith other users, so a persons friends give a good clue. In heir room Rizla paper and cigarettes may be found and cardoard slivers used as filters in the tobacco and cannabis mix reefers" cigarettes. No one sign is definite, but parents were ncouraged to keep eyes peeled for the signs.

Juickly the other illegal drugs were run through, their types, ffects and uses. Speed, Ecstasy and Heroin were passed hrough the audience and (I'm told) counted when returned to he front desk.

The focus of the evening was from a chemical slant i.e "these re what the various drugs look like, how they'll be spotted and what they do to the body". Apart from saying "we live in society of substance abuse, from alcohol to asprin, drug's, egal and illegal, proliferate in our lives", the "problem" was adly out of focus. Of course it's not the Garda's position to alk about what should be done about drug abuse in Maynooth or why the problem is growing. (On these matters one should isten to Senan Griffin speak about sport /team activity and Irugs, his link between the lack of amenities in Maynooth and outh problems would make an interesting and informative night itself).

Therefore the problem of drugs was slightly out of context, we were told what colour the horse would be and how fast it would run after it bolted but not why the stable doors were left so wide open. Perhaps such an informative evening as was held in the school could be backed up by another on placing these facts in a social context, framing the question, "what can we all do about drug abuse?"



Sgt. Carney and Principal Thomas Ashe in attendance at the drugs meeting in the Post Primary School

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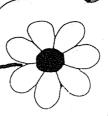
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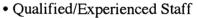
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#### niper Fire

hilip was injured when the U.N. jeep in which he was travelng, off duty and returning to base, was hit by sniper fire. His olleague the driver, Garda Paul Reid, was killed in the incient. Philip sustained leg and back injuries and is believed to e very lucky to have survived his ordeal. He was initially eated at the American Military Hospital in Zagreb. Luckily ood communication systems enabled his family to stay in such with the situation. Philip is back home recuperating nd we all wish him a speedy recovery and return to duty.

### **MILE BUIOCHAS**

Vith the advent of mid-summer the town of Maynooth is looking its best. This would seem to be an appropriate time to ompliment all those involved in enriching the quality of life or us residents of Maynooth.

'he first accolade must be laid on the Maynooth Tidy Towns ommittee, ably assisted by a group engaged in a Community imployment scheme (C.E.S.).

ikewise the transformation of the canal area from Maynooth pikes Bridge and Maynooth to Kilcock is a credit to the loyal Canal Amenity Group, ably assisted by a C.E.S.

The exterior and grounds of the G.A.A. Club-house and rounds still has the shining newness which was acquired for he official opening some weeks ago. This trojan work was arried out by club officials, ably assisted by a C.E.S.

t is appropriate that Mhuintir Mhaigh Nuad will read the acmowledgment of this work in the Maynooth Newsletter comiled by the Maynooth Community Council, ably assisted by C.E.S.

f any reader wishes to find out more about any of the groups nentioned in this article, they are all to be found in Treoraí Mhaigh Nuad, Maynooth Information Directory published by he Maynooth Community Council, ably assisted by a C.E.S.

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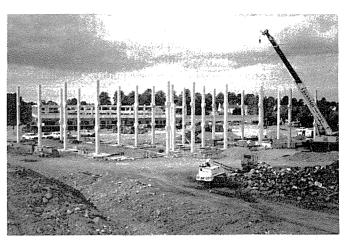
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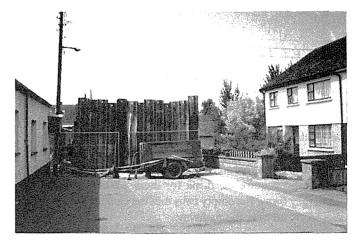
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Double Lane closed off for installation of new water pipe system

### IVIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

lorah McDermott was the recipient of a Leixlip Town Comiission Civic Award in recognition of her contribution in raisig the level of awareness of gender equality. Norah took a ing legal battle over a government injustice against social elfare payments to married women. Norah challenged the overnment's discrimination of paying married women less ocial welfare benefit than married men, single men and sinle women even though they paid the same PRSI contribuon. Cathaoirleach, Jim Bardon, said "We are indebted to lorah for her courage and tenacity in the face of an uncaring overnment". She was completely surprised by the nominaon and said she would treasure the award bestowed on her y her native town, as she is third generation Leixlip. She stated veryone in the country has rights but unfortunately we have to ight for them in lots of cases. She very much likes meeting eople, making them stand up and be counted but not everyone vould be as aggressive as Norah in fighting for justice.



Jim Bardon, Chairperson, Leixlip Town Commission presenting Norah McDermott with her achievement award

### STREET TALKING

### Lager louts destroy local amenity.

On week-ends when the weather is fine a certain amount of local youngsters join in groups and purchase cans of lager, which they bring to the Harbour area and drink along the banks of the canal. Some of them are young teenagers, under drinking age, who are normally accompanied by someone over 18 years, who acquire the drink for them. When they are finished they throw the empty cans into the canal or discard them recklessly all over the pathway.

#### Devastation

On Monday mornings there are scenes of devastation with numerous cans and plastic bags floating on the harbour water. Two local S.E.S. scheme workers have to spend up to two hours gathering up all the cans and litter. They fill several barrow-fulls and collect thousands of cans, although this is not their proper function.

#### Concern for entertainment

In times when concerns for the environment are topical vis-àvis the ozone layer, destruction of rain forests, chemical emissions and viral outbreaks, one would expect youngsters to be more aware of and to do their little bit for their own environment. It is not much to ask. The protection of the environment begins with each one of us. Of course there are other important social issues involved in this development but that is up to you the reader.

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### EYE HEAR

### local man sees red over Mars.

Of late a certain personable local man was working in a place of commerce, when a trader from foreign parts dropped his vallet. This honest Maynooth man picked up the purse and ound that it contained two and a half grand. True to his naure our man pursued and after much effort, caught up with he now engrossed trader. And what did he get for his trouble? Not twenty pounds, not ten, not five, not one, not fifty bence.. no, all he got was a Mars Bar. Maybe it was just a Martian visiting planet Earth.

### Marie gets the scent.

Ladies put on strong perfumes fair,

If you dally in the Mullen Bridge air".

A strong pong rose from the canal at Mullen Bridge as I crossed yet again. The first to bring it to my attention was Marie Donovan of Old Greenfield. Marie is so observant she'd make a great poet or detective. Anyway, says she, "Now put that in he Newsletter"

Well, I'm sorry Marie, I can't put the smell in the **Newsletter** put I do admit our writing sometimes stinks.

### Can Maynooth equal Ballyfermot?

There is a pub in Ballyfermot called the Pine Tree. On Monday nights they serve pints of stout and lager for £1.60. If this practise was introduced to pubs in Maynooth, it would very much suit people on low incomes, senior citizens and some of our more relaxed people who don't like the hustle and bustle of weekend drinking.

### The Finnan's Throne

Long has Nellie Finnan wanted a garden seat. Time was passing and no seat. But one day recently, her son Dessie got out his tool kit and using old timber, in less than two hours he had created a marvellous wooden construction. I have seen it with my own eyes and even sat on it and it is my considered opinion that Dessie had in fact created a throne for his mother. Long may she enjoy her seat. If you ask them nicely they might even let you sit on it too - that's if the queen isn't using it. I'll go even further, Nellie must surely now be The Queen of Old Greenfield.

### David Jolley - A true entertainer

I have often seen genial Dave Jolley entertain the masses. He'll do it anywhere, any place, any time. Often without reward or thanks he has shared his considerable guitar and vocal skills to bring cheer to others. When I saw him play and sing, surrounded by children, on a cold June evening at the annual Rail Park Residents Association barbecue I realised Dave Jolley is a true entertainer. Long may he continue.

### **MUINTIR MAIGH NUAD**



### **Ted Connolly**

Most families in Ireland are run fairly well to routine: get married, have children, work, educate them, see them get jobseveryone happy, no problem. There are exceptions to the rule and Ted's family would be one of them.

Ted was born on the 14th April,1929, into a family of nine other children at Convent Lane.

Maynooth, or indeed the rest of Ireland. Ireland was not very prosperous at that time so the chances of richness were very slim. They were totally shattered when in 1933 Ted's father died. Left with no option, their mother Annie had to put some of her children into care. So started Ted's excursion through life. To us who have lived ordinary family lives Ted's history is very different.

Ted was sent to the Sisters of Charity in Drogheda in 1934. At the age of 4, a very traumatic move for a child. His memory of that institution is very mixed. Some of the nuns were very kind but as usual some were right bitches. Ted was there until he was 10, then worse was to follow. The sisters did not keep anyone over that age so he was sent to Artane.

Anyone who read Patrick Tougher's book "Fear of the Collar" may have a little insight into the life in Artane but Ted had it first-hand.

The **Newsletter** would not print some of the words Ted uses to describe this kip. His mildest word on the place is "prison", where punishment was dished out at random and for no reason. You were lashed just for the pleasure of those perverts dishing it out. Ted did not encounter any of the perversions that we are reading so much of now but he thinks they got their thrills from just beating kids.

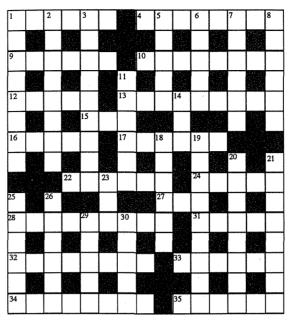
Ted was assigned to the cobbling shop where along with mending shoes and harnesses he also had to make the straps used by the punishers.

At 16 years of age Ted was taken, if that be the operative word, by a cobbling family in Tullow, Co. Carlow. I suppose it was the nearest thing to slave trade as we have seen in Ireland. For two years he worked about fourteen hours a day for 5 shillings a month. That is now 25p, so that was a good month's salary.

#### Army Days

After two years of close enough to torture he absconded and joined the Irish Army on St. Patrick's Day 1947. After 6 months training in the Curragh he was transferred to the Hibernian school in the Phoenix Park. This barracks was later to become a hospital for the Gardaí. Ted kept himself to general army duties so his trade from Artane and Tullow were forgotten. Then through a list of barracks, Cathal Bruagh, Portobello, Griffith on the South Circular and Gormanstown. Ted was sent to the Curragh for the 'fifties' internment. He was not too pleased to be guarding fellow Irishmen interned without trial but that was his job.

### Crossword No. 92



Entries before 5 p.m. Friday, 14th July, 1995

# Address\_\_\_\_

### Across:

- 1 The thing to protest about (6)
- Derogatory and fault-finding and possibly very ill
   (8)
- 9 Tom may be the chap to cut down the timber (6)
- Making use of while unwell on a very short avenue (8)
- More capable (5)
- A let-off or a release from liability (9)
- 15 Short man gets fifty points (3)
- 16 That place in Belgium could be subject, superior or Standard (5)
- 17 Darling expensive, that is (6)
- They may cure a headache when not part-time (6)
- 24 May be done by an insect or maybe a crook! (5)
- 27 Little devil who is initially an improper mischievous person (3)
- 28 CCCCCCC many a mariner has sailed them! (5,4)
- 31 She e'en takes in £50 (5)
- 32 Magnanimous showering of gifts (8)
- What one says about countries (6)
- Boys who are a pace away from a parent? (8)
- 35 Fits or fashions for one's use (6)

#### Down:

- 1 It gets in the way (8)
- A person who may put a sparkle in your life (8)
- 3 Dreary situation, so don't give as much support (9)
- 5 A show to have another look at, we hear (5)
- 6 An upstart who may be small in stature (5)
- 7 The place to go to for medical attention when you have 150 in I see (6)

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- A fable of the foot? (6)
- 11 It's not tough to be a carer! (6)
- A ram turns up to spoil things (3)
- 18 Help when a dope is at a junction (6)
- 19 Checked or give Edward the once-over (9)
- 20 One's sentence comes to an end at this point (4,4)
- 21 Goes to a lot of mental pains (8)
- 23 A French step initially helpful when driving a car (3)
- Devotional songs or hymns which belong to Samuel, we hear! (6)
- Have a dislike for a part of a song or poem (6)
- Requires, possibly the dough, we hear (5)
- A place in Germany to eat (5)

### Solution to Crossword No. 91:

Across: 1, Justin (just in); 4, All at sea; 9, Trains; 10, Manifest; 12, Image; 13, Tit for tat; 15, Nor; 16, Oiled; 17, Aborts; 22, Ushers; 24, Knoll; 27, Ewe; 28, Detergent (deter gent); 31, Align; 32, Inexpert; 33, Strata (st-rat-a); 34, Sidestep; 35, Argyle.

**Down:** 1, Jettison; 2, Scalable; 3, Innuendos; 5, Least; 6, Amigo (Ami go); 7, Sheets; 8, Astute; 11, Strafe (St-RAF-e); 14, Fir; 18, Onsets; 19, Take after; 20, Solitary; 21, Elongate (E-longat-E); 23, Hag; 25, Eddies (Ed-dies); 26, Attend; 29, Ropes; 30, Eerie (e'er-i.e.).

### Winner of Crossword No. 91:

Elizabeth Lee, Hodgestown, Donadea.

### The Congo

n early 1960 the army looked for volunteers to go to the Congo for the U.N. Peace Keeping Force. Ted was one of the first to but his name in so on the 28th of July 1960 he and his combanions from the 32nd Battalion of the Eastern Command leaded off. After a series of flights they landed in Goma. Their duty was to get refugees to safety from the Baloobas in he jungle. Three days and three nights of train travel through he jungle to their destination where they met up with Belgian, French, Dutch, British and even Indian soldiers.

The main danger according to Ted was the poisoned arrows but they thwarted many threatened attacks by giving the natives their sandwiches. Being cannibalistic, it was easier to give them your food than be their goodies, later battallions found out to their folly.

As a white soldier in the middle of a black nation Ted wondered what he was doing there. He had great empathy for the natives and wondered why white powers wanted to take over black or African countries. Nowadays they have to have oil before anyone is interested. Any nation or culture had a right to their own beliefs and live their lives as they wish. According to Ted all conflict in the world had been caused by colonisation and mainly religion.

On returning after six months Ted believed the greatest enemy in the Congo were the mosquitos: the danger of malaria was very high. He returned to general duties at Clancy Barracks in Islandbridge where he spent two years. Next stop was Collins Barracks, again for six months.

Ted applied again for overseas duties. He thought the Congo was a bit more exciting than square bashing in Collins. He was refused on health reasons. Still going strong twenty five years later one wonders how they came up with that. Now fed up with the job, he decided to retire. Ted enjoyed most of his time in the army but wondered how he survived on the food. The only thing that changed on the menu was the date: "same muck different day" were Teds' thoughts on it.

Ted returned to Maynooth and worked for 8 months at the mart. He then moved to O'Reilly's Garage for a while washing and polishing cars.

Next move was his best. He got a job in Kavanagh's Mills and for the first time in his life he thought he was getting a fair deal. Working for a decent family and getting good wages and most of all respect he spent a very happy twenty two years. He has great respect for the Kavanagh family and will not hear a bad word said about them.

Ted, who never married, retired in May and is enjoying his few pints at his leisure. He has company as all his brothers and sisters are still around. Brothers, Kevin, Paul and Pat in Maynooth and Jim up the road in Palmerstown. Sisters, Maureen and Madge in Maynooth and in England there's Tess, Norah and Josephine.

On a sad note, his mother Annie died on the 10th of January, 1991, God rest her.

All Ted's family and friends wish him a long and happy retirement, "Go easy on the pints Ted".

# RED CROSS YOUTH SECTION TAKE TO THE LIBRARIES IN THE SUMMER

The end of July and beginning of August will see the Red Cross on their travels around the libraries in the Kildare area. The focus is on young people, as usual, and all young people are invited to fill in an afternoon finding out more about First Aid and Safety Tips. If you or your friends are interested, why not come and join in the fun activities which will enable you to be safer. We will be in Maynooth library on the 27th July at 3.00pm while Leixlip library will be our venue on 25th July and Celbridge library on August 3rd, both also at 3.00pm. Don't miss what promises to be an afternoon of fun and watch out for posters in your libraries for further details.

John McLoughlin

### WEDDING BELLS FOR DANNY & HELEN

St. Coca's Parish Church, Kilcock, was the setting for a very pretty and popular wedding on Sunday, June 4th, when Helen Finnan, daughter of Peter and Nellie Finnan, Old Greenfield, Maynooth, and Danny Grehan, son of Thomas and Marie Grehan from Glenamaddy, Co. Galway, were united in Holy Matrimony. The Nuptial Mass was performed by Fr. David Boylan, Chaplain, Maynooth Post-Primary School, and Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple, P.P., Maynooth.

### Beautiful bride

The beautiful bride adorned in white dupion satin full-length bridal dress, with short train and matching tiara head-dress, was given away by her father, Peter. Assisting the bride were the beautiful Ann Finnan, sister, Roseanne Grehan and Lorraine Kilmartin, all looking resplendent in midnight blue bridal gowns. The flower girl was Leanne Grehan and the page-boy was Danny Finnan.

Before the altar, adorned with floral arrangements and floral arch, Helen joined Danny, looking very handsome in a blue tuxedo, multi-coloured waistcoat and matching grey-blue trousers. Ray Grehan was best man, with brothers Brendan and Kevin as groomsmen. The excellent music and hymns for the Nuptial Mass were provided by Sandra Brady, accompanied by her father. Danny and Helen looked the picture of joy as they exchanged wedding vows in gentle and loving tones.

#### Bonfires

A large gathering of guests attended the post-wedding reception at the Ambassador Hotel, Kill, Co. Kildare. Bonfires burned along the route, in keeping with a great Glenamaddy tradition, which brings luck to the newly-weds. All the guests enjoyed a wonderful meal and the excellent beverages provided and were in buoyant mood as they looked forward to what was yet to come.

### Speeches

The well-spoken Ray Grehan introduced entertaining and humorous speeches, which were greatly enjoyed by all in attendance.

#### Wedding Rell

Ray spoke of how Helen had transformed Danny's hairstyle and of how he and Danny had a close relationship, both as





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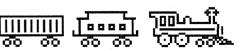
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prothers and business partners. Tom Grehan told of how he enjoyed Helen's visits to the West and described Danny as a football fanatic, of whom it was difficult to extract any information during sports results programmes. Peter Finnan gave a short speech welcoming Danny into the family and thanking everyone for making it such a good day. Danny gave a very humorous speech and got a great laugh when he described his first encounter with his father-in-law, Peter. He also spoke of how he got on well with Helen's family. Later on, the high-spirited guests danced to live music which suited all tastes, provided by the excellent Hopkins Brothers.

### Singers

As if this all wasn't enough, everyone enjoyed an hour's free bar provided by the wedding parties. The occasion was completed by fine singing from Danny Finnan Jnr. with "Key to my Heart", Lilian Donovan (granddaughter), Paul Finnan, Matt Cunningham with Leo Armstrong on clarinet.

The happy couple are spending their honeymoon in Barbados and everyone joins in wishing them all God's blessings, health and wealth in the years ahead.

"Whenever a dark cloud blows your way, Remember the colours of that day."



Helen Finnan and Danny Grehan on their wedding day

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The 94/95 Academic year was quite an eventful one for Maynooth Post-Primary.

It started with the successful completion of our Monster Draw which resulted in a net profit of over £100,000. This figure and more is needed to complete our extension which is currently under construction. With luck and good weather this will be complete by September next.

Our usual successful Debs in October was followed by the fifth year school tour to Amsterdam and the school winning the regional finals in the Bayer Science Quiz for senior students.

Soccer, gaelic, camogie, basketball, cross-country and athletics all formed part of the on-going physical development provided by the staff of the school.

The cultural side was well looked after also with six trips to the theatres in Dublin as well as involvement in several inter school debating competitions throughout the year, culminating in our second year students contesting the Final of the second year debating competition at the end of May.

The bleakness of the long winter months was greatly relieved by our splendid production of Oliver which was so over booked a fourth night had to be conceded to cater for the demand for tickets. Even with that the Parish Hall was packed. Patrons are already looking forward to next year!

Mini tours for first and second years were arranged and enjoyed by all as well as the usual trips to the skating rink and bowling alleys.

Our year ended on a high note with Janice Walshe winning first prize in the Sweetman Scholarship on European Affairs. Her prize for her efforts is a trip to Europe in July encompassing all the major cities in the EU, all expenses paid and pocket money thrown in. Well done Janice and congratulations.

Our senior girls football team also ended on a very high note with an exciting victory against Coláiste Chiarán, Leixlip, 4-7 to 3-4. This is the second successive year that the senior girls have won the Intel Trophy and will celebrate it with a victory dinner in the Springfield Hotel on 21st June.

We began the year with a Mass in September for first year students to mark their entry into the school and concluded it with a farewell Mass for Leaving Cert. students on the 24th May. Parents, teachers and students attended to celebrate the occasion and Mr. Tom Ashe, Principal, wished the leaving cert class luck in their exams and 'Bon Chance' in their quest for their chosen career.

The night concluded with a splendid supper for all and farewells to many families who have now completed their association with the school after many years, and in some cases very many year, of sterling service to the school.

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Congratulations also to the following students who received awards on our prize giving day which was very generously sponsored by John Byrne, Maynooth Bookshop and the Bank of Ireland, Maynooth.

### Gold Medal and Book Token

1st Year - Girl Sinead Keenan

1st Year - Boy Thomas Mullarky

2nd Year - Girl Maeve Beirne

2nd Year - Boy Declan O'Rourke

3rd Year - Girl Jane Carey

3rd Year - Boy Paul Fitzpatrick

6th Year - Girl Elaine Fleming

6th Year - Boy James Lawler

#### **Best Junior Cert Results**

Girl - Anna Martin

Boy - Barry McKeon

All in all a very good year and we now look forward to the 17th August and the publication of another fine set of Leaving Cert Results.

Enjoy the summer holidays.

Thomas Ashe Principal

### **DOLE DIARIES - A REVIEW**

# **Politics, Unemployment and the Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong**

Back in the 1970s Jack Lynch, the then Taoiseach and leader of Fianna Fail, made a remarkable statement. He said that any Government that presided over an unemployment level of 100,000 did not deserve to be re-elected. Those were the good old days. Including those on Community Employment Schemes there are now over 300,000 people looking for work. About half these are long term unemployed, many will never find a job. And perhaps the most depressing fact of all is that this massive economic and social crisis is no longer top of the political agenda. Tens of thousands of our citizens have their lives blighted by unemployment, poverty and social exclusion and by the mid 1990s this seems to be accepted as part of the fabric of Irish life. We used to believe that when unemployment passed 250,000 that there would be riots in the streets - or social unrest as it was politely called. This has not happened. The Irish National Organisation for the Unemployed (INOU) does great work in giving a voice to those on the dole but, for the most part, the unemployed suffer in silence.

### **Secret Dole Diaries**

This is the context of John Drennan's recently published Secret Dole Diaries of Sean Armstrong. What it succeeds in doing is saying out loud some of the things that need to be said about being unemployed and about how 'official Ireland'

treat the unemployed. As a work of fiction it attempts to explore the consequences of unemployment - with its frustrations, lack of money and the corroding effects on personal relationships. It gets across a revealing picture of 'unofficial Ireland' that complements programmes like Paddy O'Gorman's Queuing for a Living on RTE Radio. This is the books achievement.

#### **Armstrong and Drennan**

Judging by the title and, indeed, the content, the model for the book is the famous Secret Diaries of Adrian Mole which proved to be a huge best seller for their author Sue Townsend some years ago. So, in reading the book we must remember that Sean Armstrong is not John Drennan - just as Adrian Mole is not Sue Townsend (who is a middle aged woman by all accounts). On the back cover the reader is told that Sean Armstrong is '23, young, talented and in love'. Those of us who know and love John Drennan know that he 23+, youngish and talented (well he works with Eamon Dunphy in the Sunday Independent so he must be). Whether he is in love is entirely his own business. But the book is at its best when Sean Armstrong is not John Drennan. In a work of fiction like this the author has to let his characters be themselves. Too often John Drennan intervenes and puts political speeches in the mouth of his character. The General Election result of 1992 is analysed as if by a political correspond. What Sean Armstrong has to say about politics is valid and, in some instances even correct, but we can read it any Sunday in John Drennan's column in the Sunday Independent.

#### **Social Employment Schemes**

In his diary Armstrong is particularly scathing about Social Employment Schemes and as a fictional character he is perfectly entitled to vent his frustrations. The problem though is that because the character of Armstrong is so weakly written he often appears as no more than a flimsy disguise for Drennan. As a result some people in Maynooth who have worked with John Drennan have been hurt by the way he has treated this issue in the book. That such a thing should have happened reflects Drennan's creative failure as an author. It says nothing about employment schemes in the town.

### A National Hero

On a positive note here and there in the book there are flights of imagination - Armstrong takes 10 wickets against Australia on the dining room table and becomes a national hero. Later he wins the US PGA. Brian Lenihan asks him to declare for Ireland. Anything to beat the sheer boredom of having nothing to do. There are also some well written passages dealing with his relationship with 'the girlfriend' who is seldom honoured with an actual name. Indeed the best written passages in the book describe tender moments between the two characters. Perhaps next time round John Drennan will write a love story.

### Hobbies & Interests

# **DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE**

#### MINTED CHEESE PIE

•Prep: 15 mins • Cook: 1 hour • Serves 8 •

Made from just a few basics - pastry, cheese and eggs this pie's worth getting the rolling pin out for. And it's great for veggies, too.

450g/1 lb shortcrust pastry
350g/12 oz cream cheese
75g/3oz Cheddar cheese, finely
grated
1/4 tsp freshly grated nutmeg
Salt and pepper
11/2 tbsp chopped fresh mint
6 size 4 eggs
Fresh sprigs of mint to garnish

- 1. Preheat the oven to 220° C/425° F/Mark 7. Roll out 225g/8 oz of the pastry on a lightly floured surface until it makes a 28cm/11 in circle.
- 2. Ease the pastry into a greased 18cm/7in deep pie plate and press into the base.
- 3. Mix cream cheese with Cheddar cheese, nutmeg, salt, pepper and chopped mint.
- **4.** Lightly beat 2 of the eggs. Pour off a quarter of the beaten eggs and set aside. Beat rest into the cheese mixture.
- 5. Spread the filling into the pastrylined pie dish then, with a spoon handle, make 4 deep dips in the filling. Break the remaining eggs into the dips.
- 6. Roll out the rest of the pastry. Dampen the pastry rim in the dish and lay the lid on top. Press edges together to seal, then trim with a sharp knife.
- 7. Re-roll trimmings and use to decorate pie. Brush with reserved beaten egg. Bake for 1 hour, covering with greaseproof paper after 20 minutes.

### POTATO AND BEETROOT SALAD.

Serves 4
675g/1½ lb Charlotte potatoes
4 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
1 tbsp cumin seeds
600g/1¼ lb cooked beetroot, cut
into 5mm/¼ in thick sticks
3tbsp classic vinaigrette
2 tbsp snipped fresh dill
seasoning

- 1. Cook the potatoes in boiling, salted water for 15-20 minutes until tender. Drain and cut into thick slices.
- 2. Heat the oil in a pan, add the cumin seeds and cook for a minute or two until they begin to pop. Remove from the heat, add the potatoes and toss to coat in the oil. Set aside to cool.
- 3. Mix the beetroot with the vinaigrette and spoon into the centre of a dish. Arrange potatoes around edge. Scatter dill on top. Serve at room temperature.

#### SUNSHINE PAVLOVA

### Serves 6

- 1 x Silver Spoon Microwave Meringue Mix
  300ml/ ¹/₂ pint double cream
  50g/2oz plums, sliced
  50g/2oz strawberries
  1 orange, segmented
  1 tbsp desiccated coconut, toasted
- 1. Draw a 20cm/8in circle on greaseproof paper. For the base, make up 100g/4oz Meringue Mix, roll into 10 balls and make a ring in the circle with a ball in centre. Microwave on high for  $1^{1}/_{2}$  minutes.
- 2. Make up 50g/2oz of meringue. Make 12 balls. Place them on another 20cm/8in greaseproof circle. Microwave for  $1^{1}/_{2}$  minutes.

**3.** Whip cream. Place the meringue base on a dish and spoon over cream. Top with meringue ring, fruit and coconut. (We used an 800W microwave for this dish.)

### SEASONAL FRUIT SHORTBREAD

Serves: 6-8 • Cook: 20-25mins • Preparation:25mins • Total cals: 3,954

M0oz/275g plain flour 3oz/75g cornflour pinch of salt 4oz/125g caster sugar 6oz/175g margarine cubed almond essence

### Filling

1 x 7fl oz/200 ml carton dessert topping 8oz/225g fresh strawberries 4oz/125g gooseberries, fresh or frozen, defrosted 4oz/125g blackcurrants, fresh or frozen, defrosted 2oz/50g raspberries, fresh or frozen, defrosted 2oz/50g caster sugar, to decorate sprigs of mint, to decorate

Grease two 7in/18cm round cake tins. Preheat the oven to Mark 6/400° F/200° C. Sift the flour and salt into a bowl. Cream the caster sugar and the margarine together, until light and fluffy. Fold in the dry ingredients and add a few drops of essence. (The mixture will have quite a dry texture.) Divide between the cake tins, push down well and smooth top.

Cook for 20 minutes until golden brown. Take out of the oven, allow to cool for a few minutes, turn out and place on a wire rack. Whip the dessert topping until firm, place one round of bread on a plate. Reserve 3oz/75g of the fruit and one strawberry, scatter half of the remaining fruit over the bread, spoon over the cream. Lay the second piece on top and scatter the remaining fruit on top. Decorate with a sliced strawberry and mint sprigs.

For the sauce, place the remaining fruit, sugar and 2tbsp/30ml water in a pan, simmer until fruit is soft. Purée. Serve hot or cold.

### Hobbies and Interests

# **GARDENING** THINTS



olour abounds in the garden this month with patio planters and herbaceous borders coming into their own. This is a time when you'll want to be outside from dawn to dusk. During the day the sunshine opens all the brightest flowers and when the evening falls the perfumed plants really come into their own. Any plant with scented flowers is designed to attract insects, so select a few plants for their smell e.g. Tobacco plants (Nicotiana).

#### The Flower Garden

Bedding plants and half-hardy annuals, such as petunias, ageratums, fibrous begonias, nemesias, busy lizzies, zinnias, dwarf phlox, salvias and lobelias, will be all at their best, and one begins to think they are worth the trouble of early sowing, coddling in the greenhouse in spring, pricking out. hardening off and finally planting out of doors. Sweet peas will continue to need training and layering by now. Regular feeding of plants will also encourage growth and busy lizzies will love a drop of cold tea. Remember however, that geraniums do not need too much feeding as this will encourage foliage growth rather than flowers. Don't forget regular watering is also important and containers and hanging baskets should be watered at least daily. The July gales will mean attention to staking: thunderstorms also often beat plants down and so it is doubly important to make sure that they are securely supported.

Keep an eye on the greenfly - at the time of writing this they are having regular parties on the roses etc. so regular spraying is a must.

### The Lawn

Lawn watering should not be neglected; if no rain occurs for several days which are hot and sunny as well, start watering, as waiting until the lawn is obviously gasping for it, is too late, and the grass will be irremediably weakened. Continue to mow without the grassbox attached.

### Pruning

Cut the fast growing hedges again. Privet, Lonicera nitida and the thorns should be trimmed if they're looking straggly. Conifer hedges such as yew, juniper and cupresses, can now be trimmed. When you trim the sides, avoid cutting hard back into old brown wood as most conifers rarely regrow if they're cut back too hard. If the hedge is new, don't allow it to get out of hand. Trim the sides as soon as they're wide enough and allow the top to grow 1 m (3 ft) higher than you eventually want it. Then cut back to 15 cm (6 in) lower than needed so that it develops a good bushy top.



#### Soft Fruits

Soft fruit picking will claim a good deal of time and with a deep freeze much of it can be preserved with its fresh flavour for winter; raspberries with cream or a blackcurrant pudding are particularly tasty out of season in the depths of winter. Strawberries will finish cropping this month; raspberries will come into ripening, and will finish by the end of July, and blackcurrants, redcurrants and gooseberries will also finish, although it has been known for all to continue to ripen.

### Vegetable Garden

Succession vegetables can be sown, lettuce, radish, parsley for winter, spring cabbage for next year, endive for blanching later in autumn. Winter vegetables to be planted out are cauliflower, broccoli, sprouts and cabbage. Keep an eve out for potato blight particularly in warm wet weather and spray the foliage with a protective covering before the disease infects. Herbs can be gathered and dried this month, storing for winter use. Keep the hoe going and the weeds under control.





### **CHECKLIST**



- · Put out a large shallow dish of water for birds and hedgehogs if the weather's dry.
- · Dead-head all plants frequently, especially roses, annuals and tender perennials.
- Layer border carnations by pegging down the tips.
- Disbud dahlias and chrysanthemums by removing all but the very top bud if you want large flowers for
- Cut back straggly violas to encourage new shoots for
- · Continue pruning deciduous shrubs that have flowered.
- Pinch out runner beans when they've reached the top of the supports.
- · Harvest herbs for drying and storing.
- Sow parsley for winter use.
- · Water new lawns thoroughly during dry weather.



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### Political Party Notes

### LABOUR PARTY NOTES

### **Undergrounding of Overhead Wires**

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion to Kildare County Council.

"That this Council facilitates the undergrounding of the E.S.B. overhead wires when the sewerage pipes are being laid in Celbridge and that this policy be adopted for all other towns in Kildare."

The Council has already agreed to the undergrounding of the overhead wires in Maynooth following a motion from Cllr. John McGinley last year.

#### **Labour Advice Services:**

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D. is available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4 p.m. in Caulfields Private Meeting Room and his colleague, Cllr. John McGinley is also available at the same venue every Thursday at 8 p.m.

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### **Sports**

### KILDARE HAVEN'T A PRAYER

When I took up my **Newsletter** assignment and started to enquire about the fate of the Kildare team following their unexpected exit from the Leinster Championship, at the hands of Louth, by a score of 13 points to 11, on May 28th last, I got such bad reactions I had to shut up and retreat into my shell. Comments like "rubbish", "terrible", "desperate", "no good", rang in my ear. One said, "there's no team to support". I was soon convinced it wasn't prayers that were being said for Kildare. I sought other views.

#### **Intestinal fortitude**

Vincent Hanniffy a great supporter of the G.A.A. code said "they lacked stomach or intestinal fortitude". He continued, "all sports involve the ability to score and Kildare lack penetration and have nothing to finish with". He went further, "it would be easier to start the Rosary in a Presbyterian Church than to get Kildare to start scoring". This view was echoed by three young men, Derek, Paul and Eamon who believe, "the backs are okay, the midfield solid but the forwards are desperate". Anto Edwards volunteered, "they have no leader like someone of the stature of Colm O'Rourke or Larry Tompkins".

### High expectations

We recall that when Mick O'Dwyer took over the reins, in 1991, Louth bombed them out of the Leinster Championship. However the expectations of fans rose and Kildare enjoyed notable success under O'Dwyer, reaching Division I status, a League Final and two Leinster Finals. Last year, when Dermot Earley took over, expectations remained high and this is why there is so much widespread disappointment on this occasion.

#### Repercussions

It is now likely that there will be serious repercussions for both the manager and the team following the latest debacle. There are even silly rumours that the team threw in the game. At a recent Kildare County Board meeting one delegate stated that, "the players needed to show greater heart". He continued "some of them haven't the hearts of rabbits". Perhaps, even now some of the more senior players like Davy Dalton, Shay Dowling and Declan Kerrigan may be considering retiring from the game.

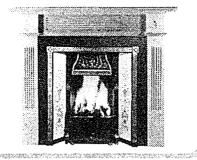
### Media hype

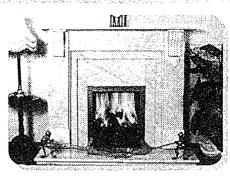
Meanwhile, Dermot Earley seems set to pay the price for the defeat. It has been suggested that he gave too many press briefings, which may have put extra pressure on the players. It is also implied that having a "nice-guy" manager "never got Kildare anywhere". There is some local opinion that the ability of some players has been hyped up by the media above the reality of the true situation. Dublin players are the victims of the same media hero makers, but all the scribblers haven't put the Sam Maguire into their hands in recent times.

#### Fame is the spur

At the end of the day the G.A.A. is an amateur sport and the players and their families give up a lot of time and effort in the cause of glory. Perhaps fame is the spur or maybe fame is the prize. The Romans had their Colosseum. However the Leinster

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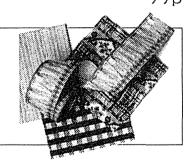
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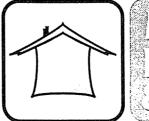
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Championship does not appear to be like the Community Games - taking part isn't enough. How adults change the rules. Being a county player may be some kind of advantage at the local disco - something to talk about. Perhaps it has its advantages.

### MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

A great night was had by all in the Roost. Many thanks to the members who supplied the goodies, (sandwiches, crisps, dips, etc.) They went down a treat with the drinks. Our thanks also to the Roost for allowing us to have our venue there and to the local businesses who supplied us with spot prizes.

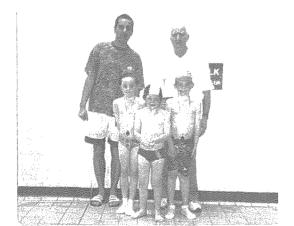
We're delighted to see old and new faces at the summer badminton club. Don't be afraid to join us any Tuesday night from 8.30p.m. in the Parish Hall.

### MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The A.G.M. of the club was held in the Post Primary School on Tuesday 13th June. There was a very small attendance at this well publicised meeting. Of the 140 club members only 17 parents (this included the present committee) were present. A small number of parents sent their apologies. Thankfully the parents who attended are eager to see the club continue at its present level. Our long serving Chairman, Owen Byrne was returned unanimously and the other branch officers will be elected at the next meeting from the following committee, Lorraine Rush, Mary Hoban, Patricia Moynan, Anne Marie Coyle, Joan Cooney, Michelle Palmer, Mary Cahill and Patricia Dunne. We would like to thank Mr. Tom Ashe for the use of the school for this meeting.

The club galas were a great success again this year, congratulations to all who took part. We ask parents to please fill in the enrolment forms for September and return them to the bus supervisor or a committee member as soon as possible. Family swim is on the 1st of July: remember no buses on that day. We hope you all enjoy your summer holidays. Back next month with more news.

### Claire O'Rourke Margaret O'Neill



Instructor: Oliver Burns, Chairman: Owen Byrne, L-R: Lee Walsh, Patrick Comerford, Ross Cullinane

### MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB **Kildare Championship**

#### Gold

Boys U/13 100m, Shot, 600m Long Jump, D. Campbell. Boys U/15 100m, D. O'Rourke, Walk K. Ennis 0/40 800m, J. Campbell. 0/45 100m, 1 J. O'Rourke

Girls U/13 300m, L. Brennan. Girls U/14 100m, 300m, M. O'Sullivan

Boys U/12 100m, P. O'Rourke.

#### Silver

Boys U/9 60m, 80m, David Prendergast Boys U/11 600m, P. Campbell Boys U/13 300m, P. King Boys U/14 100m, K. Ennis Girls U/12 Long Jump, P. Byrne 600m, 800m, C. Diggins Senior Men 5000m, J. Campbell 0/45 800m, J. O'Rourke

#### Bronze

Boys U/11 Long Jump, P. Campbell Boys U/13 100m, C. Cushen Shot, Long Jump, 600m, P. King Boys U/15 Shot, 800m, Discus, D. O'Rourke Girls U/12 100m, P. Byrne 0/45 1500, D. Jolley

4th Place (Leinster Qualifiers) Girls U/13 100m, A. McTernan Boys U/13 600m, C. Cushen Girls U/12 300m, P. Byrne

#### **Leinster Veterans**

0/40 800, 1500, 1 J. Campbell 0/45 3000m, 3 L. McNamee 0/50 1500m, 3 D. Jolley 3000m, D. Jolley 0/40 LJ, HJ, TJ, Shot, Javelin, 1 J. Keogh, 100m 2 J. Keogh, 3 200m J. Keogh.

### Leinster Senior

T.J. 1 J. Keogh 4 x 400m 2nd.

### Leinster Juveniles

Boys U/12 100m, P. O'Rourke Boys U/13 H.J., L.J., 600m, D. Campbell Boys U/11 H.J., P. Campbell

Boys U/14 Walk, K. Ennis

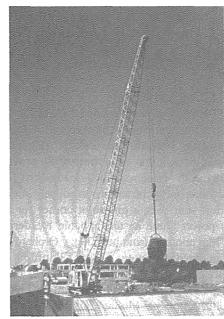
### Silver

Girls U/13 300m, L. Brennan Girls U/14 300m, M. O'Sullivan Boys U/13 200m, H, D. Campbell

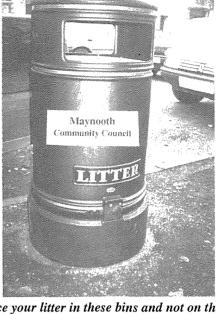
### **Bronze**

Girls U/14 100m, M. O'Sullivan

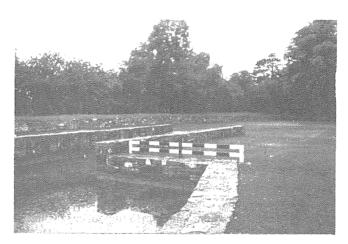
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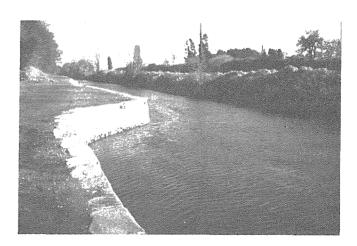
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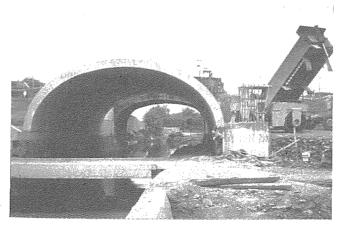
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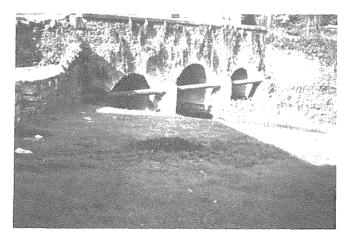
The Canal Harbour looking very well



Canal Harbour at Pikes Bridge



Bridge span for new bridge on Straffan Road



Bridge at Mill Street

### Other all Ireland qualifiers

Girls U/12 100m, P. Byrne
Boys U/13 100m, 300m, P. King
Boys U/11 L.J., 600m, P. Campbell 200m H, D. Campbell

### MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Our Seniors' and Schoolboys' leagues have ended after a very prolonged season brought about by a very wet and rainy season. Our ladies team have commenced their league and cup campaign and early indications are that another successful season is in prospect.

Some late season results were promising but our first team exit from the Watkins Cup at the Quarter Final stage was the low point of the latter part of the season.

### **Watkins Cup**

### Maynooth Town 3 Jobstown Celtic 0

This was a very good win over tough Tallaght opponents. Anthony Smith was in top form for Maynooth and just shaded the honours over Robbie Moran.

Robbie Moran with two goals and Joe Smullen with one were our scorers.

#### Div. 1 Sunday

### Maynooth Town 2 Mountmellick Utd. 2

Our County Laois rivals provided stern opposition in this tight game and a draw was a fair result after a titanic struggle. Maynooth had to come from behind twice to take a share of the honours with Robbie Moran getting a late equaliser on the stroke of half-time. Paul Byrne scored our first goal. Best for Maynooth were Paul Byrne, Fergal Barton and Mick (Rambo) Kelly.

#### Div. III P. Grds

### Maynooth Town 1 Ormond F.C. 1

Maynooth caused a major blow to Ormond's title hopes with this battling performance laced with some exciting attacking football. Michael Murphy opened the scoring in the first half for Maynooth with a cheeky piece of opportunism. The most significant aspect of this goal was that it happened shortly after he had been attacked and kicked by an Ormond supporter who had to be ejected from the ground.

Ormond got a late equalizer to take some of the shine off a top performance by Maynooth.

Best for Maynooth were keeper Michael Kelly, John Geoghegan and Michael Murphy.

### Ladies F.A.I Cup 1st Round Maynooth Town 5 Westport 3

Our County Mayo opponents made the long haul to Maynooth for this first round tie and put up a good show before succumbing to the greater all-round talent of Maynooth.

Westport took a first half lead which they held up to half-time. Maynooth looked as if they had made the long trip with an unusually jaded first half performance.

The home side shook off their lethargy after the interval for Antoinette Mooney to equalise. Maynooth scored four more in the second half with Suzanne Carroll, Paula O'Shea, Emma Kilduff and Leanne Hughes getting on the score sheet. Westport scored twice during this period to give the score line a close look.

Best for Maynooth were Bríd Ann O'Shea and Ginny Breslin.

### Ladies F.A.I. Cup 2nd Round Maynooth Town 3 Cherry Orchard 3 (A.E.T.)

This was a cracking game with the outcome in doubt right up to the final whistle. With the sides locked together after ninety minutes it was thought that extra time would provide an outright winner but the issue remained deadlocked. Maynooth trailed at half-time but got on terms immediately after the break. Emma Kilduff sent over a pin point corner for Antoinette Mooney to power home an unstoppable Header. Suzanne Carroll put Maynooth in front but Cherry Orchard came back to equalise in the 90th minute. Emma Kilduff put Maynooth ahead in extra time but the "Orchard" came back once more to score and send the game to a replay. Best for Maynooth were Ginny Breslin, Antoinette Mooney and Irene Kearney.

### F.A.I. Ladies Cup 2nd Round Replay Cherry Orchard 1 Maynooth Town 5

Maynooth made no mistake in this easy replay win after a close drawn game in Maynooth earlier. Maynooth played fast open football from the opening whistle and never let the home side settle into the game.

Maynooth held a 4-1 half-time lead with goals from Maeve Flood 2, Laura Kearney 1 and Leanne Hughes 1. Maeve Flood completed her hat-trick in the second half to cap a fine individual performance.

### Open Cup

### Maynooth Town 7 Lusk Utd 1

Maynooth never looked in danger of defeat in this one-sided game and scored at regular intervals to run out easy winners. Suzanne Carroll (3), Antoinette Mooney (2), Leanne Hughes (1), Emma Kilduff (1), were Maynooth's scorers in a win which saw Tracy Kearney and Antoinette Mooney shine brightest.

### Dublin Womens' League Intermediate Div. 1 Maynooth Town 4 Lusk Utd 3

Maynooth were good value for this win despite the closeness of the score line. Antoinette Mooney opened the scoring in the seventh minute only for Lusk to fight back and equalise. Suzanne Carroll restored Maynooth's lead which Maeve Flood extended soon afterwards. Lusk reduced the arrears but the home side restored their two goal advantage when Suzanne Carroll scored her second goal.

Lusk scored a late third goal to put a flattering look on the score line.

Best for Maynooth were Suzanne Carroll and Maeve Flood.

The Annual General Meeting was held recently and the following officers and committee were elected for the 1995/96 season.

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This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds. Closing date for receipt of entries is Friday 14th July 1995, by 5 p.m.

The committee is completed by Tom Dempsey, Frances Kearney, Tony McMahon, Stephen Horan, Lenny Murphy and Johnny Thompson (Sen).

Our pitch at Dublin Road will be closed shortly for much needed running repairs. The pitch is in urgent need of seeding and re-sodding following the big demand over the last few seasons with the increase in the number of teams using it. When this work is carried out we would ask all aspiring players, young and old, to refrain from using the pitch during this period to allow the seeding to germinate and the sodding to set and settle into place.

As with all clubs, new players are always welcome into our club at all levels. We are recruiting players now and any intended players should watch for notices of trials and pre-season training. Just come along on the published dates or contact any member of the committee.



Mrs. Annie Murphy presenting Joe Murphy Memorial Cup to the winning captain



Winners of the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup

### G.A.A. NOTES

#### 1st Team Results Since the June Issue

### (1) Maynooth 2-7 v Monasterevin (League-away)

**Team:** E. Sheeran, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, J. Conway, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, M. Noone, K. Fagan, P. Burke, J. Nevin, J. Riordan, H. Nevin, P. Garvey, P. Flood, L. O'Toole.

Subs: J. O'Toole for J. Nevin.

Scorers: Garvey 1-5, Riordan 1-0, Kelly and M. Nevin 0-1 each.

**Best for Maynooth:** Dunne, Kelly, Stynes, Fagan, Burke, M. Nevin, L. O'Toole, P. Flood and Garvey.

**Best for Monasterevin:** Tom Dempsey at 6: the Gleesons at midfield; Jason Leigh at 10: Gordon Buckley at 11, Niall Colgan at 13 and John Malone at 14.

Referee: Denis Callaghan, Sarsfields.

### (2) Maynooth 1 - 7 v Moorfield 0 - 11 pts.

**Team:** P. Flood, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, M. Noone, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Fagan, L, O'Toole, John Nevin, M. Scanlon, J. Riordan, P. Garvey, S. Molloy, J. O'Toole.

**Scorers:** Garvey 1-3: Riordan, Scanlon, J. O'Toole and Mollo**y** 0-1 each.

**Best for Maynooth:** M. Nevin, P. Stynes, Kelly, Mahony, Fagan, Garvey and Molloy.

Best for Moorfield: McMullen at 5: McCormack at 6: Flynn at 7: Masterson at 8: Hayden at 11: Murray at 12: Whyte at 13 and Conlon at 14.

Referee: Pat Dowling, Celbridge.

# (3) Maynooth 0 - 8 pts. v Caragh 0 - 10 pts. (League-away)

**Team:** P. Flood, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, M. Noone, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Fagan, K. Killoran, John Nevin, M. Scanlon, L. O'Toole, P. Garvey, S. Molly, J. Riordan.

**Subs:** J. Conway for M. Kelly; J. O'Toole for L. O'Toole; P. Burke for S. Molloy.

Scorers: Garvey 6pts: Scanlon and Killoran 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Flood, Dunne, M. Nevin, Noone, Kelly, Stynes, Mahony, Fagan, Killoran, Garvey and Scanlon.

Best for Carragh: Gero Gannon, Pat Dunne, Denis McCormack, Dempsey, Conlon, Sean Michael Casey, Philip Casey and Tomás Cannon.

Referee: Niall Mooney, Clogherinkoe.

# (4) Maynooth 1 - 12 $\,v\,$ Cappagh 0 - 6 pts (1st round Championships at Clane)

**Team:** P. Flood, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, M. Noone, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Fagan, K. Killoran, Joey Nevin, M. Scanlon, J. Riordan, P. Garvey, S. Molloy, John Nevin.

**Subs:** P. Burke for E. Dunne; L. O'Toole for M. Scanlon, M. Scanlon for P. Garvey.

**Scorers:** Molloy 1-1: Garvey 4 pts; John Nevin, Joey Nevin and Riordan 2 pts each, Scanlon 1 pt.

**Cappagh Scorers:** Joe Kenna 3 pts: Tommy Mulligan 2 pts and Paul Doran 1 pt.

**Best for Maynooth:** Flood, Noone, Kelly, Mahony, Fagan, Joey Nevin, Riordan, John Nevin Garvey and Molloy.

**Best for Cappagh:** Doran at 6: Sloan at 5; Kenna at 8: Mulligan at 14: Dooley at 13 and Nolan at 7.

Referee: Jack O' Connell, Rathangan.

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Four very tough and exciting games over recent weeks with Maynooth being edged out in three thrillers against higher grade teams Monasterevin, Moorfield and Caragh but coming up trumps when it counted most by ousting near neighbours Cappagh in the 1st round of the Championship.

In the Monasterevin game Maynooth came back from being 9 points down and with a titanic effort had the homeside reeling and glad to hear the referee's whistle at the end. Had the effort of the 2nd half been matched to any degree in the opening session Maynooth would surely have come away with the honours.

The game against senior side Moorfield, last year's division 1 winners, was an absorbing competitive encounter from start to finish with the Newbridge-based side lucky to advance to the next round. Maynooth more than matched their more illustrious opponents and indeed dominated them in certain areas. A lack of quality finishing and the "rub of the green" were all that denied the Crom Abús another famous "scalp" to add to their collection.

Caragh who had been going great guns in the division, dropping only one point to the impressive Kilcullen outfit were pushed to the limit to take the spoils at Prosperous. Maynooth got "in among" the home side from the start and with merciless harrying forced them into error after error. Having faced the wind in the opening half Maynooth came at Caragh with a vengeance in the 2nd half and with three minutes remaining were only one point adrift. At this stage Maynooth had chances to at least square the match but wrong option-taking and poor shooting again bedevilled the side and led to their downfall.

Maynooth were expecting a battle royal against Cappagh, who were trained by Paddy McGovern, and were not disappointed. While the "black and whites" fully deserved their victory the margin of nine points does scant justice to the gallant efforts of the Cappagh side who had early goal chances blocked out by a blanket Maynooth defense. Furthermore Cappagh dominated the first 10 minutes of the second half but they failed to impose their superiority where it matters - on the score-board. In the wind Maynooth ran out somewhat flattering winners but a lot of improvement will be needed before the next round - against south county side Nurney, at Allenwood, on July 16th.

# U/16 Football League

#### Maynooth 3-11 v Confey 1-1

This was a comprehensive win over the league leaders and a useful Confey outfit. It was an outstanding performance by a Maynooth team which was on song from corner back to corner forward. They played simple direct football which proved very effective. We were more than a match for Confey in all areas of the field but especially our backs which held the Confey forwards scoreless until the dying minutes of the game when they got a goal.

Maynooth got off to a great start with Owen Guha winning the ball in midfield. In the second minute Brendan Mooney cracked home a great goal to settle the team down. Niall Naughton at centre forward turned in another great performance and took great scores with his trusty right boot. After some weak passing movements he lofted over two great points in the fifth and tenth minutes. With Maynooth dominating and Eamon Gallagher who organised his defence supremely,

smothered all attempts on our goals by Confey, our forwards got a lot of possession and made good use of that possession. John O'Shea was on to a great pass from Eoin Nevin to rifle home another goal in the twentieth minute. Niall Naughton and Eoin Nevin followed this up with two fantastic points.

Darren Naughton who tortured the Confey defence capped a great first half performance by pointing two marvellous frees in the twenty fifth and thirty fifth minutes. Adrian Boylan in the meantime well placed as usual, latched on to a loose ball to hammer home another great goal. Our forwards were now rampant and points followed from Darren Naughton, John O'Shea and Niall Naughton. All six forwards got on the score sheet. Even one of our backs Niall Byrne in a great interchange with Darren Naughton and Adrian Boylan got himself on the score sheet with a great point.

The long lay-off after the Sarsfields match which was played around the end of April seemed to do the team good. They seemed hungrier for the ball and the work that was being done in training was eventually paying off. After the fiasco of the Sarsfields match in which we went down 2-3 to 4-8 a lot of players wanted to prove to the mentors that that was an aberration that was not going to be repeated. A very satisfying performance all round and one that augurs well for the future of Maynooth football.

**Scorers:** John O'Shea (1-1), Darren Naughton 4pts (2 from frees), Niall Naughton (0-4), Adrian Boylan(1-0) Eoin Nevin (0-1) Niall Byrne (0-1) Brendan Mooney (1-0)

Best for Maynooth: Eamon Gallagher, Mathew Callaghan, Niall Byrne, Eoin Guha, Darren Naughton, Niall Naughton, Eoin Nevin, Brendan Mooney.

#### 22-05-1995

## Maynooth 0 - 7pts. v Round Towers 1 - 3

On the following Monday evening Maynooth travelled into the lions den of Kildare Town to take on a fit determined and talented Round Towers team. This was a postponed fixture and had to be played in the failing light due to a senior match being on on the same evening. If the forwards turned in a five star performance in the Confey match then in this match it was the turn of the backs to turn on the style. In the final fifteen minutes the defence mounted a rearguard action in the failing light to hold on to the slenderest of leads. In this action James Gallagher, Eamon Gallagher, Donal Lennon, Rory Kelly and Niall Byrne were superb.

We started well with Alan Nugent and Eoin Guha controlling midfield against one of the tallest U/16's I had seen in a long time. Maynooth sapped up three lovely long distance points, two from Niall Naughton, one from Eoin Nevin, in the second, fourth, and seventh minutes. Round Towers came more into the game with a very speedy centre back and two excellent wing forwards. They pulled back two points. Darren Naughton who worked very hard got a great point. At half time we led 0-4 to 0-2. Immediately after half time Round Towers pressed forward and got a lucky goal from a deflection. Darren Naughton pointed a vital free. Eamon Gallagher had moved to centre back and was playing great football and curbing the free flowing football of the Round Towers' wingers.

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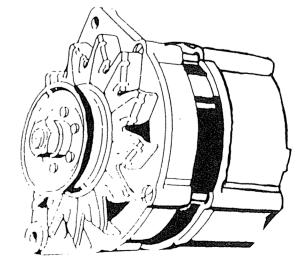
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Round Towers mounted attack after attack but failed to break through our solid defence. At this stage this team showed the great heart they have and made their mentors very proud of them as they fought for every ball. At one stage a goal looked a certainty but Donal Lennon flung himself into the tackle and blocked what looked like a certain score. Eventually the whistle went and we ran out deserving if somewhat fortunate winners.

We are now sitting on top of the league table with 10 points from 6 matches. Our last remaining match is on Friday 23rd June in Sallins. We start our Championship against Confey on 7th July. Please come along and support a great Maynooth team which is doing Maynooth proud on the playing fields of Kildare.

Scorers: Niall Naughton (0-2), Darren Naughton (0-2) 1 free, Eoin Nevin (0-1) Eamon Gallagher (0-1) a forty five, John O'Shea (0-1)

Best for Maynooth: Packie Carroll, James Gallagher, Eamon Gallagher, Donal Lennon, Niall Byrne, David Coughlan, Alan Nugent, John O'Shea and Darren Naughton.

# Result of our Golf Outing to Mount Temple our Captains Tommy Fay Prize.

1st overall - Dave Roberts 41pts, 2nd Matt Doran 34pts, 3rd Eddie Dunne 28 pts, 4th Brendan Farrell 28pts, 5th Eugene Fagan 27pts.

Ladies Prize: Mary Ledwith.

Our next outing is our Presidents Prize (Eddie Dunne) in Edenderry Golf Club on Saturday 9th September. Tee Times 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Our Junior 'B' football team are going great guns at the moment, up to 26th June they are unbeaten. On Saturday 1st July they start their Championship trail when they play Cappagh in Clane at 7.30 p.m.

## U13 North Kildare League

Naas 2-2 Maynooth 0-1

Maynooth travelled to Naas for the fifth round of the league and despite dominating the game for long spells came away empty handed. Behind 2-0 to 0-1 at half time the forwards persisted in going for goals in the second half when points were there for the taking but found the Naas goalkeeper unbeatable.

Best for Maynooth were; Tommy Masterson, Shane Pidgeon, Patrick King, Martin Dolan, David Campbell, Barry Doyle, Patrick O'Rourke and Michael Gleeson. Scorer David Campbell 0-1.

Team: - Michael Gleeson, Shane Pidgeon, Tommy Masterson, Peter Sheehan, Martin Dolan, Patrick King, Colin Cushen, David Campbell, Sean O'Flaherty, Patrick O'Rourke, Barry Doyle, Conor O'Malley, Chris Flynn, Mark Kavanagh, Alan Nolan.

Subs: - David Lawler for Flynn, Aidan Molloy for Nolan, Aidan Pidgeon and Michael Costello not used.

# Maynooth G.A.A. Lotto Results.

Lotto Results: 21-05-1995 Jackpot £650.00

**Numbers** 6-20-23

No winner 5 x £10 Terry Moore, Sean Fay, Colm Beringham, Joe McNamara, Mrs Coward.

Lotto Results: 28-05-1995 Jackpot £700.00

Numbers 7-12-20

No winner 5 x £10 Michael Reilly, Trisha Byrne, Tom Salmon, Tony Dunning and David Carey.

Lotto Results: 4-06-1995 Jackpot £750.00

Numbers 6-08-16

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# Birthday

Congratulations to Gillian Corbally of Maynooth Park, who celebrates her 12th birthday on the 30th June. Lots of Love & Best wishes, From Mum, Dad and Philip.

Belated Happy Birthday to Sean Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrated his birthday on June 24th. Love from his wife Catherine and his children Edel, Susan and Claire.

Happy Birthday to Tony Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrates his birthday on the 7th July. From his wife Mary and his children Aisling, Brian and Conor, also his parents Liam and Margaret Bean and his brother Thomas.

Happy 18th Birthday Elizabeth Nolan. Hope you enjoy your day. Love from Mam, Margaret, Anne, Norman, Andrew and baby Alex.

Happy Birthday to Ann Kelleher on her 19th birthday on 8th July. Love from Mammy, Pat, Siobhán and John.

Happy birthday to Aoife McTernan, Moyglare Village, age 13, July 1st, also her cousins Deirdre McTernan, Silken Vale, Maynooth, age 20, July 3rd, Ciara McTernan, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne, age 12, July 12th. Best wishes from Grandad and Grandma.

Deirdre Stynes celebrated her 21st Birthday on the 18th June. Congratulations and Best Wishes from Maeve and The Boys.

Happy birthday to Joan Howard-Williams who celebrated her birthday on the 13th of June.

Love from Gerard, Gearoid, Paul, Siobhán, Rowena, Kathryn and Emma.

MISSING you already, Selina.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Martin and Beatrice Sammon of Moyglare Village on the birth of their new son, Paul, on Wednesday 14th June. Martin hails from Castlebar and Beatrice from Limerick and they already have two children Sean and Louise.

Congratulations to Kathryn Howard-Williams on the birth of her son Conor Gerard in Jersey. Mother, father and baby doing fine. From the new grandparents Joan and Gerald, and all the aunties and uncles.

# **SYMPATHIES**

Sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, relatives and friends of Mary Lavin (née Callaghan) Old Carton, Maynooth. late of Cashel Turlough, Castlebar, Co. Mayo.

Parents, family, aunts, uncles, nieces, cousins, relatives and friends of Patrick Jnr. (Pa) Tyrell, Kilcloon, Co. Meath.

# **THANKSGIVING**

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin (Never known to fail)

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, faithful vine splendour of Heaven. Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this my necessity. O star of the sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, O Holy Mary Mother of God, Oueen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Sweet Mother I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. This prayer must be said for 3 days and after that the request will be granted and the prayer must be

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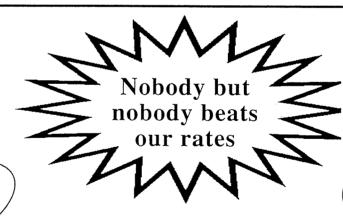
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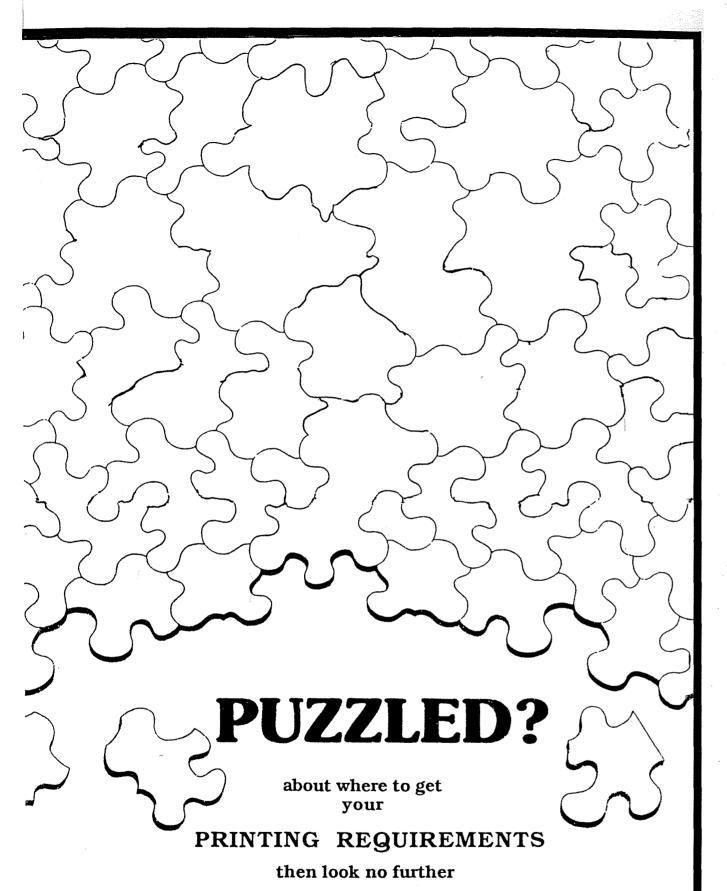
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# At Last - 'The Thing' Bites The Dust

July 14th has been a significant day in history for many years. On July 14th, 1789 a mob stormed the infamous Bastille Prison in Paris and so started the French Revolution. To the very day 206 years later in Maynooth's town square another mob this time comprised of construction workers and publicity conscious local politicians - stormed the toilet block, otherwise known as 'The Thing', Maynooth's Main Street will never be the same again.

# A Blight

For nearly 25 years the public toilets in the Square have been a blight on the Maynooth landscape. As a building it was a product of the 1960s school of architecture which, in Dublin and elsewhere, produced some of the most ugly buildings ever built. The materials used in the Maynooth's toilet block proved difficult to maintain and for many years 'The Thing' had a weather



Minister of State Emmet Stagg TD and Cllr. John McGinley oversee the demolition

beaten, down at heel appearance.

# Campaign

Several groups in Maynooth have campaigned over the years to have the toilets demolished including the Community Council, the Tidy Towns committee, who organised a very successful petition, and the local Labour Party. However, it is only with the opening of the motorway and the need to construct a link road from Main St. that the fate of 'The Thing' was finally sealed. Already some residents have commented that the

heap of rubble presently in the Square is a big improvement on what was there before. Certainly there is a greater sense of space and light in the area since the brooding presence of 'The Thing' was removed.

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

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

# **Editorial**

With all the changes in Maynooth, now is the time to think about the future and how Maynooth should look. The 'Thing' has been removed after many years of campaigning by various bodies in the town. This removal opens up the town and presents us with a square that could add much to the town. What do the people of Maynooth want to happen to this site? Suggestions from the County Council include a piece of sculpture, a pergola, a band stand, flower beds, etc. Suggestions on the proposed O.P.W. plan for the Castle and Maynooth town include an open plan site with gravel and some trees. Which of these suggestions appeal to you or would you like something altogether different?

If you have any suggestions, get in touch with the Community Council in the next few weeks and we will present these suggestions to the County Council in the hope that they might listen to the views of the people of Maynooth on how their town should look in the future.

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# Letter to Editor

# **Community Council Notes**

Dear Editor,

I refer to last month's article by Michael Quinn, Chairperson, 75th Anniversary Committee of the 1916 Easter Rising. Michael mentioned next year's 80th Anniversary and the desire of other residents of Maynooth to pool resources to establish a more significant memorial in the town. I believe that a suitable memorial would be a Bandstand; and what better location than Pound Park beside the Band Hall? Indeed, Kildare County Council already have plans drawn up for such a bandstand.

We are also fortunate in that the predecessor to Michael Quinn's Committee - the 50th Anniversary Committee - were lucky enough to win £10,000 in the Prize Bond draw in the mid 1980's, so the money already exists for the building of the Bandstand, as a memorial.

All that is needed is the agreement of the 50th Anniversary Committee.

Your sincerely, John McGinley.

Dear Editor

#### Litter

In the "letters to the editor" column of the Liffey Champion on the 8th of July it was nice to read Mr. Desmond Guinness's defence of the local road sweeper who was coming under criticism lately from some quarters.

Keeping Maynooth and indeed Leixlip litter free is akin to keeping the tide out with a shovel. So have a little sympathy for Eddie. Single handedly he is fighting an impossible battle.

Mr. Guinness's suggestion, that the fast food outlets employ people to clean up their mess is laudable but not very practical as other businesses including sweet shops, off-licences and pubs also create their portion of the mess.

All those businesses pay substantial rates to the County Council so the buck must stop there. One street cleaner for all Maynooth is a bit of a joke. The Council will probably try to get FAS workers to do it - get their work done with more cheap labour.

P. Kelly.

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#### **Summer Project**

The Community Council wish to thank all the volunteers, the Community Employment Workers and the Student Summer Scheme Workers for their participation in this year's very successful Summer Project.

# MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Thank you to the people of Maynooth for the generous response to our door to door collection. We thank in particular the newer estates for their interest in our work. Contributions can still be left into the Community Council offices.

At the time of writing The Thing is being demolished. This ends years of campaigning by many groups in Maynooth. We ourselves presented hundreds of names in a petition to have it removed, to Kildare County Council over 7 years ago.

We look forward to having a positive input into the future development of this site.

Finally our Fás team continue to do excellent work on our behalf. We are delighted with the response to the rockery opposite the Roman Catholic Church.

All ideas are welcome, Maynooth Tidy Towns, c/o Maynooth Community Council offices.

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# **OMMUNITY GAMES**

laynooth athletes meant business this year at the county fiils in Newbridge. While taking part is the important feature, is really gratifying to be in a position to record victories at e end of the day.

laynooth were proud to arrive home with not less than seven edals: four gold, one silver and two bronze.



Pierre Ennis, Gold Medalist U.12 600m

old: David Campbell, 800m., U-14; Lynn Brennan, 800m., -14; Muire Ennis, 200m., U-10; Pierre Ennis, 600m., U-12. ilver: Donal Lennon, Discus. **Bronze:** James Mullarkey, ong Puck, U-12; Muireann O'Sullivan, Hurdles, U-10.

he following reached the finals: Emma Collins, U-8, 80m.; atrick O'Rourke, U-14, 100m.; Declan O'Rourke, U-16, 100m.

his was indeed a mighty achievement. In fact it is only necssary to look back over the months at the achievements at ounty level in the various events to realise the level of talent iere is in our community, and the Community Games give ie ideal opportunity to display these talents. Remember a iousand miles starts with a single step.

he committee wish to thank you most sincerely for your suport during flag week earlier this year. Your generosity is much preciated, as this is our only means of keeping the games up and inning here in Maynooth for the benefit of our young people.

Ve are proud of the fact that Maynooth are among the top articipants at county level. The number of different activies in which we have entries is increasing every year.



Community Games Group with trainer Marie Gleeson

Needless to say, the Community Games would not be so much alive here in Maynooth without the continued help of the parents who turned out in such vast numbers to ensure the smooth running of each event.

Well done, all. Kathleen Mullarkey, Secretary.

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# CITIZEN INFORMATION CENTRE

#### KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

#### **Ouestion:**

Can you tell me the age up to which a parent will be paid for their child dependants with social welfare payments? What age is Child Benefit paid up to?

#### Answer:

For social welfare purposes children are regarded as dependants up to their 18th birthday. Where the child is living with the parents, the parents will be paid an increase for a child up to 18 years, regardless of whether the child is working. An allowance will not be paid for a child who is getting a social welfare or Health Board payment in his/her own right. The only exception to this is if the child is getting Supplementary Welfare Allowance or a Disablement Pension (under the Occupational Injuries Benefit Scheme).

If the child is in full-time education, a child dependant allowance will be paid up to 22 years from April '95 to those on long-term social welfare payments and payments for lone parents. For people on Disability Benefit, Unemployment Benefit, short-term Unemployment Assistance and Occupational Injury Benefit, the child dependant payments stops at 18 years, regardless of whether the child is still in full-time

Child Benefit is paid for a child up to the age of 16 years and for 16 and 17 year olds in full-time education or who are physically or mentally disabled and who are dependent on you. It was announced in the Budget that from September 1995 Child Benefit will be extended to 18 year olds in full-time education or on FAS Courses and not getting an allowance.

This column has been compiled by Maynooth Citizen Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public. Tel: 6285477 Main Street, Maynooth.

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#### BAND BULLETIN

#### New Classes

We are getting an encouraging response to last month's announcement and in order to give everyone an opportunity we are extending the closing date to Saturday, 12th August. If you want to join the classes just drop a note to St. Mary's Band, C/O Maynooth Post Office, give your name and address, telephone number, date of birth and details on your musical background (if any). We will contact everyone by the end of August. The minimum age is ten years and there is no upper age limit.

#### **New Members**

We would once again like to remind you that if you are a new or old resident and can play a brass or reed instrument even percussion we would be delighted to meet you. The standard of our music is not too difficult, the age of our current members ranges from fourteen to fifty something, so I'm sure you'll fit in somewhere. It's a great way to spend the long winter evenings. Our band hall is fully heated and the craic is mighty. We are already aware of several musicians in Maynooth who would be most welcome. So drop into the band hall (at the bottom of the lane between the Hula Bou and the Irish Permanent) any Monday night between 8.30p.m. and 10.00p.m. (Bank Holidays excepted), you'll be very welcome.

#### July Engagements

Our visit to Albert College in Glasnevin on 16th of July was a short lived affair. No sooner had we set up and were into out third number than the lightening flashed, the thunder rolled and the rain came down in sheets. You have never seen people move as fast in your life as those boys and girls in blue. Come to think of it, we began our programme with a march called the Thunderer so we probably tempted fate. On Sunday 30th of July we pay a return visit to the Open Day in Moyglare Stud Farm, one of our loyal supporters for many years, which this year is in aid of Dublin Inner City Project. We shall update you on this next month.

#### **Maynooth Community Festival**

This year we are once again associated with the annual festival which takes place from the 13th to 20th of August. At the time of writing plans are still being finalised for an event on Sunday the 13th to be held in the Square - minus 'The Thing'. We will be involved in some way in this demolition celebration and we again hope to report on this Gala Day in the next

To finish we would remind you to get in your names for the new classes and if you are a musician to come down and meet us, you won't regret it.

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May I also remind you that you can avail of the group discount with the VHI through the Credit Union. Again, please ask for details.

The Credit Union is here to help and advise our members. However, we need to know what services you require. If you have a suggestion about increasing the services we offer please let us know, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Until next month.

Michael Mooney.

Best Wishes to the Festival

# MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

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hairperson, Martin Caine; Ass. Chairperson, Michael Reilly; ecretary, Melanie Oliver; Ass. Secretary, Paul Bourke; Treaster, John Lamb; Ass. Treasurer, Mary Mangan; PRO, David avanagh; Ass. PRO, Paul Bourke; Entertainments, Paul yrne; Ass. Entertainments, Ronan Barry.

would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new memers, Evelyn McGrath, Ronan Barry, Liz Garry and David avanagh, and also our past hosts and hostesses who have pted onto the committee. These are the youth of today and it ill be these who will keep our club going at its present standeds. In June we launched our own No Name personal ID ards, which have been a big hit. I would like to take this pportunity to thank our out-going committee for their suport and work over the last year and I must say a special word f thanks to May Haren for the excellent job she did on the nancial side. I would also appeal for more adult involvement in the club as we require more adults for the supervision f our events and I would be making a special appeal for more dults from the Kilcock catchment area as we cater for a large roup from that area.

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We would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who helped us with our endeavours throughout the year. The highlight of the year was our very successful Line Dancing night, held in North Kildare. We would like to thank all "cowboys" and "cowgirls" who made this a very enjoyable evening. Also we would like to thank all those who provided spot prizes on the night and North Kildare for the use of their facilities. Due to the great success of the night, a Line Dancing afternoon was organised for the students of the school, who in turn thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Our next venture after the summer holidays will be our table quiz on 28th September, so don't forget to pencil this into your diary or you will miss a great night.

B. O'Brien, P.R.O.

# MAYNOOTH PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE GROUP

Cultural Expression of Peace, Reconciliation and Justice involving local poets, writers and musicians, cheese and wine reception.

Following our successful public meeting on the way forward for the peace process in Maynooth College, which brought together Unionists, Nationalists and a Government Minister, our next initiative is to host a Cultural Expression of Peace, Reconciliation and Justice in Maynooth Public Library on Tuesday, 15th August, at 8 p.m. This event will be part of the Community Festival Programme and will include local poets, writers and musicians.

Those participating will include members of the Gateway Writers' Group, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin and Mark O'Rourke.

In keeping with the festive spirit of Community Week, the contributions will not only be informative and spiritually uplifting, but also entertaining.

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# SUNDAY 13th AUGUST

Tug-o-War, Harbour Field, from 3.30p.m. onwards.

Also children's under 12 - Tug-o-War.

Celebrate the demolition of the 'Thing' in the square

with St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band and Street Party, sponsored by S.I.A.C. Construction, 4-5p.m. - Children's Street Theatre

Fun Cycling Display - Street Bands 5-7p.m.

# MONDAY 14th AUGUST

Children's Art Workshop 2-4p.m. I.C.A. Hall. *Guinness* Table Quiz - Prize Money - £175 Caulfields - 9p.m.

# TUESDAY 15th AUGUST

Children's Funday 2-4p.m. Harbour Field Poetry Reading in the Library 8 pm Line Dancing G.A.A. 9 pm

# WEDNESDAY 16th AUGUST

Accordian Band G.A.A. - 8.30p.m.
Irish Dancing G.A.A.
Set Dancing G.A.A.

**Smithwicks** Music Night - John Cunningham Leinster Arms 9.30p.m.

# THURSDAY 17th AUGUST

The Wackadoo Drama Theatre Group Parish Hall 8-10p.m.

Maynooth Old People's Committee Cabaret Sing-a-Long with Kevin and Jo Special Guest - Mick McGarry - All Welcome Caulfields 9pm

# FRIDAY 18th AUGUST

Mr & Mrs Competition - Caulfields 8.30 pm Announcement of Winners of Travel Options Quiz as advertised in Festival Brochure - Spot Prizes

# SATURDAY 19th AUGUST

Childrens Teddy Bear Picnic - 3yrs to 10yrs -

Fire Brigade

Face Painting - Baby Show Harbour Field 3 pm - 5 30pm

Adult Car Treasure Hunt 4.00pm - Town Centre Mall

Childrens Disco 12 years upwards 9-12 p.m Contact:- Maynooth Community Council

Harp Lager Talent Competition over 18's Leinster Arms 9.00pm

# SUNDAY 20th AUGUST

Garden Party, Maynooth College 2 - 5pm The afternoon features tours of the Heritage Buildings, College Chapel, Stoyte House, Museum, Visitor Centre and Tranquil Gardens - Speeches 3pm Refreshments

GAA Match 2.00pm

Hurling Match 2.45pm

Womens Final and Mens Soccer Final 4.00pm

Presentation of Football Trophies Roost 6.00pm

Presentation in the Roost Barperson of the Year Roost 7.00pm

Music and Sing-a-Long Also

Jammin' Session - open to all Roost

9.30 - 11.00pm

# Residents Associations

# **DLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS** ASSOCIATION

# Bar-B-Que, Clean-up, Fun-Day

There's never been anything like it in Greenfield", "I came or half an hour and stayed till half-eleven", "We had a briliant time". These were some of the comments of both young and old in Old Greenfield about the Bar-B-Que, Clean-Up, Fun-Day which was held on Saturday the fifthteenth of July. This was a well organised day which combined an estate clean ip, with a sports day, community get together and live enterainment all topped with burgers, hot dogs, crisps, minerals, ce-cream and a bouncing castle. The day was organised in such a way that there was something for everyone from the iny toddlers race to the glamourous granny. Details are given Issewhere in the Newsletter but now we want to give a list of ponsors, helpers and winners.

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# Winners:

U/4 Race: 1st Michael McTigue U/8 Race: 1st Philip McCarron U/12 Race: 1st Joe Fleming U/15 Race: 1st Anne Marie O'Reilly

Three Legged Race - Tied for 1st: Terry O'Neil and Eric Quinn,

Denise Geoghegan and Paula O'Neill Welly Throw: 1st David Leavy Penalty Shootout; 1st David Leavy

Mum's Race: 1st Nuala Geoghegan Dad's Race: 1st Norman Birchall Line Dancing: 1st Yvonne McCarron

Sack Race: 1st Paula O'Neill

Disco Dancing: Joseph McTigue Egg and Spoon Race: Paula O'Neill Glamorous Granny: Pauline Dowling

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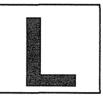
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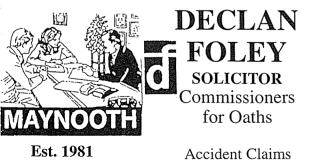
We wish to say one big 'thank you' on behalf of everyone to all of the above. We ask all our local residents to support all the above named very generous sponsors of our Funday Bar-B-Que and Clean Up day. We hope to hold another get together in the near future with the same musicians. So watch this space for details. Names of 2nd and 3rd placings will be in next month's notes, as details were unavailable at the time of printing.



Entrants for the Line Dancing Competition



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## WOODLANDS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Woodlands Residents Association has been very busy over the past couple of months and with the great effort from all residents the estate is looking very well. With the fine weather over the past couple of weeks some of the neighbours decided to hold a Bar-B-O and Sports day. This turned out to be a very successful occasion. The sun shone down and from the happy smiles of all who attended it was a very enjoyable occasion. A special word of thanks must go to all our ladies who helped co-ordinate the event and especially to Breda Cronin who kindly on our behalf approached some of the business community in the town for donations for our day. On behalf of all the residents of Woodlands we would like to thank most sincerely, Ouinnsworth, Brian Connaughton of Newtown Stores, and Sean Donovan of the new Londis Supermarket. Sean, although under a lot of pressure due to the opening of his new supermarket, still found the time to organise sweets for the kids, With so many people requesting donations from these businesses we are very grateful for the support which they gave to our Sports Day. We would like also to thank Eileen Bradley for the loan of her clown Make-up which added an extra dimension to the enjoyment of our children. An unnamed source.... kindly supplied the treat for the adults and by the look on their faces in the soft evening breeze, "Arthur" as usual cast a rosy glow to our Bar-B-O. This was our third Bar-B-O Hopefully it will now become an annual event.

# **GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Our estate clean up took place on Saturday. Our thanks to Kildare County Council for providing the skip.

We had the usual few helpers cleaning up. Special thanks to Pat Hickey of Maynooth Park for the excellent job on the pruning and trimming of trees in Maynooth Park. As previously reported, we have sent a comprehensive report on the maintenance required on the estate to Bord Gáis, K.C.C., E.S.B. and Telecom Eireann. Acknowledgements have been received and meetings are being organised.

The next meeting of the Committee takes place on Monday 4th September 1995. Items for inclusion on the agenda should be with our secretary, 20 Straffan Way, before 1st. September.

P.R.O., Richard Farrell

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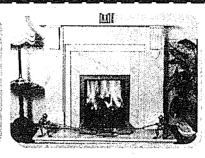
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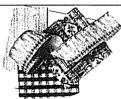
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## **BLOOD BANK**

Pelican House are again appealing for donations in Maynooth. They will be in the Divine Word Missionaries, Moyglare Road on the 29th of August.

Mr. Alan Stafford, local Honorary organiser hopes that it will get the usual high level of support.

# **BOOK REVIEW**

Our local artist Vincent Doyle has, after his successful novel "Sue", put together a book of poems.

In naming it "A Woman's Point of View" he set himself an awesome task. The vast majority of men, unless they are into psychiatry, would not claim the faintest idea of a woman's point of view.

As usual Vincent brings a lot of humour into his writing but some of the ladies who read the poems did not think so. If viewed lightheartedly, as I think it should, it's worth a read.

On the negative side, you have to keep reminding yourself that it's a woman's point of view. Most of the poems are very good even if they are a little autobiographical. Some of them have great poetic merit, from the real romantic to the crudity of Behan in others. I will not go through each poem as in most of them you must form your own opinion of the merits. All in all it's a very good read. Maybe slightly overpriced at £4.99 but what would you get for that nowadays?

Good luck with your poetry Vincent.

P. Kelly.

## DONOVAN'S NEW VENTURE



Mr. & Mrs. Donovan of Greenfield Shopping Centre

The recently opened Donovan's Foodstore and Newsagents is proving to be a great success. Proprietors Sean and Jacqueline Donovan are very pleased with the level of trade they are getting.

Situated in the Greenfield Shopping Centre, which is surrounded by a highly populated residential area, the new enterprise is on the site of the Newsagency which the Donovan family have run for the last eleven years and encompasses the newly redecorated space that was formerly occupied by Tom Geraghty's Greenfield Supermarket.

These modern premises are ideally located for the convenience of the shopper and boasts a decor which is of the highest Londis standard. It is bright and attractive and creates a very pleasant shopping experience.

Sean, his wife Jacqueline, his sister Mary and cousin Geraldine manage the business as well as working on the shop floor. This helps them to keep in very close contact with the customers whom they serve.

#### **Complete Grocery Package**

The foodstore is fast becoming the focal point at Greenfield Shopping Centre and is set to attract more business to the centre. Sean and Jacqueline are intent, over time, on putting the complete grocery package together. They are definitely not afraid of the growing competition in this area. Sean, who is a handball enthusiast, is determined to play hard-ball with his competitors. He sees competition in a positive light, as something that's going to happen, which provides choice and leads to better standards of service all round.

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# **Accomplished History**

The Donovan family have a long and accomplished history in the grocery business. Sean's great-grandfather ran a butcher shop in Narraghmore, Co. Kildare. His grandfather ran a grocery business from the same shop. His father Bill, who has resided in Maynooth for over 30 years, has been in the grocery trade all his life. Nowadays Sean's brother and sisters are heavily involved in the running of the family business. Annette and Martina are managing the Coffee Shop located in the Maynooth Shopping Centre. This was the family's first business venture. Nearby is the Newsagents run by Breda. Eugene manages the Maynooth Post Office cum Newsagents, at Main St. and his father, Bill, oversees the whole operation.

## Local Staff

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Up to fourteen staff, mostly local, are helping to run the foodstore. Among them is Pat Twomey from Clane, who efficiently mans the meat and deli counter. Pat is in the business for over 18 years and was a former manager at SuperQuinn. He helps provide a wide range of fresh salads, cooked meats, barbecue chickens and portions, Irish and continental cheese and a wide range of beef and pork cuts. However, you are advised to be careful when you ask Pat for a chop, as he is the current World Kickboxing Champion, a title he won last November at Charleville, Co. Cork.

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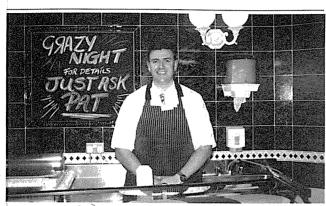
## razy Nights

very Friday night there is a Crazy Night with numerous barains and lots of prizes to be won.

#### pening Hours

he Shop is open from 7.30a.m. till 9p.m. weekdays and from a.m. till 9p.m. on Sat. and Sunday.

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## EYE HEAR

#### Award

A local barman received an award of almost £5,000 in the Labour Court during the month from a local publican. After a long-drawn-out case he was successful in his case against unfair dismissal.

#### **Great Machine**

While watching a modern machine laying kerbs at great speed on the new road, I was reminded of something that happened two years ago in the Main Street. I was having a pint in the local when my friend's young son came in very excited, calling his father out to see a combine harvester laying tar on the street. Versatile machines those combines.

#### **Local Muggings**

Earlier in the month our well loved character, "The Guy", was attacked and robbed of £15 as he walked along the canal.

Two youths were attacked in Pound Lane last week and were lucky to escape when some friends arrived on the scene. This town is getting pretty rough and we cannot blame the students at this time of the year.

On a very serious note, locals are disturbed to hear of the recent muggings in the town of some very popular and decent people. Anthony Malone was robbed of money in the vicinity of the Harbour on Monday, June 19th. Many people were equally abhorred at the mugging of a College Green resident on Sunday, July 9th. He was set upon and relieved of a sum of money and his keys. Sheila Munsor also recently had to take refuge in her car, at The Square, as a gang followed behind her. They hung around briefly and left empty-handed. All we can say is may these thieves have no luck out of their dirty deeds.

#### John Can't Say "Knees up"!

The very active and committed local Councillor, John McGinley, appears to have run up so much mileage in the service of his clients that he has worn out a knee joint. John, who is presently using a crutch, has had fluid drawn from his left knee and has had all sorts of micro-examinations performed. It sounds like a case of the wounded helper. We wish John a speedy recovery but now we know his weak spot.

# Mattie's Noble Mission

The ever-busy community activist Mattie Callaghan will miss the opening of the Festival on Sunday, August 13, for a very good cause. Apparently Mattie will be helping out on a special annual pilgrimage to Knock on the same day. Mattie is not one to put his own satisfaction first and the fruits of his labours might bring a bit of luck our way.

# Pitch and Putt Against The Clock

To say that Martin Fahy, Timmy Lovely and Donal Finnan could turn what is supposed to be a relaxed game into a pitched battle would be putting it mildly. Apparently they were trying to iron out some internal disagreements. On Sunday, July 9th, they whipped, clanged, swung, hammered and battered

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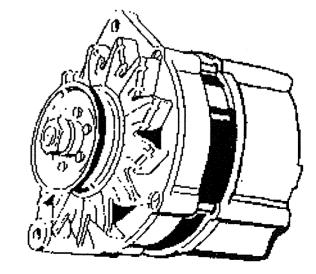
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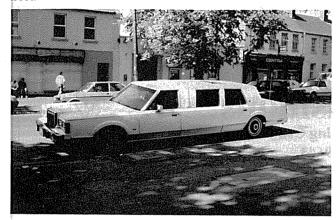
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ieir way around Tony Bean's course with growing ferocity s Sunday closing time approached. In fact the nearer the 2 m. deadline came, the more anxious they became, as fear of IOT dropping pints loomed over them. Despite their rivalry ney "welcomed" Martin's win, as it finally enabled them to redge their way inside the door of their favourite hostelry.

# THE ONE THAT GOT AWAY!

ou might think from our photograph that you are looking at unset Boulevard - yet in actual fact it is the Main Street in Iaynooth. During the mini-heatwave we experienced at the eginning of the month, the staff of the Community Council ere startled to see a white limousine pull up outside on the treet.



Iorah decided to investigate and on stepping onto the street hought she saw the "Godfather" himself- Marlon Brando! Ioping she could get THE interview of the year, Norah made B-line for the car. Sadly, the chauffeur drove away too soon nd Norah just managed to get this picture-which she has entitled, the one that got away!

## **FARDA TALK**

## **Seware Of Burglars During The Holiday Season**

Here under are some snippets of advice which should assist in reventing burglary.

irstly, you should know that burglary can be prevented. Too iften people feel that if the burglar wants to break in, he can lo so without difficulty. To some extent this is true, and that s to the extent to which some people take no security precauions whatsoever. Even more to the point is the fact that in housands of burglaries the thief gains access by unlocked vindows or doors.

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

#### Locking Doors

'Use only solid external doors. 'Hollow' doors offer no proection.

- \* Make sure door frames are in good condition and won't easily give way under pressure.
- \* Use only good quality locks. Mortice ones are recommended. Mortice bolts can also be fitted at the top and bottom of the door to give additional security.

# **Locking Windows**

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

#### Something Worth Stealing

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

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

#### **Protecting Property**

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

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

# The Best Means of Crime Prevention

This is a good neighbour - someone who will look after your house when you are away and will report suspicious callers before waiting to discover later that they were in fact burglars.

Neighbourhood Watch is aimed at bringing good neighbours together in this way. They realise that, where possible, the Gardai should be alerted before a crime occurs. No one is better able to spot something unusual, or out of place in a neighbourhood, than one of its own alert residents.

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

# What The Burglar Looks For - Points to Remember

- \* Windows open lock all windows whenever you leave home.
- \* "Hidden" keys if you have a spare key leave it with a friend.

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Easy access to the rear of the premises - fit a side gate with a lock.

Lights on in the day-time or none on at night - use of a simple timing device can solve this problem.

## Request For Witness by Maynooth Gardai

In Sunday 18/6/'95 at approximately 7p.m. on Main Street Aaynooth at the Bus Stop while awaiting a provincial bus to to Dublin, a woman had her handbag stolen by three youths who ran off. The woman was knocked to the ground and sufered injuries. Any assistance or information to the Gardai at Aaynooth (6286234).

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# BEAUFIELD CHILDCARE

Our photograph shows Pamala Bryan of Beaufield Childcare and all the children enjoying their 'fun-day'.



There was plenty of activity for all the children - with party games and face-painting and of course the bouncing castle was a real winner with the children.

# MAYNOOTH COLLEGE BI-CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Maynooth College invites all residents of Maynooth to celebrate the Bi-centenary in a special way.

All Maynooth residents are welcome to the College Garden Party on Sunday August 20th.

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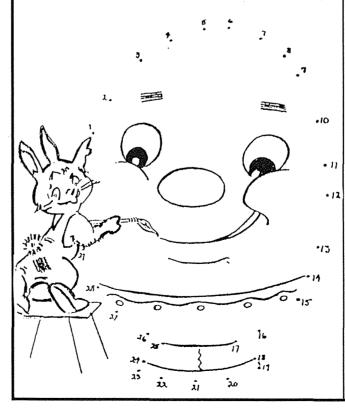
# Children's Corner







# Where has bunny drawn the face?



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# **UINTIR MAIGH NUAD**



#### Pat Nevin

Pat Nevin has eeked out a living in the toughest way of life of all, the building trade. With great concern for the youth of the community he exemplifies a great love of culture and sport, particularly Gaelic Games and as a meritorious player and coach, he has and is still making a major contribution to his local club or as he calls it the Crom Abu.

#### hool Days

twas born to his late parents Michael and Kathleen R.I.P. of llygoran, Maynooth and came seventh in a family of eight. iile attending the local Primary School at the convent, due overcrowding he went for classes to Nolan's Hall. One of great fears at that time, was having to face the stern headster, Rab Walsh, who was quick to dish out 'six of the best' each hand and maybe a clip on the ear as well. Pat was in first class that, present day headmaster, Pierce O' Connell k and his son Hughie was also the first grand pupil to be ght by him.

1971 after completing his leaving certificate Pat went to it in Dublin with P.J. Mathews Builders Suppliers. He also not to night classes to study computers. His main work inleved doing accounts and dealing with builders on site, which we him a lot of insight into the construction industry.

# t up in Business

1974, Pat went into business on his own in the building de. The 1970's had seen a building boom and there was inty of money and work around. His first work was in stleknock doing extensions where he learned carpentry and cklaying skills and he has continued on in the trade to this y. As he conservatively puts it, "as the volume of work reased the scale of work increased."

# ugh Way of Life

t will not disagree that people in the building trade have a 1gh life. However, he feels extremely lucky as regards the pe of work he got and with the kind of people he worked for. had some bad experiences but generally finds that 99% of people are straight forward and genuinely want to get work ne. To succeed in the building trade he believes you need to proper training and to work very hard. If you have an en mind and are prepared to work hard and honestly you have do well in construction. When asked, "But is it really a cure way of living?" he answered assuredly, "what job is cure?"

great source of strength to Pat in life is his wife Breda, nee sey, from Clonfert and they are blessed with three fine sons, ighie, Owen and Pauric. Their new grandson Adam is a sloome addition to the family.

The other great love in Pat's life is Gaelic Games. In 1965, playing with the Geraldines Maynooth, they reached the final of the u/14 Kildare football championship which Maynooth won the following year. He also became involved in Athletics and won honours representing Kildare in Leinster Competitions.

Pat's biggest regret as regards sport is not having played at minor level for Maynooth. In 1969 he helped form Ballygoran Utd., soccer club, which enjoyed some early successes in the Leinster Junior League, also due to work commitments in Dublin he didn't play for Maynooth in his early twenties.

#### **Great Honour**

As his children grew older and particularly when his son Hughie began playing football, Pat became re-involved with his local club. As a player he won Kildare League and Championship medals for football in 1984. He has enjoyed the honour of playing with his nephews, Michael, John, Joey, Brian and Owenie in recent years. However, his greatest memory of all was playing with his son Hughie, in Junior B Football, and with Owen in hurling in the early nineties. The Nevins are highly rated on the Maynooth playing fields, where they are known for their strong commitment, skill and rugged determination in the pursuit of victory. As regards the ending of his footballing career he humorously stated, "It's not that I stopped voluntarily - it's just that they didn't pick me". He is still playing hurling with the second team (Mick Gleeson take note).

#### **Hurling Triumphs**

Through his son Hughie, Pat became involved with underage hurling. Soon he was made coach and in '92 they won the U/15 League. These same determined players also won the U/16 League and capped it all off with the Kildare Minor title in '93. Many members of this squad were also involved when Maynooth had a famous victory in the Kildare Junior Hurling Championships in '94. Pat, who was team manager, is quick to point out, firstly, that it was the commitment of the players who had the will to win that proved decisive. People who helped greatly were Joe Nevin, Mick Gleeson, Roddy Molloy and Ciaran Diggins. He is also emphatic that this success would not have been possible without old Crom Abu's such as Josie Murphy, Jim Nolan, Phil Burke and Seamus Burke of Carbury, to name a few. The great band of hurling supporters also figure highly on Pat's mind. As manager, the quality that Pat believes is important, is honesty in dealing with players, which is the key factor of selection. His formula is simple - to be straight with people.

#### **Concerns for Youth**

As Juvenile Chairman of the club, Pat is very concerned that the needs of young people are properly catered for. He feels very strongly that if more facilities are not provided, that more youngsters are in danger of becoming involved in drugs or of falling prey to other social ills. Speaking with conviction, he makes a heart-felt plea, that more people who have stopped playing hurling and football, would put their knowledge and experience back into the club and into helping the children. He is not just referring to the G.A.A. fraternity, but to other able people in the wider community sphere of activities. One

# **Features**

of the main problems, Pat identifies, is a lack of parental interest in and encouragement of their children. He concludes that a lot of genuine people are making a great effort at present, but for the future a huge number of people will be required to keep apace with the requirements of a growing number of young people.

#### Culture

Pat has always had a great interest in Irish music and language. In his school days, he recalls his great neighbour, Pat Flaherty helping him to translate Irish novels. His great-grandfather was a founder member of the Irish League in Navan.

#### Interest

Irish history is of great interest to Pat. He remarked that if as a country, we were more informed on our past, we would not be repeating our mistakes. He likes the works of Roddy Doyle, both books and films, and sees them as reflecting the plight of the Dublin working class and as an indication that grassroots Irish culture is reaching higher levels.

#### Music

Irish and popular are Pat's main tastes in music. He also liked the 'Boomtown Rats' who were the first modern Irish band trying to say something through their music.

## Spiritual

Dear to Pat's heart is the contribution the people of Maynooth made to his brother, Fr. John's pastoral work in Pakistan. He feels parents should be involved with their children both at sporting and spiritual levels.

Pat can measure the timber accurately, but he can size up life equally well. He has a great sense of humour, yet in conversation never fails to hit the nail on the head. He leaves us with the thought that if we have the will to win the horizons are boundless. This builder wants us to put back in the cornerstone before it's too late. We wish him and his family more success in life, work, sport and the contented peace of achievement.

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# NOTES FROM NAMIBIA

Elaine Pevsner came to Namibia with her husband, Martin, and their 2-year-old son, Joe, in January 1994. The couple's daughter, Ella, was born in Windhoek, earlier this year. Elaine was assigned as a volunteer to the Ministry of Youth and Sport. Her job was to start up and develop a health education programme with unemployed and out-of-school youth, who range in age from 15 to 30 years old. She was well prepared for the task she had taken on, having already spent three years teaching in Zimbabwe. She has a Masters degree in Public Health Education in the Developing World and has worked in health education, at home, in the UK. Although she is sponsored by a British organisation, International Co-operation for Development, since her mother came from Wexford, the Agency for Personal Service Overseas in Ireland is able to fund her to work here.

Elaine has enjoyed meeting the challenges of setting up from scratch a youth health education programme. The first obstacle, as is often the case, was the lack of money. She has succeeded in persuading various United Nations agencies, and others, to allocate funds for training and the production of materials. There was, however, a nation-wide network of 22 regional youth officers already in place. Elaine devised and carried out a health education training programme for these staff members and has compiled a manual which is a blueprint for the first stage of formation of youth workers and other personnel in the future. She is about to carry out the second stage of development with the original group.

The other major initiative that she has been able to contribute to is the development, funding and staffing of three posts in the Head Office in Windhoek. These three officers will carry forward the training programme and liaise with the workers in the regions. An important aspect of the team is that it represents a variety of the cultural and language groups in the country. This makes it easier for the programme to reach and be accepted by more people.

The Ministry is in the process of recruiting a counterpart for Elaine herself. She will be very pleased when this is achieved, because it will make her work sustainable; she will be able to train a person to do the job she does now, so that there won't be a gap and loss of momentum when her assignment ends, next January. This will give her work with her Namibian colleagues a secure footing and lasting effect in the area of youth health education.

The health care education approach being used in the programme favours peer education, where young people are encouraged and enabled to share with others the information and skills they get from participating. In this way, it is hoped, they will not just benefit individually, but will spread the work and the effect to their friends and neighbours. This is an approach that at least one drugs-prevention programme that I know about in Dublin has found effective.

The Ministry is also in the process of setting up a telephone helpline for unemployed and out-of-school youth who want

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information, referral or support in connection with health-related matters, especially HIV/AIDS. It is hoped that Telecom Namibia will provide a toll-free line for this project. Maybe they will go one better than Telecom Eireann in this respect. Remember when our telephone charging system was changed, and the voluntary organisations had to agitate quite strongly in order to prevent the costs of their help-lines from wiping out the service they had been providing for their clients? Meanwhile, the project workers in Head Office have taken telephone counselling courses with Lifeline Namibia. They will, in turn, train volunteers so that the service can be expanded to meet the demand that is expected to emerge once it is established.

One of the striking things about the way Elaine speaks of her work is that she sees it in terms of a two-way exchange. She is convinced that she learns and benefits as much from the people she works with as they do from her. This attitude of equality must make it much easier for her colleagues and people in the client-group - unemployed and out-of-school youth - to work with her and benefit from her expertise and learn the skills she can pass on to them. Another important principle that is central in her approach to her work is involving youth themselves in planning projects and designing materials to get across the healthy living message. She is adamant that it is not possible to be really effective in winning the hearts and minds of the people, the government of Namibia wants to reach from an academic - or any other - ivory tower. Neither does she believe in re-inventing the wheel, and this shows in the way her project has adapted for Namibian consumption materials already developed for similar work in other African countries, such as Uganda.

Inevitably, in the 1990's, HIV infection and AIDS are two health problems that demand a lot of attention in the area of health services and therefore, in health education. So, the health education programme incorporates significant elements to address the issues of HIV and AIDS awareness, information and prevention among the members of the target-group, in general, as well as support for those of who are already affected. The awareness and prevention strategies are particularly important because AIDS is still somewhat of a hidden or denied problem in Namibia, with a strong social stigma attached to it. This is in contrast to some other African countries, such as Uganda or Zambia, where people have become more open about the existence and extent of the epidemic and are tackling the problems it causes them by mobilising the resources available in both the national and international communities.

Family and community support, backed up by technical medical assistance, is seen as the most appropriate and feasible approach to looking after people who have contracted the HIV virus or who have AIDS in Namibia. The family, rather than the state, is the predominant carer of the individual in traditional or less industrialised and rural societies. So it makes more sense to educate people to prevent infection in the first place, to support those who are infected and their families, and to enable people to care for their relative, friend or neighbour who is ill. This approach interferes less with the existing social structures and traditions and avoids adding to the devastation caused by the illness.

The community is capable of taking the initiative, which can then be supported by the professionals. Elaine told me about one such project that was started by a group of Oshiherero and Oshivambo speaking women, all street traders in the black people's suburb of Katutura. These women became concerned about the way their community was being affected by HIV and AIDS and decided to do something about it. They were well-placed for becoming involved in educating people in their community about the nature, causes and extent of the problem. They were able to involve a range of people in prevention and support activities. With the help of Elaine and her colleagues, they have devised techniques and strategies for doing this, including a story-telling approach for reaching people who cannot yet read. These women have become resource people for other community groups and have worked with street traders in the north of the country, to enable them to make a similar contribution in their own communities. They have now become involved in generating funds so that the scheme can carry on and be developed.

How widespread is the HIV/AIDS problem in Namibia? This is not clear, mostly because of the stigma attached to it which makes it hard to know exactly how many people are infected or ill. Of those tested, thirteen thousand have had a positive result. A nation-wide, anonymous, ante-natal screening programme has established that one in ten pregnant women is infected. In one of the northern areas, the Caprivi, where the international boundaries with Angola, Botswana and Zambia are crossed regularly by large numbers of people, in the course of normal daily living, this figure is as high as one in four. These figures represent the number of diagnosed cases, but do not tell us how many people altogether have caught the virus.

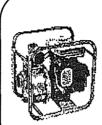
The government of the Republic has a good policy of offering pre-test counselling to patients who are likely to be or suspected of being infected, followed by voluntary testing and appropriate follow-up. However, translating this policy into services on the ground is a costly business that has yet to be tackled. Four government ministries are involved in addressing the problem: Health and Social Services is the principal one, followed by Basic Education and Tertiary, Vocational Education and Training (separate ministries since the formation of the current government in March of this year) and Youth and Sport. The brief for tackling the AIDS problem rests with the Ministry of Health and Social Services, which has set up the National AIDS control Programme (NACP). NACP liaises with the other ministries to ensure that their efforts are co-ordinated. As well as that, the non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have formed the Namibian Association of National AIDS Service Organisations (NANASO). It is also hoped that the trade unions will develop a programme for use with workers.

And in all of that there is Elaine, doing her bit and through her, Ireland, as well as her own country, is contributing to helping Namibians to tackle a very serious problem, affecting many of the 1.8 million people who make up the population of the country.

Emer McDermott is a native of Rail Park Maynooth. She has spent the first of two years in Windhoek Namibia with her husband who is working for the Ministry.

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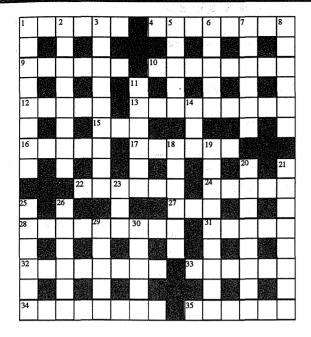
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# Crossword No. 93



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# Across:

- Lashes out wildly, maybe at the corn (6)
- Making appreciative noises (8)
- It's a show! Don't stand for it! (6)
- The summit, point first! (8) 10
- Isn't another way (2,3) 12
- 13 Are they very important people or heavy metal groups? (3,6)
- Stupid animal (3) 15
- Consternation for a short man on a limb (5) 16
- 17 They can really bring tears to your eyes (6)
- Groups of people, possibly preliterate, who have a 22 lot in common (6)
- Boasts a lot about birds? (5) 24
- 27 Employ or put into action for a given purpose (3)
- 28 Can go far without a refill (4-5)
- Give a brief outline, mathematically? (3,2) 31
- What one might say when the pass is just right 32 (4.4)
- 33 An animal and two men (6)
- Taking an arduous walk becomes monarchial finally
- Country that sounds like a tree (6)

#### Down:

- The time to have some fun in Maynooth (8)
- They are used for feeling the way (8)
- One who puts the brute in its place (4,5)

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- Having a dishonest rest? (5)
- Short show that leaves out the wordless piece (5)
- Cut, to fit, we hear (6)
- Lubricate for great ease (6)
- Take in totally (6) 11
- One who has a leading military role initially (3) 14
- Publishes what belongs to Sue? (6) 18
- Like this, you really need it (9) 19
- Cupid's supplier? (8) 20
- They give support to real live wires, initially (3,5) 21
- Muddled aid for the creation of jobs (3) 23
- 25 Get off the bus when on fire (6)
- 26 Chant when one has the right musical quality (6)
- His product was colourful, puzzling and cubed (5) 29
- A synthetic material with bits of two cities (5) 30

#### Solution to Crossword No. 92:

Across: 1. Object: 4. Critical: 9. Sawver: 10. Availing (Availing); 12, Abler; 13, Exemption; 15, Len (L-EN); 16, Liege; 17, Dearie (dear-i.e.); 22, Aspros (as pros); 24, Stung; 27, Imp (I.M.P.); 28, Seven seas; 31, Ellen (e'-LLen); 32, Largesse; 33, States; 34, Stepsons; 35, Adapts.

Down: 1, Obstacle; 2, Jeweller; 3, Cheerless (cheer less); 5, Revue (review); 6, Twirp; 7, Clinic (CL-in-I-c); 8, Legend (leg-end); 11, Tender; 14, Mar (rev.); 18, Assist (ass-is-T); 19, Inspected (inspect-Ed); 20, Full Stop; 21, Agonises; 23, Pas (p.a.s. = power-assisted steering); 25, Psalms (Sam's); 26, Averse (a verse); 29, Needs (kneads); 30, Essen (German city, and also means "eat" in German).

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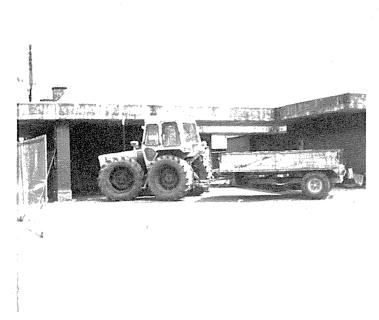
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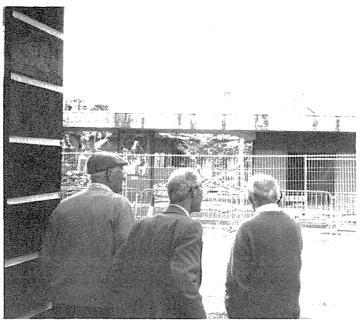
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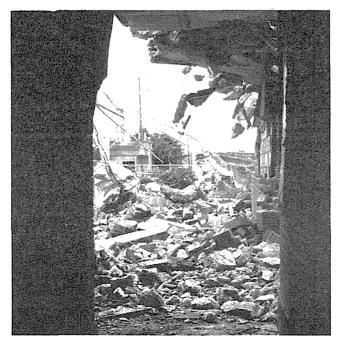


Hanging in there!

A better view of Brady's







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The Removal



The Thing finally being laid to rest.

# **DESIGN A CREST COMPETITION**

Our photograph shows Mr. O'Connell, Principal of the Boys National School, with the prizewinners of the recent "Design a Crest" competition. The competition which was organized by the school was a great success and there were many entries from all the boys.



Pictured here with Mr. O'Connell are Morgan Sweeney and Andrew Lynch with their design and Mark Watson with his crest.

Crests are now available at the Sports Locker, Quinnsworth, Shopping Centre.

# WHAT IS TUG O WAR

An English visitor in Maynooth during last month was bored and wanted to know what to do on a Sunday afternoon. It was suggested he go to the Tug O War at the Hitcher. Not having ever heard of it he decided to go anyway.

On meeting him the next day this was his impression of Tug O War.

A good crowd had gathered in the car park and arrangements were being made for the pull. The rope and teams were organised about an hour later. There was talk of a professional team arriving but that, thankfully, did not materialise.

Down to the field with four teams, Brady's A, Brady's B, Intel and a team from the Hitcher. He looked in amazement as Brady's A prepared. He was getting worried when he saw the boots of the Brady bunch, he thought they were as big as some of their opponents and afraid some of the smaller combatants may be trampled on.

The pulling commenced, and, as predicted Brady's A won handsomely. A great contest for 2nd place with good even pulls. Brady's B won this contest on points as the competition was run on a round robin basis.

So it was back to the Hitcher where the Cup was filled on

numerous occasions with what he thought was a molotov cocktail. He thought it would blow the head off him.

Many drinks later the craic and songs started and what amazed him most were the yarns of previous contests. Some of the stories were so good he expected to hear that it was they that pulled Hanibal's elephants over the Alps.

It was very late when they arrived back at headquarters. All participants were well full so it was decided that the cup would remain empty until during the week. "All agreed".

A few more pints, a few more songs and well after hours a couple of the boys wanted to reverse the decision on filling the cup. "Not on," said the proprietor, so some boy got bold and seized the cup from it's rightful place. In the slight fracas the cup was broken and taken from the premises.

The conclusion came to by the visitor on Tug O War was that "you tug the rope in the field and have the war in the pub later".

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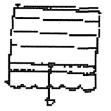
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The Summer School was opened by Minister of State Emmet Stagg T.D. and Senator Jack Wall. Among those who addressed the Summer School were An Tanaiste Dick Spring T.D., the Minister for Finance Ruairí Ouinn T.D. and Minister of State Eithne Fitzgerald T.D.

Organised by the Labour Party, the Summer School offers a forum for debate and discussion within the Labour movement. The Summer School was named to honour the memory of Tom Johnson, the first Parliamentary leader of the Labour Party and the first leader of the opposition in Dail Eireann.

The Summer School proved a great success and we would like to thank Maynooth College for their assistance in providing the venue.



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# **Political Party Notes**

# MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

#### The Thing is Gone

At long last Maynooth Residents can rejoice. The Toilet Block in the Square was demolished on Friday 14th July. It took 10 years of campaigning and now we can proceed with the renewal of Maynooth Town Centre.

# **Bond Bridge**

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted a motion to Kildare County Council asking that traffic lights and raised footpath be installed at Bond Bridge in the absence of development levies and as a new bridge is listed 16th on the priority listing in the County for Regional Funding. This listing means that it would be 10 years before it would be considered for funding.

## Pedestrian Walkway Maynooth Park/Laurence Avenue

Kildare County Council have been requested by Cllr. John McGinley to install two public lights in this location.

# Boundary between Brady's Field and Greenfield Drive

Cllr. John McGinley has asked Mr. Brady to honour his previous agreement and rebuild the wall at the bottom of Greenfield Drive. We are hopeful that this work will have been carried out by the time the newsletter is published.

# Kingsbry Estate to be taken in Charge

The long wait should soon be over. The local Engineer of Kildare County Council advised Cllr. John McGinley at a meeting on 10th July that a contractor was being appointed that week and that work should begin during the week ending 21st July. When this work is completed the Estate will be taken in charge by the Council.

# Bus Stop at Railpark Estate, Celbridge Road

Following requests from local residents Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to provide a hard stand for pedestrians at this bus stop.

#### **Purchase of Land for Council Housing**

The Council have advised Cllr John McGinley that they have identified 2/3 parcels of land suitable for purchase by the council. They hope to have the matter concluded before the end of

# Height Restriction "Goalposts" at The Boreen

Minister Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have asked the Council to fit a new 'Caravan Restrictor' here as a matter of urgency.

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# Political Party Notes

# Straffan Road Wall

Agreement has now been reached with residents on the height of the New Wall at various points along Straffan Road.

The final area to be dealt with at Carton Court is being pursued by Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley.

#### Rock Blasting in Lyreen Area.

Following representations from Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley, Kildare County Council Engineer John Carrick met with officers of the Lyreen Residents Association to discuss the problems caused by rock blasting in the area.

A number of matters have been cleared up and the question of surveying houses in the area is still being pursued by Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley.

#### **Labour Advice Services**

Minister Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley's Advice Services will not be in operation in August but will resume on Saturday September 9th at 4 p.m. in Caulfields and Thursday September 7th at 8 p.m. at the same venue respectively.

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# Sports

## EARLY G.A.A

There was much ado about the refixing of the Carlow - Laois match in this years Leinster Championship. The experts said it was making a precedent, the use of videos for making a decision is, but replays over disputed scores is not.

I wonder how Offaly would feel, that if on video evidence their '82 football title was removed from them, as the video clearly shows a foul was committed. Billy take note.

The G.A.A. formed in 1884 had a large amount of teething problems. It is very understandable that at that time transport, organisation and communications were very difficult.

The 1887 All-Ireland was played in April 1888. On record it goes to Limerick (commercials) who defeated Louth's (Young Irelands) by 1-4 to 0-3. There is no record of any other matches played in the championship prior to this.

Leinster and Munster seemed to have some organisation. Ulster were trying but Connaught were unheard of.

The present G.A.A. set up got a lot of bad press when Cork refused to come out for extra time a few years ago against the Dubs but in the early years it seemed to be a bit more common.

#### Munster

To go through the provinces Munster is the first one we will look at. In 1887 there was no Munster Championship so Limerick must have been pulled out of the hat. In 1888 Tipperary got a walk over as Limerick were "Scratched". Tipperary beat Cork in 1889.

In 1890 things got interesting. Cork and Kerry played and the match was abandoned after fifty seven minutes (the football burst). '91 and '92 were won by Cork and Kerry in that order but in '93 Kerry gave Cork a Walk Over. 1894 saw the first refixture over an objection. Cork beat Tipperary who objected but were also beaten in the second game. No problems in '95, Tipperary beat Limerick 0-5 to 0-2. 1896 brought more problems, Limerick 0-4 Waterford 0-1 (match unfinished) title awarded to Limerick.

On to 1899 and this is good! Tipperary 2-1 Cork 0-1 (game abandoned at half time, "No ball available" (did someone run away with it?). Next match Cork 1-2 Tipperary 0-1 (abandoned at half time "Dispute over the score"). Cork won the third match easily.

Into the new century things seemed to go nice and peaceful in Munster up to 1921 when due to the civil war there was no championship run.

#### Leinstei

The Leinster Championship had a lot less hiccups than Munster, better supply of footballs perhaps. Wexford, Kilkenny, Louth, Laois and Dublin to the front. Dublin got Walk Overs in '81 and ''82 due to Kildare and Louth being "Scratched". The present supporters of Meath and Dublin may think that their four matches in 1991 were hard but in the 1894 Championship it took 3 games to seperate them. No more problems in Leinster until 1902 when the first game between Dublin and Wexford was unfinished, a replay was ordered which Dublin won.

# **Sports**

1903 brought Kildare back into the scene. Another drawn out final which was actually played in 1905. First match Kildare 1-2 Kilkenny 0-5, next match Kildare 1-6 Kilkenny 1-5, (point disputed replay ordered) Kildare who were represented by Clane won the third match. They went on to meet Kerry in the All Ireland "Home Final". Another long one. In the final in Tipperary it was Kerry 1-4 Kildare 1-3. (Goal disputed). Replay in Cork, Kerry 0-7 Kildare 1-4. The third match which was held also in Cork was won easily by Kerry.

#### Connaught

The first county to represent Connaught in the championship was Galway who went in unopposed. A team from Tuam "Krugers" were beaten by Tipperary in the "Home Final" of 1900. Tipperary beat London in the final. The records show that London played in an All Ireland final before a team from either Connaught or Ulster did. It was quiet in Connaught until 1911 when the title was awarded to Galway. 1922 saw Sligo beat Galway who objected and won the replay.

#### Ulster

There was no Ulster Championship in 1887 Monaghan beat Cavan in 1888, and missing a year, Armagh won the championship of 1890. Cavan's first came in '91 after a replay (another disputed goal). There was no Ulster Championship from 1892 - 1899. Actually Cavan played in the Leinster Championship in 1895. They restarted in 1900 with Antrim getting a Walk Over. Records show nothing for 1904 or for 1907: the reply is "no final result on record".

Things were peaceful enough and records straight until 1939 when the book says Cavan 2-3 Armagh 1-2 (match unfinished, replay ordered). Cavan won the replay.

Having dealt with the hiccups in the provinces the finals also had their moments.

#### **Finals**

Limerick won the first in 1887 but in '88 there was no final, owing to U.S.A. invasion by G.A.A. athletes. Dublin won the '91 final with a score of 2-1 to Cork 1-9 but at that time no amount of points could equal a goal. The '93 final ran into problems and was unfinished with Wexford leading. In '94 Dublin and Cork played a draw, 0-6 to 1-1 the goal now being 5 points. The replay in Thurles was unfinished with Cork leading by 2 points but Dublin were awarded the championship. Having covered the Kildare 1903 saga earlier, we next meet them in 1905. They beat Kerry in Thurles in June of 1907 to win the title. They were represented by Roseberry. In October the same year the 1906 final was played in Athy where Dublin beat Cork. A bit confusing ain't it?

Organisation was improving and things were coming almost into line but no organising could counter the next episode.

In the 1909 final Kerry (Tralee Mitchells) beat Louth (Tredaghs) by 1-9 to 0-6. Due to meet again in 1910 the Mitchells gave a Walk Over to the Louth team. Kerry it is reported would not travel, why? "They believed the train was haunted". Good enough reason for me.

The next and probably not the last cock up was the 1925 Championship.

Kerry, Cavan, Mayo and Wexford won their respective provinces. An objection was lodged by Galway against Mayo.

The semi-finals were held, Mayo beat Wexford and Kerry beat Cavan so a Mayo and Kerry final was on. The G.A.A. then in their wisdom took the Connaught title from Mayo and gave it to Galway. Kerry not agreeing with this withdrew their team so the Championship continued with Galway and the two beaten semi finalists. Galway went on to take the title by beating Wexford on Dec 6th 1925 and in January 1926 they beat Cavan to take the title.

#### **Outside Forces**

Another aspect of the G.A.A. was the entry of outside forces. For the counties of Galway and Clare these came in the form of curses. Galway were supposedly cursed by a priest in the twenties for missing mass. Clare were cursed by the infamous Biddy Earley. Luckily both counties have since broken their curses.

The early football "Hiccups" are all that are thinly covered here, as to go through reasons for objections, abandonments and Walk Overs one would need a few years research and a book as long as the Book of Kells. We will cover the hurling in a later issue.

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# MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Joe "Dodo" Murray Cup: Outing to Edenderry, July 7th: 1st Overall: Miley Scanlon, 46 pts.

Class 1: 1st, Gerry McTernan, 45 pts.; 2nd, Joe Moore, 41 pts.; 3rd, Mick Dempsey, 39 pts.

Class 2: 1st, Tom Flatley, 43 pts.; 2nd, Bernie Dempsey, 39 pts. on back 9; 3rd, Ken O'Brien, 39 pts. on back 9.

Class 3: 1st, Colm Feeney, 44 pts.; 2nd, Pat Dunne, 42 pts.; 3rd, Tom O'Haire, 41 pts.

Front 9: Declan Dooley, 22 pts. Back 9: Philip Doyle, 25 pts.

Visitors: 1st, Frank Desmond, 43 pts on back 9; 2nd, Frank Dooley, 43 pts; 3rd, Patsy O'Grady, 42 pts on back 9; 4th, Dave Kane, 42 pts; 5th, Martin Doyle, 41 pts.

2's Club: Philip Doyle, Frank Dooley, Gerry McTernan, Sam Feeney.

**Drawn Prizes:** Golf bag, Peter Brazil; £50 voucher, John Nolan; £50 voucher, Trevor Cassidy; Golf umbrella, Sam Feeney.

# "Great White Shark" lands prize in Edenderry

Sixty golfers took part in the first commemorative outing for the Joe "Dodo" Murray Memorial Cup in Edenderry Golf Club on Friday, 7th July. The much-coveted trophy was won by our very own "Great White Shark" in the form of Miley Scanlon, whose 46 points stood the test of time. Miley played in the first threeball and his fine score held up all day. The very popular winner received the Cup from Mrs. Marie Murray at a function in the clubhouse and the society would like to thank the sponsors Jim and Eileen McKeogh, Frank Mooney, Christy Dunphy, Martin Doyle for a great array of prizes.

Next outing is Captain's (T. Moore) Prize to Portarlington. Tee: 9 a.m. on 26th August. Next round of Matchplay to be completed by above date.

# MAYNOOTH TUG-O-WAR REPORT

I would love to elaborate and confabulate on all my recent adventures in the west. However I must contain myself as this time I have a lot of news to relate. Anyway I have all winter to do so.

# Maynooth Festival News

All you "horses and carts" of men and women and sturdy children must come and flex your muscles at the Annual Festival Tournament due to be held in The Harbour Field, on Sunday, 13th August, at 3.30p.m.

So put on them auld britches, galoshes, and boots and come along for a good evening's sport. There are barrowfuls of trophies to be won. Let's get the community pulling together! Donal Finnan is chief organiser and the following events are due to take place.

U/13 Boys and Girls U/18 Boys and Girls Women's Men's Helen Grehan (nee Finnan) and her friends from Helen's Hair Affair Studio have proved to be the only strong women in Maynooth. They have shown that beauty and musclarity can be combined with great effect, as only Segourney Weaver can do. I love it when they grit their teeth. Oh I wish I was a mosquito or a midget. In the men's section there will be no trained teams. We are going back to our roots A.K.A. 1992. Anyone can enter; pubs, clubs, townlands and estates. The "Young Tigers" will be there and I expect a team from the Hitchin' Post. All we can say is "old friends please come back".

# Hitchin' Post Cup Victory

On Sunday June 25th. Brady's A team beat three other local sides to win the Hitchin' Post Cup outright for the third time. In desert war conditions, the sun beat down on the teams, as they pulled in front of a reasonable gathering, at Collinstown, Leixlip. While Brady's A comprised of: John Gallagher, Willie Healy, Michael Walsh, George Gallagher, Leo Hynes, Donal Finnan, Brendan Cawley, Anthony Mooney, coached by the injured Michael O'Rourke, Jonathon Gallagher waterman, celebrated a famous victory! There was great delight that another local side, Brady's B (the young Tigers), showed such fighting spirit and determination to send off tough opposition to claim their share of trophies. The latter team comprised of: Anto Edwards, Joey Riordan, John Murray, Danny Casey, David Faherty, Fabio Capello, Barry Desmond, Emmet Savage, coached by Frank Desmond. The emergence of these tug-o-war men gives us great hope for the future.

## Tussle with "Tigers"

Brady's A took all their pulls by showing discipline under pressure. When stalled they held their formation and tightened pressure until they sensed tiredness in the opposition. They had their greatest tussle with "The Tigers" who consistently put their youth and vigour in every sinew and nerve into rattling the reigning champions. Gallagher's men, better equipped and more experienced withstood the violent struggle and gradually reined them in. The struggle was over when exhausted men fell around the marker.

The Hitchin' Post team pulled with great sportsmanship and gave no quarter. The Mercury team had some big men to their task and did a lot of damage to their opponents. Everyone contributed to what was a great day's sport. We thank everyone who supported the event. We are most grateful to Ken Mulvanny and Martin Boyle, of the Hitchin' Post for their generous sponsorship of what was a great sporting occasion. The day would not have been complete without Eamon Gallagher and all the lads who contributed to the sing-song afterwards - that's what it's all about.

# P.R.O.

# Maynooth Photos



I.C.A. Ladies giving their hall a face life.

Fiona O'Connor & Brenda Carruthers Line Dancing





Eileen Dunne our May Crossword winner.

Being presented with their prize by Ms. Lucy Egan on behalf of the sponsors, the Mill Wine Cellar.

# MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

## All Ireland Vets

Congratulations to John Campbell who won gold in 1500m and silver in 1500m in Belfast. John went on to win 800m silver in BLE Vets. Dave Jolley was a member of the Kildare 4x800m relay team which won gold in Belfast while Liam McNamee finished 3rd in 3000m. In the field events John Keogh won the Long and Triple jumps.

#### Juveniles

Good luck to our juveniles Philip and David Campbell, Patrick King, Karl Ennis, Patrick O'Rourke, Mary O'Sullivan, Pearl Byrne and Lynn Brennan who will by now have competed in the All Irelands in Limerick and Declan O'Rourke and Patrice Keogh in the Leinster u/15s.

Congratulations to all club members who excelled themselves at the finals of Kildare Community Games and good luck in Mosney to Muire and Pierre Ennis, Lynn Brennan and David Campbell.

#### Cake Sale

This was a big success and many thanks are due to all who assisted over the two days and to all who supported our efforts. The winner of the "Guess the weight of the Cake" competition was Rory Penney, Parson's Lodge. The weight (courtesy of Sean Donovan) was 8lbs 12.75 ounces.

# **G.A.A. NOTES**

# MAYNOOTH G.A.A. GOLF CLASSIC - RESULTS

1st Overall - Richard O'Sullivan. Team - R. O'Sullivan, P. Whelan, C. Parke, G. Brannigan, with a good score of 97 points. 2nd Overall - Dave Roberts. Team - D. Roberts, E. Ledwith, N. Herterick, T. Collons, with a score of 92 points.

3rd Overall - Larry Eyers. Team - L. Eyers, S.McGuirk, G. Crolley, K. Flaherty, with a score of 92 points.

4th Overall - Colm Feeney. Team - C. Feeney, T. Moore, S. Feeney, A. Cannon, with a score of 92 points.

5th Overall - Matt Doran. Team - M. Doran, M. Roche, D. Ward, E. Cunningham, with a score of 90 points.

Society Prize 1st. Paul Revelhill. Team: P. Revelhill, J. Hennessy, K. Fox, T. Milner, with a score of 96 points.

Society Prize 2nd. Tom O'Connor. Team: T. O'Connor, J. Minnock, R. Bennett, J. Noonan, with a score of 96 points.

We would like to thank our sponsors, Guinness Group Sales, Heineken, Newtown Stores, James McCormack, Dawson Menswear, Volex Distributors, Gleeson Wholesale, Jean's Foodstore, Bernard Durkan T.D., Philips Electrical, Eugene Fagan, Casey Courts, Pat Conroy, John McCarthy, Gerry Canning, Regan Insurances, Wessel Cables, Ashtown Trading, Mary Cowhey, Charlie McGreevy T.D., Tony Kelly, Gerry Brady, Quinnsworth, Sports Locker, House Pride, Texaco, Ballydowd, Dave Roberts, Beechams. We would also like to thank all the players who took part in our Golf Classic.

#### INTER HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

# Maynooth 1-5 v Eire Og-Corrachoil 3-9

Maynooth lost this Inter Hurling Championship match in the first half. Playing with the wind they failed to take their scores and could only lead at half time by one point. The score, Maynooth 5pts to 4pts.

Eire Og-Corrachoil got on top in the second half and ran out good winners. Best for Maynooth, Mick Nevin 1-2 pts, Tom Coffey 1pt, Joey Nevin 1pt, Frank Desmond 1pt. Also to play well, Killian Fagan, Sean Cushen, Jimmy Cahill, and Kieran McGuinness.

# JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE:

## Maynooth 11pts v Castledermot 1-6

Maynooth were well on top in this junior league match. Leading at half time by 9 pts to 2 pts. It seemed Maynooth were coasting to an easy win until 5 minutes to go Castledermot got their goal and were well on top at this stage. It was only for good defending that kept them at bay. Maynooth were delighted to hear the full time whistle. Best for Maynooth, D. Murray 4pts., J. Gilligan 3pts., H. Nevin 2pts., H. Purcell 1pt., J. Edwards 1pt. Also to play well, O. O'Neill, T. Healy, M. Nugent, K. Dunne, and D. Fleming.

# JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE (THIRD TEAM)

#### Maynooth 2-11 V Clogherinkoe 1-4

Maynooth third team had a very good win over a strong Clogherinkoe team. Maynooth playing their best football to date surprised Clogherinkoe in the first half and built up a good lead by half time. Clogherinkoe tried hard in second half but could not break down Maynooth's strong defence lead by P. Kearney. Best for Maynooth, P. Kearney, T. McTiernan, R. McTiernan, J. Murray and C. O'Grady.

#### LOTTO RESULTS

18/6/95 - £300 - Numbers, 5, 17, 24. No winner. 5 x £10, Denise Lynch, Kathleen Ennis, Fergus Devereux, Kevin Cagney, Paddy O'Connor.

25/6/95 - £400 - Numbers, 12, 13, 16. No winner. 5 x £10, Angela Galligan, Maura Mac, Tommy Sheehan, J. Early, Elaine Buckley.

2/7/95 - £450 - Numbers, 8, 12, 21. No winner. 5 x £10, Colm c/o Bar, Jimmy Dempsey, Ollie Bright, John Fanning, Aidan O'Rourke.

9/7/95 - £500 - Numbers, 7, 16, 19. Winner: Gerry Long c/o Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

# 1ST TEAM RESULTS SINCE THE JULY ISSUE.

# 1. Ardclough Tournament Maynooth 9pts Sallins 6pts

Team: P. Flood, M. Noone, E. Dunne, P. Burke, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, T. Farrell, K. Fagan, Joey Nevin, L. O'Toole, M. Scanlon, H. Nevin, J. Edwards, S. Molloy, J. O'Toole. Subs: J. Gilligan for J. O'Toole, John Nevin for T. Farrell.

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**Scorers:** Molloy 3pts, Joey Nevin 2pts, Farrell, H. Nevin, Scanlon and Fagan 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Flood, Noone, Dunne, Burke, Kelly, Farrell, Fagan, Edwards, Molloy and Joey Nevin.

Best for Sallins: Joe Dalton, Mickey Brien, John Heffernan and John McCormack.

Referee: Tommy Buggle, Ardclough.

# 2. Maynooth 12pts St. Kevins 12pts (League)

**Team:** P. Flood, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, M. Noone, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Fagan, K. Killoran, Joey Nevin, S. Molloy, J. Riordan, L. O'Toole, M. Scanlon, John Nevin. **Subs:** D. Casey for Molloy.

**Scorers:** Molloy 4 pts, John Nevin 3pts., Riordan 2pts., L. O'Toole, Scanlon and Kelly 1 pt. each.

Best for Maynooth: Flood, Kelly, Mahony, Fagan, Riordan and John Nevin.

**Best for St. Kevin's:** Sean Casey, Noel Casey, Trevor Carew, Mark Casey, Tony McCusker and John Cahill.

Referee: Kevin McDonnell, Newbridge.

# 3. Maynooth 11pts Rheban 1-9 (League).

**Team:** P. Flood; E. Dunne, M. Nevin, P. Burke; M. Noone, P. Stynes, D. Mahony; K. Fagan, Joey Nevin, L. O'Toole, J. Riordan, M. Nugent, P. Garvey, S. Molloy, M. Scanlon. **Subs:** J. O'Toole for Mahony; John Nevin for M. Scanlon. **Scorers:** Garvey 7 pts.; Fagan 2 pts.; Joey Nevin and Scanlon

1 pt. each.

Best: Flood, Dunne, J. O'Toole, Fagan, Joey Nevin, Nugent

**Best for Rheban:** Tom Harris, "Pippi" Owens, Joe Fitzpatrick and Paul Harris.

Referee: F. Reidy, Celbridge.

# 4. Maynooth 1-15 St. Mary's, Granard 2-6.

**Team:** P. Flood; P. Burke, E. Dunne, M. Noone; T. Farrell, P. Stynes, D. Mahony; K. Killoran, D. Casey, H. Nevin, Joey Nevin, M. Nugent, P. Garvey, S. Molloy, J. Edwards.

**Subs:** J. O'Toole for P. Burke; L. O'Toole for S. Molloy; P. Ennis for D. Mahony.

**Scorers:** Killoran 1-1; Joey Nevin and Garvey 3pts. each; Edwards, L. O'Toole and Molloy 2 pts each; H. Nevin and M. Nugent 1 pt. each.

Best for Maynooth: Flood, Dunne, Stynes, Killoran, H. Nevin, Joey Nevin, Nugent, Garvey, J. O'Toole and L. O'Toole. Referee: Paddy Dowling, Celbridge.

A "mixed bag" of performances by the team over the last few weeks — a team which has been "bedevilled" by injuries to a number of key players, e.g. Kelly, Mahony, Fagan, John Nevin, Ennis, Molloy and Garvey. The best performance overall was probably against St. Kevin's, although it was a game we should have won, having forged into a three-point lead with some six minutes remaining. Slack marking and poor concentration allowed the home side to slip through for the vital levelling scores, however.

The other game worthy of mention is the Home League match against Rheban. This game epitomised the "Jekyll and Hyde" nature of the team, with a dismal first half performance, during which Maynooth could do little right, being followed by a thrilling second half comeback. Rheban led by nine points at the break but were held scoreless in the second period, during which Maynooth hit them with everything but the "kitchen sink". Unfortunately, the titanic efforts of the team in the second half just couldn't make up for the non-performance in the first.

Players who are well to the fore at the moment are: Paul Flood, Eamon Dunne, Mick Kelly, David Mahony and Paul Garvey.

The next round of the Junior "A" Championship is fixed for Allenwood on July 16th v. Nurney. The winners will meet the victors from the Clogherinkoe and Confey match which takes place on the same day.

## **U-16 FOOTBALL**

# Maynooth top league but are knocked out of Championship

The U-16 team have not had a happy time in the past month with two defeats and one victory: they seem to have lost their way a little. Perhaps they have played their best football in the early part of the season or perhaps when it came to tight championship matches they were found wanting in certain departments. While strong around the middle of the field, the full forward line has given trouble all season. Also when the fullback was moved out to give more bite around the middle of the field, the defence seemed to suffer. It has been said that our tactics are a bit naïve, using the high ball all the time with nobody in the forward line to take advantage of it. The management team will answer that they were making best use of the talent available. It is all right to talk about a running game but you need very talented and fit players. The management have achieved a lot with the talent at their disposal and if they went out of the championship, they went out fighting.

# 23/6/'95: League Game Sallins 1-8; Maynooth 0-9

Maynooth went into this game knowing one way or another they were going to top the League. This probably led to some complacency. This game took place in the middle of our very hot spell in June. This didn't lend itself to players working hard under a sweltering sun. We had a few players missing and some of our players were after putting in a hard day at work.

We were slow to start and Sallins dominated the middle of the field. Sallins' first score resulted from a mix-up in our defence, when the fullback and goalkeeper went for the same ball and it landed in the net. It was a bad start. We found it hard to get going. We struggled badly as Sallins tapped over a few more points. Half way through the first half Owen Guha latched on to a ball that came through the middle and took a long-range point. However, we were still in trouble down the wings and Sallins scored another point after some woeful



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wides. Alan Nugent took a neat pass in the 22nd minute and gave us another point. That was the sum total of our score in he first half.

in the second half we got more into the game. There was a bit nore bite in our play and we won two frees. Darren Naughton luly obliged and slotted over two lovely points. Within ten ninutes of the restart Darren Naughton had scored his third point. Brendan Mooney and Joseph Lee, who had come on as a sub, had also got their names on the scoresheet. Sallins, nowever, fought back and attacked down the wings, scoring two more points. Darren Naughton kept us in the game with a well-taken point in the 45th minute. Coming up to the final minute we were in arrears by a goal, 1-8 to 0-8. Darren Naughton got a free thirty yards out. He tried a low hard shot but it just sailed over the bar. Sallins ran out deserving winners. Maynooth were found wanting in the scoring department.

Scorers: Darren Naughton (0-5, 0-2 from frees), Owen Guha (0-1), A. Nugent (0-1), Brendan Mooney (0-1), Joe Lee (0-1).

# 7/7/'95: Championship Maynooth 2-8; Confey 2-7

This was a game Maynooth stole. In the dying seconds they got the score which gave them the match. However, in the last fifteen minutes they put in a tremendous battle to reverse their fortunes after they looked down-and-out, and perhaps in sport you make your own luck.

But luck has a habit of evening itself out and perhaps Maynooth also learned that as my next match will testify. This was a match where Packie Carroll, our goalkeeper, came into his own and with his two point-blank saves really kept us in the Championship in a big way. Our defence left Packie exposed on several occasions but Packie rose to the occasion. Moving Eamonn Gallagher to centre-back left our defence a bit weak and Confey made good use of that weakness.

We started off well with a good point from Darren Naughton. Confey replied by sending over two well-taken points. In the fifteenth minute John O'Shea pounced onto a loose ball at the edge of the square and crashed it to the net. This steadied our nerves. Eamonn Gallagher added a long-range point. Confey started to come more and more into the game and before half time got two more points. We led by a point at half time. Five minutes after the restart they drew level. This was becoming a very tense and exciting match for the many spectators who had come along to watch. Owen Guha restored our lead on the thirty-seventh minute with a well-taken point. Confey equalised again. But Darren Naughton pulled us ahead once again. Confey, now sensing the weakness in our defence, attacked down the middle. Within five minutes they had two goals nestling in our net. In between Darren Naughton had knocked over the first of his two frees. Eoin Nevin had also taken a nice point after a clever passing movement. In the fifty-sixth minute Darren Naughton pulled back their lead to two points. Shortly afterwards they scored another point. In this last fifteen minutes Eamonn Gallagher was playing his heart out, catching balls and passing them forward. Packie Carroll was also making tremendous saves, two from pointblank range. With two minutes to go we got a free. Darren was tempted to go for a goal. He knocked it over. Two minutes later, with the whistle in the referee's mouth, Darren got a free out on the right about 25 metres out. He was told to lob it in soccer style. He did. Owen Guha got a fist to it. It ended in the back of the Confey net. The referee blew the final whistle. There was much rejoicing and celebrating. Mick Gillick was a relieved man.

**Scorers:** Darren Naughton (0-5, 0-2 from frees), Owen Guha (1-1), John O'Shea (1-0), Eamonn Gallagher (0-1), Eoin Nevin (0-1).

#### 14/7/'95

#### Sarsfields 1-10; Maynooth 0-7

There was no last-minute reprieve in this match or no complaining either. We were outplayed and outmanoeuvred by a very fast, talented, quick-passing football team. Things could have been different if that goal was allowed. The neutral umpires in Clane had gone elsewhere, so Maynooth and Sarsfields had to supply the umpires. So when a perfectly good goal was disputed by the Sarsfields umpire the referee had no choice but to throw up the ball. Ten minutes later Sarsfields came down the field and scored their opening goal which turned the game around. If that goal was allowed we would have been 1-5 in front at that stage. However, having said that, we seemed to lack speed and penetration and when they ran at us we had no answers. Our only ploy in the dying minutes was the high ball forward, which was easily defended against. So maybe luck evened itself out and maybe there were gaps in the team which we weren't able to plug in this vital game. In the first twenty minutes we started off like would-be beaters, but thereafter seemed to lose our way as Sarsfields regrouped and we didn't respond. In those first twenty minutes Karl Ennis scored one point, Niall Naughton scored two and Darren Naughton scored two points, one from a free, plus the goal that never was. It was as good a goal as Offaly were allowed against Kilkenny in the Leinster Hurling Final. They switched their centre forward to mark our wing forward and things began to change. They broke through the middle and scored a cracker of a goal. They followed this up by three points in quick succession as their wing forwards began to motor and their number nine began to dominate. They added another point before half time. At half time Mick Gillick tried to repair the damage by moving Eamonn Gallagher to midfield. This worked up to a point, but the ball forward was not a quality ball. We, however, got the first score of the second half from Niall Naughton in the fortieth minute. Though from our dominance of this period we should have scored more. We lacked the finishing power but in fairness Sarsfields defended well. Maynooth didn't play as a team, with too many individual runs forward. We only scored one more point while Sarsfields scored six. That perhaps is the summary of the match. There was no lack of effort on Maynooth's part and they can be proud to be part of such a competitive and well-fought match. Mick Gillick was proud of his charges and didn't mind being beaten once we went down fighting and doing our best.

**Scorers:** Niall Naughton (0-3), Darren Naughton (0-3), Karl Ennis (0-1).

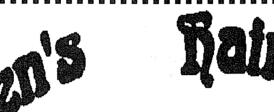
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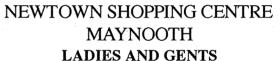
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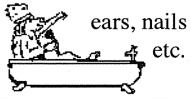


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This month is holiday time for many and whilst there never seems to be a holiday in the garden, August is as good a time as any to leave the garden to its own devices. Before you go, cut the lawn, get the weeding done and water as much as you can. Put your houseplants on a towel in the bath with the end of the towel dipped into a bucket of water and draw the curtains. If you can't get neighbourly help, you can now buy cheap automatic watering for garden and greenhouse.

#### The Flower Garden

Butterflies flock to nectar-rich flowers. particularly in July and August. Frequent garden visitors usually include the comma, peacock, red admiral and small tortoiseshell. Not all garden flowers are suitable for butterflies to feed on, so plant some of their favourites. Top of the list has to be the aptly-named butterfly bush (Buddleia davidii) with its masses of colourful cone-shaped flowers in many colours - white, pale blue, pink, purple and violet. Buddleias are easy to grow and quickly form large bushes, though they can be hard pruned in early spring to keep them small. Other good butterfly shrubs include Hebe, hyssop, lavender and privet.

Plants with colourful foliage can come into their own in high summer when many flowering plants have finished. Escallonia 'Gold Brian' is a showy shrub with incredibly bright leaves, though it needs a sheltered sight. In July and August it develops beautiful pink clusters of flowers which are very eyecatching against the foliage. This plant also has the advantage of being an evergreen. Another plant which looks very well in the garden at this time of year is the Blue spiraea (Caryopteris x clandonensis). This easily grown shrub is a mass of beautiful blue flowers in high summer. It's suitable for the smallest garden, forming a neat mound of grey-green aromatic leaves. Bees love the clusters of spiky flowers, which are borne all along its branches, make the plant a whole haze of blue.

Deadheading and harvesting is best done a couple of times a week to get the most from your plants. Leaving deadheads on flowering plants will make them think that they've done their work for the season, and the same goes for vegetables, especially summer beans.

#### Roses

Diseased leaves that have fallen to the ground are best gathered and disposed of regularly as the disease spores can over-winter in the soil. Burn the leaves or put them in the dustbin. Watch out for rust, mildew and blackspot and treat as soon as possible.

Container and hanging baskets should still be fed twice a week to maintain a really good display. This month it's best to switch to a high-nitrogen liquid feed that will give plants a boost for the rest of the season. If controlled-release fertilizer was used it may now be exhausted, so containers will also benefit from liquid feeding.

Tender perennials, including fuchsias and geraniums, can be easily propagated

by cuttings taken in late summer and early autumn. Carnations and Pinks can be propagated by layering.

Half-ripe cuttings can still be taken from most shrubs. It's especially worth propagating those which could be killed in a severe winter, such as Californian lilac (Ceanothus), sun rose (Cistus), Fuchsia, Hebe, myrtle, daisy bush (Olearia) and wall germander (Teucrium).

#### **Soft Fruits**

August is the best time to clean up the soft fruits, removing the protective netting where this is temporary, as soon as the crop has been gathered. This is the month of the plum and varieties in season include 'Victoria', 'Czar', 'Early Rivers' and 'Bountiful'. The acid or Morello cherry will also be ripe in early August.

# Vegetable Garden

Vegetables and salads in season this month are runner beans, cabbage, carrots, lettuce, onion, peas, potatoes, spinach, spinach beet, marrows (including courgettes), beetroot and garlic. You can now sow the seeds of spring cabbages, brussels sprouts and lettuces for early winter use. Crops which have finished should be cleared out and the ground manured or not, depending on rotation. Where broccoli, spring cabbage, savoy, onion and early summer lettuce are grown, manure

Tomatoes grown outside can have their tops pinched out when three trusses of fruit have formed, to encourage them to develop and ripen fully before the end of the season.

#### The Indoor Garden

You can brighten up your house throughout the winter by saving some of the garden's summer colour. Many flowers and seed heads can easily be preserved by drying and if you like flower arranging, they can be combined into pretty,

Lots of annuals and perennials make particularly good dried flowers. Annuals include Acroclinium, bells of Ireland, (Molucella), Gomphrena, Helichrysum and larkspur. Perennials include Achillea, baby's breath (Gypsophila), Cupid's dart (Catananche), globe thistle (Echinops), masterwort (Astrantia) and sea lavender (Limonium). Ornamental grasses, both annual and perennial have a variety of very attractive flower heads.

Pick the flowers just before they're fully open, on a sunny day after the dew has dried. Tie them together in small bunches with soft string or twine. Hang them upside-down in a dry airy room with little or no direct sunlight, but never in the kitchen or bathroom where the atmosphere is damp. Leave them until the flowers are dry and crisp to the touch. The colours of thin-petalled flowers like delphiniums can easily fade, though they can often be retained by drying them more quickly. Hang them upside-down in the airing cupboard until the petals are dry. Grasses with fluffy flower heads are best dried upright, standing in empty containers.

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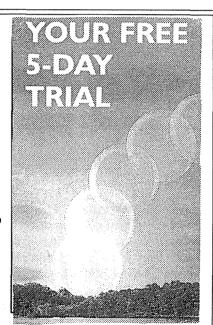
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# Birthday

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Happy Birthday to Ashling O'Neill, 15th August, 6 years old. Also to Pauline O'Neill, 21st August, 13 years old. 1179 Greenfield, Maynooth.

Belated birthday wishes to Mrs. B. Flynn, Kilgraigue, Maynooth, who celebrated her 80th. Birthday, Friday July 14th. A surprise party was held in the Students' Union, Kilcock Road, which was attended by her family and friends from home and abroad.

Happy Birthday to Mary Bean, "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrates her birthday on August 14th. Love from her husband, Tony, and children, Aisling, Brian and Connor; also Liam and Margaret Bean and Thomas.

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Best Wishes from all your parents, family and friends.

## **SYMPATHIES**

The wife and family of the late Jack Fahy, Kilcloon, wish to thank most sincerely everyone who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, all those who attended removal, mass and funeral, sent floral tributes, mass cards, letters and those who called to our home. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all of your intentions.

The family of the late Patrick Durack wish to thank most sincerely those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; our relatives, those who attended the removal of his remains, the funeral mass and internment, those who sent mass cards and other expressions of sympathy. A special word of thanks to Fr. B. Supple, Fr. D. Cogan and Fr. D. Dooley who concelebrated the funeral mass and to Dr. Maurice Cowhey for his concern and kindness over the years, to Maynooth Old Folks' Committee and to Reilly's Undertakers, Prosperous. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Matthew Collins, Newport, Tipperary who died recently. He was the brother of Paddy Collins, Rail Park, Maynooth.

Nephews, nieces, especially Sr. Marie Therese (Twin), grandnieces, grandnephews, cousins, relatives and friends of James Mulready, Decies Road, Ballyfermot, C.I.E. Northwall and Maynooth.

Conway: Michael, of Hillview Clane, formally Maynooth died on June 30th. last

His removal took place to Clane Chapel. His remains were interred in St. Joesph's Cemetery, Kilcock on Monday July 3rd. His passing is deeply regretted by his loving wife Margaret, his daughter Margaret, brother Dan Conway and family, and a large circle of friends Maynooth.

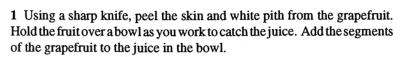
He had worked in the Meat Factory, Leixlip, for many years. May he rest in peace.

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# AVOCADO AND PINK GRAPE FRUIT SALAD

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for the dressing
6 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
4 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
seasoning



- 2 Halve, stone and peel the avocado and thinly slice. Drop the avocado slices into the grapefruit juice so as to prevent them from turning brown.
- 3 Mix together the olive oil, parsley and seasoning with two tablespoons of the reserved grapefruit juice.
- 4 Transfer avocado and grapefruit to a serving plate with a slotted spoon, pour over the dressing and serve at once.

# CARAMEL CREAM AND MACAROONS

Serves 6 • Preparation 20 min



1 red eating apple, halved, cored and sliced 30m. (2tbsp) freshly squeezed lemon juice 275g (10oz) fresh plums halved, stoned and quartered 225g (8oz) raspberries 1 kiwi fruit, peeled, halved and sliced

1 kiwi fruit, peeled, halved and sliced 50g (2oz) macaroon biscuits 25g (1oz) caster sugar 30ml (2tbsp) brandy 600ml (1pt) fresh whipping cream

30ml (2tbsp) brandy 600ml (1pt) fresh whipping cream 1 passion fruit, seeds and juice removed 30ml (2tbsp) ready made caramel sauce

- 1 In a small bowl, toss the sliced apple in the lemon juice to prevent browning.
- 2 Mix together the quartered plums, raspberries, sliced kiwi fruit and apple slices.
- 3 Toss in the macaroon biscuits, caster sugar and the brandy. Cover and chill.
- 4 Whip the cream in a bowl until it holds its shape, then fold in the passion fruit seeds and juice and swirl in the caramel sauce and cream completely.
- 5 Spoon the caramel cream on top of the fruit and macaroons and serve immediately.

#### Tip

You can use approx 700g (11/2lb) of any prepared fruit. Look out for packets of frozen summer fruits, which are ideal. Sliced mango and banana also works well.



# CREAMY BEEF 'N' MUSHROOMS

1 large onion, sliced
25g/1oz butter
1tbsp Dijon mustard
1 tbsp tomato purée
150m/1/4 pint beef stock
225g/8oz rump steak
1 tbsp sunflower oil
salt and pepper
1tbsp paprika
150m/1/4 pint soured cream
snipped fresh chives to garnish

- 1 Fry the mushrooms and onion in the butter over gentle heat, for 10 mins, stirring occasionally.
- 2 Mix the Dijon mustard, tomato purée and stock together and add to the mushrooms and onion. Simmer over gentle heat while you fry beef.
- 3 Trim the beef of fat and cut into 2cm/3/4in strips which are about 6mm/ 1/4in thick. Heat the oil and fry the strips for 2-3 mins or until cooked through.
- 4 Season the beef, then stir in the paprika. Stir into sauce with half the soured cream.
- 5 Drizzle rest of the soured cream over top and sprinkle with the snipped chives. Serve with boiled rice garnished with chopped fresh parsley.

#### Tip

Try serving a warm vegetable salad with this - briefly cook tiny broccoli florets, green beans and mangetout, then toss them in French dressing while they're still warm.

# Anniversaries

Wishing Anne and Norman (Birchall) a very happy anniversary from Mam, Margaret, Elizabeth, Andrew and baby Alex.

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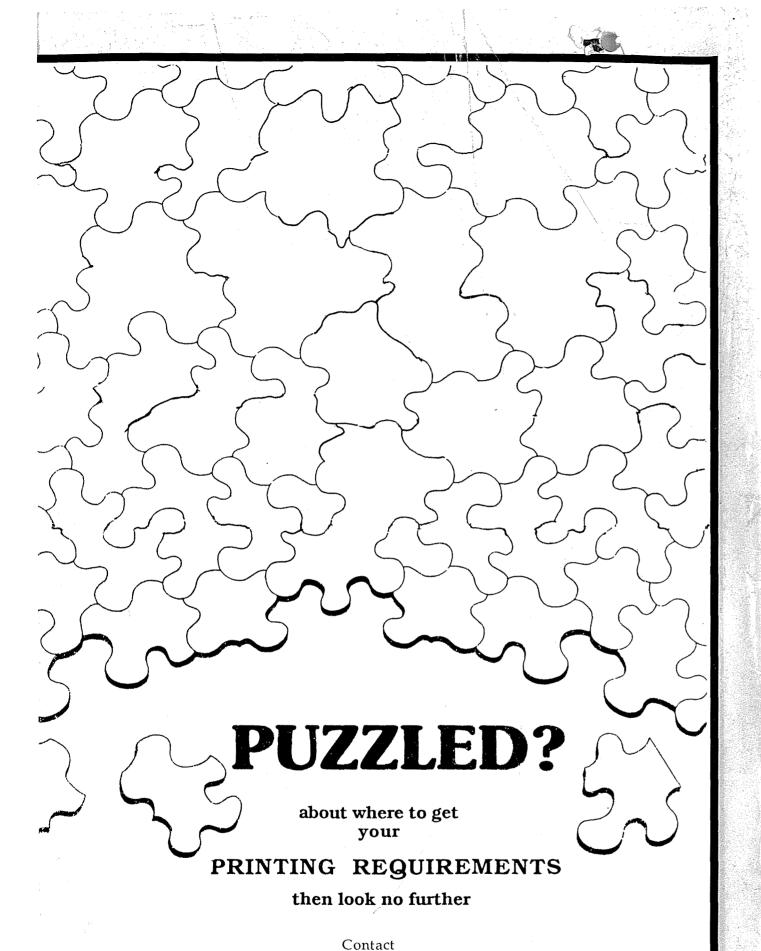
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# **Editorial**

#### Admiration for a Hole in the Ground

WHOEVER thought a day would dawn when people would stand in admiration of a mound of muck or a hole in the ground? Yet this is exactly what is happening here in Maynooth. Because those recently-demolished toilets were so incredibly ugly and because people are now so delighted with their absence, they are now prepared to regard the mound of muck or the hole in the ground where they used to be as improvement. Usually people are likely to feel relieved after going to the toilet — in this case they feel relieved that the toilets are after going!

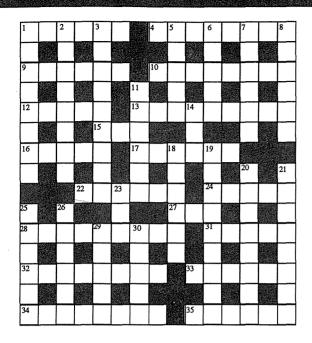
The newly-discovered open space is giving a feeling of freedom — it's marvellous to be able to see so much of The Square where previously our view had been so cluttered and ruined by this monstrosity. Many are now feeling a very strong sense of determination that the kind of mad planning which created "The Thing" will never happen again.

The present moment is widely seen as a time of opportunity for the town. It is reckoned that now is the time to push to have other long-deferred jobs tackled: the state of the footpaths has been diabolical for years and the mass of overhead wires is particularly unsightly. While the place is certainly "looking like Bosnia", as the people have been heard saying, I believe we might as well put up with a bit more inconvenience in order to get these other outstanding jobs seen to. It would seem crazy to allow the Council to leave after the Square and the bridge-building and road-widening projects are finished. To do so would be letting them go while the job was incomplete. Maynooth is only now beginning to get the attention it is entitled to. This is a university town which is very often under national and international focus when seminars are held in the College. For this reason the town should be the recipient of extra special attention. The treatment which has been meted out over the years has been quite the opposite and to prove this we need only refer to our ratings in the annual Tidy Towns Competition: of all the competing towns in Co. Kildare, Maynooth comes last!

Maybe this will be the beginning of an era when The Square will become the focal point of the town: a pleasant open-air hub. It could possibly be the catalyst to spark off renewed town pride on the part of the locals. Maybe if we also had new footpaths and the overhead wires put underground, the people of the town would become more interested in keeping the place tidy and helping to place Maynooth on top of the list instead of the bottom.

All of this is very much in the future and is all pure conjecture, but anyhow, for the moment let's all agree on one thing: isn't it a lovely hole in the ground where "The Thing" used to be?

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- es some fool letters, we hear (8) If you do this too much you may almost 11 Down (6)
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- 32 When you depart it's plain you're not here (5,3)
- 33 A street could be a location for a match! (6)
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- It's just the very last (8)
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- 26 The lowest form could be a musician, we hear! (6)
- 29 When something needs to be said is this what should be done? (3,2)
- Hit the currency hard (5)

# Solution to Crossword No 93:

Across: 1, Flails; 4, Clapping: 9, Sitcom; 10, Pinnacle (pinnacle); 12, Is not; 13, Big noises; 15, Ass; 16, Alarm (Al-arm); 17, Onions; 22, Tribes; 24, Crows; 27, Use; 28, Long-range; 31, Sum up; 32, Good ball; 33, Jackal (Jack-Al); 34, Trekking (trek-king); 35, Cyprus (cypress).

Down: 1, Festival; 2, Antennae; 3, Lion-tamer; 5, Lying; 6, Panto(mime); 7, Incise (in size); 8, Grease (gr. ease); 11, Absorb; 14, N.C.O.; 18, Issues (is Sue's); 19, Necessary; 20, Bowmaker; 21, E.S.B. poles; 23, I.D.A. (anagram); 25, Alight: 26, Intone (in tone); 29, Rubik; 30, Nylon (N.Y.-Lon).

> Winner of Crossword No. 93: Paul Daly, Moyglare Road, Maynooth.

# Festival Fun 1995





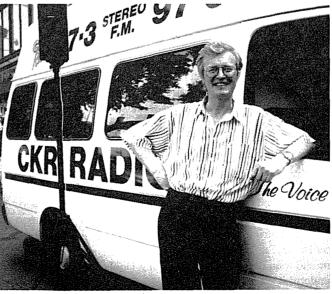
Enjoying Maynooth Old People's Cabaret



Bernard Durkan & Hugh Crawford in Caulfields at the Launch of Festival Week



P.J. McAllister - Guinness Representative & Patricia Condron -Chairperson Maynooth Community Council at Festival Launch



Noel McCaul Presenter of the C.K.R. outside Broadcast from Maynooth on Sat. Aug. 19th.



Librarian Fiona White at Poetry Night in the Library with Michael Quinn organiser in background.

# Community Council Notes

# **FESTIVAL REPORT 1995**

This years 9th Annual Community Festival sponsored by Guinness took place during a summer of unprecedented summer weather and proved to be the most successful Festival to date.

The Festival Committee combined with local clubs and organisations to ensure that there were plenty of activities for young and old alike.

The Festival ran from Sunday August 13th to Sunday August 20th and all events were attended by capacity crowds.

The Festival was launched in Caulfield's Lounge on Thursday 3rd August at a reception for 200 people who enjoyed a great night thanks to **Guinness Ireland Ltd.** the main sponsors of the Festival.

The Festival kicked off with a **Street Party** to celebrate the demolition of the 'Thing' in the Square. Maynooth St Mary's Brass and Reed Band gave a resounding display of music which was enjoyed by all present. After St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, we had a heavy metal band called Heresy, after that another heavy metal band called The Dredz, then we had a complete change with Clare McGetterick singing some Mary Black songs.

The sandwiches and soft drinks went down a treat with adults and children alike and the children in particular enjoyed the soft drinks. The street party was sponsored by SIAC construction Ltd. That night in the Roost the **Guinness Jazz Band** played to a huge crowd who clapped and danced to the music.

Vinnie Doyle a local artist, gave an **Art Workshop** demonstration to children. It took place in the ICA hall and was well attended by children of different ages, who all listened attentively to Vinnie as he went through the various stages of learning how to paint and draw.

Monday night attracted a capacity number of people to the Guinness Table Quiz held in Caulfields. There were twenty nine tables in total fitted into any space that was available, the Quiz Masters were Michael McCabe and Paul Bolger both Community Employment Scheme workers with the Citizens Information Centre, Maynooth, who both did an excellent job on setting the questions and calling them out. Well done lads. Also thanks to Norah McDermott and her daughter Anna Marie for her professionalism in marking and adding the scores. The winners of the Table Quiz were:

1st Prize: Paul Daly, Brian O'Malley, John McGarry and Declan O'Connor.

2nd Prize: Ollie Durack, Sheila Munzor, Brendan Togher, and Jerry Durack.

We then had three ties for third place as follows:

Fran Walsh, Kay McKeogh, Fiachra O'Celleachair, Linda Connolly. Michael Gormally, Breda Gormally, Theresa Dunne, and Paddy Dunne. St Patrick's College Maynooth - Dominic, Carol, Dave and Pat.

Well done to the above and everyone who attended.

On Tuesday afternoon a Children's Funday was organised for children of all ages in the Harbour Field. Students on the Students Summer Job Scheme working for the Community Council took charge and organised games - penalty shootouts, tug-of-war, egg and spoon race, sack race, and running races. Medals were

presented for winners of each race. The Funday was enjoyed by children and students alike.

Maynooth Library hosted a Festival of poetry, prose, music and singing, organised by Michael Quinn from the Forum for Peace and Reconciliation. The theme for the evening was peace. There was a large attendance and cheese and wine was served. Many thanks to Maynooth Public Library for their co-operation and help.

The Citizens Information Centre, Maynooth, organised a Line Dancing Night in the G.A.A. which was very successful. Shiobhan Kelly and her troop of dancers gave a brilliant display of dancing which was followed by a disco. A most enjoyable evening of dancing by all who attended.

An Evening of Irish Dancing and Set dancing took place in the G.A.A.. The Maher School of Dancing gave a wonderful display of Irish Dancing. That was followed by a set dancing session to the music of a Davey's Ceili Band, who kept the dancers twirling all night. Many thanks to Marie Gleeson who once again came up trumps and organised the whole event. Also thanks to the G.A.A. and Fergus Deveraux for providing the Irish Dancers (children) with minerals and crisps.

In the Leinster Arms John Cunningham and John Regan (Sligo) Champion Accordion Player packed in the crowds with a **Smithwicks Music Night**. Many thanks to John for his cooperation and help in organising the night.

The Wackadoo Drama Theatre Group (Childrens) provided a great night of entertainment for children and adults alike. Thirteen children stormed on stage and held the audience captive for two hours with singing, dancing and acting. Producer was Fiona O'Connor, Maynooth Community Council ably assisted by Derek Lowry and Martina Murphy. Our thanks to all concerned.

Caulfields Lounge was again packed to capacity when Maynooth Old People's Committee Cabaret provided a night of music for their senior citizens. Tea and and abundance of sandwiches was provided by Maynooth's Old People's Committee. Many thanks to Josie Moore for organising a very successful evening of entertainment with a sing-a-long with Kevin and Jo with special guest - Mick McGarry. Well done.

There was great craic in Caulfields on Friday night when a Mr & Mrs Competition took place. Seven brave couples took part as followed: Patricia Condron & George O'Connor, Deirdre and Noel Horan, Lauren & Paddy Fowler, Kathleen and Tom Dempsey, June and John Doogan, Noreen and Jim Doogan and Kathy & Ken Prendergast. Tom McMullon as MC did a brilliant job with his questions, the answers to most raised the roof. Well done Tom. The winners eventually were: Maureen and Jim Doogan and the most amusing couple was Trish Condron and George O'Connor.

# Community Council Notes

# FESTIVAL REPORT CONTINUED

Thanks to Maisie and Kim for keeping scores and to Jayne who looked after the men during the course of the contest. Thanks also to Clare McGettrick who entertained us with her beautiful singing and guitar playing.

Bernie Cotter and Eileen Reidy attended from Travel Options and during the course of the evening announced the winners of Travel Options' Quiz and gave out lots of spot prizes during the night. The winners of the quiz were James Mullarkey and in 2nd place was Sheila Black. We would like to thank Travel Options for getting involved during the week.

As Saturday dawned, every Fancy Dress Costume and Teddy Bear in Maynooth were hauled out of the attics and chests as this was the Big Day for the Teddy Bears Picnic. We had no less than 80 teddy bears at this picnic and all the owners of the teddies had a great feast and danced with our three Big Teddies, kindly supplied by the Gas Showrooms. Thanks Deirdre!! Prizes for Best Teddies went to Aoife Dunning, Parklands, who won 1st prize, in 2nd place was Valerie Tyrell, Edenderry, 3rd place went to Emer Kilduff, Greenfield. In first place Fancy Dress Costume was Lynda Farrell, Carton Court, Paul Woods, Kilcloon was 2nd and in 3rd place Sean Hendrick, Beaufield.

We also had some lovely babies for our Baby Show on Saturday and the winners in the Under 1 year Section was Tanya Doyle, Kingsbry, 1st place, Aoife Nolan, Kingsbry in 2nd place and Mark Brabston, Pound Lane in 3rd place. Our winning twins were Michelle and Vivienne Bermingham of Carton Court and in 2nd place were Sharon and Sean Lamb from Parklands Crescent. The winners in the Under 2 year Section were 1st place Danielle Bond, Rockfield, in 2nd place Darragh Fitzgibbons, Kingsbry, and in 3rd place Roisin Kelly, Kilcock and special prize for Baby Conor Nolan Kelly who came in fancy dress. Pamela from Beaufield Childcare, spent hours on end painting faces and when most people were long gone home she still had quite a queue of faces lined up for painting. Our grateful thanks to Pamela for her time, talents and paints. The adult Car Treasure Hunt was as successful as always and kept the teams very busy for a few hours from 4p.m. on Saturday. The winners were, in 1st place, John McGinley's Team including Mary McGinley and Lennie Murphy, in 2nd place Paul O'Brien and family and Willie Saults, in 3rd place Eamon McKeogh and family and in 4th place Sarah Roger's Team, and thanks to Kay and Fran for looking after same. The Fire Brigade turned out in force for their usual display of water works in the Harbour. This was enjoyed by all and I believe the water spray cooled down some people during the course of the afternoon. We would like to thank all who helped with this display, in particular Lennie Murphy, who we can always rely on. The day was still not finished as Martin Caine had organised a disco for the over 12's and from all accounts a great night was had by all 200 who attended. We are indebted to Martin for his help here as without it there would have been no disco for Festival Week.

The Harp Lager Talent Competition took place in the Leinster Arms on Saturday night and there was some great competing here for the beautiful trophies sponsored by Guinness. Our judges were Hugh Crawford, Naas, and Margaret Delaney, Sallins and

their task for the night was not an easy one. However, they came out on the night with very clear winners who were Alex Brady and Trevor Cassidy in 1st place, Thomas Fay, Padraig Flood and Simon Curtis in 2nd place and Joanna Sherry in 3rd place. This was a very good competition and 14 competitors took part.

Sunday the 20th of August had a very full programme starting off with open day in the College from 2 to 5p.m.. The afternoon featured tours of the Heritage Buildings, all new Buildings, College Chapel, Stoyte House, Museum, Visitor Centre, and Tranquil Gardens. Almost 1000 visitors made their way into the college for the open day and refreshments were served to all. The Harbour Field was a very busy spot with G.A.A. and hurling matches and finals of Guinness 7-a-side Soccer for Ladies and Men (full report in sports). A great evenings entertainment was had by all. The fun and frolics then started rightly with the Prize Giving Ceremony in the Roost, was attended by Sharon O'Connell, Guinness Representative. John McGinley who organised the Soccer 7-a-side and Patricia Condron, Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council. Following this we had the Presentation to Barperson of the Year, which was sponsored by Guinness. This was won in style by Dermot Coakley - Caulfields with 1061 votes and the Runner Up was Séan Henry in the Roost with 696 votes. We congratulate the winners for getting into the spirit of the contest and for the funds it provides for Festival week. The night was then rounded off with our usual sing-a-long in the Roost. Music was provided by Philip McDermott, harmonica and Gerry Fitzpatrick on accordian. There was no shortage during the night of on-the-spot talent. Our thanks to all who contributed and a great night was had by all.

Pitch and Putt Competition did not get off the ground during Festival week for a variety of reasons. It will take place at the end of September as a day event. Further information can be had from Maynooth Pitch and Putt or Mattie Gallaghan - 6286503.

We would like to thank all our advertisers who took ads. in the Brochure, which was delivered to every house in Maynooth.

We would like to thank Guinness, Avonmore, Coca-Cola, Tayto, Leaf Ltd., Jacobs and Carton Hall for all the goodies for the Teddy Bear's Picnic. Thanks to Ultra Vision and Vinny Doyle for their time and equipment for the childrens' art work shop and to our ever faithful Willie Kiernan for the sound equipment for the week. Anywhere there was a function during the week Willie was there. We would like to thank Guinness and Caulfields for all the refreshments for the night of the launch. We would like to thank all of the following Barrys, Quinnsworth, Keelys Corner, Irish Permanent, Ulster Bank, Centra, Wine Cellar, Head to Toe, G.A.A., Leinster Arms, Roost, Londis, S.I.A.C., Kavanagh's Mills, Travel Options, Elite, Gas Show Rooms, Bórd Gais, Thorntons, Carton Hall, Conroys, Barberstown Castle and Moyglare Manor for their contributions to the Festival. The Festival Committee feel it has been one of the best Festivals yet. By holding the Guinness Festival in August, lots of people and of course all the children were on holidays to enjoy the festivities. Do let us know if August is a better time for running the event, after all it is your Festival.

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# MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

Our Pitch and Putt girls U.16 qualified with ease at the Leinster finals in Carlow. This was a magnificent performance, all the better when you consider that none of the girls are members of a Pitch and Putt club, although the Community Games are grateful to the Bean family for the use of their Pitch and Putt course over the weeks for practice.

The girls' competition was played over 18 holes with Bríd Ann O'Shea shooting a 76, the best score of the day. Gillian O'Hurley scored 79 while Emma Cullinane shot an 84. The team was completed by Margaret Callaghan and Suzanne Butler.

The team is managed by Mattie Callaghan and we wish Mattie and the girls good luck and a great weekends fun at Mosney.

#### Secretary



Pitch & Putt Leinster Finalists being presented with the winning shield by a Community Games Official in Carlow. Girls L - R: Anthonine Rossiter, Emma Cullinane, Brid-Anne O'Shea, Gillian O'Hurley, Suzanne Butler and Margaret Callaghan. Also in the picture Mattie Callaghan, Team Manager.

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# MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

On Tuesday 4th of July, we registered 200 children for the Summer Project. We had a splendid programme of events for the month of July including a trip to Marley Park, swimming in St. Paul's Raheny, soccer in the college, crafts in the I.C.A. Hall, pitch and putt at Maynooth Pitch and Putt course Dunboyne Road, bowling in Tallaght, quizes, a trip to Fort Lucan - tennis and olympic handball, funday trip to Donadea, Bingo, trip to Annamoe in Wicklow, trips to films, Quazar and McDonalds and our most sought after event was our two discos in the G.A.A. Club. So in all that, there was something there to suit everyone's taste.

We would like to thank all those who helped in any way towards the success of the project, committee members, Community Council staff, student helpers and parents who came along to help each day. Without this kind of help and support the project would not have been the success it was and thanks also to the Committees who made their premises available to us.

The following are the results of our team games.

Olympic handball; (U/9's) Winners: Stephanie Butler, Edmund Cooney, Derek Jordan, Orla Bambrick. Runnersup: Andrew Lorenzo, Mark Doyle, Emer Connellan, Aine Flatley, Declan Bambrick.

(10-11's) Winners: Stephen Hyland, Brian O'Rourke, Brian Lynch, David Lorenzo, Edel Fay, Suzanne Doyle, Grainne O'Rourke. Runners-up: Elaine Carruthers, Andrew Lynch, Lorcan Maher, Aisling McMechan, Lorraine Bambrick, David Bagnall, Sarah Flatley. (Special prize for Ciara Maher)

Girls (O/12) Winners: Nicola Doyle, Claire Hogan, Suzanne Butler, Norma Breen, Deirdre O'Rourke. Runners-up: Stacey McMechan, Sarah Owens, Ciara Maher, Suzanne Bambrick. Boys (O/12) Winners: Martin McLoughlin, Thomas Flatley, Paul Dunne, Fiachra Quinlan, Gary Kenny, Brian McLoughlin. Runners-up: Christopher Flynn, Martin Dolan, Cathal Black, Conor McGlinchy, Barry Hogan, Mark Dunne.

Pitch & Putt: (Girls) 1st Bríd Ann O'Shea (Best score overall), 2nd Emma Cullinane, 3rd Suzanne Butler.

(Boys) 1st Noel Healy, 2nd Conor McGlinchy, 3rd Paul Cullen, 4th Thomas Flatley.

Soccer: (U/9) Winners: Sinead Conway, Sinead Costello, Christina Cullen, Neil Conney, Ronan Phelan. Runners-up: Lyndsey Behan, Stephanie Butler, C. Costello, Edmund Cooney, Mick Gillick.

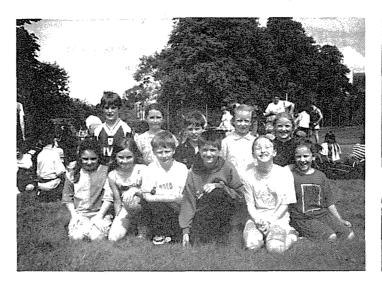
(U/11) Winners: David Bagnall, Brian McLoughlin, Brian Lynch, David Comerford, Justin O'Connell, Andrew Brady, Stephen Healy. Runners-up: Paul Haren, Brian Shiels, Andrew Lynch, James O'Dea, Padraig Brady.

Over 12's Winners: Martin McLoughlin, Sean Lennon, D. Moore, Aidan Pidgeon, Noel Healy, Martin Dolan. Runners-up: David Garnett, Shane Pidgeon, Peter Sheehan, Conor McGlinchey.

Treasure Hunt (Winning Team) Sheila's Team: Cathal Black, Fiachra Quinlan, Brian O'Rourke, Paul Haren, Paul Cullen, Michael Gillick, Stephen Hyland, David Bagnall.

Our A.G.M. will be coming up in October, so anyone willing to come on our committee can contact Maynooth Community Council at 6285922

# Maynooth Summer Project













Having fun at Maynooth Summer Project 1995.

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#### BAND BULLETIN

August has been a busier month for us than usual, with two local and one "travelling" engagement to fulfil, despite the shortage of members due to holidays. The local ones were our annual Community Festival recital and the welcome home for the winning Junior A Football team. The Festival Street Party was a great success. We set up the band outside The Élite (to leave the coast clear for the hordes of thirsty spectators making a bee-line for Caulfield's or Brady's). We got the party off to a good start with a wide selection of music to suit all tastes and we appreciated the positive comments on our playing, which came from both local and visiting listeners.

On the same evening we were asked to lead the Crom Abú Junior A Footballers on a victory parade through the town. As we owe them a few favours we happily met them in the "Thingless" Square, headed up the town and paraded back down ahead of the screaming squad car and the open-top bus crammed with victorious footballers. The street was crammed with cheering crowds and, with all the noise, sure I don't think we could be heard at all, but it certainly looked good. Congratulations and well done to the footballers.

At the time of writing, our travelling engagement has not yet happened but we will be in St. Anne's Park in Clontarf on August 27th. This is a nice location in a lovely area close to Dollymount Strand, so if this warm weather keeps up we can always pop across the road for a quick dip. We're looking forward to this, our first visit to St. Anne's Park.

#### **New Classes**

Just a reminder once again that we will be taking names for our new music classes starting in October, up to and including Friday, 8th September. Just leave your name, age, address and phone number with our sponsors, Maynooth Office Supplies on the the Dublin Road, and we will contact you. We are holding an open night in the Band hall on Monday, 11th September, at 8.30, to which all applicants will be invited. Don't forget, the minimum age is 10 years but there is NO upper age limit.

Can you play an instrument? Once again, we mention that if you can play a brass or reed instrument or even drums we would love to meet you in the Band Hall any Monday night between 8.30 and 10 o'clock. Our music is relatively easy and we have a wide range of ages already in the band.

#### Flag Weekend

Our Annual Flag Weekend this year is on 1st, 2nd and 3rd September and you can if you wish contribute at Quinnsworth on Friday night and Saturday and at all the Masses on Saturday night and Sunday. Proceeds from the flag weekend are going towards the repairs to our Band Hall. Please give whatever you can afford.

See you next month.

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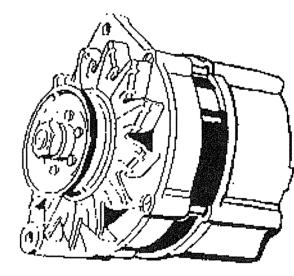


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#### Answer:

For social welfare purposes children are regarded as dependants up to their 18th birthday. Where the child is living with the parents, the parents will be paid an increase for a child up to 18 years, regardless of whether the child is working. An allowance will not be paid for a child who is getting a social welfare or Health Board payment in his/her own right. The only exception to this is if the child is getting Supplementary Welfare Allowance or a Disablement Pension (under the Occupational Injuries Benefit Scheme).

If the child is in **full-time education**, a child dependant allowance will be paid up to **22 years from April '95 to those on long-term social welfare payments and payments for lone parents**. For people on Disability Benefit, Unemployment Benefit, short-term Unemployment Assistance and Occupational Injury Benefit, the child dependant payments stops at 18 years, regardless of whether the child is still in full-time education.

Child Benefit is paid for a child up to the age of 16 years and for 16 and 17 year olds in full-time education or who are physically or mentally disabled and who are dependent on you. It was announced in the Budget that from September 1995 Child Benefit will be extended to 18 year olds in full-time education or on FAS Courses and not getting an allowance.

This column has been compiled by Maynooth Citizens Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public. Tel: 6285477 Main Street Maynooth.

The C.I.C are preparing a drugs information day in the near future. Futher details later.

#### **Opening Hours**

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### I.C.A. NOTES

Ladies, I hope you enjoyed your summer holidays, whether spent here in sunny Ireland or in foreign parts. But now that the children are going back to school and the nights are getting longer, it's time to get back to the I.C.A. Our first guild meeting after the summer break is on Thursday 7th September at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall.

#### Crafts

Craft nights with Mary O'Gorman are back on Mondays as and from 11th September at 8 p.m. Anyone interested should come along to our hall. Don't worry if you can't even thread a needle as Mary will be happy to teach you all you need to know.

#### **Badminton**

Margaret Houlihan, our Sports Officer, looks forward to seeing all our sporting ladies back in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, commencing Tuesday, 12th September at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome.

#### **New Members**

We are always looking for new members in Maynooth I.C.A. and right now is the perfect time to join, as there are lots of activities planned for the winter months. Anyone interested in joining can come along to any of our guild meetings, which are held on the first Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. The meetings take place in our hall which is at The Harbour (just before the Health Centre). Our membership fee for this year is £18.00. If you would like more details on any aspect of the I.C.A., you can contact me, Connie Harpur, P.R.O. at 6286787.

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### MAYNOOTH CASTLE NOTES

Now that the Office of Public Works is ready to proceed with the restoration of Maynooth Castle next year, it is proposed to hold a public seminar in Maynooth College on Saturday 30th September 1995, subject to confirmation. This seminar will be important in order to discuss the best possible way to restore the Castle as an amenity for the Community.

### MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

#### September meeting.

The club re-opens on Tuesday September 19th, in the Divine Word Hostel at 8p.m. with demonstrator Nuala Hegarty. Her theme will be "Inspirations". Nuala is one of Ireland's most talented flower arrangers. She is a National Judge, teacher and still competes herself. Therefore this will be an evening for everyone.

The club competition will be a "Bedtime Story" for classes A, B, and C. The exhibit space for class A is 30" and for classes B and C is 24".

Plant competition is for 1 Dahlia.

Admission for non members is £2.00. Tea and biscuits included. Everyone is welcome.

Toni Read P.R.O.



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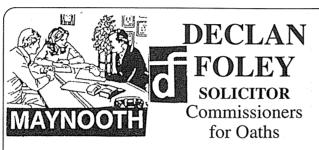
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### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE







Catherine Mulready receiving the cheque from Naomi Devereux and Martin Caine

Well folks, its that time of year again. Holidays are over, days are getting shorter, the children/students are preparing for another academic year. Our Senior Citizens and committee should be rested and rearing to go as our club re-opens on Tuesday, September 5th and our committee meeting is on that night.

Just cast your mind back to June 25th for a moment. That was the day we held our final party before the summer break. Mass was celebrated by Fr. David Boylan in the Post-Primary School and apart from the usual tea and entertainment it was a day for nice gestures. We held a small raffle for a beautiful rug handmade by Imelda Delaney and won by Ita McTernan. The proceeds of which were presented to the I.C.A. to help repair the damage to their hall caused by mindless individuals with nothing better to do.

The No Name club represented by Martin Caine and Naomi Devereux presented a cheque for £250 to our committee, (see photo) which will help finance our Anniversary Party and booklet coming up soon. Many thanks to all concerned. The No Name club, although representing our young people, have similiar objectives to our own, and that is to give those we represent a choice of culture and a dignified place in society.

Amid all of this, we had a lot of people out and about on the Tony Smith memorial walk organised by the Labour Party annually. This walk is supported each year by members of the Labour Party, the Smith Family, our own committee, Senior Citizens and the general public. One of the fittest of our Senior Citizens is Ellie Leavy from Greenfield. Although the walkers had already departed when she checked in, running to catch up was no problem to Ellie. She tells me she enjoys walking and of course she can be seen doing just that each day as she "treks" around Ballygoran. Well done Ellie.

The fruits of all these good people's efforts was realised on Thursday night August 17th, when during our Cabaret in Caulfields we received a cheque for £1,405.00. Many thanks to all who took part in this joint venture.

Our Carbaret seems to get more successful with each passing year. It has become a vital part of our social calendar, as it gives us an opportunity to show solidarity with and appreciation for a community with such capacity for generosity. Congratulations to the winners in our raffle. Edie Tracey, Marian Bright and Jack Dowling. Many thanks to Kevin McGovern, our guest Mick McGarry, those who sang a song or two and of course all those who came along and made the night such a huge success. A special word of thanks to John and Eithne Carey, Martin and all the staff in Caulfields for their courtesy and hospitality on the night.

Finally, and I must end on a sad note, we extend our deepest sympathy to the Flood family on the death of their mother. Hannah was for many years a member of our committee and worked tirelessly in the interest of our Senior Citizens. We, like many other organisations in Maynooth, mourn her passing. May she rest in peace.

Josephine Moore

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### MAYNOOTH PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE GROUP

A large attendance was present at our evening of poetry, music & prose reading entitled "A Cultural Expression of Peace, Reconciliation and Justice" held in conjunction with the Maynooth Community Festival on Tuesday 15th August in the Library. The purpose of the event was to enable local poets and artists to express themselves on these issues as we mark the first anniversary of the cease-fires.

The proceedings were opened by the Chairperson of the Community Council, Particia Condron with a reading of some poetry by the 17th century Gaelic poet Pierce Ferriter, and Mary Cullen introducing M.C. for the evening, spoke of the need to involve all in agreed new structures to bring about lasting peace through meaningful justice and reconciliation.

The poets, all from the Maynooth area were;

Bill Tinley: with anti-war Poems set in conflict areas of Iraq and Israel.

Ann Egan: with 5 poems on the themes of reconciliation, violence and domestic harmony.

Stewart Lane: with 5 poems of a comic but thoughtful nature which brought much levity to the occasion.

Cathy Conlon: with 4 poems on the themes of the source of inspiration, grief for the loss of a partner and a mother's caring for an asthmatic child.

Alison Forster: who began by declaring that only sex and politics are worth writing about and with great panache read poems of lovers, a wheelchair traveller and an Xmas fairy.

Nicholas Emmet: read 2 anti-war pieces from his published works entitled "Brain on a Dump" and "Begorrah".

Mark O'Rourke: an emerging local teenage rock star, read two of his own published poems of peace and justice.

Musical contributions, interspersing the reading, were provided by flautist Frank Mc Carrick with tunes by O'Carlon and "The Battering Ram", and Muireann Ni Bhrolchain's two enchanting and evocative renditions of sean-nós, singing from her home place of the Connemara Gaeltacht.

The final contribution was given by Michael Quinn, chair of the peace and justice group. Noting the 50th Anniversary of dropping by the United States of the 1st atomic bomb of Hiroshima, he recalled the deaths of 246,725 people directly or by radiation in a purely civilian target despite, President Truman knowing of defeated Japan wanting to surrender. He noted that 1 million dollars per minute, since has been spent by the world's nuclear nations, money which could have eliminated the planets' famines and injustices.

Despite having suffered so horribly, he noted the apology of the people of Hiroshima by their Mayor for Japanese Colonial domination and war and suffering, and stated that communities in West and East Belfast are also leading the peace process, despite that they too have suffered the most over the last 25 years. He highlighted the recent West Belfast festival which included an input by Unionists and the emergence from the Shankill Road community of leadership which is open to agreeing new structures involving the Nationalist and Republican people.

He concluded by stating that communities are good for the peace but the British government has the responsibility to urgently involve all parties and communities in real talks and enhance the peace through providing resources to the areas of greatest need and justice for all.

The evening was then concluded by Mary Cullen thanking all the artists and organisers. All that remained was to polish off the wine & cheese, which was done with gusto by a well satisfied attendance.

Hilda Mooney Hon. Secretary

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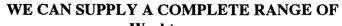
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We have sold all our tickets every other year and this year our 640 tickets are going to move very fast.

3 Maynooth venues sell the tickets: Donovan's Londis at Greenfield Shopping centre. The Post Office on Main Street. Brain Connaughton's Newtown Stores, Beaufield (past the College on the Rathcoffey Road).

The unsold tickets will be sold by group members at the train station prior to each departure.

Maynooth will have many visitors that day with the two Dublin - Maynooth steam train excursions.

Weather permitting we have arranged a free live rock concert from 3 pm on that afternoon (Sunday 10th September) at the canal harbour car park, when local group "Tremor" will play for no fee to assist the canal group's activities and primarily to entertain their many fans from the area, when they make it big you can smile wistfully and soulfully and announce that you saw and heard them live and for free at Maynooth harbour.

Declan O'Connor, Secretary 6286043 - after 8 pm

#### **SCOUTS - SUMMER CAMP 1995**

The 3rd August 1995 saw all our plans come together and 24 scouts plus 6 leaders set off for the Isle of Man. For some it was their first scout camp and probably their first time away without their parents to pamper them. We sailed on the "Seacat" which was quite a pleasant experience in itself and arrived at 9p.m. Our first taste of Manx hospitality was with the "Isle of Man Transport Co." who spared no expense by putting on a special bus to get us out to our camp site. After setting up our site on the Friday it was down to the swimming pool in Douglas for a well earned break. This is when the real work for leaders began by organising activities for each day. Most days we were off site by 10 a.m., nearly every site of interest was visited. The most unusual aspect of this years camp was that instead of making the scouts wear raincoats and wellies, the leaders were going around making sure that they had sun protector on them. The fact that we had such good weather made it a very pleasant camp for all involved. At this point I would like to thank all the local people and businesses who helped us throughout the year with our fundraising efforts. Without your support a lot of what we did would not have been possible and I look forward to your continued support. Our scouting year will be starting again in September and anyone wishing to join or seeking information can contact either Tony Muldowney at 6286033 or Cathal Gaffney at 6286836.

Yours in scouting, Cathal Gaffney, S.C.

### THE WACKADOO DRAMA THEATRE GROUP

A great night was had by all on Thursday 17th August in the Parish Hall, Maynooth, when a cast of 13 children stormed on stage. The audience were held captive for 2 hours of singing, dancing and acting.

Cast: Charlene McDonnell, Bernie Kerigh, Michelle Cunningham, Rachael Cunningham, Ross Cullinane, Orla Gaffney, Orlaith Tobin, Rebecca Doyle, Philip O'Shea, John Kinsella, Richard Leavey, Aishling Madden, Alma Kennedy. Producer: Fiona O'Connor, Co-Producers: Derek Lowry & Martina Murphy, Music: Claire McGettrick, Clown (M.C.): Rita Thompson, Sound: Declan Molloy. Make-up: Jayne Savage. Shop: Tommy Murray. Curtains: Paul Kerins, Backstage: Elaine Stewart, Emma Rock, June Cunningham, Caoimhe O'Sullivan, Jane Flood. Door: Theresa Bennett and Antonio Quinones. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help and support on the night. A drama/theatre group will be starting up in the near future for adults and children. For further information contact the Community Council office and ask for Fiona O'Connor, and don't forget keep watching the Newsletter.



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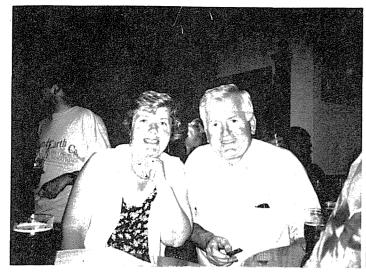


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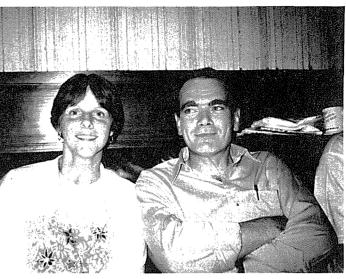


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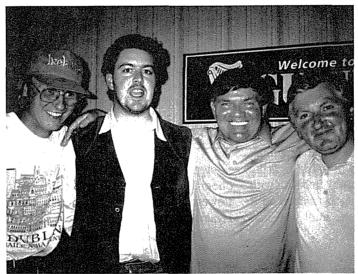
Festival Fun 1995



Winning couple Noreen & Jim Doogan in Mr & Mrs Competition & most amusing couple Patricia Condron & George O'Connor



June & John Doogan participants in the Mr & Mrs Competition



Winners of Guinness Table Quiz L-R John McGarry, Paul Daly, Brian O'Malley & Declan O'Connor



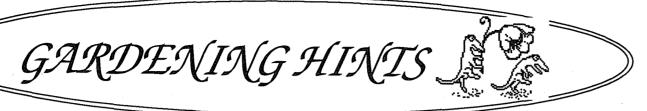
Eileen Reidy & Bernie Cotter announcing the winners of Travel Options Quiz



Guinness Table Quiz Team L-R Willie Saults, Magaret Clince, Christina & Mrs Saults



Guinness Table Quiz Team L-R Fran Walsh, Kay McKeogh, Linda Connolly & Fíachra O'Ceilleachuir



Late Summer Colour

There is no need for the garden to look tired in late summer as there are many plants that will provide colour and brightness. The earlier-flowering annuals will still be going strong especially if they are regularly deadheaded, and there are several late-flowering ones to provide ongoing interest.

Tree mallow (Lavatera) is quick-growing and will provide masses of hollyhock-like flowers for months, even in its first year. Varieties include 'Rosea' (rosepink), 'Barnsley' (pale pink with a deeper centre), 'Candy Floss' (pale pink) and 'Ice Cool' (white). Hard prune Lavateras in early spring.

Potentillas are cheap and cheerful shrubs with lots of bright long-lasting flowers. There are dozens of different varieties in many colours. Yellows are plentiful like 'Goldfinger', 'Elizabeth', 'Knaphill Seedling' and 'Katherine Dykes'. 'Gold Star' has exceptionally large flowing-yellow flowers. 'Manchu' is one of the best whites, with attractive grey foliage. Brighter colours include 'Red Robin' (orange-red) 'Princess' (pale pink) and 'Tangerine' (copper-orange). Sometimes these brighter flowers can fade in full sun.

Hardy fuchsias are also excellent for stacks of summer flowers. Varieties like 'Alice Hoffman', 'Mrs. Popple' and 'Tom Thumb' form small shrubs covered in red and white flowers. 'Genii' is even more attractive, with greenish-gold leaves and red flowers. Lavateras, potentillas and fuchsias are easy to grow, given a reasonable amount of sun.

Climbers flowering now include several that, like hibiscus, need full sun as well as a long hot summer to bloom. In a good year such as the current one they're covered in a glorious display of flowers, which will make you forget the lean times of the past bad summers when blooms have been few and far between.

Bulbs

Spring bulbs can all be planted this month, except tulips. They are best planted in October or even November, as they're more susceptible to disease than other bulbs and early planting increases the risk of attack. Daffodils and narcissi should be planted by the end of the month as they need plenty of time to make root growth.

Containers can be planted up with bulbs for a glorious spring display. There's no need to renew the compost completely after the summer-flowering annuals have been pulled out - just revitalize it with some fresh garden compost and a handful of bone meal. Alternatively, use the compost from old growing bags. Pack the bulbs in to make a really stunning show. Either plant just one variety per pot, or put several different ones together in layers for a succession of colour. For example, daffodils at the bottom, dwarf tulips in the middle and crocuses on top, finish off with a few winter-flowering pansies. You'll have colour from winter until well into spring.

Luscious Lawns

If you want to give your lawn a face-lift, here are some hints. Brushing, raking with a wire rake, and spiking all help to improve the penetration of air to the turf surface and the soil beneath. The mat of dead vegetation which is likely to form during summer is removed and so too are pests which may have been hiding in it, and fungus diseases which can damage the grass. Worm casts are brushed off at the same time.

Bald parts of established lawns should be scratched up to provide some sort of seedbed and sown with a seed mixture which matches the grasses already present. Breaking edges can be remedied by cutting the turf so that a piece a foot wide and of a convenient length is removed, to include the bad edge, turned around so that the edge is inside, and the turf replaced, filling in the gap now inside the lawn with compost and grass seed.

General Tasks

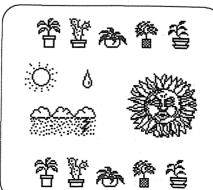
Autumn planting is traditional and best for all hardy plants. Hardier evergreens like rhododendrons can be planted now, but those evergreens that could suffer from frost damage are best planted in spring.

Conditions in autumn are ideal to help plants establish quickly. The soil is warm and the weather is rarely dry for long periods. Plant growth is slowing down in readiness for winter, which means that plants are not under stress from trying to make leaf and root growth at the same time, as they would be in spring or summer. In all but the coldest weather through the winter, they'll be making lots of roots and they'll be well established in readiness to explode into growth in spring.

Growing Bulbs in Pots

A few pots of spring bulbs can be incredibly cheering, especially when they're flowering indoors in the middle of winter. Hyacinths, narcissi, crocuses, early tulips and dwarf irises can all be forced in pots, to flower well before they would do outside.

The quickest ones to flower are Tazetta narcissi like the strongly scented 'Paper White' and 'Cheerfulness'. Hyacinths are deservedly popular with their brightly coloured, beautifully scented flowers. For indoor use it's important to buy specially prepared bulbs that have been heat-treated so that they'll flower before spring. To flower at Christmas they'll need to be planted by mid-September.

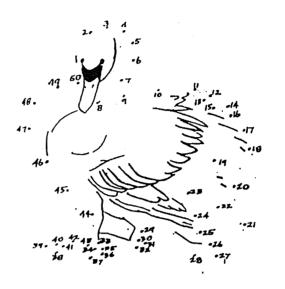




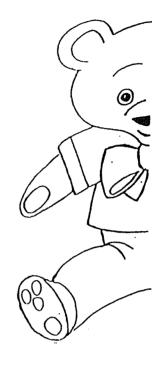
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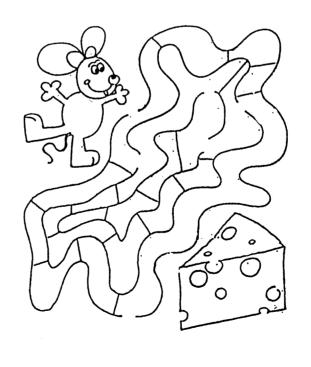
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1 Teaspoon sweet chilli sauce
Salt and ground black pepper
4oz (125g) mature Cheddar cheese, grated.

Set the oven to fairly hot, Gas Mark 6 or 400°F/200°C

Mix all the ingredients, except the cheese, in a shallow ovenproof dish. Scatter the cheese on top and bake for 35-45 minutes until it has melted. Serve with bread for mopping up the juices.

Crispy Garlic Cod

Preparation: 10 minutes; cooking: 10-15 minutes

3 tablespoons olive oil

1 small onion, peeled and finely chopped

2 garlic cloves, peeled and finely chopped

25g/1oz butter

100g/4oz fresh white breadcrumbs

1 tablespoon fresh chopped parsley

700g 1¹/₂lb cod fillets, skinned and cut to give 8 even-sized

1 lemon

Steamed sugar-snap peas and lemon slices to serve

Heat half the olive oil in a large pan and add the onion and garlic; fry for 3-4 minutes until the onion softens.

Add half the butter to the onion. Once the butter has melted, add the breadcrumbs and fry over a high heat for 5-8 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the breadcrumbs are golden brown. Allow to cool a little then add the chopped parsley.

Meanwhile, heat the remaining oil and butter in a separate large frying pan and add the cod. Cook the fish for 3-4 minutes. Using a zester, pare the lemon rind over the fish and squeeze the lemon juice over as well.

Spoon some of the pan juices over the fish and continue to cook for a further 3-4 minutes. Do not turn the fish over. Season with salt and freshly ground black pepper. The fish should just flake and be cooked through.

Using a fish slice, transfer the fish to warmed serving plates and sprinkle with the garlic breadcrumbs. Serve with sugar-snap peas and lemon slices.

Serves 4
Cals per serving: 279













Plum Cake

Serves 6-8

5oz (150g) unsalted butter, well chilled

60z (175g) self-raising flour

5 tablespoons caster sugar

Grated rind 1/2 orange

¹/₂ egg (2 tablespoons), size 3

2oz (60g) hazelnuts, toasted and coarsely ground

 $2^{1}/_{2}$ -3lb plums, halved and stoned

A little butter and demerara sugar

11 x 7in (28 x 18cm) loose-based traybake tin, greased

Cut the butter into cubes and put in a food processor with the flour, sugar, orange rind and egg and mix until just blended.

Form mixture into a ball, put into a bowl, cover and chill for an hour.

Set the oven to moderately hot, Gas Mark 5 or 375°F/190°C. Press the 'pastry' into the tin (it will be soft) and sprinkle with half the hazelnuts. Arrange the plums on top, cut-side up, packing them in tightly. Sprinkle with the rest of the nuts. Bake for 45 minutes, then brush with a little butter and sprinkle

with demerara sugar. Bake for another 10 minutes until cooked through.

Serve the cake warm or cold with cream.

Chocolate Ginger Loaf

Makes 2lb/900g loaf

12oz/350g plain flour

1 tablespoon baking powder

6oz/175g butter or margarine

1 tablespoon ground ginger

60z/175g soft light brown sugar

20z/50g candied mixed peel

3oz/75g glacé cherries, halved

4oz/125g shelled pistachio nuts, roughly chopped

6fl.oz/175ml milk

7oz/200g plain chocolate

Preheat over to gas mark 4/350°F/180°C. Grease and base-line a 2lb/900g loaf tin.

Sift flour and baking powder together and rub in fat. Stir in ground ginger, sugar, mixed pistachio nuts. Gradually add milk to make a stiff mix

Spread mixture into prepared tin. Bake for $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours, covering with foil if necessary. Cool in tin for 10 min. Turn out, remove paper and leave to cool.

Melt chocolate in a bowl over a pan of simmering water. Allow to cool slightly and spread over top and sides of loaf.

Sprinkle remaining pistachio nuts over and leave to set. Store in an airtight tin and eat within 4 days.

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We have now received replies from almost all of our local T.D.'s and County Councillors. All are making representations on our behalf. The Planning Section of Kildare County Council have also replied and have noted our request for an oral hearing and will advise us when same will take place. Any resident wishing to make any further comment or suggestion may drop a note into, or call and see any member of the committee. As the holiday season nears its end, it is hoped to organise a general meeting prior to any meeting with the Planning Committee. On a more general note the estate developer has carried out some work around the estate at his now familiar pace. We will continue to push for all work to be complete at the earliest possible date. In regard to the eyesore, that was a stream prior to development, running through the estate, Lark Developments are of the opinion that this is landscaped to the standard required in the planning conditions. Despite our efforts to get copies of the detailed specifications for the landscaping of the stream and its banks to date we have drawn a blank. This item may require a more severe course of action to be brought to a satisfactory conclusion. The residents lawn-mower and strimmer are still available to any resident for cutting of the green areas through the estate. In closing a reminder that the £10 subs are now due for the next year and can be paid to your road representative or any committee member.

John Doogan Chairman

OLD GREENFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Barbecue

Unfortunately, with all the work involved in thanking our huge list of sponsors, as predicted we omitted to mention a great supporter, Eldorado's takeaway in Greenfield Shopping Centre. We apologise most sincerely and can only thank them for their generosity.

Unlike some other news reporters, we wish to thank Johnny Dowling most sincerely for his unfailing support and advice, which led us on the right road to such a successful barbecue, still being talked about to date. Among all of the helpers on the day, it was Johnny who at about 11p.m. finally got a few leftovers to eat. Well done, Johnny, from one and all.

Social Night in G.A.A. Club

Another successful event for the association was the Social Night in the G.A.A. Club. The feet are still tapping and a lot of hands are sore from clapping. What a great performance from our local musicians. A great big thanks to one and all: Kevin McGovern (organiser), Josie Moore (always ready for the craic!), Balla Fleming, Christy Dempsey, Denise McCarron, Kevin Boyd and a host of additional singers.

The hall was full with residents, there to support and enjoy. That's what it's all about. Congratulations to all the raffle winners. Thanks to Express Cabs for the return of residents, safe and sound and tired.

Watch this space for the Halloween Party, kids!

Maintenance grant from Kildare County Council

Our residents have once again secured the maximum grant of £500 from K.C.C. Last year we purchased a ride-on mower and public liability insurance with the assistance of this grant. This year, having traded in the ride-on, we are purchasing two high-powered mowers which will be insured also. The two new shrubberies in Phase Two are now in place, along with some wall climbers. It is now up to all responsible parents to help maintain and secure these beautiful features.

It is the association's wish to open three more shrubberies this year in our area. At the entrance into Phase One will be our main and most expensive shrubbery. The planting of much needed trees will take place when the wet season comes in October or so!! Come along to our monthly meetings and offer any more ideas for expenditure of the grant and improvements in our area. More views and ideas are always welcomed: the first Monday of every month, 8.30 p.m., Boys' National School. When bank holidays arise the meetings fall to the first Tuesday night.

Lotto Permit received

As planned, we now have secured permission to sell our Lotto. The finances secured from this Lotto go forward to maintain and increase the work of the association. Congratulations to the winners so far, the committee are very grateful for your support.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Geraldine and Brian Browne on the birth of their new son, Ciaráin.

Congratulations to Caroline Thompson on the birth of her new baby.

Congratulations to Joe and Kitty Horan on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Best wishes to Anita and Gerry Lynam, who married recently, and long life and happiness in their new home in Old Greenfield.

Well done to Joey O'Riordan, who played a blinder in the Junior A football final. Congrats to all the players who justly deserved their award: a great match enjoyed by many from Maynooth.

We wish all the Leaving Certificate students every success with their results and future lives.

Welcome home to our scouts. Having enjoyed this fabulous weather for 10 days in the Isle of Man, what a great way to spend your holiday.

Belated birthday wishes (not saying how many years!!) to Margaret McCarron.

Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Flanagan (Nannie) on the sudden death of her sister in England. May she rest in peace.

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OPEN DAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF MAYNOOTH

Over 1,000 guests attended the College Open day on Sunday 20th August showing a fantastic response to this open invitation. Many residents were delighted to avail of this opportunity to see the college in an informal, friendly manner. People were astonished to see the variety of treasures on display i the Visitor Centre, the College Museum and the John Paul II Library. Typical comments from the guests were "this was a great idea", "beautiful gardens", "my first time to visit the College since the Pope was here", "I'm delighted we came".

The afternoon started with a tour of the Heritage buildings organised by the Visitor Centre staff. Features of this tour included Stoyte House, the first building which housed staff and students in 1795, St. Joseph's Square and the cloisters with the exhibition of Classpieces and portraits of Bishops and Cardinals. Tours of the new developments on the North Campus also proved popular with many people visiting these facilities for the first time.



College Staff providing refreshments at the Open Day

The College Chapel was the venue for an Organ Recital by Deirdre Comerford, the Organ Scholar for the Pro-Cathedral and a music student of the College. Streams of music flowed from the Chapel to the area on the lawns where guests chatted and found moments of rest and refreshment before following to their next destination. Crowds surrounded Mr. John Joe Costin who spoke to guests about the new Bicentenary garden throughout the entire afternoon. Professor Peter Whittaker informed guests about St. Joesph's Square, while Lynne Whittaker introduced the jewels of the Alpine/rock garden to large audiences.

The Irish Summer Orchestra gave a concert of popular works by Mozart, Haydn and Rossini in the Aula Maxima at 4.00 p.m. under the directorship of Mr. Fergus Shiel, bringing the afternoon of activity to a close. The event proved to be a great success thanks to the many people who offered their assistance in different ways and to the large number of people from the Maynooth locality who joined in this celebration.

Co raibh maith agaibh go léir !!

For all who unfortunately missed the Open Day, the Visitor Centre is open Monday - Saturday 11.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. and Sunday 2.00 - 6.00 p.m.



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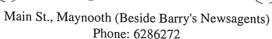
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BICENTENARY BARBECUE

The college farmyard was the venue for the Bicentenary Barbecue on Friday 11th August. "Dress down - don't dress up" was the instruction on the ticket and the college staff and their partners went 'western' for St. Patrick's biggest showdown of the celebration year. Denim, stetson hats and necktie as far as the eye could see. Security - or should we say Sheriffs - though not equipped with '6-shooters' were a mean sight in hides and hats. All guests on entering were given a 'I bopped till I dropped' badge. Walking to the barn you passed doors marked 'Sheriff' etc., no detail was spared for authenticity. The barn was divided into three. On the left and right the posse were fed, watered with a bar and catered by O'Briens, who served Barbecued steak, chicken and salads. Seating was provided inside for the herds who arrived for feeding. To see this staid, academic institution letting it's hair down was a sight to behold. It must be said that the food was excellent and in plentiful supply. For entertainment the band played lively Country and Western in the Centre Barn, while the revellers indeed did 'bop' and the American Line Dancers showed us how. The ticket had said the event was till midnight but legend has it that neither food, music nor beer was finished that early. (legend has it some departments are still up there fighting off security with the whiskey!). Meanwhile the real herds - Fresians that is - looked on quite sober and unamused (Someone said 'why weren't the 4 legged staff invited?').

Mary Kelly from personnel, John Lamb, Security and Colm Nelson, Services have to be thanked for the brilliant success of the Barndance, not forgetting the presidents office and Bicentenary Committee. A certain gal from our ranch who was there told us that it should be done every year..... and I kinda reckon there'd be a stampede next year if there isn't.

COMMEMORATING 1916 IN MAYNOOTH

Two recent contributions to the **Newsletter** have brought to public attention the issue of commemorating, in an appropriate fashion, Maynooth's contribution to the 1916 Rising.

The Rising

On the evening of Easter Monday 1916, 15 Maynooth men set off for the GPO. Sheltering overnight in Glasnevin Cemetery, they reached the GPO on Tuesday morning and were initially stationed in Parliament Street. Later they were forced to retreat to headquarters in the GPO where they fought alongside Pearse, Connolly and the other leaders. One of the Maynooth volunteers, Tom Harris, was shot in the foot.

Local Proposals

In the May issue of the **Newsletter** Michael Quinn reported on the destruction by vandals of the 1916 commemorative plaque which had been erected in Pound Park in 1991 to mark the 75th Anniversary of the Rising. Michael Quinn called for contributions to replace the plaque which would cost a modest £70. He suggested that donations might be forwarded to Bridie O'Brien or Gearóid McTernan who are both long-standing and respected members of the community.

In the August issue Cllr. John McGinley pointed out that a Maynooth 1916 Commemorative Committee set up to mark

the 50th Anniversary of the Rising had substantial funds, having won £10,000 in a Prize Bond Draw some years ago. Cllr. McGinley further suggested that an appropriate memorial would be to erect a band stand in Pound Park beside the Band Hall. This seems like an excellent idea; indeed it coincides with plans for the area drawn up by Kildare Co. Council.

The Original Committee

Some preliminary enquiries as to the status of the original committee suggests that it has been dormant for some time. A meeting did take place 5 to 6 years ago between two officers of the Community Council and a member of the 1916 Committee to ascertain what plans, if any, the 1916 Committee had to utilise their newly found wealth. The meeting was inclusive and no plans subsequently emerged.

In 1971 the Maynooth 1916 Commemoration Committee launched a public appeal for funds to erect a memorial in the town square. A sculptor, Domhnall O'Murchadha, was commissioned and the piece was to depict Maynooth's 15 volunteers receiving the blessing of the College President before their departure for Dublin. As far as the Newsletter is aware the project, for whatever reason, did not see the light of day. Sadly, many of the original members of the 1916 Committee and its patrons are dead. But it seems a pity, now 25 years later, if the resources at the disposal of the committee were not used to mark Maynooth's small but significant contribution to the Rising.

The Officers of the committee which launched the appeal in 1971 were John Barnwall, Patrick Nolan and Eugene O'Reilly(Jnr.) and the committee included Willie Coonan, Eugene O'Reilly (Snr.), Michael Carey, Denis Breen, Leo Behan, Fred Leavey, Jim McDermott and Michael Mooney.

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THE ESSO TIGER PARTY!

The new Carton Hall (ESSO) Service Station on the Straffan Road, Maynooth has been up and running since last April, however Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th of August, saw the official opening of the Station which coincided with the Maynooth Community Festival, and really enhanced the festive atmosphere.



Children enjoying the official opening

Manager Gerry Sparrow and all the staff organised what can only be described as a "Jumbo Party" for all the kids of the locality. As you walked up along Straffan Road on Saturday you were left in no doubt as to where the party was - right underneath the enormous "ESSO Tiger" which was sitting on the roof of the Service Station. There was bunting lining the front court and within was a large Bouncing Castle which was fully utilised by all the children. There was a French Maid, Face-Painting and an abundance of "Freebies" for everyone there. There were ice-creams, chocolates, sweets and cold drinks, not to mention a free lunch-box for the children returning to school.

On Sunday afternoon a group of local handicapped children also joined in the fun and had a wonderful time at the party. They were enjoying a day out with Eugene O' Shea courtesy of M.C.L. Cabs.

There was an Art Competition organised for children and a draw for a microwave for adults. As part of it's official opening celebrations, there is an offer of a free can of coke with every petrol purchase to the value of ten pounds.

The Carton Hall (ESSO) Service Station is open 24hrs and sells a wide range of goods as well as petrol and diesel. We wish Gerry Sparrow and all the staff the very best of luck in their new venture.



A strange visitor to Maynooth Community Festival

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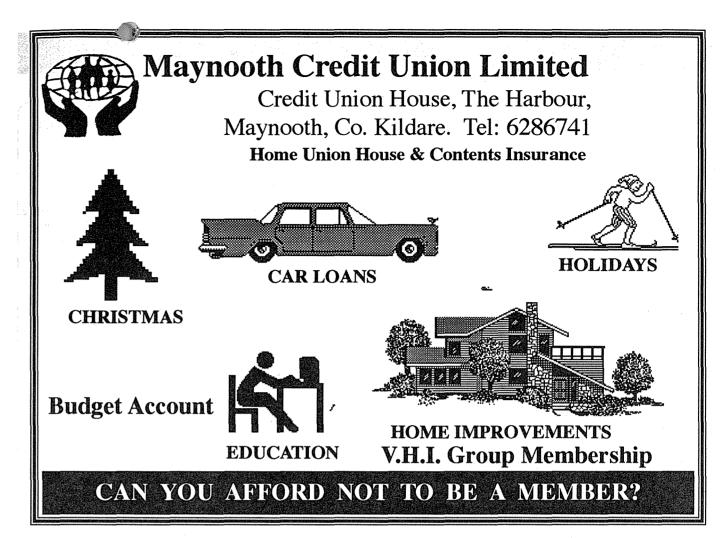
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EYE-HEAR

Famous Victory

Well done to the G.A.A. lads on their famous victory over Kilcullen at Newbridge, in the Kildare Junior 'A' Championship, on Sunday 13th August last. That evening the victorious team returned to their home town in an open-top bus with Garda escort and cavalcade before commencing a massive spree. They gave the festival a massive boost with widespread happiness and a mood of celebration spreading throughout the community. The following Tuesday evening it is reputed that despite being "half steamed" they defeated the formidable Two-Mile House at the G.A.A. grounds. They have raised Maynooth football to a new footing and are deserving of our heartiest congratulations. (The only little fault I can find is that they were not all carrying the black and white flags around when I saw them).

Record Temperatures

With record temperatures sweeping over the country for the last several weeks, Maynooth has been transformed and is enveloped in an almost edenistic atmosphere. Everyone is looking brighter, bronzed, more relaxed and colourful. It's a bit like 'Baywatch' around here at times. People are making more use of the out-doors and barbecues are commonplace. The consumption of wine and beer has increased. Some people are finding it difficult to cope with the heat and many have cancelled foreign holidays. It is now we appreciate such amenities as The Harbour and canal, as the sunshine highlights the splendour of our historic town. Lets all make good use of the weather while it last.

Peter's Patter

A great local character is Peter Burns who works at the Maxol Filling Station on the Straffan Road. He is generally always in good form and has a word for everybody. One day I pulled in on my bicycle and asked him to fill it up. "Ah" says Peter, "I'll put ten pence worth into it". Another good character was Fran, who worked, at the now closed ESSO station on the Dublin Road. He too is a great man for a chat and a bit of humour.

Lubrication

A local man was telling me about a mate of his who is always game for a bit of crack. His friend was drinking a small glass of Guinness and explained that the reason for his new found moderation was because he just wanted "to lubricate the upper half of the body". My informant was strongly of the belief that this beverage was more likely to lubricate the lower half of the body. Says he, "Sure he'd be better off throwing the drink over himself".

Little Gerry's Big Feat

This summer little Gerry Healy, of Rail Park, has completed a special feat. Just turned five years of age, he has succeeded in climbing Croagh Patrick, for the second year in a row. It may be some kind of record. William, his brother aged seven, has also done the climb twice.



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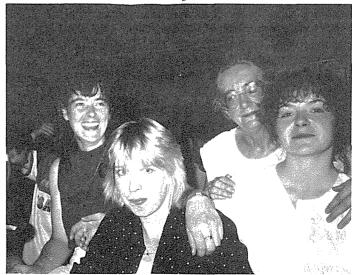
Catherine Maher School of Dancing, Stephen & Aedeena Conneely



Presentation of Guinness trophies for Soccer 7-a-side. L-R Teresa Bennett, Sharon O'Connell, Guinness Representative Hanny Cunningham & John McGinley



Having fun at sing-a-long in Roost L-R Juliann Kennedy, Declan O'Connor, Matt Kennedy & Brian O'Malley



Enjoying the craic in the Roost at the sing-a-long

ODE TO THE THING 1978-1995

The year was 1978. Maynooth was growing fast A group of people came together To Celebrate the past.

We'll build a bandstand in the square - they said Where all can play or sing. But this great idea went astray And instead we got the "Thing"

No one could believe their eyes As this monstrosity went up To facilitate the passer by Or those who had a "sup"

This eye sore spoiled our lovely square In the centre of our town Until the community demanded That they pull the damn Thing down

For many years we lobbied Every councillor and T.D But to move the council is a tedious task Not to mention the house of Parliament

Leixlip's' got the Castle Kerrys' got the Ring Dublins' got Arthur Guinness But Maynooth just had the "Thing"

But then there came the by-pass The answer to our prayer For we realised they'd have to build The link road through the square

At 8am on Friday The 14th of July Norah with her camera And the Press all standing by

They took a photograph of Emmet Stagg On the flight deck of the digger And John Mc Ginley leaning on his crutch And his poor knee getting bigger

At 9am the first brick fell The sound was music to our ears It took just months to put it there To remove it took years

The year is 1995 Leats raise our glass and sing For we've had our say and our band can play In the spot where stood the "Thing"

Josephine Moore

WHAT WORLD IS THIS?

Where do we live, what world is this. From whence commeth all this hope and bliss? The sunshine into our lives has broken, To all the world, our doors lie open. Women are bronzed to statuesque beauty. Men forget their toil and duty. The children they are full of joy, On great adventures they deploy.

Inner colours are revealed, spirits lightened. We are raised above, our lives are brightened, Dawn comes whispering in our ear, Each day is for living and cheer. The sunsets fill our pockets with gold, With treasures that we'll always hold. We wander by the pathways bright, Until soothed by the breath of night.

We drink of beauty with our eyes. Each day brings a new surprise. These days have set our spirits free From all the endless drudgery. With strengthened limbs and fleet of foot The fetters of boredom we have cut. We sit and think by cool of night And peruse the store of our delight.

Why now did heaven burst its' shores, Our hopes and dreams to restore? Did the sun get tired of its scorning, Does Mother Nature call him in the morning? Did he escape from some dark powers, To bring us endless happy hours? In this conclusion there are literary dangers But I put it down to the "Power Rangers."

Willie Healy.

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Elizabeth Whittaker, Morvan Duffy and Miranda Adams

There were many jubilant scenes as I approached Maynooth Post Primary School on 17th August last.

We had hardly recovered from points scored at the County Football Final win on the previous Sunday when the pressure points flashed before us once again.

The scene was electrifying and the soaring temperatures on the day were equally matched by those of the many successful candidates in this years Leaving Certificate. Young men and women hugged, kissed and yelled as they flicked through their flimsey paper - their wormhole to the future. Cries could be heard like "I've made it" "I'm there". I've no doubt that any farmer passing by on the day, on hearing all the comments about A1's and A2's etc. would feel perplexed to find that current agricultural grading practises have permeated into the educational system of our schools and colleges.

For those who were not satisfied or happy about their results, don't despair! There is still the option of repeating next year and remember the Leaving Certificate and College are not the "Be-All-And-End-All", there is life afterwards. College is not for everyone.

Remember to celebrate with your friends and enjoy a night out because you are all celebrating the fact that you got through it. That's what counts!

Comments:-

The results have been excellent, but the real results will appear in the papers in a weeks time".

Martin Cunningham, Clonfert.

"I'm over the moon with my results".

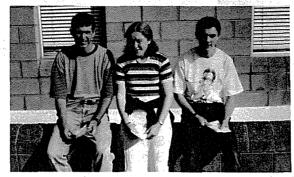
Gavin Lucas "I'm thrilled with my B2 in maths and C1 in English".

Sarah Weld "B3 in Higher Maths - I Can't believe it" Elizabeth Whittaker "I'm thrilled with my results".

Shane Glynn "I can't believe it, B1 in Biology"

Christopher Byrne couldn't believe his eyes getting A2 in Engineering.

Finally the **Newsletter** and Community Council would like to congratulate both parents, teachers and students on this years excellent results.



Martin Cunningham, Sarah Weld and Gavan Lucas

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MUINTIR MAIGH NUAD



Kay MacKeogh

An energetic career woman Kay MacKeogh is involved in innovative and pioneering work in Irish Adult Education. As Chairperson of the *Newsletter* for over eight years, she played a pivotal role in establishing this publication as the voice and successful communications axis of the local community.

Early Days

Kay was born in Holles Street Hospital and grew up in Walkinstown, Dublin. She attended St. Agnes National School, Crumlin and St. Louis Convent School, Rathmines, where she did her Leaving Certificate. Here she became Chairperson of the debating society and as a member of Red Cross, she developed her strong social conscience, visiting the elderly and travellers. As for school in general her reply was, "I couldn't wait to get out of it".

Obtained Degree

Before going to university Kay worked as an Executive Officer in the Civil Service for one year. The search for self realisation soon led her to U.C.D. to study Geography and English. Having obtained her degree, she commenced a Masters Degree researching coastal erosion. She then spent a year in Canada where she undertook a graduate course in Geography at the Simon Frazer University.

Research

On return to Ireland Kay worked with the National Council for Educational Awards (N.C.E.A.). This is the body which accredits courses and awards degrees, certificates and diplomas for non-university third level institutions, e.g. Regional Technical Colleges. Kay's work involved research into the progress of graduates following graduation, as well as course accreditation and approval.

Masters Degree

Kay soon began to develop a strong interest in Adult Education. She obtained a Diploma in Adult and Community Education from Maynooth College. This led on to a Masters Degree from Manchester University. For this degree Kay researched the factors involved in introducing innovations in higher education, in particular Distance Education into Ireland, including the attitudes of policy makers and practitioners in the field, i.e. lectures in Regional Technical Colleges.

Unique Development

In 1987 Kay changed career when she began work with Dublin City University (D.C.U.) in the national Distance Education Centre. She is employed as the Academic Co-ordinator for the Humanities Degree Programme. This is a unique Irish development, where all the universities came together to develop a common programme, leading to a Bachelor of Arts, which is aimed at adults located throughout Ireland. Kay has responsibility for getting the course, now in it's second year up and running. This involves designing the syllabus with academic groups from the universities, commissioning to write course materials, co-ordinating the editing and distribution of materials and the appointment and training of course tutors.

Advantage

The advantage of distance education is that it is a more flexible form of education, which empowers people between the ages of 20 and 60, who are affected by shift work, family commitments or illness and who do not have the opportunity to follow a rigid timetable to fulfil life long ambitions and to study at their own pace in the comfort of their own homes. Each student is allocated a personal tutor, attends a two hour tutorial every month and has the choice of a range of subjects, such as literature, psychology, philosophy, sociology, with history now coming on stream.

Making Dreams Come True

All progress requires sacrifice and getting these programmes up and running, has meant a lot of extra work for Kay. As well as experiencing the normal start-up work load, Kay has to travel around the country meeting students and tutors at the various study centres. Nonetheless, Kay finds this work to be very satisfying in that she is removing barriers and helping to provide an educational advantage for people who could not avail of study before. She is in fact helping to make dreams come true.

Newsletter Days

When the present Community Council was reformed in 84/85, a small group of people had been running the *Newsletter*. These included John Read, Liam Bean and Ted Kelly, they asked the Community Council to take over the running of the magazine. A sub-committee was formed and Kay MacKeogh became its first editor. With a yellow cover the first edition of the new *Newsletter* came on sale on Feb. 1st 1986. The magazine was originally produced using low budget techniques from Sam Murphy's back office, before moving to the Community Council Offices, at the town Centre Mall in April '86.

For The Greater Good

Under the auspices of the Community Council, with Social Employment Scheme workers coming on board, a new impetus was established. While it was initially a Community Council supported publication, the sub-committee were given a fair amount of freedom in ensuring that the *Newsletter* was open to everybody. The *Newsletter* and the council had to overcome party differences for the greater good of the community and great care was taken that it would become a non-political publication. Kay and her colleagues had to be very rigid both against political influence and to avoid printing slanderous or libellous material. Indeed a lot of policies laid down in those early days have been tried and tested in later years.

Newsletter of Record

The Newsletter fast became the voice of the Community with the un-edited reports of up to 66 local organisations, clubs and groups being brought into the public domain. Kay and her editorial team avoided getting involved in controversies as their aim was to represent and to bring the whole community together. From the earliest times they kept re-examining the magazine and tried to add more news context, but without a full-time journalist, this has proved to be a difficult task. In essence Kay, sees the magazine as a Newsletter of Record, where people can look back on the past and see what was happening in Maynooth.

Any surplus income has gone back into the office providing new equipment and technology, which will give greater scope

Features

for experimentation in the future. Kay paid tribute to Norah McDermott and the office staff for the great service that they have given over the years. In 1994 Kay, who was the longest serving member of the editorial committee, had to resign due to work commitments. She is philosophical about this, expressing the view that it was time to move on and to make way for new talent. On the occasion of her retirement she was presented with a lovely tapestry and with a letter of appreciation by the Community Council.

Other Involvements

Over the years Kay has been involved in many campaigns including the Abortion Referendum and the Divorce Action Campaigns, through this activity she became involved with the Workers Party and from there joined Democratic Left, when it was founded. As a person her political aim is to remove inequality, particularly in the education sphere. Her party were instrumental in pushing through the Womens Equality Payments and are working towards the introduction of a minimum wage. To Kay politics is about more than knocking on doors at election times. It is about providing information, solving problems, getting the feel of what the people need and want and assessing the impact of government policies. Kay is presently the secretary for the Rail Park Residents Association for the last seven years and is also treasurer of the local Travellers Committee.

Interests

Kay, who enjoys working out in the D.C.U. Gym, has in the past tried playing Golf and has competed in three Women's mini-marathons. She has also tried her hand at painting and regrets that she has no time, at present for creative writing. She enjoys doing tapestry at quiet times.

Musical Tastes

Classical music and opera are among Kays biggest musical interests. She also enjoys listening to Leonard Cohen, whom she claims has become less morbid of late.

Literature

Apart from academic literature Kay reads the works of Maynooth and Irish writers. She has read books of Mary McDonnell, Clairr O'Connor, John Updike and is just finishing Joe O'Connor's 'Desperadoes'.

Outlook

Kay's community spiritness is based on the 'love thy neighbour' principle. She sees working to establish justice and peace as having central meaning to her life. Kay is environmentally conscious and is blessed with a love of animals. She has two cats 'Homer' and 'Abbey' and was tending to one of them, who had a broken leg, at the time of this interview. Kay who has a strong social conscience, continues to put a lot of effort into the service of others. Always seeking a higher plain, she has now embarked on a Ph.D in Distance Education. As a modern and independent woman, who is not defined by what others do, she had added her own individual colour to the tapestry of Maynooth society.

On behalf of the Community Council and the wider readership, we join in thanking Kay for the standards of excellence and dedication which she brought to the Community's voice, the *Maynooth Newsletter*. We also wish her continued success in the years ahead.

WELCARE FOODS INTRODUCE HOME MEALS DELIVERY SERVICE

A new home meals delivery service has just been introduced into Co. Kildare which will be of particular interest to those who, for reasons of ill-health, age or disability, are unable to cook or shop for themselves on a regular basis.

The service is operated by WelCare Foods Ltd., associated with Waldens Foods in the UK, and will initially operate in Dublin and surrounding counties.

WelCare Foods provides home delivery of individual, economically priced deep frozen meals which are easy to store and cook. From a range of over 80 meals and desserts a well balanced meal can be prepared quickly and easily without all the shopping and preparation. The wide range includes a good selection of meals and desserts for special diets including vegetarian, soft and diabetic. As well as being convenient and economical, all WelCare meals are nutritionally balanced.

"Central to the service, and one of the reasons why a similar one provided by Waldens has proven so successful in the UK since its establishment three years ago, is the concept of a "caring service" supporting the independence and self-sufficiency of older people in the community", said Matt Farrell, Managing Director, WelCare Foods.

The service is also designed to be economic to the customer. The average cost of a WelCare meal is just over £2, with a weekly meal pack containing seven main courses and seven desserts costing £16. WelCare Foods will deliver to anywhere in Dublin County and periphery areas and can be contacted at (01) 8642155.

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For any children interested in learning Irish Dancing classes will re-open on Wednesday 20th Sept. at 6.15p.m in the Boys School, and Adult Céilí Dancing on Wednesday night 27th Sept. in the G.A.A. Hall.

We are taking the children on a dancing trip to London this November for which a fund raising Ouiz night will be held in the G.A.A. on Friday 6th October. Entrants fee £10 per table. so come along and enjoy an evening testing your knowledge.

Thanking you all for your support Catherine Maher



L - R: Lora Gavin, Clodagh Green, Eileen Cunningham and Gillian Fleming from the Catherine Maher School of Irish Dancing

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Tony Smith Memorial Walk

At a function held in Caulfields by Maynooth Old Folk's Committee on Thursday, 17th August, Cllr. John McGinley handed over the proceeds of our annual walk which came to £1,405, to the Maynooth Old Folks Committee.

Once again we would like to thank the people of Maynooth for their continued support for this annual event. See photograph of presentation elsewhere in this issue.

Rock Blasting in Lyreen Area

Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., and Cllr. John Mc Ginley have welcomed the agreement by the County Engineer to survey additional houses in the Lyreen area in line with the reasonable request from Lyreen Residents Association.

Directional Signposts at Convent Lane and Kildare Bridge Corner

Kildare County Council have advised Minister Emmet Stagg that directional signposts have been ordered and should be in place within the next 2 to 3 weeks at Convent Lane and Kildare Bridge Corner. The signpost at Convent Lane will direct traffic towards Dublin Road indicating Dunboyne. At Kildare Bridge Corner traffic from the Dunboyne direction will be directed along the new Blacklion Road with a new signpost indicating Maynooth. This measure should take some of the traffic out of the Lyreen area.

Minister Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley will continue to press for the provision of a weight limit on Convent Lane/ Dunboyne Road.

Cluainn Aoibhinn Estate

Following representation from Cluainn Aoibhinn Residents. Cllr. John McGinley has asked Kildare County Council to repair the potholes and surface dress the roadway in the estate, before it deteriorates any further.

Newtown Entrance to Houses 509-514

Cllr. John McGinley has written to Kildare County Council asking them to make this entrance/exit safe as it is presently overgrown at the kerb and drivers do not realise that there is an exit.

Doctors Lane Wall

In response to local concerns Cllr. John McGinley has asked Kildare County Council to knock this wall before it falls. It is badly buckled at present and the trees behind Larine House which gave it some shelter have been removed to make way for the new car park. A low wall providing pedestrian access to the car park should be provided instead.

A.I.B. Bank Premises, Main Street.

Cllr. John McGinley wrote to the A.I.B. Manager in Maynooth asking him to reconstruct the premises with an apex roof in line with the rest of Main Street. The manager advises that "our architects are currently examining a number of options and it is to be hoped that the matters raised by you will be resolved in the not too distant future". He further states that they "are fully supportive of every effort being made to upgrade the town".

Dangerous Wall at Back Lane

Arising from representations from local residents Minister Emmet Stagg has asked the Area Engineer to examine the wall at Back Lane, Maynooth, which seems dangerous.

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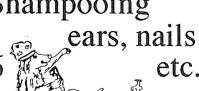
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The Boreen at Blacklion

Minister Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have asked the Council to re-install the barrier at the Carton Wall end of the Boreen in order to stop caravans from gaining illegal access.

Well Done Maynooth G.A.A.

Congratulations to Maynooth G.A.A. in winning the Junior A County Championship. Hopefully this is the first of many successes for this very progressive club.

Labour Advice Service

Minister Emmet Stagg's advice Service will recommence on Saturday, September 9th at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields. Cllr. John McGinley's Advice Service will recommence on Thursday, September 7th at 8.00 p.m. in the same venue.

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John McGinley calls out draws for Football Competition

This year we had 11 teams in the men's competition, which is the biggest entry ever. Indeed, we could have had 16 teams but five of the entries were made after the official draw. The competition was run on a knock-out basis this time but we will revert to the favoured league system in future.

The first match between Real Estate and Kingsbry will probably go into the Guinness book of Records for the greatest number of penalties in a shoot-out. Each team took 16 penalties with Real Estate winning by 13-12.

Another two teams, Brady Boys and the Pogues, went out in the preliminary round.

The first round matches were very close with All Stars overcoming Real Estate, The Fringe overcoming Meadowbrook, Derrinstown Stud winning out against a very game One Four Seven and Roosters overcoming a much improved Black Lion.

The first semi-final had to go to a penalty shoot-out after All Stars came back from 3-1 down. The All Stars showed their experience and won out on the penalties.

The second semi-final was won by Derrinstown Stud when they beat Roosters 1-0.

The final therefore was a very tense affair between All Stars and Derrinstown Stud. Barperson of the Year, Dermot Coakley even gave up his stand ticket for Croke Park so that he could

Derrinstown Stud scored two great goals in a matter of minutes in the first half through Ger Brabston and Greg Kirwan. Despite the best efforts of the All Stars and their totally committed manager Tom Dempsey, Derrinstown held out for a 2-0 win. They won deservedly and they also hit the bar twice. Their centre-half, Terry Dunne, also put in a performance worthy of Paul McGrath.

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Winning ladies team, Noelies Dizzies

As an extra on the final day we also had a women's match between Noelies Dizzies and Darina's Team. Much thanks is due to the players of both teams as they provided great entertainment with very little preparation. The match was won by Noelies Dizzies, and Marie McGovern received the cup on behalf of the team. Hopefully, there will be more womens teams next year so that we can arrange Guinness Trophies for the winners and runners up.

Finally, I would like to thank all the teams for their sporting behaviour and particularly for their punctuality throughout the tournament. Thanks also to Willie Saults and Tom Dempsey for marking the pitch and taking care of the equipment each evening. Many thanks is due to the referee, Brendan Lawless, who handled the match excellently.

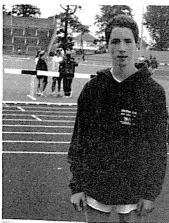
Last and by no means least, I would like to thank our sponsors, Guinness Ireland, who again put up such fine trophies for the men's event.

John McGinley Organiser



Winning mens team, Derrinstown Stud

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB



Declan O'Rourke

Leinster Junior Championship in Santry

Declan O'Rourke was our only competitor in the Junior Championship and competed in four events at U.15 over two days. On day one he qualified for the final in 100 metres finishing in sixth position. In the 100 metres hurdles he finished strongly to take a bronze medal. However on the second day he had

two brilliant runs, winning gold medals in the 400 metres and 300 metre hurdles. We wish him luck in the All Ireland Championship. Results in next months edition.

All Ireland Juvenile Championship in Limerick

A small number of athletes took part in the All Ireland Championship and came away with a total of eight medals, David Campbell with two gold, a silver and a bronze was our top athlete. Karl Ennis and Philip Campbell also took a gold medal each while Patrick O'Rourke and Mary O'Sullivan won a silver each.

Results as follows:

- U.11 High Jump (1st) Philip Campbell
- U.12 100 metres (2nd) Patrick O'Rourke
- U.13 300 metres (4th) Lynn Brennan
- U.14 600 metres (1st) David Campbell
- U.14 Long Jump (1st) David Campbell
- U.14 300 metres (2nd) David Campbell
- U.14 High Jump (3rd) David Campbell
- U.14 1200m. walk (1st) Karl Ennis
- U.14 300 metres (2nd) Mary O'Sullivan

Patrick King qualified for the final of 100 metres (U.14) and finished in sixth position.

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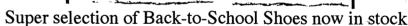
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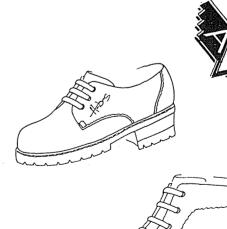


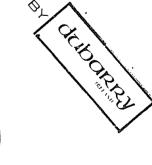
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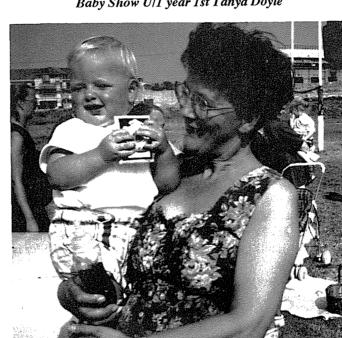


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NORTH KILDARE TENNIS



Congratulations to our girls team on winning the Division 3 Dublin Parks Tennis League sponsored by Kit-Kat. The final took place in St. Annes Park, Raheny on 3rd August 1995.

The team was made up as follows: Back Row L - R:
Gillian Corbally - Maynooth
Nuala Houlihan - Maynooth
Brid Anne O'Shea - Maynooth
Lorna Murray - Maynooth
Joy O'Neill - Maynooth

Front L - R: Regina Wall - Maynooth Nessa O'Malley - Kilcock Deirdre Fitzpatrick - Celbridge Ann Whyte - Leixlip

This is a magnificent achievement for these young ladies and indeed a great honour for North Kildare Tennis Club.

Many thanks to Philippa Pentz for her valuable coaching over the past number of weeks.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

1st Team Results since the August issue Championship Quarter-final v. Nurney Maynooth 3-16; Nurney 2 pts.

Team: P. Flood, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, M. Noone, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Killoran, D. Casey, Joey Nevin, K. Fagan, M. Nugent, Hugh Nevin, J. Riordan, M. Scanlon.

Subs.: P. Burke for D. Casey; P. Ennis for M. Scanlon.

Scorers: J. Nevin 7 pts.; Casey and H. Nevin 1-1 each; Fagan 1-2; Riordan 2 pts.; Burke, Nugent and Mahony 1 pt. each.

Best for Maynooth: Flood, Dunne, M. Nevin, Kelly, Mahony, Killoran, Casey, J. Nevin, Nugent, H. Nevin and Fagan.

Referee: M. Sheridan, Naas.

A totally one-sided encounter which Maynooth won at their ease, making light of the absence of Johnny Nevin, Paul Garvey, Seamie Molloy and the O'Tooles. They raced into a 1-9 to nil lead at half-time and were never troubled in the second half. No real test for the Crom Abús who nevertheless did everything that was asked of them in atrocious conditions.

Championship Semi-final v. Clogherinkoe at Newbridge: Score: Maynooth 1-7; Clogherinkoe 9 pts.

Team: P. Flood, E. Dunne, M. Nevin, M. Noone, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, K. Killoran, D. Casey, M. Nugent, K. Fagan, Joey Nevin, P. Garvey, J. Riordan, H. Nevin.

Subs: P. Ennis for Dunne; Scanlon for Nugent; Burke for H. Nevin

Scorers: Garvey 4 pts.; M. Nevin 1 goal; Killoran, Mahony, Joey Nevin 1 pt. each.

Best for Maynooth: Flood, M. Nevin, Stynes, Mahony, Kelly, Fagan, Riordan, Ennis, Garvey and Scanlon.

Best for Clogherinkoe: J. Lowry, H. Hill, P. Creaven, P. Delaney, S. Sutton, J. Donoghue and B. Creaven.

It took a severe "tongue-lashing" at half-time to get Maynooth out of their first-half "torpor" — a half which was largely dominated by the physically stronger "Cloghs". Maynooth were five points down at the break and, although they started the second half like a "tornado" with two quick strikes by Mahony and Garvey, these were quickly wiped out by instant replies from Clogherinkoe. From then on, however, the Clogherinkoe challenge petered out. Maynooth with Mick Nevin now at midfield, attacked with a vengeance and were justly rewarded when Mick Scanlon retrieved a ball which was heading over the end line and quickly transferred it across the square where Mick Nevin popped up to punch it to the net. Maynooth, who were by far the fitter side, were all over Clogherinkoe at this stage and it was no surprise when Ken Killoran kicked over a superb "left-footer" to send Maynooth into the final for the second year running.

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There was a case of *déjà-vu* for Killian Fagan, who again had what looked like a perfectly good goal disallowed — shades of last year's final against Two Mile House!!

Referee: D. Callaghan, Sarsfields.

Junior A Final v. Kilcullen, Newbridge

Maynooth 13 pts Kilcullen 10 pts

Team: P. Flood, M. Noone, M. Nevin, P. Ennis, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, D. Casey, K. Fagan (Captain), P. Garvey, K. Killoran, John Nevin, Joey Nevin, J. Riordan, L. O'Toole. **Subs:** P. Burke for L. O'Toole; M. Scanlon for J. Riordan; J. Rossiter; E. Dunne; H. Nevin; M. Nugent; J. Edwards; T. Farrell and J. O'Toole.

Scorers: Garvey 4 pts; Joey Nevin 4 pts; M. Nevin 2 pts; Casey, Scanlon and Riordan 1 pt each.

Referee: T. Merriman, Kill.

This was a day when the disappointment of last year was finally cast aside. Driven by a fierce determination to wind-up in the winners' dressingroom on this occasion the Crom Abús set about demolishing clear favourites Kilcullen from the very outset. Territorially and in the man-to-man exchanges they dominated the play but unfortunately could not turn this dominance into scores. Many chances were spurned during this period which allowed Kilcullen to gain a foothold in the game. Working mainly off "bits and scraps" the Rags made better use of the possession gained and against the run of play led by a point at the break - 5 pts to 4 pts. On the change of ends Maynooth hit a "purple patch" and, playing some inspired football, they proceeded to lead Kilcullen a "merry dance". From the 1st to the 24th minute of the half the Crom Abús added 9 pts. to Kilcullen's single score. Perhaps a degree of complacency then set in and allowed Kilcullen to take the initiative for the final 6 minutes. During this period they reduced the winning margin to 3pts. and severely tested the mettle of the Maynooth defence - a defence which rose magnificiently to the occasion and enabled Maynooth to mount the winner's rostrum at last.

It was a day when all were heroes: -

Flood, who made a number of vital saves - including a penalty save from Alan Murphy in the 1st half; the defensive sextet of Noone, Ennis, Nevin, Kelly, Stynes and Mahony who marked so tightly and effectively that Kilcullen scored only 4 pts. from play; the midfield duo of Casey - full of strength and aggression - and Fagan with his skill and high fielding; the forwards who ran themselves ragged both probing for scores and ensuring that the Kilcullen backs did not venture over the half way line - Johnny Nevin, Ken Killoran, Paul Garvey, Joey Riordan, Joey Nevin and Liam O'Toole; the substitutes introduced i.e. Peter Burke and Mick Scanlon who both made a significant contribution to a famous victory; finally the contribution made by the other squad members, during an arduous campaign, who were never found wanting when called upon, viz Eamon Dunne, Hugh Nevin, Mark Nugent, Joe Rossiter, Joey Edwards, John O'Toole, Thomas Farrell and Seanie Molloy.

After the game the Noel Moran Cup was presented to team captain Killian Fagan by Jack Wall, Chairman of the County Board and set in motion celebrations which went on well into the night. Killian was also the recipient of the County Board nomination for Man of the Match with Paul Flood getting the nod from Maynooth's main Sponsors, Regan Estate Agents.

League V Two Mile House

Maynooth 18pts. Two Mile House 6pts.

Maynooth ensured Division II Football next season with a scintillating display in front of their own supporters. Coming "hot on the heels" of the Championship victory over Kilcullen the home side were in a relaxed mood and set about "the House" in no uncertain fashion. With new keeper Rossiter (standing in for the injured Paul Flood) Ennis, Dunne, Fagan, Hughie Nevin, Mahony, Joey Nevin and company in devastating form "the House" were simply outclassed and if anything the score line flattered them.

Scorers: Joey Nevin 5pts.; Garvey 5pts.; H. Nevin; J. Edwards and M. Scanlon 2pts. each; Mahony and J. O'Toole 1pt. each. Team: J. Rossiter, P. Burke, M. Nevin, P. Ennis, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, E. Dunne, K. Fagan, H. Nevin, Joey Nevin, L. O'Toole, P. Garvey, M. Scanlon and J. Edwards.

Subs: T. Farrell for M. Kelly; K. Killoran for L. O'Toole; J. O'Toole for M. Scanlon.

Referee: M. Monaghan, Raheens.

Junior 'B' Football Championship in Naas

Maynooth 2-9 v. Nurney 1-3

Maynooth had a very good win over Nurney in Junior 'B' Championship. Maynooth were on top in first half thanks to some good fielding at centre field by Hugh Purcell,who gave the forwards plenty of ball and lead at half time by 2-5 to 3pts. The second half started with Nurney putting up a great fight and were awarded a penalty 15 minutes into the half and Billy Whelan cracked it to the net. Maynooth could only score 4 pts in second half.

Maynooth Scorers: Terry Healy 1-1pt, Hugh Purcell 1-1pt, Jimmy Gilligan 2 pts, Michael Flaherty, Joey Edwards, Derick Murray, David Flaherty, Vinny Agrew 1 pt each.

Also to play well were, Tom Miliner, Fergus Devereux, Kevin

Minor Football Championship Replay in Rathcoffey

Maynooth 1-9 v. Naas 8pts

Maynooth Minors caused an upset when defeating the fancied Naas Team. Maynooth won this match because they never gave up and kept fighting to the end and for this were rewarded with a match v Sallins. The first hour of this match was very even. At full time the sides were level at 6 pts each. It was extra time that produced the goods and when Jamie Lawlor got the only goal of the game with 5 minutes to go, it was what Maynooth deserved for their hard work.

Best for Maynooth: Jamie Lawlor 1 goal, Darren Naughton 6 pts, Declan Buckley 1 pt, Stephen Brennan 1 pt, Owen Nevin 1 pt.

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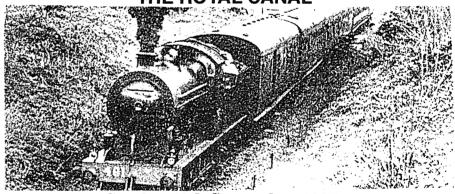


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Also to play well was Man of the Match - Alan Nugent, J. Gallagher, E. Gallagher, D. Coughlan, Ted Robinson.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1-11pts v. Rathangan 8 pts

Played in Maynooth on Tuesday 25th July.

Rathangan got off to a great start and were 3 pts up after 10 minutes before Maynooth got their first score, a point by Mick Scanlon. Further points from both sides left the half time score, Rathangan 6 pts to Maynooth 4 pts. The second half started slowly for both sides, then in 40 minutes, Maynooth broke down the field and Joey Edwards was on hand to crash the ball to the net. From this to finish Maynooth were on top and some good defending by Mick Nevin and Eamonn Dunne helped Maynooth to a 6 pt victory.

Maynooth Scorers: Joey Edwards 1-1pt, Paul Garvey 4 pts, Mick Scanlon 2 pts, Hugh Nevin 2 pts, David Mahoney 1 pt, Joey Riordan 1 pt.

Also to play well, Mick Nevin, Eamonn Dunne, Paul Stynes, Joey Nevin, Paul Flood.

Rathangan Scorers: E. Cusack 2 pts, L. Kelly 2 pts, E. Loughlin 2 pts, L. Brockel 1 pt, D. Cusack 1 pt. Also to play well, Mick Fitz, B. Gorey.

Junior 'C' Football League

Maynooth 4-4pts v. Cappagh 2-8pts

Played in Cappagh on Tuesday 25th July. Maynooth's third team recorded another good win over Cappagh. Cathal O'Grady was the star of Maynooth's win with 2 goals to his credit.

Also to play well Philip Doyle 1-2pts, Tony Byrne 1 goal, D. Graham 1 pt, A. Fox 1 pt.

MAYNOOTH TOWN AFC

Seven-A-Side Report

Our recent seven-a-side tournament for the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup was once more a huge success. With the biggest number of entries (sixteen) since the inception of the tournament the quantity did not affect the quality. A top standard of play prevailed throughout the week culminating in a very exciting final. In the first round The Brady Bunch had to fight hard to overcome a stubborn Snooker Club side. Buster's 7 from Ballyoulster used all their guile and experience to come out on top against Diet 7Up. The aptly named Dipsos caused one of the shocks of the week when defeating St. Mary's. The oddly named Trelleborgs F.C. finally wore down a gallant Aisling House side who provided excellent entertainment. Defending champions The Lodo again gave early indication of defending their title with great stubborness after overcoming The 7 Disciples. Kalm 7, previous winners, showed their intent in seeking to retrieve their title with a first round win over 7 Down. Hedderdale Utd. defeated Kilcock 7 after a titanic struggle which had the crowd on their toes right to the final whistle. G. Force conceded two of the quickest goals in the tournament and had to call on all their reserves to eventually break down a most resilient Flinstones team.

Quarter Finals

In the Quarter Finals The Brady Bunch continued their quest for honours when booking their Semi-Final place with a close win over Buster's 7. The Dipsos finally came to grief against Hedderdale Utd. with showing their earlier form. F.C. Trelleborgs ended the reign of The Lads Again when coming out on top in an exciting encounter. Kalm 7 came to grief against G. Force when losing to the only goal of the game.

Semi Finals

The Semi-Finals provided close affairs and were good entertainment for a very large gathering of enthusiastic spectators. The local pairing of Hedderdale Utd. and The Brady Bunch proved to be a first class clash with Hedderdale Utd. coming out on top against The Brady Bunch. In the second semi-final Trelleborgs were forced into extra time before coming out on top against G. Force.

The Final

The eagerly awaited Final provided the top quality fare promised when the parings were known.

Hedderdale Utd. who included the Faherty Brothers, John Nolan and John Murray among their crew came out on top in an energy sapping game on a warm afternoon against Trelleborgs who included Paul Byrne, Stephen Horan and Joey Dempsey in their line up.

At the subsequent presentation after the Final, Club Vice-Chairman Gerard Thompson thanked all the teams for providing top class entertainment throughout the week and congratulated the winning team for a fine performance.

Mrs. Annie Murphy presented the Joe Murphy Cup on behalf of the Murphy family to the winning team.

Under-16 Final

In the under sixteen final Aidan Ryan's team beat Alan Nugent's side to take the coveted Patsy Byrne Memorial Cup. Mrs. Mona Byrne presented the trophies to the two teams at a function later in the evening.

Player of the Year

Our player of the year awards ceremony was a most enjoyable evening with Kevin McDonald and Robbie Moran providing the entertainment backed up by a selection of local artists.

With our season now closed Chairman Michael Dempsey gave an account of each team's performance during the season and having seen some of the talent on display, during the tournament said that there are plenty of players at our disposal for selection.

Our Player of the Year recipients for the 1994/5 season were as follows:

U/11 Player of the Year - Simon Fagan. Simon is a real tough player who marshals his troops in a manner of a player who has a bright future in the schoolboy grades at least. This award was most kindly sponsored by The Roost.

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U/13 Player of the Year - Andy Madden. Andy possesses all the speed and trickery of some of the present day cult heros in present day football. His quickness off the mark and close ball control has provided many problems for several teams throughout the season.

U/14 Player of the Year - Karl Murray. Karl is a typical example how one can improve their game with hard work and the right attitude. Karl was slow to develop his game but has now matured into a most accomplished player. This award was generously sponsored by The Leinster Arms.

U16 Player of the Year - David Coughlan. David is without doubt one of the brightest stars of the future. His dedication to training always shows on match day when he gets through his game with the coolness and collectiveness of Paul McGrath. To be mentioned as similar to Paul McGrath does not exaggerate the heights that David can scale in the not too distant future. A rising star without doubt.

Second Team Player of the Year - Michael Murphy. Michael divides his time between training our under sixteen team and plying his skills on the left wing for our second team. He has had many top class performances to his credit this season and has received this accolade with great pride.

Our First Team Player of the Year - Gerard Thomspon. A most popular winner who received just reward for a most consistent season. Pressed into many defensive positions during the season he showed his versatility in his usual cool determined terrier-like fashion. He has been a fine example to his fellow players and always sets the standard for others to follow.

One might ask about our Ladies player of the year. The Ladies have just commenced their season and their player of the Year will be selected at a function later.

Both our Senior Player of the Year Awards were kindly sponsored by John and Eithne Carey.

(Due to **Newsletter** oversight these notes were omitted from July issue).

Pre-season training is easing down in preparation for the new season kick-off on August 27th. With the recent hot spell of weather it has not taken as long to shed the excess pounds which get put on during the close season. Perhaps we will be sharper than in other years. Some match results should be at hand for the next issue.

Our ladies team has been campaigning away during the summer months and the latest results to hand have been most favourable.

Open Cup St. James 0 Maynooth Town 4

St. James were good value for the 0-0 score-line at half-time. But were over-run in the second half by a rampant Maynooth side. Shelly Breslin took control at mid-field and drove her troops forward in an effort to break the deadlock. Emma

Kilduff made the breakthrough in the 51st minute before Antoinette Mooney put over a corner for Geraldine Breslin to make it 2-0. Leanne Hughes made it 3-0 in a minute later and Antoinette Mooney completed the scoring in the 90th minute. Best for Maynooth were Shelley and Ginny Breslin and Joanne Smith.

Intermediate Cup Maynooth Town 4 Burke Rovers 3 (A.E.T.)

This was a thrilling cup game and Maynooth had to be at their very best to survive. Burke Rovers opened the scoring in the 6th minute, but Maynooth came back strongly for Maeve Flood to equalise. Leanna Hughes put Maynooth ahead seven minutes later. Antoinette Mooney scored direct from a corner in the 37th minute to give Maynooth a comfortable half-time lead. Burke Rovers drew level in the second half with two quick goals to make for an exciting game. Maynooth missed a number of good scoring chances and almost paid the price. With time almost up Burke Rovers broke through the Maynooth defence but Paula O'Shea brought off a super save to deny them victory.

Both sides had a number of chances in extra-time before Maeve Flood sent a cross into the Rovers penalty area for Emma Kilduff to grab a dramatic winner.

Paula O'Shea, Maeve Flood, Antoinette Mooney and Bríd Ann O'Shea were best for Maynooth in a top class team performance

League Div I Lusk Utd 3 Maynooth Town 8

Lusk only provided token resistance in this one sided game which saw Maynooth run out easy winners.

Leading the scoring honours was Antoinette Mooney with a hat-trick, Leanne Hughes (2) with Karen Muchern, Maeve Flood and Paula O'Shea each scoring once.

Best for Maynooth were Antoinette Mooney, Emma Kilduff, Maeve Flood and Bríd Ann O'Shea.

This Club and indeed all of the Community was deeply saddened to hear of the untimely death of Colm Boyce in the United States. Colm was a valued member of this club before he emigrated and his loss to the club at the time was immense. That loss was minimal when compared with the loss now being felt by his family members in the United States and at home. We extend our sincere sympathy to the Boyce family on their sad loss. /continued

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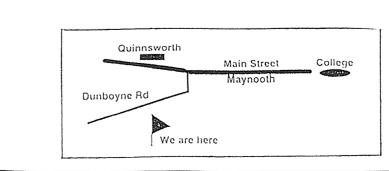
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MAYNOOTH TUG-O-WAR

Community Festival Report

After a summer of golden sunshine and endless sunsets filling the hearts treasury, I was never as rich as when I stood among young and old competing in a harmonious and sporting spirit for a vast array of prizes during the Community Festival tournament on Sunday August 13th last. This was the tournament of the home-bird as the annual summer exodus had lent a more local flavour to proceedings.

Stars

The real stars of the event were the Helen's Hair Affair team comprised of Helen Grehan, Rachel O'Keefe, Claudine McDonnell, Mary Clarke, Anne Lyons, Anne Marie Thompson, Rita Thompson and Jinene Curran, who are champions of the Women's section for the fourth successive year. Their victory is no accident, as they have always shown respect for this local event and competed with style and determination. Their worthy opponents, the Brady Bunch, who put up a good display, were comprised of Sandra Thompson, Stephanie Thompson, Julia Commerford, Laura Troy, Marie Troy, Pauline Edwards, Ann Marie O'Reilly and Darina McMahon.



U/13 Boys winners of Tug-O-War "The Flintstones"

Great Enjoyment

Despite heavy competition from other events, both local and national, a reasonable gathering of spectators also got great enjoyment from seeing the enthusiasm and competitive spirit of our younger competitors.

In the Boys' U/13 section, the Flintstones were well able to handle themselves when they survived a tough battle with the oddly named Psychos. (The names kids think of!). The winners were: Peter Finnan, Micheal Ryan, Danny Finnan, Trevor McMahon, Robert Stanley, Brendan Kelly, Noel Healy, Alan Baxter, Dave Baxter and Niall McBride.

The runners-up were: James Mullarkey, Thomas Flatley, Dave O'Brien, Brendan Eddery, Kevin Bannon, Derek Bannon, Barry Hogan, Shane McBride and Stephen Healy. Brotherly love and parental loyalties were strained in this competition.



U/13 Tug-O-War winners "The Grid"

Psychological Warfare

The U/13 Girls showed that they were no push-overs and indeed proved to be hard bargainers when they put the organisers under severe pressure in an attempt to achieve better team balance. When all was sorted out and the psychological warfare over, a lively struggle took place, with victory going to the Grids (whatever that means) comprised of: Julia Commerford, Elaine Farrell, Ciara Leavey, Lisa Finnan, Elaine Donnolly, Gráinne Burke, Leanne O'Brien and Celina Leavey. The runner-up's were: Lorna Burke, Marie Burke, Valerie Devine, Sarah Flatley, Cliona Murphy, Sarah McDonald, Aideen O'Brien, Marie Coffey and Norah McGlinchy.

International Competition

The U/18 Boys section was the scene of a friendly international, when a gathering of Spanish students and some locals joined up for a cordial clash which the visitors greatly enjoyed.

Starting Orders

Then came the turn of the men. All early posturing was soon forgotten when referee Micheal O'Rourke issued starting orders. The rope creaked as both teams turned on the pressure and after levering their opponents from their tracks, the West Harbour Team claimed the first point. Despite tough resistance from the Maynooth pullers, the Harbour Team got their rhythm back and drove backwards to victory.

The West Harbour Team were: John Gallagher, Tommy Murray, Seanie Ryan, Eddie Lyons, Frank Bannon, Dave Heslin, Shane O'Riordan and Willie Healy. The Maynooth pullers comprised of George Gallagher, Donal Finnan, Anthony Mooney, Gary Bermingham, Brian McDonnell, Cathal Murphy, Ken Prendergast and John Doogan.

Sponsors

This event would not have been possible without the generous sponsorship of the following: Barrets Plumbing Ltd., Bradys, the Clock House, Glenkerrin Homes, West Side Waste, North City Builders and Maynooth Community Council.

Thanks to Donal Finnan, Willie Healy, George Gallagher, John Gallagher, Seamie Ryan and all who helped out on the day. Special thanks to Michael O'Rourke who did an excellent job as referee.

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Sport



Winners of Men's Tug-O-War "The West Harbour Team"

We are most grateful to our spectators and competitors for supporting this annual event. We hope to see you all again next year.

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It is certainly very gratifying to receive cards, letters and Mass Bouquets from so many people.

We are also deeply appreciative of the presentation and party hosted by the Main Street Traders and the Chamber of Commerce - and wish to thank them especially.

We both hope to spend many more happy years among the people of Maynooth.

RETIREMENT

Best wishes and many years of Happy Retirement to James McCormack, Chemist, and his wife Ita of Main Street, Maynooth. James who called it a day on 29.7.1995 commenced business in Main Street on 21.7.1960. From your many friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

WELCOME

To our new Chemist Brian Lannigan, Brian who is from Lucan is wished many years in business in Maynooth.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Cherye Naughton, Greenfield, age 11, September 19th and her Daddy Michael whose Birthday is September 21st. Love from Mammy.

Happy birthday to Rikki McTernan, Laurence Avenue age 4, September 8th.

His cousin Keith McTernan, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne; age 17, September 9th and their cousin Aileen McTernan, Moyglare Village; age 10, September 22nd.

Best wishes from your Mammies, Daddies, Grandad and Granny, brothers and sisters.

Happy birhtday to Edel King, Moyglare Village; age 11, September 28th. Best wishes from Mammy, Daddy and sisters Clodagh and Lisa.

Albert Murtagh, Crinstown, July 24th.

Tommie Flanagan, Greenfield, July 31st.

Fiona Farrell; Courthill Drive, Dunboyne, age 18, August 5th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, sisters Sinéad, Deirdre and your many friends at home and in Maynooth.

Mrs Annie Kenny, The Crescent, who celebrated her 85th birthday on July 28th. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

Tommie Henrick, O'Neill Park, Sept. 8th. Best wishes from the Brady Bunch.

Happy Birthday to Edward Power, Parsons Lodge, age 8; September 9th and Danielle Power age 12 on September 3rd.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Mrs. Nan Tracey Mariaville who celebrated her 86th birthday August 11th. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

Belated Birthday Greetings to Angela Leavey, Greenfield whose birthday was on August 6th. Angela who was on holiday from England had a pleasant surprise when a party was held in Brady's Lounge Bar attended by family and friends. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, brother and sister.

Birthday Greetings to Susan Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrates her 5th birthday on September 1st. Love from her Daddy, Mammy and sisters Edel and Claire.

Happy Birthday to Adam Nyland, 785 St. Patrick's Park, Celbridge, Co. Kildare, who celebrates his 2nd Birthday on September 2nd 1995. Love from his Nana Nyland in Maynooth.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Elizabeth Nolan, Olivia Nevin, Jenny Reilly and Denise McCarron on passing their Leaving Cert. Well done girls.

Tony and Nuala McTernan, Silken Vale who celebrated their 21st Wedding Anniversary on July 15th. Also Tony's brother Raymond and wife Noelle, Moyglare Village who celebrated their 16th Wedding Anniversary on August 25th, also to their brother Peter and wife Jackie, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne who celebrated their 18th Wedding Anniversary on July 23rd and to Gearóid and Ita McTernan, Parson Street who celebrated their 48th Wedding Anniversary on September 3rd.

Paddy and Mary Nolan, Castlebridge, who celebrated their 37th Wedding Anniversary August 4th.

Kevin and Kathleen Murphy, O'Neill Park, who celebrate their 37th Wedding Anniversary, August 27th.

Wedding congratulations to Thomas L. Bean and Patricia Prunty who were married in Lady Chapel on August 18th. Love and best wishes from parents Liam and Margaret Bean, Limard-Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth. Also Tony and Mary Bean and Family, Nuadh-Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth and parents of Patricia, Malachy and Sighle Prunty and Family, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. Wishing them both health and happiness always.

Happy 40th Anniversary to Kitty and Joe (Horan) from Noel, Deirdre, Tracey and Family. A good night was had by all.

Congratulations to all Leaving Certificate students on their results

Sympathy

Colom Boyce, San Francisco U.S.A. and late of Corbally, Maynooth. Wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, father, sisters, brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Flood (nee Kiernan) Ivy House, The Square, Maynooth, Co. Kildare - July 31st, 1995 (peacefully) in the loving care of the nurses and staff of Griffeen Valley Nursing Home, Lucan, Hannah, relict of Thomas; deeply regretted by her loving sons Edward, Liam, Tom, Aidan and Gerry, daughter Ann (O'Connor), sister Nancy (O'Rorke), daughters-in-law Magaret, Olive and Ann, son-in-law Peter, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, her old and dearest friend Tess O'Flynn and a wide circle of friends. R.I.P.

Farrell. Deepest sympathy is extended to Máire and Bernard Adderly and children, Sarah, Susan and Daniel of Rail Park on the death of Máire's father Thomas, late of Donnycarney, Co. Dublin, on Wednesday August 9th last, after a short illness. He was a great family man who had retired from working with Guinness Ireland. May he rest in peace.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The wife and family of the late Sean Kearney R.I.P. would like to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Thanks to all who attended the removal of remains, funeral Mass and burial, also all who sent floral tributes, Mass cards and messages of sympathy and all his many friends and relations for all their kindness. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

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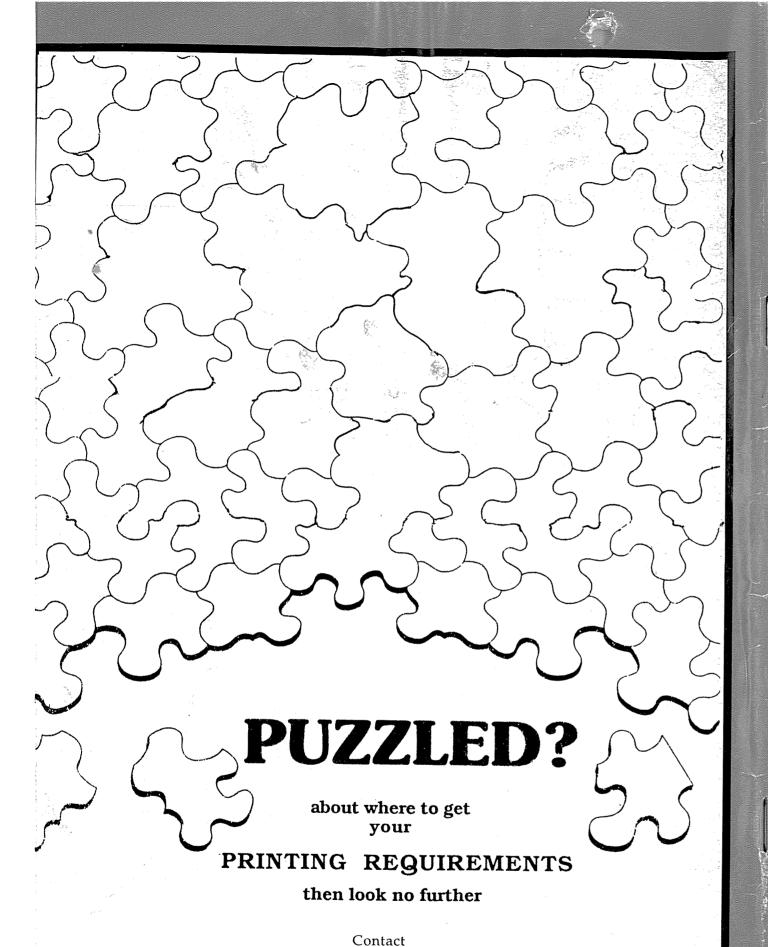
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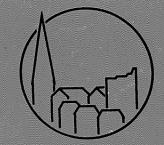
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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Editorial

A simple question. What has Kildare Co. Council got against the north of the county? Apart from the motorways our road system is in a deplorable state, there are few public sports facilities and no public swimming pool. The three main towns in the area - Leixlip, Celbridge and Maynooth - now have a combined population of over 35,000 yet they seem to be the poor relation as far as Co. Council expenditure is concerned. We all know that local authorities are not properly funded. In fact the most significant cutback in public expenditure in the last twenty years has been the cuts in finance being paid from the central exchequer to local authorities. In Kildare this seems to be compounded by the fact that the north of the county does very badly when these limited funds are being allocated. As the fastest growing area of the county, with the densest population and the busiest roads you might expect that the reverse would be the case and that Leixlip - Celbridge -Maynooth would be receiving the bulk of the Co. Council's

Just how bad the situation is has been highlighted in the Labour Party notes in this issue. Kildare Co. Council, out of its total allocation of £850,000 for county roads in the county, has allocated £64,000 to the Celbridge Electoral Area covering Leixlip, Celbridge, Maynooth, Kilcock and Ardclough. That's 7.5% for an area including a third of the population of the county. Now is the time for a Unilateral Declaration of Independence. County North Kildare has a certain ring to it.

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- 8.55am Birthday File

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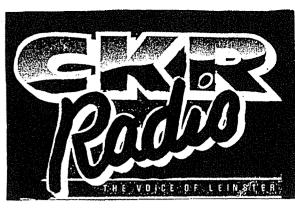
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ie Square

ie County Council plans for the Square have already been tlined. The Celbridge Area County Councillors have asked r an information meeting on the plans in the near future. le Community Council hope to be invited to this meeting. If u have any suggestions for what should, or should not, be t in the Square write to the Community Council or ring 85922.

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Our Pitch & Putt team went to Mosney as Leinster champions and did not let the county or province down in any way. Over 18 holes, Brid Ann O'Shea hit 64, Suzanne Butler shot 69, Margaret Callaghan scored 70, Gillian O'Hurly 74, while Emma Cullinane scored 75. On 203, the girls were only 10 points behind the winners Kerry. This young team are all underage for next years competition and we wish Mattie and the girls the ultimate success in 1996.

Congratulations to Emma Howard-Williams on winning her way to the finals in the modelling competition, and to our athletes who represented Kildare on the day.

Results as follows:

David Campbell - Silver - 800 m

Muire Ennis - 4th - 200 m.

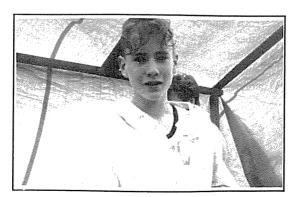
Pierre Ennis - 7th - 600 m.

Lyn Brennan gave an excellent performance in 800 m. Many thanks to our athletic manager Marie Gleeson who travelled to Mosney to see the athletes in action and for her encouragement all the way.

Secretary



Muire Ennis, Pierre Ennis, Lyn Brennan, David Campbell with secretary of the Community Games Kathleen Mullarkey on their return from Mosney



David Campbell, silver 800m

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I.C.A. NOTES

It was lovely to see so many at our September Guild meeting and it was especially nice to see so many new faces. Our President, Marion Souhan, welcomed all the members both old and new and hoped that they had enjoyed their Summer break.

Marion sympathised with one of our members, Felicity Satchwell, on the death of her mother, Mrs Patricia Kinahan. Mrs Kinahan was a founding member of Maynooth I.C.A. and also had the honour of being it's first President. The sympathy of our Guild was also extended to the family of the late Mrs Hannah Flood, another founding member of our Guild. Sadly Mrs Helga Staunton, a former member, also passed to her eternal reward recently and we sympathise with her family. May they rest in peace.

Marion congratulated all the ladies who painted the outside of our hall during the summer months. She thanked Rosemary Hanley and her family who helped replace all the windows that had been vandalised. We have been forced, due to the continuous vandalism, to place steel grids on our windows. We would like to thank the Old Peoples Committee for the generous donation towards this repair work.

Drama and Art

Our Arts Promoter, Pattie Lavin, is busy at present organising our drama group for the forthcoming Federation Drama Competition. This year the event will take place in Kilteel Hall on 14, 15, 16 November. Anyone interested in going on stage or helping back stage should contact Pattie at 6286696.

Pattie has also plans to hold Art Classes for Beginners in our Hall in the Autumn. Ladies who are interested in these classes can contact Pattie at the above number.

Crafts

Our Craft Promoter, Mary O'Gorman, has organised a class in Quilting which will be given by Mrs Sheila Burdock. So great has the interest been in quilting that this class is now booked out. However, Mary hopes to see many old and new members at the regular craft classes in our Hall on Monday nights (8.00 p.m.) and Wednesday mornings (10.30 a.m.).

Badminton

Our Sports Officer, Margaret Houlihan, is putting the sports ladies through their paces on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the parish Hall. Margaret is there from 10.45 a.m. and new members will be made feel very welcome.

An Grianan

A draw for two part scholarships to An Grianan was held at our September meeting. All paid up members had their names entered in this draw and the two lucky winners were Teresa Mooney and Hester Devane. These ladies can avail of the scholarships in 1996. May Haren who won an ESB full scholarship earlier this year is off to An Grianan soon and we hope she has a wonderful time.

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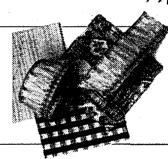
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ne Dancing

arion Souhan, our President, was making sure that we were back into the swing of things at our September meeting er the long, hot, lazy summer. After the business of the seting and when we had finished our 'cuppa' we had line ncing. Bernie Lavin got us all moving to the songs of Garth ooks. Well done to all who participated in this bit of craic d thanks to Bernie for coming along and showing us some the steps.

ext Meeting

ir next meeting will be held in our hall at 8.00 p.m. on Thursy 5th October. The competition on that night will be for the Idest Irish Coin', according to our contest secretary Jo Connell. Veva Kearins will be holding a members 'Bring d Buy' at this meeting too. This is to finance the part scholships to An Grianan. New members are always welcome to me along to our meetings.

nnie Harpur,

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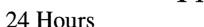
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evelopment

ie No Name Club was formed in Kilkenny in 1978, there are we clubs throughout many parts of the country. A National tecutive was formed in 1982, and the organisation is recognised the government. The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club was fixed in 1993 as a result of a need in the local community to dress the problem of under age drinking and lack of suitable tertainment for young people in the local community.

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is specifically to:

rovide a positive alternative to the pub and reduce the pressure nich forces people to an over dependence on alcohol. emonstrate that it is both popular and possible to organise end and enjoy a social event with out the aid of alcohol. se voluntary effort to train and educate young people as ormed community leaders with a responsible attitude towards nking habits.

reate an awareness, in the community generally of the positive ints to be gained by everyone when there is a reduced pendency on alcohol.

tivities

ese vary from club to club, however in the Maynooth Kilcock Name Club a normal club function is normally a disco sceded by a local young band. Refreshments are provided in form of non-alcoholic cocktails and minerals. Party nights, ecial Events, Competitions, etc. all form part of the overall gramme of activities, but the occasion is largely based on 1, informality and friendliness.

nera

e proper planning and organisation of a No Name Club is vital its success and depends largely on three factors;

he adult committee and other adult supervisors. (There is a astant need for more adults to become involved, with varying els of commitment. If you are interested don't leave it to lers, ring one of the contact people listed below today.) he hosts and hostesses.

ne venue.

e Committee

adult committee comprised of interested, able and committed ilts who can work well with young people is important, wever they can not make a success of the club on their own. Even the most dedicated committee need additional help from other adult's to supervise the various functions.

The Hosts and Hostesses

These are young teenagers, usually Leaving Cert. age group drawn from the local communities of Maynooth and Kilcock. These hosts and hostesses are selected by interview and then undergo a course designed to aid in their self-development, train them to take an active role in the organisation and running of the club and to be a positive influence to their peers.

The Venue

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The Solution

Encourage your teenager to take an active role in the club by applying for a position as a Host/Hostess, ensure they have applied for their No Name Club ID Card and when they are going out ensure that it is to a properly supervised venue such as the No Name Club.

Interested

Contact any of the following for further details; Martin Caine (Chairman) Ph: 6286234. Melanie Oliver (Secretary) Ph: 6285918. Paul Burke (Ass. Secretary) Ph: 6289601.



Mr. Paul Daly, Moyglare Road, Maynooth, winner of the August Crossword, being presented with his prize by Ms. Lucy Egan on behalf of the sponsors, the Mill Wine Cellar.

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ne past few weeks have been busier than usual with our flag eek-end and our new music classes to take care of.

ag Week-End

ur Annual flag Week-end from 1st to 3rd September was as er given excellent support by all our loyal friends the resints of Maynooth and the surrounding area. We have always en proud to say that the only reason for Maynooth Band to ase playing will be through lack of members and never from ck of financial support. We would like to thank all concted with the success of the week-end including Quinnsworth, e local Hostelry Proprietors and especially the residents of aynooth, (Some of whom donated more than once).

ew Music Classes

ar classes should be up and running early this month and u will find more information on this together with photoaphs from our Open Night elsewhere in the Newslettler.

igagements

e finished up our Summer season with a visit to the Moyglare ud meeting on Sunday 10th September. The Stud have been onderful supporters of the Band for many years and we were ly too happy to add to the atmosphere of the occasion. We are happy to share the limelight with the Artane Band who ovided the music for the second half of the afternoon.

ew Members

n glad to report that we are making steady progress on this ont and another musician came forward at our Open Night d should be settling back in for the Winter by the time you ad this. If you have played an instrument before (excluding pes, piano and accordion) you would be most welcome to in us any Monday night between 8.30 and 10.00 o'clock.

ace Night

seems hardly a year since our last Race Night but we will be nning it again next month. We have had wonderful support the past and we would just remind you that if you wish to onsor a race (£50) or a horse (£10) please give Paddy Boyd all at our sponsors, Maynooth Office Supplies on the Dub-Road (Tel.; 6289133).

iat's about it for this month, see you in November.



ne Open Night organised by St. Mary's Band on Monday th September was a huge success. Over 75 willing and



budding musicians turned up (as well as some parents of the younger applicants) to hear details of the new Music Classes starting in October. It was heartening to see some not so young applicants who are keen to learn. At the time of writing aptitude tests are planned for 17th September and the classes will be organised at the various levels to suit the abilities of the members. As things look at the moment we could have a first class recorder band as well as a Senior Band. We would like to thank all those who turned up on the night and hope they will all stick with the early learning process until they reach the instrumental stage when they can really appreciate the pleasure of being a member of a large musical combination playing music ranging from The Beatles to Stevie Wonder and Glenn Miller.

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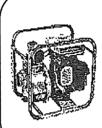
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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our October party will be held in the Post Primary School on Sunday 22nd at 3.30 p.m. This will be our Hallowe'en party, but with a difference, as we are celebrating our Pearl Jubilee. Yes, that's right, we have survived for thirty years. To mark this occasion we are publishing a booklet on the history of the committee. Everything you ever wished to know about our committee will be contained therein.

The booklet will be available on the day and thereafter in Donovan's Newsagents in Greenfield and in the Maynooth Bookshop.

At this point I would like once again to thank Mary Cullen for he time she has afforded us over the past year, despite her busy schedule. Many thanks also to Donovan's Newsagents, Barton's Transport, Séamus Grant, Billy McCrory, David Geoghegan, Joe Buckley, Moyglare Nursing Home, Maynooth Bookshop and Maynooth/Kilcock No Name Club for their generous sponsorship.

We are looking forward to seeing many old friends on the day as all the former committee members will be invited. If by chance we overlook anybody and you are a former member, blease feel free to come along.

Of course when all the celebrations are over we will be knucking down to hard graft again and of course knocking on your loors for items for our Sale of Work which takes place in the Parish Hall on Sunday, November 19th. There will be more letails about this in next month's issue.

Dur Senior Citizens are home from their week in Kerdiffstown Holiday Home and by all accounts they had a wonderful week. They met some lovely people there from Blackrock, Booterstown, Laois and Cork.

Dur club activities are in full swing now and any senior cititiens wishing to attend need only turn up on Tuesday or Thurslay mornings at the I.C.A. Hall or alternately contact me at 5285206 or any committee member. Wherever you live in Maynooth, there is a committee member in that area.

Finally, our deepest sympathy to Paddy Lynch on the death of is wife Peig and the Nelson family on the death of their mother Kathleen, who was a former member of our committee. May hey both rest in peace.

losephine Moore



SCOUTS

Summer is over and all Scouts, Cubs and Beavers are back at school and looking forward to another year.

Regular meetings of all sections have not yet resumed but all members are being contacted.

Our Annual Mile of Money will take place on Saturday 14th October. Your support in the past is appreciated and we look forward to it continuing.

Leader meetings are being held at present and our calendar of events will soon be ready.

Finally, have you ever thought of trying your hand as a leader? Why not? If you are over 18 and would consider it contact: Tony Muldowney or Cathal Gaffney. You are only committing yourself to having a chat.

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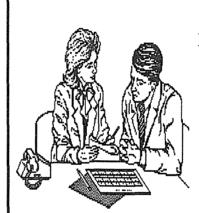
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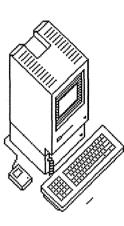
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October Meeting

This is our A.G.M., Party night and Fun night. It will be held on Tuesday 17th October in the Boys School, Moyglare Road starting at 8 p.m. This is when eight of our members show off heir talents by doing an exhibit within a specified time. The heme is "Modern Trends" and Nancy McKeever will adjudicate and discuss each exhibit individually.

The competition for the September meeting was a "Bedtime Story" for all classes and the results were as follows.

Class A.

1st - Felicity Satchwell, 2nd - Mary Doyle, 3rd - Noeleen D'Brien, Highly Commended - Sarah Angel and Commended Mary Cleary.

Class B.

st - Maureen Stephens, 2nd - Annette Carroll and 3rd - Moira Baxter.

Elass C.

st - Jo O'Connell, 2nd - Ann O'Dwyer,

rd - Toni Read and Commended - Mary Strickland.

'lant Competition.

Dahlia 1st - Phyllis Reade

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Shrubberies

These past few weeks as always were busy times for the 'green fingers' of Old Greenfield. Adults and children alike, side by side, digging and planting. Well done to one and all for their help. A special thanks to all the children who watered the shrubs during the dry spell, bath water I hope!!

At time of print our work had started on the main focal point of our estate, that being the shrubbery in phase one. We take this opportunity to thank SIAC for the stones. Hopefully, in a few years we will all have something to take cuttings from! Also at time of print, the shrubbery at the top of phase three had not been finished, as you read this we hope it will have been!

As you read this, the Old Greenfield name plate should also be in place. An official launch is planned. The opposite corresponding sign will not be erected for a while as SIAC have informed us that wall will be one of the last to be built.

Just a quick mention of the Hallowe'en party for children. Final decision is to be made at the next monthly meeting on Monday night 2nd of October, Boys' National School. This party will be advertised in local shop windows. As most children enjoy the traditional 'trick or treat', on Hallowe'en night, we might consider something for the previous Saturday night. News to follow.

K.C.C. have informed us of their Tidiest Estate Competition, to be judged in late September early October. We would take this opportunity to ask all residents and children to make that extra effort in keeping our area clean.

Christmas Dinner Dance

Don't panic! It's still eleven weeks or so; but we do need approximate numbers for booking. Venue and prices are being negotiated at present. More news to follow next month in this **Newsletter**.

Sympathies

Sincere sympathies to Rose Comerford and her family on the death of her husband and a dear neighbour, Kevin. Kevin was a much respected and liked man, his passing is deeply regretted. May he Rest in Peace.

We offer our deepest sympathies to the Nelson family on the death of their dear mother. Mrs. Nelson was a dear neighbour

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Congratulations

We take this opportunity to congratulate Janette and Justin on the birth on their new baby boy. Another grandchild for Josie and Paddy Doonan and Mr. and Mrs Thompson. Best wishes to all.

Congratulations to Maeve and Peter McNamara on the birth of their new daughter Sophie.

Happy belated birthday to greenfingers Doreen.

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Don't forget to come along yourself any Wednesday night from 9 p.m. to the G.A.A. for an entertaining night of Céilí dancing. Everyone welcome, especially beginners.

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As the 1995-1996 academic year begins, it brings some 4,000 people - 900 or so of them new students, to the college and to Maynooth. The college has prepared its staff, timetables and courses. Landlords have freshened up their houses and the shops await the extra trade. For at least three years these students will study, sleep, eat, shop and socialise in our town. They'll be dealing with everybody in the college and community.... from their first day at admissions when they receive an I.D. card to their graduation ceremony when they receive a degree from the daily paper to weekly groceries from publican to doctor. The organisation which represents these new residents as a body is the Students' Union. It's concern is the students well being in all definitions. Looking after everything from accommodation, health, sports, entertainment to education and rights - each student will use the organisation for hundreds of small transactions and often they look after major obstacles which these students may encounter, during their few years living in Maynooth.

The men at the helm of this operation are the President of the Students' Union, Philip Cunningham and the Vice-President John Mc Grath. For the next year they've taken on the responsibility which the Students' Union office brings. Philip from Kilgraigue, Kilcloon, studied at the college, and has recently completed a Higher Diploma in Education. Last year he taught in the local Post-Primary School. He feels the Union should "look at itself as a representative body", becoming a focus of the students in Maynooth and tackling important issues of students. These include the problems of late payment of grants, reduction in grants for mature students and an accommodation shortage. At the moment his office is preparing an orientation week for the new first years. This week is designed to accustom the new arrivals to the academic, social and practical life of being a student/resident in Maynooth. Garda Martin Caine, the college chaplain and various college staff will be speaking alongside the various officers of the Union. A handbook has been prepared. Philip is pleased to continue the Union's contact with Garda Caine and the "NO-Name Club". He's "proud to be associated with this type of community activity" and hopes to foster an even deeper co-operation with the people of Maynooth.

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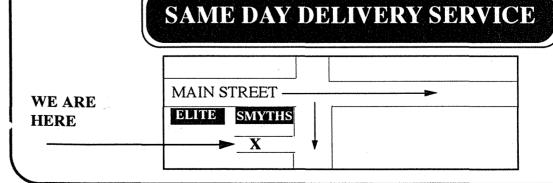
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The portfolio of Welfare is held by the Vice-President, John Mc Grath. He realises that "you can't bridge the gap between secondary and third level education within a week". The October's orientation is part of an ongoing, year long process to help students to come to terms with both studying and living in a new environment. Originally from Cork, John has just completed a B.A. in Theology and History. The appeal of Welfare for him is to "cater for the individual student". Accommodation is his immediate concern due to it's 'crisis state'. At the time of writing, they've over one hundred people waiting for housing - which is only a percentage of the total without accommodation. The increases in the number of students, the number of Intel workers living here and the By-Pass making Maynooth "commuter-friendly", has placed strain on the already sparse supply of housing. Landlords favour a twelve month contract to the students' eight months. Therefore, the poorer housing tends to be offered to students. "Students deserve quality accommodation like everyone else", he insists "we'll be taking a very firm line on landlords offering substandard residence to students".

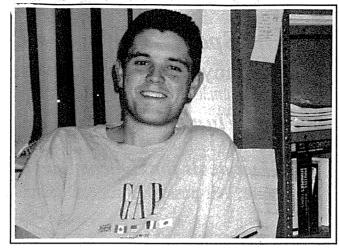


Philip Cunningham (President)

On the relationship between students and residents, he believes both parties should avoid confrontational attitudes. "Students don't always give residents the respect they deserve and residential committees don't often encourage them to join". "If any residents approach me, I'll encourage students to join the earlier the better, before problems begin". "It's an inconsiderate minority who cause problems, the majority like to think they can have a relationship with their neighbours".

He insists that with repeat offenders he'll take a position very sympathetic to the residents. John hopes that residents' first course of action will be to contact the Union after all it is it's members who may be at fault. 7083669 is the Union's number and John would welcome problems or suggestions directed to his office. The Union's keen to confront any problems early in the year, in a non-confrontational manner, "we should unite not divide", is John's philosophy.

For example, roads and lighting are common concerns. Rather than small organisations lobbying alone, why not join forces with an organisation which represents over 4,000 members. "After all", John believes, "we're all living in the same town".



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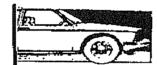
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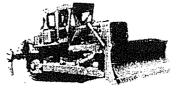


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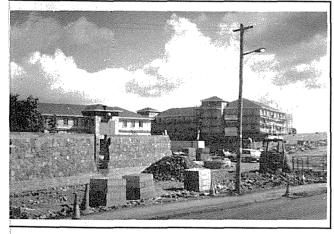
HEALTH WARNING: HAY THERE!!

"Your eyes are bright red and you've got blotchy skin, For Heaven's sake man where on earth have you been"? I've been on a farm where I had to load hay, And I've never put in such a terrible day, thought I'd be driving a tractor and baler, And to make matters worse I forgot my inhaler. So I'm out in this field and it's thirty degrees. And this guy just keeps saying "hay loadin's a breeze!". Well if this is a breeze, to myself I was sayin', When the hurricane comes, I sure won't be stayin'! Then we move from the field into this 'hot-house' shed, And I'm stacking up bales until I'm almost dead, My arms look worked on by an army of ants, And the sweat makes me look like I've peed in my pants. My appearance in all could be taken as proof, That the day's pollen count had gone right through the roof. Then they carted me home and the evening I spent, Lying flat on my back in an oxygen tent. So let me say something that may sound absurd, n my book this 'HAY' is a four letter word.

2.S. Now everyone knows I'm not one for complainin', But why can't those guys bring in hay when its rainin'.

Sommy Campbell. Fraiguepottle.

COONAN PRESS RELEASE



le: Glenroyal Centre Maynooth

Messrs. Coonan, Maynooth, agents for the above mentioned entre are pleased to announce the opening in mid-October of his exciting complex being developed by Glenkerrin Homes imited in the expanding University town of Maynooth 15 hiles from Dublin.

uptly named GLENROYAL CENTRE (which is bounded by ne Royal Canal) it comprises of a shopping centre, hotel, leiure centre and apartments and being located beside the Main treet will add considerably to the facilities of the town.

he shopping centre will comprise a 11,000 sq.ft. Super Valu upermarket, together with 9 shop units from 500 to 1,000 sq. t. which will include a newsagency, chemist and coffee/sandich bar amongst its variety of shops. Units available for rent rom £175.00 to £300.00 per week.

Offices overhead for sale or to let are from 500 to 2,000 sq.ft. and the letting of the shops and letting/sale of the offices has just been launched by the agents. They are delighted with the enquiry to date for both the shops and offices and anticipate completing a 100% let in the course of the next few weeks.

The hotel includes 28 bedrooms, restaurant, lounge and function rooms. Planning Permission has been lodged to extend same to a 48 bedroom unit with conference room together with leisure centre adjoining which will serve both the hotel and people of the town. The development will be finalised by 36 two bedroom apartments to be built in 1996.

Maynooth has become a very important industrial base with the existing Intel factory employing up to 3,000 people and the likelihood of expansion there which will mean an additional 1,500 jobs in the complex.

Also Hewlett-Packard have recently announced the setting up of a major industrial complex only 4 miles from Maynooth which will initially employ 1,100 people and could expand considerably thereafter.

These two major industrial players will also most likely encourage others to come into the North Kildare area in the near future so job prospects are better for the young population in the area than in most other parts of the country.

Maynooth is becoming extremely popular with the recent opening of the (M4) motorway which combined with the existing excellent transport service to Dublin by rail and bus makes it a very suitable town for people working in the city to live in. Additionally its traditional University which is continually expanding and the atmosphere of rural living which the town retains gives it further attractive qualities for those wishing to reside in the area.

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No previous experience of writing is necessary - just enthusiasm and an open mind. Contact Athy, Naas or Maynooth Libraries to enrol before 29th September 1995. All enquire: Mary Linehan Arts Officer (045) 431215.

Ted McNulty

Ted McNulty is a Dublin writer, the author of two collections of poetry, and a former journalist and university lecturer.

He was raised in New York City by parents from counties Cavan and Clare and was graduated from Fordham University, the Bronx, and from Princeton University. He worked as a newspaper reporter and later for Newsweek magazine. Most recently, he was a lecturer in English at Towson State University, Baltimore, Maryland.

Since coming to Ireland, his writing has appeared in some fifty journals here and abroad, and his work has won the writer-of-the year and poetry prizes in the Hennessy/Sunday Tribune Literary Awards. His books, "Rough Landings" and "On The Block" are published by Salmon Poetry/Poolbeg Press.

He has given creative writing workshops in community venues, inner-city schools, and at Wormwood Scrubs prison, London

Theatre News

Yanci in his own one-man show will present Yanci 'The Magic' in Kilcullen Theatre on 13th October at 8.00p.m. The production is supported by Kildare County Council. Tickets available at Kilcullen and Newbridge Libraries, price £5.00. Enquiries to Arts Officer at 045-431215.

Mary Linehan, Arts Officer



EYE HEAR



Assault in Local

A local man enjoying a drink on the occasion of his birthday was attacked and assaulted in a Maynooth pub early in the month.

Having a pint with some friends he was attacked from behind by a cudgel-wielding female that looked like something from the Flintstones.

The onslaught was so quick and severe he could offer no resistance as he was beaten all over his body including places he would not show.

Beaten into submission he was then forced to remove the Zoolike creature's garter with his teeth. She continued her physical assault and added some verbal abuse also.

The tyrebiter then escaped in a Hosanna the Hiace leaving the pub in a state of shock.

The van was stopped in Ballyfermot where they were taken for interrogation. Typical of the law in the country she was later released. A spokesperson from Ballyer said "she did not hit him half hard enough".

A week later the same creature wielding her "báta fada" assaulted a local businessman in the neighbouring pub with the same degrading results.

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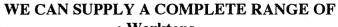
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A four-minute element of a holiday in Spain is recalled by P. Caulfield

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I was never on a roller-coaster in my life and when I looked at this from a distance I wondered if I should abandon sanity for the four minutes it would take to have a go. As I said, I decided to take the plunge (several of them!) and join the long queue of people with no sense.

From miles off, you can see the thin strip of metal rail rising hundreds of feet into the air in a series of loops and dips and twists, and from a half mile off you can hear the screams of the passengers. I decided to have a go on the basis that everyone so far had survived it, so why should I be any different? This self-assurance didn't prevent the palms of my hands from becoming noticeably wetter as the queue in front of me became shorter and my moment of truth drew nearer.

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Deep breaths are taking place all round as you reach the very top because you are now staring into space on all sides as you look in every direction from an incredible height. This situation does not last long because in a couple of seconds you are going over the top and staring down an almost vertical fall, down which you go at a terrifying speed. The force of the drop carries the car onward through a complete loop and as you are at the uppermost part of this loop you are upside down and you are completely disorientated. The pace of the fall out of this loop and each following one carries you on to the next. The barrel rolls are possibly even more horrific than the loops and I was definitely asking myself before the car made its final approach to the end what I had let myself in for. By the time the car was slowing up I was feeling glad it was over.

What a joy it was to be upright again. It was great to be able to walk once more — even if it was with a slight wobble at first! The most lasting memory of it was how totally out of your control everything is until the ride is over — you never have the option of saying "this is too much, I want to get off".

However, when it is all over you do have the option of saying "Never again". However, maybe my resolve will have weakened if I ever find myself there again — I'm not sure.

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WEDDING OF JOHN (SPIN) NOLAN

On Friday, 28th July, a merry band of travellers assembled at Dublin Airport to travel to "Lee-on-Sea", Southend, Essex, to join in the celebration of the marriage of the very popular local lad, John (Spin) Nolan and the lovely Miss Frances Durcan. John had departed a few days earlier with his very competent Best Man-To-Be Derek Murray. On arrival at Stansted, John had a coach waiting to take everyone to the "Tower Hotel" where accommodation had been booked for everyone the January previous.

On arrival Liam (Smoker) Farrelly was quick to inform the proprietor in a good natured manner to "stock up" it was going to be a long-weekend. Much to the delight of everyone. including the other guests in the Tower Hotel, the pre-wedding celebration got off to a great start, great Irish ballads were sung by Paddy Foy, Joey Edwards, Angela Tracey, Pat Connolly and Tom Dempsey. Cha Farrelly was magic on the mouth-organ as was Sean Tracey on the tin-whistle. The singing and dancing went on until dawn.

Fr. Scully, a Co. Offaly man, performed a beautiful wedding ceremony at St. Patrick's Church on Saturday the 29th, attended by a large number of guests from Ireland, England and America, and Maynooth man Martin Scanlan flew in from Germany. A fabulous wedding reception took place in the adjoining hall where everyone ate and drank their fill. The most asked question that we asked each other was "when do we buy a drink" but alas "mine host" had it seen to that we did not. Sunday morning we prepared to return to Maynooth not without a good session to "cure ourselves".

We departed the "Tower" in great "spirits" to travel to "Stansted" for our homeward journey. John and Frances are now living amongst us in Maynooth and we wish them every happiness from all their families, neighbours and friends.

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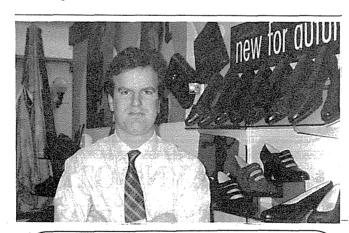
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The shop are Clarke's specialists, but concentrate on all the leading brands — K, Lotus, Dubarry, Echo and street or casual shoes. You'll be immediately attracted to his new range of Pepe and Wrangler boots, which cut a very comfortable and stylish profile. Next spring they'll be stocking the exclusive Levi footwear range.

In terms of price Moffitt's has been found cheaper on a wide range of brands, but it's the local service which keeps shoppers happy to purchase their footwear in a familiar, friendly environment. Stephen is not planning any out of the ordinary opening ceremony — it's enough for him to continue the level of quality, specialist, keenly priced and friendly service that the people of Maynooth have come to expect from our local shoe shop.





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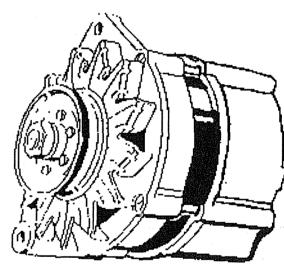
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Helping him keep up the excellent level of service are James' long standing staff. Bridget Waldron, Edel Maguire and Shauna Kavanagh are the local faces most people have been familiar with 'for more years than they care to remember'. Ciara McCluskey from Castleknock studies in the college and is also on the team.

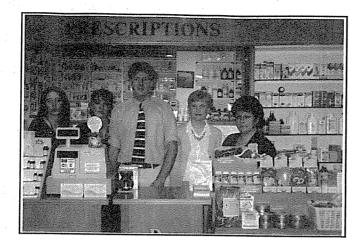
Mr. Lanigan will be extending the opening hours to 9.00am -8.00pm (Mon - Fri) and 9.30am - 6.00pm (Sat), which he hopes will suit people working until 6 o'clock either here or in Dublin. He intends expanding the already extensive range of cosmetics, make-up and perfume and will be introducing an ear-piercing service.

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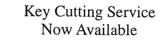
At the moment Brian lives in Lucan but he's intent on moving to Maynooth in the near future. He's delighted to continue and extend on the services very well provided on the Main Street for 35 years. After working for two years in Castleknock and two years in Dunboyne with Sean McElroy, he's pleased to be settling in Maynooth. James McCormack was a good friend of his Father and he's proud to continue both his excellent service and friendly relationship with Maynooth.



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However, when it comes to naming housing estates or shopping centres it appears that anything goes. All around Ireland developers are slapping 'posh' names on our landscape without a by-your-leave and now Maynooth is to have its very own Glenroyal Shopping Centre.

Where in the name of God did they come up with that name? If anyone knows of any local association the **Newsletter** would like to hear from them. What's wrong with Canal Bank Shopping Centre, Railway Bridge Shopping Centre or The Harbour Shopping Centre?

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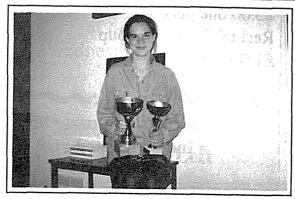
VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT IN BELGIUM

Our trips to Belgium began two years ago when we were invited as special guests to an international tournament in Ertvelde. Then we went to learn and to enjoy ourselves. For the first time we saw volleyball as it ranks on the continent; popular and prestigious. Playing a minority sport in a rampant G.A.A. country is no joke. Sponsorship is pitiful and recognition nonexistent. Eh! Volleyball, that's the tennis-like game with the big net in the middle, isn't it? Not so in Belgium! Volleyball courts as far as the eye could see. Utopia! We had come to enjoy ourselves. Not wanting to disappoint our sponsors we did. (Actually we didn't need much prompting). We marked our arrival by being the only team to sing our national anthem. More than can be said for some "Irish" teams. By the end of the tournament we were the best known team there. Anyone who hadn't heard of the Vipers were either in a world of their own or simply deaf. In fact they all loved us so much that we were awarded the Fair Play Trophy, which consequently isn't as my friend tactfully asked, consolation for the worst team. In fact if the size of the trophy is any type of yardstick to measure importance by, it was the most important prize. And was treated as such. We got a great reception and we were determined to return next year. And we did!.

Trip two was even better than the first. On the first day we won all our matches despite temperature of 30°C. The second day was not as successful and we lost one set in the first match. We still qualified for the play-offs but we were drawn against a higher ranking team. We began by playing brilliantly ensuring a 14-7 lead. (A set goes up to 15). Then, slowly, horribly the other team crept back to win 16-14. We lost the semi-finals but we learnt our lesson. We played superbly in the play-off for third place. The other team hadn't a hope. So we finished third and were content. We hadn't won a prize but we had finished better than last year. As we were starving we decided not to wait for the prize-giving and went in search of food. We had only gone a few metres when Philip, one of our supervisors, came running after us. "There's a prize for third".

Such an about-turn you have never seen. We raced back into the tent and joyfully claimed our trophy. So for the second time we stood up on that platform. Again we promised to return and return we will! So thanks to all who gave a contribution to this trip and if you didn't, don't worry you're sure to see me on your doorstep selling magazines at some stage next year. Please help make a dream come true.

Miriam Gormally



Miriam Gormally with the team trophies

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When it comes to Ceilí Dancing, everybody has heard of "The Walls of Limerick" and "The Siege of Ennis". What about "The Waves of Tory" or "The Bridge of Athlone"?

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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Double Rail Line to Maynooth.

At a recent meeting the Chief Executive of C.I.E. gave an undertaking to Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D., and Cllr. John McGinley that the double rail line between Clonsilla and Maynooth would get top priority. He undertook to have everything in place for this £9.4m project to enable him to put the case for funding to Brussels before the end of the year.

It was pointed out to the Chief Executive that the double line was essential in order to provide a proper service to the people who presently use the trains and in order to attract new cus-

County Council Plans for the Square

Readers of the Liffey Champion would be aware that the Council presented their plans for the Square at a Public Meeting in Maynooth Library on the 17th August. Only the Press attended because the Council told nobody else about the meeting. Cllr. John McGinley has demanded that the Council make another presentation as soon as possible and that the General Public, the Community Council and your Local Councillors be invited along.

Allocation of Discretionary Road Grants

The Government recently allocated £850,000 to Kildare County Council for use on the County Roads. In allocating this money throughout the County the Council officials ignored the elected representatives and did the allocation themselves. The Celbridge Electoral Area was allocated only £64,000 even though the County Roads in the area have the heaviest traffic of any in the County and they are in the greatest need of repair and surface dressing.

Cllr. John McGinely along with his fellow Councillors have demanded a meeting with the County Manager so as to ensure that this imbalance in allocation is rectified as a matter of urgency.

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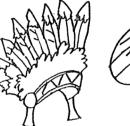
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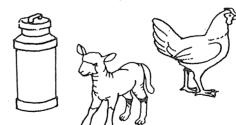






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WALKIN' IN WICKLA

Walk No. 1: From Lugnagun to Black Hill

Pull on your boots and head for the hills!

IF YOU really want to get away from it all—away from all the noises and fumes and hassle of everyday life—then the answer is very simple: head for the hills. It's so easy to take yourself very quickly into an agro-free zone where the air is clear and peaceful and the views are breathtaking: it's quite surprising that lots more people are not doing it.

The most convenient place to direct yourself (if you can organise the transport) is only just down the road. County Wicklow is of course where I'm referring

to — three-quarters of an hour will see you there in the middle of the mountains which are sometimes referred to as the "Garden of Ireland". The natives of the county have a much more basic name for it, however — you'll hear most of them calling it "Wickla".

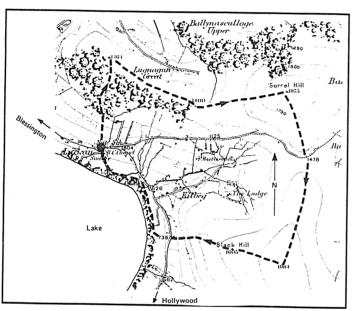
Hill-walking is a very inexpensive pastime once you have got over the initial hurdle of buying the basic gear. After that you will only have transport costs to face, and these will be minimal if petrol costs are shared. However, more about that later — instead we'll talk about some place to go.

Variety of walks

Wicklow offers a huge variety of walks to choose from. You can opt for the awesome or the ordinary or from the very safe to the slightly dangerous. Usually the VERY safe walks are not very exciting, but that need not necessarily be so, as I will point out with the first walk I am proposing. This won't stretch you very much because it is not too long, the climbs are not too steep and it is scenically rewarding. It is a walk of approximately eight miles over some of the hills which overlook Blessington Lakes. If you get good weather with no mist then you'll have memorable views of the lakes throughout almost the whole walk.

You start at the tiny village of Lacken, which is best approached by taking the "Lake Drive" from Blessington. It is well signposted so you should have no trouble finding it. If you park your car near the small grocery shop in Lacken at the Y

junction you will be able to start out on foot from there. Setting out with a compass bearing directly north will see you climbing a not too difficult slope towards a break in the forest on Lugnagun (Log na gCon: the Hollow of the Hounds?). After having gone about a mile you will find yourself leaving the forest and reaching the top of Lugnagun (1,464 feet). From here you will have views of Blessington to the west and on the far side of Lugnagun you will be looking into the Liffey valley where the



river enters the north end of the lake.

Your next most prominent high point of your tour is Sorrel Hill (1,975 feet), which stands approximately two miles due east. About a mile of this section is along a fairly flat part of the ridge of Lugnagun. Your view of the lakes to the south is restricted for about a mile by the forest which is on your right as you walk. You will be free of the forest as you begin your ascent to Sorrel and the views will be marvellous, providing the mist stays away.

Lost in fog

Speaking of mist, it is always sensible to take your compass bearing when you are at an identifiable point which you can refer to on your ordnance survey map or while it is clear, because if you are not at an identifiable point when you become enveloped in fog you will have no point to take a bearing from and you could get lost and possibly have to abandon the walk.

However, in this case the chances of getting lost are much diminished by the fact that there is a recognisable path through the boggy area.

The summit of Sorrel Hill has a big cairn on it and it is also recognisable by the fact that a lot of the peat is eroded, leaving bare granite exposed. You are now at a very good viewpoint, with Kippure clearly defined by the two TV masts to north-east, Sally Gap to the east and the largest section of the lakes to the south-west. From here

you descend almost directly south to the road at Ballynultagh Gap. The point from where you start your ascent to the summit of Black Hill is very clearly identified by the carpark at Ballynultagh Gap. From this point you will have a bog road that will lead you to the summit.

When you reach the top your uphill struggles will be finished. You will now head directly west down towards the lake shore. A little more than two miles will see you down onto the Lacken-Ballyknockan road. At this point you turn right to make your way back to Lacken, approximately two miles away, where you'll be

able to ease off the boots, put on more civilised footwear and take awell-earned rest before heading home. You will at this stage have walked about eight miles and it might take you four to five hours. Go n-éirí an cnoc leat!

P. Caulfield

What do you need?

If you want to take up mountain walking and be kitted out for all weathers, then there is basic equipment which you will need, including the following: boots, heavy woollen socks and light woollen socks (to be worn inside the heavy woollen ones), gaiters, rain gear (jacket and pull-ups), warm zipped jacket with hood, hat, weather-proof gloves, waterproof haversack, half-inch or one-inch ordnance survey map of the area you are walking in, compass, half-litre flask, small lunch box. This gear will cost you possibly about £200 pounds but once it is bought any further expenses will be extremely small. Page 153 of the Yellow Pages will give you plenty of shops in Dublin to go to, under the heading "Camping Equipment and Supplies".

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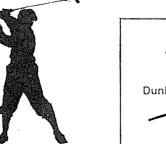
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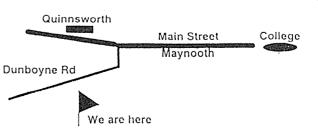


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AUTUMN GARDENING HINTS

Autumn leaves make a wonderful pageant of colour from now until they finally fall. However with the long dry spell this summer, leaves will fall quickly this autumn and in fact as I write this in early September, there is an abundance

of leaves already on the ground. Fallen leaves should be raked up within a few days where they're covering lawns and plants, or they could vellow and damage foliage. Leaves can be left to rot down on bare soil. Make leafmould by storing collected leaves in a wire netting container, or in black polythene bags with a few holes pierced in the sides. In a year or so you'll

Berries are an invaluable source of food for birds. They prefer red and orange so the white, yellow or pink ones will be left until last or not even touched in a mild winter. It's worth planting a mixture - some for you to enjoy and some for the birds. Rowans are excellent year-round trees with flowers in spring, masses of berries in autumn, and attractively shaped foliage too. Mountain ash or rowan (Sorbus aucuparia) is a particular bird favourite and it's usually weighted down with bunches of red fruit.

have a wonderful soil conditioner.

Crab apples (Malus) are, like rowans, good all-year trees, with attractive spring flowers and autumn fruits. Birds and even butterflies feed on the fallen fruit, and if you can get there first it can be used to make delicious crab apple jelly, so its a very useful tree.

Herbaceous perennials provide Tubs cleared of summer-flowering much of the flower colour in the autumn garden. Those in warm glowing shades are particularly welcome as the weather becomes colder.

Michaelmas daisies (Aster) include



many bright reds and pinks, and these look good when planted with Japanese anemones, which also flower for a long time and bear beautiful pink or white flowers on tall stems. They can become invasive but they're easy to control with a spade and it's well worth it because their flowers are nothing short of superb, and they're good for cutting.

Sedum spectabile is an invaluable autumn perennial with its large flat head of dark pink flowers. Divide it and replant every year though, or it tends to flop. 'Brilliant' has vivid pink flowers and 'Autumn Joy' is rich deep pink.

Tall deciduous shrubs like roses, tree mallow (Lavatera) and butterfly bush (Buddleia) that will be pruned in early spring are best cut back by about a third now to prevent windrocking.

plants can be planted with biennials and bulbs for a gorgeous display of spring colour. Ornamental cabbages are also good plants for winter colour, with attractively shaped heads of white, green or

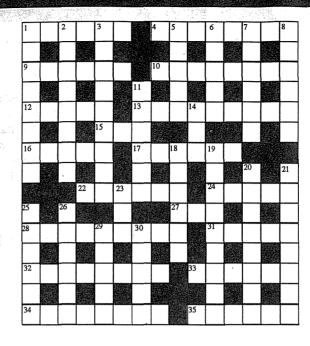
> purple foliage. They're not cheap to buy, though they're fairly easy to grow from seed.

There are also lots of colourful evergreens suitable for containers that will really cheer up your patio for the winter. A hebe planted in the centre of a tub surrounded by winterflowering pansies will look very colourful as

will Euonymus japonicus varieties like 'Marieke" and 'Aureopictus' with green and gold leaves. Varigated box (Buxus) like 'Elegantissima', 'Gold Tip' and 'Aurea Marginata' can be clipped into attractive balls or pyramids if you feel artistically inclined! Dwarf conifers are available in loads of shapes and colours, and they really come into their own in winter when they give the garden some much needed structure.



Crossword No. 95



Entries before 5 p.m., Friday, 13th October, 1995

| Name | | |
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Across:

- I go into the Banner County to meet this girl (6)
- Plugs for goalkeepers (8)
- Unearth something formerly buried (6)
- 10 Is nectar stored in this container? (8)
- You're in an Italian City (5) 12
- 13 Deflated (9)
- 15 Dead on Arrival (3)
- 16 Light weight might make you wince, we hear (5)
- 17 Tender loving angels of mercy (6)
- 22 A smell for the way up (6)
- 24 Pole revered by 11 down (5)
- 27 Prefix signifying three of something (3)
- In the family for generations (9) 28
- 31 Car gets green light for ship's load (5)
- Perk to drive minister round the bends in style (8)
- 33 Sign on to deliver 31 across (6)
- 34 Impolite Scottish monster for this unpleasant characteristic? (8)
- A marriage of convenience in the business community?

Down:

- The whole universe, or just something new to put on?
- A fervent follower who sticks to his opinions? (8) 2
- 3 Aids to memory about bodyguards? (9)
- Run hard and regularly at the station? (5)
- A reproduction to make an impression? (5)
- Points to weary when complete (6)

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- Big step from best riders (6)
- 11 A soft pain for an Indian (6)
- 14 Snooker player's reminder (3)
- A baby, snake or football fan can come with one of 18 these (6)
- 19 Cool reluctance? (9)
- 20 Quality currency? (8)
- Burden or tax for a deceiver? (8) 21
- 23 A bit of a wound (3)
- Famous Film House of Horror, specialising in nailbiters? (6)
- A good 25 Down production would leave you this 26 way (6)
- 29 Severe at the rear? (5)
- Mountain range stinks (5)

Solution to Crossword No 94:

Across: 1, Ulster (anagram); 4, Assesses (ass-esses); 9, Tipple; 10, Cardinal; 12, Morag (more rag); 13, Offspring (off spring); 15, Hop; 16 'Tis it; 17, Pilate (pilot); 22, Inlets (anagram); 24, Aloft (a loft); 27, Sal; 28 Crab apple; 31, Elfin (Elphin); 32, Clear out; 33, Avenue (a venue); 34, Aptitude; 35, Asides (A sides).

Down: 1, Ultimate; 2, Suppress (sup-press); 3, Enlighten (E.N.-lighten); 5, Scarf; 6, End Up; 7, Sin bin (penalty box in ice hockey); 8, Silage; 11, Topple; 14, Sea (high sea, high C); 18, Lessen (lesson); 19, Tealeaves; 20, Confined (con-fined); 21 Stingers; 23, Lip; 25, Acacia; 26 Basest (bassist); 29, Air it; 30, Pound.

Winner of Crossword No. 94:

Fionan Hardiman, Dublin Road, Maynooth

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Preparation time: 15 minutes Total cooking time: 10 minutes Serves 4

4 (460g) chicken breast fillets

1/, cup oil

1 medium green capsicum, sliced 200g sugar snap peas or snow peas

8 cups (750g) sliced Chinese cabbage 4 spring onions, cut into 3cm pieces

2 cloves garlic, crushed

2 teaspoons grated ginger

1 tbls cornflour

1 cup light chicken stock

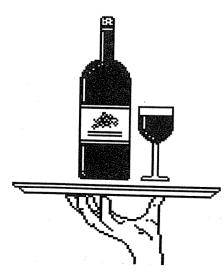
1 tbls oyster sauce

1 tbls sherry salt, to taste

Trim chicken of excess fat and sinew. Cut into thin strips. Heat oil in heavy-based frying pan or wok, swirling gently to coat base and sides. Add chicken and stir-fry over high heat 4 minutes or until browned. Remove from pan, drain on paper towels. Keep warm.

Add capsicum and peas; stir-fry for 2 minutes. Add cabbage, spring onions. garlic and ginger; stir-fry for 1 minute. Return chicken to pan.

Blend cornflour with stock, oyster sauce and sherry until smooth. Add to ingredients in pan. Stir over medium heat for 1 minute or until sauce boils and thickens and chicken and vegetables are tender. Add salt to taste, serve immediately.



SAVOURY CHICKEN LOAF

Preparation time: 30 minutes + 15 minutes refrigeration. Total cooking time: 1 hour 5 minutes Serves 4

40g butter, melted 11/, cups plain flour 1 cup self-raising flour 80g butter, chopped ²/₃ cup water

Filling 1 tbls olive oil 3 rashers bacon, chopped 250g frozen leaf spinach portions 500g chicken mince 1 large tomato, peeled, seeded, finely

chopped

1 red chilli, finely chopped 1 cup grated cheddar cheese

2 tbls self-raising flour

1 egg, lightly beaten

1/4 cup finely chopped fresh continental

salt and freshly ground black pepper, to

Preheat oven to mederately hot 210°C/ 190°C gas. Brush a deep 21 x 14 cm loaf tin with melted butter or oil.

Place flour and chopped butter in food processor bowl. Using the pulse action, process for 20 seconds or until mixture is fine and crumbly. Add water a little at a time; process 15 seconds or until a soft dough forms.

Turn dough onto a lightly floured surface. Knead for 1 minute or until smooth. Roll three-quarters of the dough large enough to cover base and extend over sides of tin. Ease pastry into tin. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate 15 minutes.

To make filling: Heat oil in a medium heavy-based pan; add bacon. Stir over medium heat 8 minutes or until browned. Add frozen spinach. Cook, covered, 12 minutes or until spinach defrosts, stirring occasionally. Cook, uncovered, 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; cool. Combine spinach mixture with remaining filling ingredients. Season. Spoon filling into prepared tin, pressing

large enough to cover tin. Pinch dough edges together. Cut slits in top of loaf. Brush with remaining melted butter. Bake 40 minutes or until well browned and cooked through. Leave in tin 15 minutes before turning out. Serve hot or cold.

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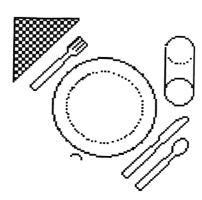
110g (4oz) white breadcrumbs A pinch of salt 110g (4oz) shredded beef or vegetable suet 85g (3oz) golden caster sugar 85g (3oz) currants 85g (3oz) raisins The grated rind of 1 orange 85ml (3 fl oz) milk

110g (4oz) self-raising flour

Mix the flour, breadcrumbs, salt and suet together in a bowl. Stir in the sugar, dried fruit and orange rind. Using a roundbladed knife, add the milk and mix together to form a light, elastic dough. Knead lightly until just smooth. Shape into a neat roll about 15cm (6in) long.

Make a 5cm (2in) pleat across a clean tea towel or large piece of muslin, or pleat together sheets of greased greaseproof paper and foil. Wrap the dough loosely to allow for expansion, pleating the open edges tightly together. Tie the ends with string and make a string handle.

Place the roll in a large pan of boiling water, cover and boil for 11/2, hours. Remove from the pan and place on a wire rack over a plate, to drain. Snip the string and roll the pudding on to a warmed serving plate. Serve sliced with egg custard.



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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The first term of the '95/'96 season started on September 9th and will run until Saturday November 18th. No swimming on Saturday October 28th (pool closed for Bank Holiday weekend). All fees are due by Saturday October 7th. Please note that because we are a non-profit making club, once a place has been booked for a term the full terms fee is then due.

The outgoing committee would like to thank the following for their help and cooperation over the last three years, Bartons Transport staff, Stewarts Sports Centre, the swimming instructors Oliver, Deirdre, Brendan and Celine (who was with us until recently). Also the parents who helped in any way.

We the undersigned would like to acknowledge the commitment of our on-going chairman Owen Byrne and thank him for his guidance and help. Both our treasurers Fionnuala McManus and Bríd Keenan did an excellent job in keeping our financial affairs in order, last but not least Aine Hearns-Kennedy for the efficient way she did the secretary's job. Also thanks to Aine and Pat for the use of their home for our meetings not forgetting the tea and cakes. We wish the incoming committee the best of luck.

Chairman: Owen Byrne.

Secretary: Anne Marie Coyle; Assistant Secretary: Lorraine Rush. Treasurer: Michelle Palmer; Assistant Treasurer: Patricia Moynan.

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MAYNOOTH JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

The Maynooth Junior Badminton Club commences for the new season on Tuesday 26th and Saturday 30th September.

A limited number of vacancies are available (age group 8-16 years). Please contact any of the following committee members:

Mr. W. Coughlan, phone: 628-5378 - Mrs. B. Phelan, phone: 628-5313 Mrs. P. Mc Carthy, phone: 628-9308 - Mrs. O. O'Shea, phone: 628-5440.

The club runs two sessions per week in the Parish Hall. Tuesday, 3.15-5.15p.m. (Beginners/Improvers) and Saturday, 2.00-4.00p.m. (Advanced). Coaching is provided in both ses-

The Club would like to thank Fr. Supple, the Parish Hall Committee, Mr. Joe Buckley, our coaches, Mr. Declan Quigley and Ms. Siobhan O' Riordan and the members of our outgoing Committee for their valued assistance.

B. Phelan, Secretary.

BADMINTON NOTES

The A.G.M. was well attended with regulars and the welcomed return of past members. We're happy to say that fees remain the same for the coming year. The elected treasurer Ann Kinsella, secretary Phil McLoughlin and chairperson Sandy Nolan. The new selectors are Dominic Nyland, Bernie Farrell and Pat Farrell. At the time of reading this article the selectors will have completed their very difficult task and it remains only for the teams to choose the best combination of partners.

With the increased membership we hope to have an even more successful year than last. However, win, lose or draw we hope at least the sessions will be as entertaining and enjoyable as previous years.

MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

So quickly has the summer gone and with it memories of a great year. While Pitch and Putt did not get regular high profile coverage there was certainly some mention of a certain U16's girls' team from Maynooth. Six girls went quietly about the business of qualifying to represent Maynooth in the Community Games Pitch and Putt section. Proceeding to win in Kildare and then in Leinster they continued with their success and travelled to Mosney where they came fourth in the country. This was a sterling performance from a team that has only been together for two years. We at Maynooth Pitch and Putt are proud of their achievements and hope that perhaps the Kildare Community Games Committee can see fit to present these champions with their county medals.

Due credit must be paid to the people who worked behind the scenes with these girls and gave them great support and encouragement. A special acknowledgement goes to Mattie Callaghan who worked tirelessly and at some considerable personal sacrifice to ensure that the girls' team performed to the best of their ability. It would be great to see both our boys' and girls' teams go on to do well in next year's competition.

Currently there is an on-going free draw open to all players between now and the first week of December. Also, we will be running the Christmas competitions again this year. These will begin the first Sunday in October. It is always a sign of the summer being over when we get a phone call from Mr. John Holt in the Post Primary School. Once again John has organised the transition year students into a once-a-week outing to the course. Perhaps some day he can claim fame as the man who launched a new Irish professional!!!

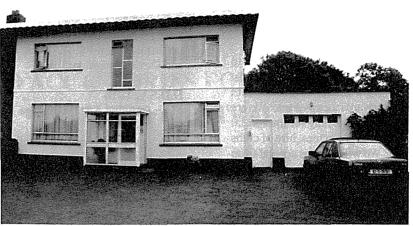
We would like to thank John and all the other groups and organisers who supported us during the year.

During the course of the next few months we hope to continue with our planting programme and to work at bringing the course to a high level of finish. We appreciate the many compliments received during the year and equally appreciate any constructive criticism or advice that players feel is relevant to making the course better. We have every intention of retaining the course open this winter and every effort will be made to provide the best possible playing conditions. We would especially appreciate the players making an effort in repairing

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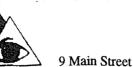
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pitch marks on the greens and replacing divots throughout the course. These two simple tasks would contribute significantly to keeping the playing surfaces in good order. We look forward to seeing you over the coming months and thank everyone for their support during the past season.

Back-to-School Special

Specially for all the parents whose children have gone back to school and find themselves with some time on their hands: Maynooth Pitch and Putt offer you a chance to get out with friends for a game, a chat and afterwards a cup of tea. We are offering this opportunity on a Tuesday morning for the special price of £2.50. This price will include green fees, hire of clubs and refreshments after the game. We will run this special from 26th September until further notice. Any enquiries to Mary at 6285233.

Tony Bean

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

The season is now in full swing on the Senior and Schoolboys front and some results to date have been mixed, but quite promising. Some early season results to hand are as follows.

Leinster Junior League Premier Division

Maynooth Town 1, Glenside Rovers 3

We made our re-entry into the Premier Division after a number of years and some of our younger players found the going tough in the early stages of the game but adapted quite well as the game progressed. Under age keeper Niall Naughton put up a brave show in face of strong opposition and his performance augurs well for the future. Several scoring chances went a-begging for Maynooth, but the number of chances made was promising. Gerry Thompson scored Maynooth's only goal in a game where Keith Cook, Gerry Thompson and Niall Naughton were best.

Yellowstone Celtic 3, Maynooth Town 3

Maynooth showed improved form in this away draw against Yellowstone who have been tipped by many pundits to take the title this season. Maynooth came from behind three times to.gain a well merited draw. Paul Byrne scored Maynooth's first equaliser, but Yellowstone poked their noses in front, but Michael Murphy brought Maynooth level. Yellowstone took the lead late in the game once more, but Michael Murphy scored his second goal to give Maynooth a deserved share of the points. A promising performance against top class opposition. Top performers for Maynooth were Michael Murphy, Joe O'Riordan, Paul Byrne and Joe Smullen.

D.D.S.L. U/17

Broadford Rovers 0, Maynooth Town 4

Maynooth opened their season with this good away win over Broadford Rovers. Maynooth opened the scoring through Freddie Clarke and Niall Daly increased the lead when he cheekily lobbed the keeper. Jason Miley added a third before half-time and Martin Byrne wrapped the game up in the second half with Maynooth's fourth goal. Best for Maynooth were Martin Byrne, Packie Carroll, Freddie Clarke and Carl McKenna.

Harold's Cross 1, Maynooth Town 0

The home side just shaded the honours in this very entertaining game at Harold's Cross. Maynooth's usually sharp forward line missed a number of good chances and paid a dear price. Despite the result Maynooth had a number of good performances in John O'Shea, Niall Naughton, Martin Byrne and David Coughlan.

D.D.S.L. U/16

Maynooth Town 3, Cambridge Boys 2

This was an outstanding result for a rejuvenated Maynooth side who showed commendable spirit in holding out for a narrow but deserved victory. Goals by Danny Byrne, David Leavy and Stephen O'Sullivan provided Maynooth with this merited win.

D.D.S.L. U/13

Maynooth Town 3, Colepark Utd. 3

The main feature of this thrilling game was a sparkling hattrick by man of the match Joe Fleming. Joe was a constant thorn in the visitors' defence and was always available to take the chances provided by his eager team-mates. Best for Maynooth were Aaron O'Neill, Joe Fleming and Sean og Farrelly.

Our ladies team have completed their season and finished a very creditable Runner-up in Division I of the Dublin Women's League Intermediate section. We made our exits at the quarter-final and Semi-final stages of the Cup competitions against teams from higher divisions. With promotion now inevitable it will be a tough new season for the girls but as always they can be relied upon to perform with their usual commitment and skill to bring further honours to the club.

Our second team and the remainder of our schoolboys team should have some games played before the next issue with more results to hand.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

North Kildare League U-11s

Maynooth 4-4, Confey 6-7

It was the first game of the league and for a lot of the boys it was their first morning back in training which showed in the first ten minutes, when they conceded 2-4. However, they kept battling on and had a very good second half. Team: B. Shiels, T. O'Concora, B. Coffey, F. Devereux, A. Sweeney, K. Gannon (capt.) F. Molloy, P. Ennis, C. O'Neill, P. Braughan, J. O'Neil, S. Curran, M. Cummins, S. Broderick, J. Hore. Subs: N. Dunne, E. Diggins.

Under 14; Division Two League Semi-final

Maynooth 0-7, Celbridge 4-9

After being beaten by Celbridge in the league, the Maynooth lads really played some good football in the first half to trail by 5 points to 3 points. Indeed if it was not for missed chances Maynooth would have gone in at half time leading by a few points.

After eight minutes of the second half Maynooth had equalised for the fourth time and were really carrying the game to

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Celbridge. Unfortunately, two bad kick-outs were punished by two Celbridge goals which left a mountain to climb. Maynooth continued to play spirited football, scoring another two points, but at that stage Celbridge were more in control of the game scoring another 2-2. The final score did in no way do justice to a fine Maynooth performance. Team and scores: John Fagan, Barry Doyle, Thomas Halton, Alan Geoghegan, Trevor Cassidy, Darragh Carr, Shane Devereux (0-2), David Campbell (0-2), Peter Kinsella (0-1), Karl Ennis (0-1), William Farrelly (0-1), Aidan McCarron, Alan Baxter, Padraig O'Sullivan, Paddy King. Subs: Shane Pidgeon for Baxter (37 mins) Conor O'Malley for Doyle.

Under 16; Football League Semi-final

Played in Leixlip on Friday, 8th September, at 6.30 p.m. Maynooth 4-10, Confey 2-7

This was one great match with both teams serving up a good hour's football. In the end Maynooth just about deserved their win because they finished the better and took their scores. Maynooth played with the wind in the first half and could only lead at half time by three points: score Maynooth 1-7 to Confey 1-4. Confey now playing with the wind drew level in the fortieth minute and in 43 minutes went ahead by one point, but Maynooth broke down field and had a great goal by Alan Nugent which brought Maynooth back into it from this to the end of the match. Maynooth were on top and ran out good winners. Maynooth scores: J. O'Shea 2-1, A. Nugent 1-1, D. Naughton 0-5, N. Naughton 0-2, O'Guha 0-1, B. Mooney 1-0. Also to play well: E. Gallagher, D. Coughlin, R. Kelly.

Inter Hurling Championship in Sarsfields: Saturday, 26th August.

Maynooth 1-6, Athy 0-7

Athy playing with the wind in the first half went into a threepoint lead. Then after 15 minutes Maynooth got their first score, a great goal by Kieran McGuinness. Athy fought back and led at half time by 0-6. to 1-1. The second half started with Maynooth now playing with the wind but scores were hard come by. It was Mick Nevin who brought Maynooth back into the game with some lovely points. A Pascal Ennis point near the end helped Maynooth to a good win. Best for Maynooth: Mick Nevin 4 pts., Kieran McGuinness 1 goal, Joey Nevin 1 pt., Pascal Ennis 1 pt. also to play well: K. Fagan, L. Commerford, J. Cahill, S. Cushion.

Junior "C" Football Championship in Milltown, Sunday, 27th August.

Maynooth 3-10, Athy 1-4.

Maynooth, playing against the wind in the first half, were the better team and with great work by D. Graham, J. Murray and A. Fay led at half-time by 2-3 to 1-4. On turnover it was all Maynooth and they ran out easy winners. Maynooth scores: J. Lawlor 1-3, T. Byrne 1-1, A. Fay 1 goal, J. Murray 3 pts., A. Fox 1 pt., M. Kelly 1 pt., D. Graham 1 pt. Also to play well: D. Cusker, S. Cushion, T. McTernan, P. Murray.

Junior "B" Football Championship semi-final. Played in Leixlip on Sunday 10th, September. Maynooth 0-13, Confey 0-9.

Maynooth reached the final of Junior "B" Football Championship with a very good win over the fancied Confey team.

From the start it was Maynooth who took control through Hugh Purcell at midfield. He gave his forwards plenty of ball and by half-time Maynooth led by 7 pts to 5 pts. The second half was much the same with Maynooth defence on top and Purcell in form at midfield. Confey tried hard but could not show it on the scoreboard. Maynooth, seven points ahead with five minutes to go, let Confey back into the game but time after time they failed to take their chances, so Maynooth ran out good winners.

Maynooth scores: Derek Murray 4 pts., Joey Edwards 3 pts., Martin Donnelly (Jun.) 3 pts., John O'Toole 2 pts., Vincent Agnew 1 pt. Also to play well: Man of the Match Hugh Purcell, Thomas Farrell, Fergus Devereux, Kevin Dunne, Derek Fleming. Confey scores: M. Costello 3 pts, D. Griffin 2 pts., M. Barrett 2 pts, J. Percival 1 pt., T. Kelly 1 pt. Also to play well: C. Quinn, J. Coyle.

Coming Maynooth G.A.A. Fixtures:

U-21 Football Championship: Maynooth v Grange in Sarsfields on Saturday, 30th September. Sunday, 8th October: Jack Higgins Cup Final.

Maynooth G.A.A.

Lotto Result 27/8/'95: Numbers 5-10-24. Jackpot £250, No winner; 5 x £10, Paddy Treacy, Carol Curtis, Liam Brady, A. O'Sullivan, Matt Doran.

Lotto Result 3/9/'95: Numbers 3-4-5: Jackpot £300, no winner; 5 x £10, Liam Brilly, Mark Nugent, Paddy Mulcahy, Jim Cullanane, G. McNamara.

Lotto Result 10/9/'95: Numbers 3-11-12. Jackpot £350, no winner; 5 x £10, Anne O'Brien, Bartley Connelly, Kenny Moore, Christy Edwards, Liam Jennings.

North Kildare Board Autumn League **Under 13 Football:**

Saturday, 9th September: Maynooth v Leixlip, away. Wednesday, 13th September: Maynooth v Balyna, away. Saturday, 23rd September: Maynooth v Carbury, home. Saturday, 7th October: Maynooth v Sallins, away. Saturday, 21st October: Maynooth v Sarsfields, home. Saturday, 4th November: Maynooth v Cappagh, home.

North Kildare Board Autumn League Under 11 Football:

Saturday, 9th September: Maynooth v Confey, home. Wednesday, 13th September: Maynooth v Sarsfields, home. Saturday, 23rd September: Maynooth v Carbury, away. Saturday, 7th October: Maynooth v Allenwood, home. Saturday, 21st October: Maynooth v Naas, home. Saturday, 4th November: Maynooth v Leixlip, away. Saturday, 18th November: Maynooth v Celbridge, away.

Maynooth G.A.A. Golf Society:

President's Prize (Eddie Dunne): Played in Edenderry Golf club, Saturday, 9th September. Overall winner: Dave Roberts, 44 pts. Class I: 1st, Gerry Long, 39pts.; 2nd, Eamon Ledwith, 38 pts. Class 2: 1st, Martin McInerney, 41 pts.; 2nd Brendan Farrell, 34 pts. 1st 9: Eugene Fagan, 19 pts.; 2nd 9: Matt Doran, 21 pts. Next Outing - Turkey - will be held in Edenderry Golf Club on Saturday, 11th November. Tee times 11.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

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Harriet Oliver of 18, Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth received a very special present for her 6th Birthday on 6th October, 1989. Her sister Katherine was born that morning!

So, both celebrate their birthday on 6th October - Harriet her 12th and Katherine her 6th. Lots of love from Dad, Mum and Brothers Harry and Tom.

Birthday Greetings to Edel Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth who will celebrate her 11th birthday on October 18th. Love from her Daddy, Mammy, Sisters Susan and Claire.

Happy Birthday to Brian Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrates his 8th birthday on the 23rd October. Love from Mammy, Daddy, Sister Aisling and Brother Conor.

Happy Birthday to Julia on the 3rd of October. Wishing you a very Happy Birthday from Mammy and Willie.

Wishing Julia a very Happy Birthday from your friends, the Nolan and Birchall families.

Wishing Anne Birchall a very Happy Birthday from her Husband Norman and her two Boys, Andrew and Alex.

Happy Birthday wishes to Anne Birchall from her Mam, and her two Sisters.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The wife and family of the late Kevin Comerford, 853 Greenfield, wish to express their thanks to all who attended the removal and funeral, those who sent Mass Cards and floral arrangements. A special thanks to the priests of the parish and the doctors and nurses of James Connolly Memorial Hospital. A very special thanks to the McGlynn family for their kindness and their support through Kevin's illness. Thanks also to all the neighbours and friends and to the residents' association for their kindness and support during our sad bereavement. A special Mass will be offered for their intentions.

The Comerford family would like to thank Eugene and staff of M.C.L. Cabs for their kindness and help during our sad bereavement.

SYMPATHIES

Wife, Sons, Daughters, Brothers, Sister, Uncle, Aunt, Brotherin-law, Sisters-in-law, Grandchildren, Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends of Kevin Comerford, Greenfield, Maynooth and formerly of Staplestown and Walsh Island. Wife, Relatives and friends of Frank Hayes, Laurence Avenue, Maynooth and Maynooth College.

Wife, Sons, Daughters, Brothers, Sisters, Relatives and Friends of George Browne, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth; late Russell Avenue. Dublin.

Sons, Daughters, Sisters, Sons-in-law, Daughters-in-law, Grandchildren, Great-grandchildren, Sister-in-law, Nieces, Nephews, Relatives and Friends of Mary Halligan, Station Road, Leixlip. (Nee Newman)

Sons, Brothers, Sisters, Daughters-in-law, Grandchildren, Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends of Kathleen Nelson (Nee Bolgan), Greenfield, Maynooth.

Husband, Son, Daughter, Son-in-law, Sisters, Brother-in-law, Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends of Margaret (Peg) Lynch (Nee Clinch), Maynooth Park, Maynooth.

To the family and many friends of Mrs. Mary (Molly) Halligan of Leixlip, a frequent visitor to Maynooth, to her son Eddie of Old Greenfield. A much loved and respected person she will be missed by all. May she rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES

Belated Happy Wedding Anniversary to Tony and Mary Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Rd, Maynooth, who celebrated their 12th Wedding Anniversary on the 3rd September. Lots of love from their family, Aisling, Brian and Conor, also Liam and Margaret Bean and Thomas and Patricia Bean.

Belated 25th Wedding Anniversary to Matt and Joan Carroll, Dunboyne Rd, Maynooth, who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on the 12th of September. Lots of love from their family and many friends.

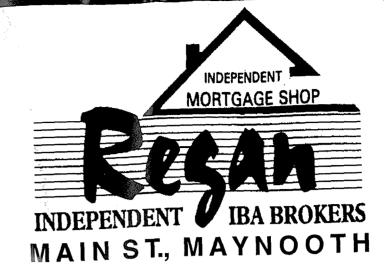
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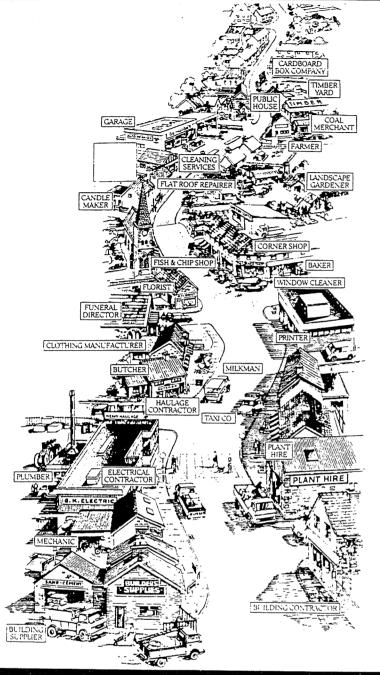
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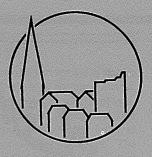
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Glenroyal Hotel

The Glenroyal Hotel will be a 3-star, modern hotel with 28 bedrooms, all ensuite with colour TV. According to reports it will be the first fully integrated computerised hotel in Ireland. The Obelisk 80 seater restaurant and bar will certainly increase the options open to Maynooth's diners and drinkers as will the Glen Lounge bar and carvery with seating capacity for 200 No doubt the Fitzgerald Banqueting Suite will prove popular for weddings, parties and other social functions. Next year the proprietors hope to add another 20 en suite rooms, a health and leisure centre with a 25 meter swimming pool coming on stream later in the year.

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EDITORIAL

In a few weeks time we are being asked to go to the polls again and vote on whether the ban on divorce in Ireland should be removed. Back in 1986 Maynooth, along with all the major urban centres in the country, voted to remove the ban. In rural areas and across much of the west and south of the country people voted in large numbers against the introduction of divorce. The 1986 campaign had been divisive and much of the debate had centered around issues relating to land and property. Many people were certainly scared by the prospect of farms being divided and homes lost. Since then much has changed. A large body of Family Law legislation has been put in place with the result that the 1995 referendum is about the right to remarry. Some still argue that granting this right to remarry will destabilise all marriages and lead to yet higher levels of marital breakdown. On the other hand, the rate of marital breakdown had been climbing steadily since 1986 despite the absence of divorce. There is no one living in Maynooth in 1995 who hasn't some experience of marital breakdown whether within their own family circle, their friends or neighbours. One positive feature of the current debate on divorce is that much of the focus is on its potential impact on children whose fate was almost entirely ignored in the 1986 campaigns. The terms of the referendum and the body of Family Law which now exists certainly help to emphasize the central position of children in the whole business.

On November 25th it seems likely that a majority of Maynooth's voters will vote to remove the ban on divorce. Most will do so not because divorce is a 'good thing' but because they believe some of their less fortunate friends and neighbours deserve a second chance.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

To Pee or not to Pee?

I. like the majority of the 'bladdered' citizens of our town, shared in the euphoria of the recent removal of the public urinals from our town. Obviously though, I am one of the rare few who realises that temporary problems have arisen from the ashes (and sewers) of our former public convenience.

As a male citizen fully equipped with a working bladder, I see no problem in urinating in designated public areas, i.e., behind trees, in bushes, in bins, etc., but it came to my attention recently that others do. As I emerged from a bush last week, a large crowd had gathered having heard my rustling while relieving myself. Imagine my surprise when I emerged from the bushes to be greeted by a hostile crowd. I fled for my life, fumbling with my zip, which unfortunately burst and now requires a safety pin to acquire stability.

Another problem with the recent lack of facilities raised its ugly head while I was urinating in a wheelie bin. I was standing erect in the bin, emptying my bladder when, out of the blue, a blast was released in the square which shook the square and surrounding areas. As a result of my shock and panic, the bin toppled over, I urinated in my trousers and my safety pin caused damage which required medical attention.

I acknowledge that the old public toilets were both futile and ugly. I can remember one instance while urinating there one winter's evening. The interior lights were defunct and as a result I urinated on a vagrant who appeared to be sheltering in the toilets for the night. Despite the lack of facilities, I prefer urinating in the old public toilets than to be subjected to public harassment while relieving myself.

The serious problems which I have brought to light do, in my opinion, have a simple solution. If the enterprises of the Community each provided containers outside their premises which we, the ordinary people of Maynooth, could urinate in, it would make life a lot easier. The container could be brightly coloured, carry a sponsor's name, or

perhaps have a theme running through, for example, clothes shops could place a plastic bag inside a sock, thus indicating that socks were available inside. Or the refuse disposal companies could provide a large skip at the top of the town. Imagine how long it would take to fill a skip, or perhaps the County Council could collect the old green bins and place them strategically around the locality.

However, I see it won't be long until the problem will be rectified, as a fountain is to be constructed in the square. Thank God for that. But what are we to do until then? I hope some shopkeepers are reading this and decide to take the remedial action outlined above.

Yours in wait of relief. Walter Cooper-Keogh.

P.S. How come nobody complains about trains anymore?

Dear Editor,

With the great improvements taking place around Maynooth, it's time something more was done with the Harbour Field. It's a great local resource that is not being utilised to the fullest extent possible. I know that it is used as a football pitch but more could be done with it, given its central location. At present it's not a very pretty sight.

There have been improvements to the canal bank up towards the Rathcoffey Road and these are most welcome. However, the side of the Harbour Field near the ICA Hall is in bits! So too is the old children's playground beside it. And the pedestrian entrance into the field near Silken Vale is not great either.

I remember that a substantial sum of money was collected in the early 1970s for a swimming pool to be located in the Harbour Field. What happened this money? Could it be used to improve the amenity now?

Lots of things could be done with the Harbour Field. My favourite suggestion is that of one Pat, who suggests that the field be banked and turned into a canal marina!

Maynooth as the Venice of Ireland? Don't laugh — the idea is so crazy that it's bound to be feasible. I can see it all: dozens of colourful canal and lake cruisers tied up while the sailors sing canal shanties in the town's watering holes, festivals, flags, races, a small but busy dry dock for essential repairs and service. Ah, take down me old sailor suit, I think I'll go for a cruise.

Paul Mooney.

Dear Sir

I refer to your feature article in this month's edition entitled "Glenroyal, a good old Irish Name".

I am happy to take the opportunity to inform your readers of the background to the selection of the name Glenroyal for our new Shopping Centre and Hotel Development in the town. Glenkerrin Homes Limited is a locally based Company, proud of its development record in the town of Maynooth having completed over a hundred and fifty homes over the past six years. Any choice of name is guided by local, historical and cultural considerations; for example, after thorough research and consultation we named our recent Apartment Development at the Presentation Convent, "Charter House", on account of the origin of that educational establishment in the Charter School established by the Duke of Leinster on the Site.

In the case of our Shopping Centre and Hotel Development the name Glenroyal represents the association of our Company name with that of the Royal Canal which adjoins our development which is one of the dominant physical features of the town.

May I assure your readers that, far from "slapping posh names" on our developments we are conscious of our role in the locality and our duty to respect the heritage, history and culture of the town. May I take this opportunity of welcoming all the towns people to avail of and enjoy the facilities of the Shopping Centre and Hotel when we open on November 4th, 1995.

Ray Grehan Managing Director



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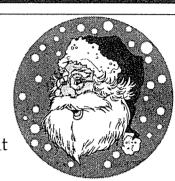
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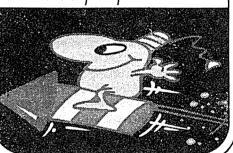
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MAYNOOTHTIDY TOWNS

Since we last reported to you the Tidy Towns report for 1995 has been sent to us.

- •As can be seen in the report we gained an additional 5 points on last year.
- You will recall we thought long and hard about entering the 1995 competition.
- · We thank our Community Employment workers and the Business Residents' Association for all their hard work and the Community Council for their support.
- •There are a number of areas that need addressing. We will deal with these over the coming months.
- · We are holding a public meeting on Tuesday November 21st in the Maynooth Post Primary School at 8.00p.m. We would welcome your views and ideas at

PROGRESS REPORT 1995

Centre: Maynooth, Category: F County: Kildare, Mark: 133 Effort Max 45, 1994 29, 1995 31

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Maynooth is a hive of activity with much building improvements to roads and the Royal Canal Restoration Scheme. The adjudicators were impressed with the submission and it is nice to see a two year achievable action plan. Such reconstruction of the bridge and the building has an obvious effect on the tidiness of the town. The adjudicators look forward positively to it's completion. It is excellent to see progress within the town. With new development often comes landscaping which will add considerably to the town in many ways. Commendation to the committee in working and maintaining a good effort through the transition stage of the town. Now that the by-pass is completed, it is important that visitors will be encouraged to visit the town. The Castle will provide a nice attraction, the Main Street shops and places to eat should be welcoming. **Tidiness**

The general tidiness of Maynooth was reasonable on the day of judging. Grass had recently been cut though attention is required to weeds at base of walls and around trees. There was a scattering of litter around the Railway Station car-park and through some of the estates as well as on the main street. A "Tidy Litter Campaign" including the students, might help. If a group of students could be encouraged to help keep the town tidy, it would aid the committee in their job.

PRESENTATION OF BUILDINGS

Maynooth has a number of well presented buildings including the Garda Station and Geraldine Hall. The Church of Ireland requires tidying up. In the main street many of the shops look well including The Mill Wine Cellar, Elite Confectionery, Coonans, Donovans, S. Ua Buchalla.

The Shopping Centre complex including Donovan's Superstores, will hopefully present itself better with the completion of the road, hanging baskets and tubs would look well. St. Columbans is well presented and a number of buildings on the Moyglare Road should be commended on their presentation. Quinnsworth and Esso Garage on the Dublin Road should really make an effort to welcome people. The Livestock Market also requires better presentation.

PRESENTATION OF NATURAL AMENITIES

The main natural amenity of Maynooth is the wonderful number of trees, not just on the main street but planted in the housing areas as well. Both window boxes and hanging baskets were not as prevalent as they could have been. Carton House Demesne is also a pleasant area to have available. The work going on at the Canal Basin is to be commended and again the judge looks forward to its completion. It must be a great boon to have the University. The grounds are a wonderful amenity area and really well presented. The area outside the Pitch and Putt on the Dunboyne Road could be improved and dead weeds at the base of the wall removed.

APPEARANCE OF APPROACH ROADS

The Galway approach road is very pleasant and the ever growing trees give a nice lead into the town. The weeds in the gutters however detract from this. The Moyglare Road requires upkeep. The new trees look well though opposite this, there are areas of grass which require re-seeding. At the junction of this road a new flowerbed has been planted which looks well. The Straffan approach road was understandably untidy due to the huge road/bridge works being carried out. The judges look forward to their completion. The Leixlip approach road requires cutting back as does the Dunboyne road. Work is still needed on the approach roads, they are the first impression of the town to a visitor.

PRESENTATION OF RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The new development at Parklands is to be commended with nice landscaping included. Charter House is well presented, however area outside needs re-seeding. Some of the gardens in the estate across from Quinnsworth had lovely gardens well done. Moyglare Manor is reasonable, grass cut, though weeds in gutters and base of trees detract from overall look. Leinster Cottages would benefit from further planting. Parsons Lodge looks well with some residents making an effort with hanging baskets. Carton Court was well cut back though there was a scattering of litter throughout. Manor Court is a nicely presented development. The estate behind Donovan's Superstores was also well cut back but could benefit from a litter clean up. There is a lovely old stone building (derelict) on the corner of Dunboyne Road. Is there anything that can be done to save and refurbish this? Overall, the residential areas were well presented.

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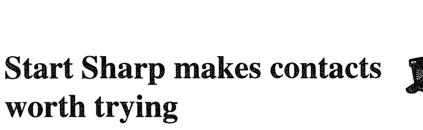
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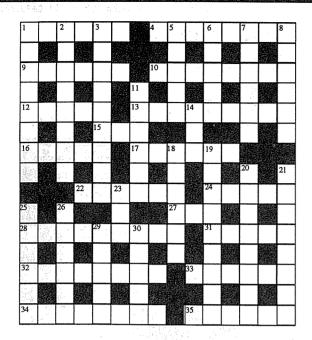
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Across:

- One who tries to lose! (6)
- Uninformed and bad mannered (8)
- Handles always between left and south (6)
- 10 Musical ship for a woman to wear (8)
- 12 Left in the cave to give birth (5)
- 13 Not protected when the United Nations kept watch (9)
- 15 Cry for a pup? (3)
- 16 See 5 Down
- 17 Ponders morbidly about chickens? (6)
- 22 Sounds like a leafy kind of country (6)
- 24 Wear away with a Queen Lizzie poem (5)
- 27 Eat for drink? (3)
- 28 A house would be very empty without it (9)
- 31 Chomp some Ballymun chips (5)
- Swamp or flood when you bring in U.N. fruit (8) 32
- 33 Medical officer's tresses to produce a fabric (6)
- 34 Slav gets points each way when he subjugates (8)
- 35 Attacked when inebriated? (6)

Down:

- The cat gone east from the small delicatessen is weak!
- Surround the east for a paper container (8)
- Seriously early to take in a bird's home (9)
- 5 and 16 Across: Getting worse as a snooker player may be?
- In an American state, O mother is a bit of a laugh (5)
- Steers clear of a chasm to the south (6)

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- To be "with it" endeavour to take in the end (6)
- It aids contact with the road or can cancel an error (6)
- You don't know what it is, but it could sound like an improper command (3)
- 18 If you've endless choices the world is your mollusc!
- Could you subconsciously go afloat with a "fine thing" like this? (9)
- Water-producing structure often connected to a writer
- Restrained by red teeth! (8)
- If there's a car in front of this little darling then it could be laid! (3)
- Where Torvill and Dean might work while not skating (6)
- Cheaters, swindlers, diddlers or crooks! (6)
- Partially indicate the country (5)
- Unite to loosen?! (5)

Solution to Crossword No 95:

Across: 1, Cla-I-re; 4, Stoppers; 9, Ex-Hume; 10, Canister (anagram); 12, Tu-rin; 13, Punctured; 15, D.O.A.; 16, Ou-nce; 17, Carers; 22, A-scent; 24, Totem; 27, Tri; 28, Ancestral; 31, Car-go; 32, Mercedes; 33, Enlist; 34, Rude-Ness; 35, Merger.

Down: 1, Creation; 2, Adherent; 3, Re-minders; 5, Train; 6. Print; 7, EN-tire; 8, St-ride; 11, A-p-ache; 14, Cue; 18, Rattle; 19, Ret-ice-nce; 20, Sterling; 21, Impost-or; 23, Cut; 25, Hammer; 26, Scared; 29, Stern; 30, Reeks.

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Maynooth Community Games

Activities for 1995 are now over and with them go memories of a very exciting and successful year. During the course of the next few months the committee will reflect on the year's events and establish ways and means of enhancing the weaker disciplines in our area.

For the benefit of the many parents of young children in the new estates I give below a resumé of what the Community Games is all about.

Community Games is a countrywide movement, nonpolitical, non sectarian, which operates at four levels (1) Area, (2) County, (3) Provincial (4) National. It caters for children whose ages range from 6-16 years in an annual programme which has 28 different types of sporting and cultural activities. Emphasis is firmly placed on participation and not on winning at all costs. Recognising that all children are not physically or temperamentally suited to sport, Community Games also provides for more sedentary games such as draughts and chess and cultural activities including art, modelling, variety and choir. Only young people who reside in the community are eligible to compete in the area competitions, i.e. going to the local schools and residing outside the Maynooth area does not make you eligible to participate. Many a fine



Community Games Pitch & Putt winning team From left Margaret Callaghan, Emma Cullinane, Gillian O' Hurley, Suzanne Butler, Brid-Ann O'Shea

sportsman/woman got their first taste of glory competing in the Community Games in their local area. All parents of young people make an entry in your diaries for our A.G.M. - 24th January, 1996 - venue: I.C.A. Hall (opposite Health Centre), time 8.p.m.

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

I have been writing this spot in the Newsletter for the past 18 As the Newsletter will have gone to print when we hold our months or so and during that time I have mentioned the ownership of the Credit Union on a number of occasions.

The Credit Union is owned by the members for the benefit of the members. Once a year the members are invited to attend a meeting to hear from the elected directors how they have managed the affairs of the Credit Union for the previous year. This year our Credit Union is holding its A.G.M. on Tuesday, the 21st November in the Boys' School.

It is the function of the A.G.M. to elect members to the board of directors and to elect the supervisors (3). The A.G.M. also appoints the auditor.

All members will get notice of the A.G.M. and we would ask as many as possible to exercise their right as shareholders to attend.

At the time of writing our annual poster competition is nearing completion. Details of the winners next month.

Speaking of winners, may I remind all our primary school pupils to get cracking on the general knowledge for our schools quiz which will be held early in the new year. Perhaps you could ask Santa for some quiz books for

Finally, may I once again remind you of the services we offer. Savings and Loans, Home and Contents Insurance, Budget plan for paying all your regular household and motoring bills. SEE YOU ALL ON THE 21ST NOVEMBER, 8 P.M. IN THE BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL.

Michael Mooney

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

anniversary party on October 22nd our report will have to wait for the December issue.

Meanwhile, our Sale of Work will take place on Sunday November 19th at 3p.m. in the Parish Hall. As usual we will be selling tickets for our Monster Draw at Quinnsworth on the two weekends prior to the 19th, that is the 9th, 10th and 11th and the 16th, 17th and 18th of November. Our thanks to the proprietors for this facility and Ollie Bright for his co-operation.

Our committee and helpers will be making the usual house calls and we ask you once again for your continued support. A word of caution though: around this time each year the opportunists are at work, some have even used our name to relieve people of their money. So before you part with anything at your door please remember we do not have children selling tickets or lines and we do not leave bags for filling. The same members collect in the same areas each year, so unless you are new in the area you will know the caller. All our members carry I.D. so "if in doubt, check it

Meanwhile, please remember the date November 19th. Do come along for an enjoyable afternoon and a worthwhile

J. Moore

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ICA **NOTES**

Drama enthusiasts within the ICA were all shocked to hear recently of the cancellation of the Kildare Federation Drama competition. This event, which was due to take place in mid-November, had to be called off due to lack of entries. Maynooth Guild was one of just a few guilds that had entered. The rehearsals, which were in full swing in Maynooth, have now been cancelled.

Crafts

On a much brighter note, the craft sessions in our Guild are going very well. They take place in the ICA Hall on Monday nights (8.00 p.m.) and Wednesday mornings (10.30 a.m.). Crafts Promoter, Mary O'Gorman, says the ladies in the Quilting class are producing lovely quilted cushions. The craft ladies will soon be starting on the Christmas wreaths, swags, etc. Mary is also organising a trip to the Knitting and Stitching Show in the RDS on Friday, 10th November. The show is on from 9th-12th November and admission is £5.50 with reductions for groups. Anyone interested should contact Mary.

Badminton and Golf

Badminton is on in the Parish Hall each Tuesday and Thursday morning, starting at 10.45 a.m. New members are always welcome, just bring along your runners and racket.

The Kildare ICA Golfing Society is

also looking for new members.

An Grianán

The Bring and Buy held at our October meeting to finance the two-part scholarships to An Grianán was a great success. Thanks to all who participated and a special thanks to our two auctioneers Kay Burns and Veva Kearins. Laura Wright told us of her first trip to An Grianán for Kildare Week last summer. Laura said she had a fabulous time there. Next year Kildare Week will be from 24th-28th June. Other dates of interest at the College are Walking Week 13th-17th May and Golf Week 15th-19th July. Weekends are also available at certain times during the year. The courses are open to non-members. Anyone interested in An Grianán should have a word with Kay Burns.

New faces

Ms. Betty O'Neill is our new Federation president. She takes over from Ms. Nellie Dillon, who has been elected National Honorary Treasurer. Betty will be assisted by Ms. Mary Whelan, incoming Federation secretary and Ms. Rita Halligan, incoming Federation Treasurer. Maynooth Guild wishes all the ladies success during their terms of office.

Cake Sale helps Blind

The ICA in association with the National Council for the Blind held a Bake a Cake Week from 18th-24th September. Maynooth ICA ladies held their Cake Sale in the Boys' National School on Sunday, 24th September, and raised a total of £131 for this very worthy cause. The ICA would like to thank all who baked cakes, bought cakes or helped in any other way. The ladies are especially grateful for the use of the school.

ICA ladies visit Aras an Uachtaráin ICA Guilds all over Ireland are celebrating the organisation's 85th Anniversary this year. To mark the event over 200 members were invited

to meet President Mary Robinson at Aras an Uachtaráin for afternoon tea on Friday, 15th September.

Maynooth Guild of the ICA was represented by its Vice-President, Mrs. Mary O'Gorman. Mary said that she thoroughly enjoyed her visit to Aras an Uachtaráin, where each of the ladies in turn was introduced to President Robinson. Following speeches by President Robinson and the ICA National President, Mrs. Bridin Twist, the ladies enjoyed afternoon tea and a tour of the state rooms.

Dates for your diary

Federation meeting in Ardclough on 23rd November at 8.00 p.m. Night out to Red House on 29th November. Craft Day in Suncroft on 18th November booking essential.

Next meeting

The next meeting of Maynooth ICA will be on Thursday, 2nd November, at 8.00 p.m. sharp. A short ecumenical service will take place at this meeting to remember all our deceased members. The competition on that night is "An Apple Tart", undecorated and made with short crust pastry. You can order your 1996 diaries (£2 each) and Christmas cards (5 for £3) at this meeting. New members are welcome to come along to any of our meetings.

Connie Harpur, PRO Maynooth I.C.A.

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Band Bulletin

October, normally a quiet month for the Band, has been hectic this year. We have had our hands full getting the new classes off the ground and to add to everything we had two late invitations to add to our list, the Tullamore Band Festival and the Lions Concert in the College.

New Classes

Yes, the classes have finally started to roll and we would apologise for the short notice given to the students but there is a good deal of work involved in assessing over 70 applicants and then trying to group them in appropriate classes. We now have four groups established with an additional number to be catered for who are more advanced or adults who are presently learning an instrument. The response from the first classes is promising and the students seem to have taken to Paula, the instructor, quite well. It is important for all the learners to remember that Rome wasn't built in a day and if they attend all the classes and do their homework, with two nights each week they should progress pretty steadily. It's worth knowing that the six senior members still with the Band spend six months (yes, six months) just learning the theory of music before going near a recorder or any other instrument. Hopefully we will still have all those students with us when the next term begins in January.

Tullamore Festival

On Sunday 8th October, we set out to join seven other Bands (including the Air Corps Pipe Band) to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the Tullamore Town Band. This was by way of a return of a favour due to them as they attended our own Golden Jubilee of our reforming back in 1981. It was a marvellous experience for the younger members of our Band to join over 300 musicians who came from Wexford, Dublin and Mullingar, and even included our near neighbours Newbridge. We played individual recitals in separate locations in the town followed by a massed Band recital in the Market Square and then finished off with a massed band parade through the streets of Tullamore. We believe that several buildings have suffered the same fate as those in Maynooth with cracks appearing in the walls from the sound of over 300 musicians blowing the **** out of their instruments. If you pardon the pun the crack was terrific when the musicians mingled afterwards in the Bridge House Hotel for tea, sandwiches, singing and swinging to the strains of a local jazz band. The day was enjoyed by all concerned and we are looking forward to the next massed band festival. Did someone mention one in Galway in 1996?

Lions Concert

On Thursday 12th, we paid what is fast becoming an annual visit to the Aula Maxima in the College to join the Garda Band in concert. It is a wonderful opportunity to share the stage (even for 15 minutes) with a fine group of musicians who really know how to entertain an audience. We hope our small contribution to the evening was appreciated even though some of our younger and not so young members were a little over-awed by the occasion. Once again it was an evening to mingle backstage with the Band and for our cute cornetist Kenny to renew a friendship with the solo

trumpeter in the Garda band. We always knew he had friends in high, high places.

Band Mass

Our annual Mass for deceased members is at 11 o'clock on Sunday 5th November and we hope all relatives and friends as well as past Band members will join us on this occasion which is the highlight of our year. We make a special effort to show our respects for those who have served the Band so well and played an important part in keeping the spirit of Maynooth Bands alive and well in years gone by.

Glenroval Hotel Opening

On Saturday 4th November we join in helping to mark a most important occasion, the opening of the new shopping complex and hotel beside the new bridge. The hotel is a very welcome addition to the town and in particular the provision of a function room will greatly help organisations like the band when organising dinner dances. We wish the Grehan Brothers success in their undertaking and hope the entire project goes well for them.

Race Night

Our annual race night takes place this year in the G.A.A. Centre, Moyglare Road on Saturday 25th November. We hope those who have supported us in the past will help us once again. If you would like to sponsor a race or a horse please contact Paddy Boyd at our main sponsors for 1995, Maynooth Office Supplies on the Dublin Road (Tel. 6289133) and he will look after you. This year we hope to arrange a short band recital at 8.30p.m. to entertain our punters before the racing gets underway. If you can't sponsor a horse or a race why not come along anyway on the night and have a flutter, it's great fun and it won't cost an arm and a leg if your luck is not in. Hope to see you there.

Lost Property

Finally we are appealing for the owners of the three items found in October. Namely one steel shelving unit colour grey, one shirt-assorted colours, size unknown and one tree root - Dumpusstumpius. All these articles have been found in the passageway of the Band Hall dumped by person or persons unknown. We have reported the matter to the relevant authorities and a watch is now being kept to identify the offenders. In the meantime the 'lost' property can be had by calling to the Band Hall any Monday or Thursday night.

That's all for November. See you here next month for all the Christmas news.

ALZHEIMERS NATIONAL TEA-DAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

Betty Farrell wishes to thank all who supported her tea and coffee morning. Special thanks to Felicity Satchwell who so kindly allowed the use of her home for the occasion.

To the committee of Maynooth Flower and Garden Club for helping to organise the event and working during the morning. The local I.C.A. and "Old Folk Group" for their support. To Quinnsworth for their donation. To everyone who came and supported the cause which realised £300 approximately. To everyone most grateful thanks.

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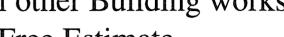


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Greenfield Estate Residents' Association

You will recall that the association submitted a comprehensive report to the various companies and bodies that have worked in the estate over the past year.

We are having ongoing discussions with Bord Gáis, some work has been done, but there is still a number of outstanding items to be done.

Kildare County Council have completed the road ends, this was requested on our submission and we have consistently requested this to be done. We are pleased to advise that this work, outstanding for a number of years, has now been completed by Kildare County Council.

We plan to have an estate clean-up in November. Date, time, etc. will be notified by circular.

We are supporting Carton Estate Residents' Association in their opposition to a new road being planned through their estate.

We extend our sympathy to Paddy Lynch, and family, on the death of his wife, Peig. Peig and Paddy were founder members of this association. They were amongst the first residents of Maynooth Park. Peig was totally committed to any organisation she joined over the years. This amounted to quite a few. Her work and interest in children and young people was outstanding and a great inspiration to other people.

There are a number of other families in the estate who have been bereaved and to those we extend our sympathy.

We welcome new residents to the estate and if we can be of assistance to you, our secretary Ann Connellan, 20 Straffan Way, will advise you of your road representative.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

MEADOWBROOK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Following our recent estate clean-up day, the committee would like to thank all those who made the effort to turn out to lend a hand. As the numbers were so vast (all six of us) it was decided to cancel the barbecue. It's a sad reflection on an estate with nearly 250 houses, there are about 10/15 people on our estate who are always relied on to keep this Association going. Well we are all kind of fed up and, with the A.G.M. approaching, a good attendance will be required to keep the Association going. In the event that a new committee is not elected on the night, a motion will be put forward to disband the Association. Notices will be posted to advise residents of the date and venue in due course. Our thanks to K.C.C. for the rubbish skip and the people who turned up and made the effort.

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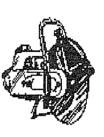
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Residents Association

In May of this year the residents of Rockfield gathered for the first time in Maynooth Parish hall, after a group of enterprising 'Square' folk decided that, with summer approaching, it was about time that a Residents Association would take to flight....and fly it did on that damp May night when topics from access walls to children's summer parties to speed control were actively debated. An interim committee was then formed, with each of the areas within Rockfield being represented, and the first task was to conduct a survey to ascertain the key issues and events that the Residents would wish the committee to pursue. After the results were compiled, and a report published, 6 top issues emerged and the committee set about tackling them. These included Maintenance, Neighbourhood Watch, Speed Control, Social Events, Improvements to the site entrance and walk way access to different parts of the Estate.

Annual Subscriptions

The first action of the committee was to perform the dreaded task of collecting the first annual subscription. However the response was very encouraging and the committee set about its first task to do a 'spring' clean of the estate. On a dry, warm day in July a band of merry men, women and children, gathered in the early hours to enact what was called 'Rockfield Renaissance Day'. Each part of the Estate was attacked with strimmers, clippers, rakes, and grinding lawn mowers, with more Residents turning out to contribute in their own areas and cups of teas being offered to the hardy workers. When the day finally came to an end, the Residents adjourned to Caufields where prizes were awarded for the best areas. This year's winners were the Avenue, who were presented with the much coveted first prize, the perpetual garden gnome.

First Social

In August, the Committee organized its first 'social' event, when the Residents were set on a daunting task to solve the many riddles in a town by town Treasure Hunt. The trail began in the home town, with clues hidden in shop windows, dentists' name plates and local pubs. Next stop was Celbridge, where the treasure seekers searched telephone boxes, church grounds and rubbish bins for more. Finally, with time running out, Leixlip was stormed by the fleet of Rockfield cars and after a mad dash to gather some final points, the 'hunters' gathered in the "Hitchin' Post" to share experiences and frustrations, before a winner was announced and prizes awarded.

Sports Day

The biggest event of the summer was held on the last weekend in August, when kids, both young and 'not so young' gathered on the Square. The day began with the bouncing castle, with 'Scotty the Clown' arriving soon after to entertain (rumour has it that Scotty was suffering from the world's greatest 'hangover' but it was not evident as he was chased around the square by teams of delighted kids).

A magic and puppet show followed next, and after 'Barney' finally arrived, the sports section got under way. Medals galore were awarded for egg and spoon dashing, sack race shuffling, with considerable talent displayed in the adults' 'toss the wellie' competition. As darkness fell, the glow of the barbecues drew a crowd, encouraged no doubt, by the beer taps which were kept busy, until dry. In the meantime, the talent display continued, as a competition developed between the Green and the Square on who could sing the loudest and longest. The competition then evolved into a more physical pursuit, when the Residents took to a competition of midnight 'Tug O War', when the men and women of the Square emerged victorious.

September saw the first in a set of Neighbourhood Watch

On behalf of the Residents, we would like to thank our many sponsors of this summers events, including Maynooth Home Care & Hardware, ESSO, Quinnsworth, Donovans, Londis, Leaf Kilcock, Mulcahy's Butchers & SMA Baby Products.



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ettles over Maynooth. Scummy things splash in the canal and all the fish disappear. Even the swan on the island in the Harbour deserts her nest. Some say that this is the time of year that spooks wander abroad. In the old days people used to talk about strange sightings but that was before television became so popular.

The black clouds over the town turn into the shapes of dark carriages and swirl down past the church spire. One night coming from town I met an old man who told me that those carriages were bringing witches to other towns. They never stopped in Maynooth because it had it's very own resident witch. He had seen her himself. He had just stopped to light his pipe. It was very dark and his lighter lit up the darkness around him. There she was a gaunt looking person with a strange hat and dark shawl. Her eyes had a green glow and as well as having a real long nose she had a pointy chin. Her black garments dragged on the ground and her toes were curled up. He got such a fright that he burned his thumb with the flame.

This grand old man was hard to scare. He had fought in wars and had seen many weird things but he could smell evil. He always carries a lucky charm and says prayers that he will be safe. Many years ago this witch had scared another man so much that he had to be spoonfed for the rest of his life. He sat by the fire in his bedroom slippers.

Many of the old man's friends, now dead, had told him that they saw her too and that they hadn't a drop of drink taken at the time. Drink was scarce in those days. They had asked the priest to say special prayers of protection. Many of the old people of Maynooth didn't interfere with the witch nor she didn't interfere with them. There was always a great community spirit in the town. However the children were warned to do what their parents told them and never to wander far from their homes or to trust strangers. This has worked to good effect - so far.

According to my acquaintance local legend has it that this witch lives in an old cave under the town. It is believed to be very damp and eerie with fungus growing on the walls. She also has a big pot which is always on the boil. This man was reluctant to tell me what she put in the pot, leaving it to my imagination. He believed that she is a health hazard and he could never remember her buying proper grub in the local supermarket.

Seeing that I was on friendly terms with this man I asked him what was his name, "John" he informed me. He said Maynooth was an ideal place for a witch to live because the

public lighting was so dull and so poor. "You can almost see the shadows move", he said. I grew most uncomfortable listening to this man. Sometimes his voice quivered as if he too was scared. He wore a big pair of hob-nailed boots and a great heavy black overcoat which was like a protective shell around him. Next thing we heard squalks in the nearby trees and the flapping of wings as a flock of birds took flight. One bird was squeaking shrilly as if it was suffering a horrible fate. The moon hid behind the clouds.

My old friend tried to light his pipe again, but he was so nervous he could not light it up. He said, "This time it is worse." "I am an old man and I sense things". This time she's really angry. You see while the men were building the road and blasting rocks to lay down water pipes, they seem to have rattled the witch's cave. She is going to be out this time with a vengeance. Between you and me" he warned "I notice things and even the rats are scared."

According to the old man all these fire crackers whining through the air were a sign that there was evil set loose. He noticed that under this evil spell people just seemed to go wild at this time of year. "And it's not just getting high from eating too many blackberries" he said.

I walked with John to the end of his road. Even though he said he wasn't scared he carried a newspaper rolled up tightly as if he could use it as a baton. He didn't have to say it, but he did. "If I were you I'd stay in tonight." Then he said, " You know something else? The witch hates traffic lights. She finds it hard to stay up on her broom while she's waiting for the lights to change". You know something - I'd never thought of that.

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The Late Hannah Flood



The mother of the well known and respected Flood family in Maynooth died at the age of 81 years.

Mrs. Hannah Flood, Ivy House, The Square, passed away quietly and peacefully in Griffeen Nursing Home, Lucan, at 6.45 a.m. on Monday, 31st July.

Widow of the late Tom Flood, a turf accountant, keen cyclist and footballer. who died in 1973, Mrs. Flood, like her late husband, was a prominent and active member of the local community. Until succumbing to illness over 2 years ago, she had been involved in many charitable organisations both local and further afield. In recent years, her most vigorous campaign involved the future demolition of the public toilets outside her home in the square. To this end, she remained alive for 2 weeks after this building was torn down. There are not too many people or businesses around the town who did not know it was coming

up to Daffodil Day as Hannah was on the prowl well in advance, making her collection, in aid of the Irish Cancer Society - then on the day itself dare anyone refuse the Daffodil clad woman their 50p or £10!

For many years in the 70's and 80's Hannah was the driving force behind the Sale of Work in the Parish Hall in aid of both the Old Folks' Committee, of which she was a member, and the Fr. John Nevin, Pakistan Fund. Both were very dear to her and she would spare no time or effort to further their cause.

Hannah also had a lot of time for the Cheshire Home in the Phoenix Park, where she visited weekly. From here she tirelessly tried to make it easier for people to be admitted and for the unit to be expanded - she had many a heated discussion with Dr. Rory O'Hanlon to prove this point! She will be sadly missed for many a year.

She is survived by her six children Edward, Liam and Tom, who all followed their father's career path; Aidan, who is in the taxi business; Gerry, proprietor of Maynooth Photo Centre and Ann, wife of Maynooth Maxol Station Owner, Peter O'Connor; sister Nancy (nee Kiernan) O'Rourke; daughters-in-law Margaret, Olive and Ann; son-in-law, Peter; ten grandchildren, nephews, nieces, her old and dearest friend Tess O'Flynn and a wide circle of friends.

Having spent over two years in the care of the nurses and staff of Moyglare and Griffeen Nursing Homes, Mrs Flood returned home one final time to be waked by her family.

On Tuesday evening (1st August) she was brought to St. Mary's Church where several hundred mourners congregated to pay their respects to the Flood family.

Despite the Galway festival, many members of the racing fraternity attended the funeral.

Mass was celebrated on Wednesday morning (2nd August) at 10a.m. by local curate and good friend of Mrs. Flood, Fr. Dennis Cogan.

Mrs. Hannah Flood was then laid to rest in Laraghbryan Cemetery.

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Since most fishing activity is practically nil due to a near dry river-bed, anglers may not be present in numbers on the fishery. In these circumstances it is imperative that all angling clubs maintain a presence on their waters, and watch out for signs of possible pollution. There have been twenty fish kills already recorded in 1995, including some serious incidents in Cork and Monaghan. The Regional Fisheries Board or your local water-keeper, or any angler in the area can check out source, substance and location of any pollution.

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Jim Carroll, Water Bailiff, on behalf of Leixlip and District Angling Association.

EYE HEAR

Generals In the Field

With the crowning successes of the Maynooth Gaelic Football teams winning county glory, we are reminded of the masterminds behind these triumphs. From February onwards, along with their dedicated players, two men in particular stand out in the wind and rain marshalling their troops. They are Kevin Connolly and Martin Donnelly. Like fine generals in the field they strive to get every ounce of talent out of their charges. They know that they have talented players but their great skill is in getting them to believe in themselves and to play to their full potential. It is true to say that these two men possess the motivating skills and tactical craft which was once used by the men who set Ireland free.

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Illumination

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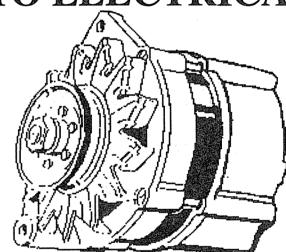
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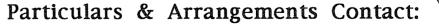
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2) Student Return

We have reached that time of year again when the college academic year returns to full throttle. With this, the Gardaí would like to take the opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all course participants, especially the first years who begin that long, difficult educational journey amidst our community for the first time.

With this welcome we must also issue a warning to all students to be aware of their property at all times and not to become complacent in relation to its safety. Items which require special vigilance include purses, handbags, hold-alls and bicycles. Ensure bicycles are locked on all occasions and only bring them out when necessary; keep purses, wallets, etc. on person at all times, preferably in a shirt pocket or frontal pocket at least. Only carry as much cash on your person as you need at any given time.

Lastly but not least we would kindly ask all students to respect both the peace of Maynooth, and the town and its surrounds also. Be aware at all times that there are numerous elderly people living in the town, especially close to the centre, and it's only fair that they get the respect and courtesy they have richly earned and deserve. Take care on the roadways as numerous alterations and construction work are in progress which demand extra vigilance.

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NOTES FROM NAMBIA

rom the RSA to England and back to Southern Africa, Stephen Devereux was born in Cape Town in the Republic of South Africa (RSA), in 1959. By the time Stephen went to university he had begun to question the validity of the apartheid system and to disagree with its values. This led him to take a course in political economy and to study the ways in which the difference between the incomes of white and black people in South Africa had been deliberately created over many years. In 1981, when he graduated from the University of Cape Town, Stephen faced, not the challenge of finding employment - it wasn't so tough for white South African graduates at that time - but the decision of what to do about conscription.

The choices confronting the 22-year-old Stephen were stark. He could do as required of him by the law then in force in RSA and allow himself to be conscripted into the army of the South African Defence Forces (SADF). Since this choice was against his most deeply-held moral and political convictions, Stephen ruled it out. The penalty for this kind of conscientious objection had been increased from two to six years imprisonment. So, like many other young men of

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his generation, he chose to go into exile. In 1987, he arrived in England, along with his wife,

Stephen continued his university studies in Oxford by specialising in development economics. In 1992, he wrote his doctoral thesis on food security in Ghana, and published a book entitled Theories of Famine. Also in 1992 he took out British

Citizenship, before returning to work in Southern Africa, but outside the RSA.

Researching the Drought of 1992-'93 in Namibia

So it was as a highly-qualified and committed economist, funded by British Overseas Development Aid (ODA), that Stephen, accompanied by Gillian, came to work for six months in Namibia as a member of a team carrying out research into the drought of 1992-93. It was evaluating the drought relief programme that had been put in place by the first democratically-elected government of Namibia. The Government wanted to know if drought aid was reaching the people most in need, and if not, how to see to it that, in future, it did.

The research established many important facts. Nobody died as a direct result of the drought. People adapted in several ways that enabled them to survive and resume farming in the season following the drought. At first, they ate less and made whatever food they had last longer, probably going a little hungry for a period, in order to put off the day when the food would run out altogether. They also sold some of their animals and possessions in order to buy food. Some used credit of one form or another, or sought the support of their better-off relatives.

Fortunately, in 1992-93, few Namibians were forced to sell their agricultural implements and most survived, staying on their land, without becoming destitute. They managed to do this through a combination of their own survival strategies and the help offered them by the drought relief programme.

However, one aspect of the drought relief programme, the targeting of selected groups of people, did not work very efficiently. A list had been drawn up of vulnerable groups of people entitled to receive aid. The categories of people on the list included under-fives, pregnant women and nursing mothers, people with disabilities and people in a state of malnourishment. All able-bodied adults were excluded. These categories proved not to be precise enough. As a result, some well-off or even wealthy under-fives, pregnant women, and so on, received aid which they were entitled to but did not need. Some people who did not fit into any category on the list needed aid but did not qualify. For example, still healthy adults who had just run out of both food and money were not among those on the list and therefore, did not qualify to receive aid. continued on next page

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Recommending Solutions.

The research team made two key recommendations. The first was that the communities themselves be entrusted with the task of distributing aid to those among them who needed it. The researchers found that it worked. The public way in which the aid was distributed meant that it was all properly accounted for and that improper use was avoided.

The second recommendation involved using the existing social welfare scheme to distribute extra money to people who need it in times of drought. The RSA and Namibia, unlike other countries on the African continent, both pay an old age pension.

Since older people continue to live in the extended family, this money does go to feed families, not just individuals or couples. The researchers recommended that a temporary drought supplement be added to the old-age pension and paid to people who need support in order to enable them to stay in their communities and survive. Because the system for distributing the old age pension is already in place, using

it to give out drought relief is a fast, simple and logical way to respond in an emergency. The government has not yet decided whether to adopt either or both of these recommendations.

From Wealth to Welfare?

When the research into the drought of 1992-93 was completed, Stephen became head of the Rural Poverty Programme. Stephen holds the view that it is possible to view the great material inequalities that exist in Namibia as an opportunity. It is true that most of the wealth of the country is still in the hands of a small white minority, while a high proportion of the majority black population live in various degrees of poverty and disadvantage. But at least the country has wealth which it could attempt to distribute more equally among its citizens. The question is: will the government in Namibia find the means to use the wealth in such a way as to improve the welfare of the majority of its citizens? Let's hope so.

Emer McDermott. Windhoek, 30 Aug. 1995

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THE INTERNET - WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

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Manchester United Fanatic

Put simply, the Internet is a collection of thousands of computer networks all over the world which are all joined together. So far, very boring. What is interesting is the kind of information people are making available on their computers on these networks which millions of other people are then allowed access. So, for example, there is a Manchester United fanatic in UCD who has typed in all the most recent results and match reports about United, together with gossip about the different players and news about what's going on at Old Trafford. Anyone connected to the Internet can connect to his computer and read all this information. The Internet is populated by tens of thousands of such enthusiasts who make this kind of information available. So, on the Internet you can read about every subject from Renaissance Art to breeding ferrets.

Ease of Use

One of the reasons why this whole idea of the Internet has caught on is its ease of use. Very few computer skills are required. The Internet is displayed as a Web of information (usually called the World Wide Web) and all the user has to do is

click on a button on the screen to connect to any other computer. Say you're interested in jazz. Clicking on the jazz button may call up a computer in Belfast, Boston or Birmingham. The information comes up on the screen and you can save it on your own computer. The information listed - part of Dublin cinema listings for mid-October was copied directly from the Internet. No need to ever buy the Evening Herald again! By clicking on the name of the film you're interested in you call up more information about that film, a list of the cast plus reviews. The information about Braveheart is stored on a computer in Cambridge but to access it all you have to do is click on the word Braveheart.

San Francisco can connect through to The Irish Times and stay in touch with the latest news at home. Some Irish companies advertise on the Internet and, according to reports, have increased their sales as a result. Kenny's bookshop in Galway can be accessed from around the world. In fact it's possible to order any book from their catalogue over the Internet. The way things are developing suggests that in ten years time it will be possible to do your shopping on the Internet - pilot projects are already being run in the

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However, we should not be unduly worried. because we all have total confidence in our County Council and know that as usual they will restore everything back to pristine condition — won't they? We must admit that if everyone thought this then they would be reflecting a certain level of naivety because the standards of repair in the past have fallen somewhat short of pristine. In fact, to call a shovel a shovel, when it comes to expertise our County Council's forte is patching. Our town must have the most patched paths in the country — in fact there have been times when even the patches on the paths have been patched!

Is this going to happen again? Don't be too sure that it won't. We believe that it is now time for a proper restoration job to be done. If you were to visit some small Spanish seaside resorts that you had never previously heard of, you could be amazed at how neat they are - footpaths finished in marble or mosaic. How do we rate our town? Is this not a very historic university town that is often in the nation's focus? It is about time we began to demand treatment befitting our position. We should now aim for the standards of neatness of some small, insignificant Spanish resorts. We might not get marble or mosaic but if we don't aim high enough we could end up with more patched patches, again. Talk to your T.D. about it.

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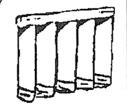
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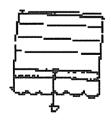
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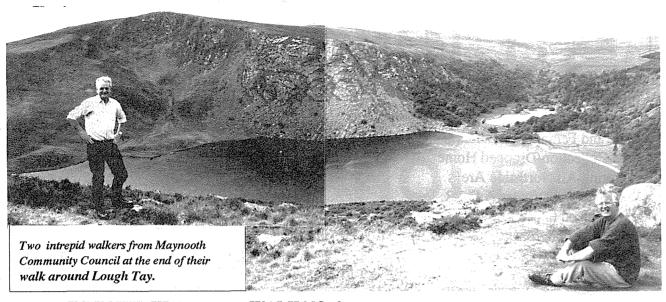
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WALK NO. 2:

The circuit of Lough Tay

THE ever-shortening hours of daylight has to be a serious consideration at this time of the year when going walking in the hills. If you are starting any way late, after 11 a.m. for example, then you must bear in mind when it's going to get dark in order to not find yourself in difficult terrain when you can't see where you are going. The simplest and easiest guide to use is to calculate how much time you have before sunset and divide that time in half: if you are not at the halfway stage when you used up this amount of time then it means you are not going to finish before it gets dark. You should therefore consider shortening the walk or going back the way you came.

This is sometimes a bit difficult to do when it's bright and sunny and you can see your goal tantalisingly close. What you have to consider is that a further half hour walking towards the mid-point adds a full hour to the overall walk. I can assure you that there are few things more

bothersome and unpleasant than trying to get down off a mountain when it's dark — I've been there, done that. For this reason I'm offering a fairly short walk this month, and to make it doubly suitable for the short day the latter half is on road.

Start of walk

The walk starts at the car park which overlooks Lough Tay and this is easy to find, as it is on the fairly well-known road from Sally Gap to Roundwood. If you have come from Brittas to Sally Gap it is just a matter of going on straight through the gap in the direction of Roundwood for about three miles when you arrive at the car park at the left-hand side of the road.

You start by walking back the road in the north-westerly direction from which you came. You'll have forestry each side of the road as you go. After less than a mile the forest finishes on the left side of the road and you'll be able to see down into the val-

ley which leads into the lake. Continue walking for another quarter of a mile before leaving the road to make your way down into the valley. Your aim is to climb the mountain on the other side of this valley which overlooks the lake so if you leave the road too soon you will lose a lot of height on the way down, the stream at the bottom will be wider and more difficult to cross and when you get to the other side of it you will have to face a steeper and longer climb — so be good to yourself and walk that quarter of a mile as directed. You need to watch your step as you make your way through the tall grass as you go downhill because it conceals holes here and there which might cause you to fall over. The stream at the bottom has several crossing places where there are large boulders which you can use as stepping stones.

Steep climb

The far side of the stream presents you with a fairly steep

upward climb. There's lots of bracken at this point: if you are not wearing gloves don't be tempted to grasp it to help your climb because it can be surprisingly sharp and can give a nasty cut. A half hour should see you rising above the steepest section and the bracken will be left behind to be replaced by heather, which means that in every way walking will be easier. You now take a south-easterly bearing

which will be taking you back in the direction of the lake. You will be gaining height as you go, and by the time you reach the edge of the cliff you will be looking down into the lake from a height of 500 feet approximately.

For the next two and a half miles you will be on a path which runs fairly close

to the cliff edge. It is very safe and you will be in no danger whatever unless you choose to be.

Do be careful

Along this path is the well-known Buttress Rock: this is a big snout of rock which sticks out about 12 feet from the cliff edge. It is about ten feet across and from it you will get great views down into the valley, where you can see Luggala Lodge set in a nice flat grassy area. If you look over the edge (not recommended) you will see that there is

a drop of hundreds of feet. An 18-year-old girl had a fatal fall from here some months ago, so do be careful.

Good viewing spot

A good place to stop for your lunch break is the highest point along this path because then you can relax and enjoy the view while you have your tea and "sambos". The coast, which is approximately ten miles away, is

Coffin Stone Djouce

Mountain

stead you will have a hill on your left as you descend towards Ballinrush Glen, through which the Clohogue River flows as it leaves Lough Tay. Getting down to the river is not straightforward walking due to the amount of large boulders in the undergrowth. You need to go carefully. There are plenty of crossing places with stepping stones on the river so you should have no trouble getting across with dry feet.

It is now only about a half mile through bracken before White He you get to the tarred road leading out of Ballinrush Glen up to the wellknown "Pier Gates". at this point you are rejoining the main road you earlier drove on and as you turn left you will be about one and a half miles away from your

easily visible on a clear day as you look eastwards over the reservoirs near Roundwood, and you will discover with the aid of your map if you take a compass bearing on the built-up area on the coast to the south-east that your are looking at Wicklow Town 15 miles away. The scenery in all directions is marvellous and if

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As you continue the path moves well in from the cliff edge. The cliff then peters out and in-

you have a pair of binoculars

with you then you'll enjoy it even

car. As you make your way back you will come to another car park on the way. This is very close to another fine viewing spot a couple of hundred yards off to your left. It is well worth your while taking the trouble to see it.

The total length of this hike is less than six miles, it should definitely not take you more than four and a half hours and for this reason it is very suitable for this time of year. I hope you have a fine, sunny day and that you enjoy your walk.

Paddy Caulfield

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Toll Roads

The proposal by the National Roads Authority to place tolls on existing motorways as a way of raising funds for further development has been strongly criticised by Councillor Catherine Murphy. The very idea of charging tolls on roads in and around major urban areas is contrary to proper transport planning. As the experience of other countries shows clearly, tolls in such areas have the effect of diverting a considerable amount of traffic onto already congested local roads, with a lot of "rat-running" through housing estates. Tolls in urban areas also have a disproportionate impact on those who happen to live in the vicinity of the tolled roads. Under the current proposals, a person commuting daily from Maynooth to Tallaght would end up paying some £350 per year. As one economist has pointed out, it makes no economic sense to charge tolls on under-used motorways while placing no charge on already over-used local roads.

At the moment, local roads in North Kildare are being abused by heavy trucks seeking to avoid the Westlink Toll Bridge. Tolls on the M50 and M4 (Maynooth By-Pass) will only make things worse, while placing an extra burden of road maintenance on Kildare County Council's already overstretched budget. As the experience of the Leixlip/Lucan area has already shown, placing weight restrictions on local roads is completely ineffective without follow-up policing. Traffic-calming measures in housing areas subject to rat running are also expensive for local authorities to install and maintain.

The overall implications of the toll proposals clearly have not been thought out properly. While road charges aimed at improving urban transport systems may make some sense, tolls designed simply to raise money are not a good idea. In that they fall equally on the driver of a Mini and Mercedes, they are also socially inequitable and will be energetically resisted by Democratic Left.

Maynooth Main Street **Improvements**

As a consequence of the opening of the Maynooth By-Pass, the status of Maynooth Main Street has been reduced from that of National Primary Route to that of regional road under the control of Kildare County Council. Associated with this transfer of control, a once-off grant has been made to the County Council to improve the road, of which a sum of £200,000 has been allocated for Maynooth Main Street. This is earmarked for such

things as upgrading footpaths and placing overhead wires underground. While the allotted figure is inadequate for the work that needs to be done, the Council hopes to secure funds from other sources to complete the job. Plans for the work are currently being drawn up by a team of consultants. A similar plan prepared by the same consultants for Leixlip gave top priority to the needs of pedestrians. Councillor Catherine Murphy is hopeful that this will also be the case with Maynooth.

Meanwhile, plans have also been drawn up for the part of the Square between the new motorway access road and Brady's pub. An attempt by the County Council to publicise these plans fell through due to inadequate advance publicity. However, the Council has given an undertaking to consult with Maynooth Community Council before proceeding with the work.

Divorce Referendum

The forthcoming divorce referendum will provide the right to remarry for those whose previous marriages have irretrievably broken down. Democratic Left is campaigning for this right. If you would like to support the referendum campaign in any way, contact Catherine Murphy at 6244903 or Fiachra O'Céilleachair at 8729700 (work) or 6289814 (home).

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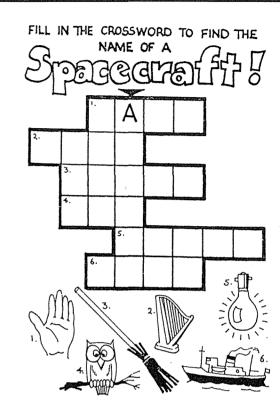


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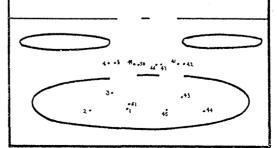
2nd: Harry Oliver, 18 Cluain Aoibhinn,

Maynooth.

3rd: Ailíse Smith, St. Joseph's N.S., Mulhussey.

3rd: Triona Cahill, Leinster Park,

Maynooth.



Hobbies & Interests

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Pedestrian Walkway Laurence Avenue/Maynooth Park

Cllr. John McGinley's proposal that procedures be put in place to close this walkway was agreed at the Celbridge Area Meeting of the Council on 2nd October. The Council will now advertise the proposed closure in the local papers. **New Public Lights**

The Council have agreed to install additional public lighting at the Back Lane Greenfields, at the garage spaces in Maynooth Park, Doctor's Lane, Pound Park and Moyglare

The Square/Straffan Road.

The County Engineer has advised Cllr. John McGinley that the bulk of the work will be completed before the end of this year. The public are to be congratulated for their patience and understanding during this major construction project.

Maynooth Development Plan

At the time of writing a meeting on the Maynooth Development Plan was scheduled for 20th October. This meeting was to decide on the submissions received



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following the three month display period of the Draft Plan. **Derelict Sites**

The Council are setting up a Register of Derelict Sites in Maynooth and other towns throughout the County. This will enable the Council to put pressure on owners of these sites to clean up their act.

Divorce (Right to Remarry) Referendum

The local Labour Branch will be canvassing all homes in Maynooth seeking a "Yes" vote for the Referendum on November 24th. All matters which caused confusion in 1986 have now been dealt with by legislation in the Dail. This referendum is about one issue only "The Right to

If you want to play your part in securing a Yes vote by assisting in the campaign, feel free to contact either of the following.

John McGinley - 6285293 Dave Moynan - 6272149 Christina Saults - 6707444

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Spinach Crepes with Mushrooms

Serves eight as a starter or four as a light lunch. 4oz/125g spinach, washed and trimmed 4oz/125g plain flour 1/2 pt/300ml milk 1 egg, size 3, beaten Oil, for shallow frying 1 onion, finely chopped 50z/150g button mushrooms, sliced and tossed with 2tbsp vinegar 10 floz/300ml single cream 1 tbsp cornflour

- 1. Put spinach in a pan with the water clinging to it. Cover, cook for 5 min. Drain well, pressing to remove water. Chop finely.
- 2. Mix flour, milk and egg together. Stir in spinach and seasoning.
- 3. Heat a little oil in a non-stick frying pan, swirl around and tip out excess. Add 2tbsp batter, rotate to coat base. Cook over a medium heat until set, flip over and cook until crisp around edges. Transfer to a plate, keep hot. Cook remaining crepes.
- 4. Heat 1 thsp oil in a pan and fry onion for 2 min. Add mushrooms and cook until juices have evaporated. Remove from heat. Stir cream and cornflour together, stir into mushrooms and bring to the boil, stirring until thickened. Cook for a further 2 min.
- 5. Divide hot sauce between crepes, roll up and serve with a tomato salad.

Potato gratin

Preparation: 10 mins. Cooking: 1 hour. Serves 6.

900g (2lbs) potatoes, peeled and thinly sliced 75g (3oz) butter Salt and freshly ground black pepper 300ml (1/2 pt) stock

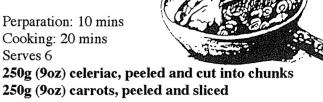
1. Pre heat oven to 190° C (375°F, gas 5).

- 2. In a buttered gratin dish, arrange the potatoes in overlapping slices, seasoning each layer. Dot with remaining butter, and pour in the stock.
- 3. Bake for about 1 hr, or until tender and golden brown.

Freezing: Not suitable Microwave: Not Suitable

Carrot Purée

Perparation: 10 mins Cooking: 20 mins Serves 6



250g (9oz) carrots, peeled and sliced 25g (1oz) butter 150ml(1/pt) fromage frais Salt and freshly ground black pepper

- 1. Cook celeriac in boiling salted water for 10 mins. Add the carrots and cook vegtables for a further 10 mins.
- 2. When both vegtables are tender, drain and purée in a food processor, or mash.
- 3. Return to the pan, and stir in the butter over a gentle heat, until thoroughly combined. Fold in the fromage frais, and season generously with salt and freshly ground black pepper.

Freezing: Purée will freeze for up to 2 months. Microwave: Place carrots and celeriac in a microproof dish, add 30ml (2tbsp) water, and cook on High for 12 mins. Continue as instructed in recipe.

Spicy baked apples

Preparation: 10 mins. Cooking: 30-35 mins. Serves: 4

Calories per portion: 171

4 medium cooking apples 5 ml (1 tsp) ground cinnamon 60ml (4 tbsp) dark, soft brown sugar 50 g (2oz) sultanas Grated rind and juice 1 orange 45 ml (3 tbsp) golden syrup

Preheat the oven to 200 °C (400 °F, gas 6). After washing apples thoroughly, use a knife to score around the middle of each apple, then use an apple corer to scoop out centres.

Mix the cinnamon, sugar, sultanas and orange rind together, and spoon the mixture into the middle of each apple. Place in an ovenproof

Add the orange juice to the syrup, stir well and spoon into base of dish. Cover loosely with foil. Bake for 30-35 mins. until the apples are soft. Serve hot with custard or ice cream.

Interests & Hobbies

GARDENING HINTS

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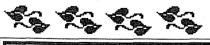
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or some gardeners this is the end of the season but really it should be looked upon as the beginning. There's no doubt that work done now will lay the foundations for a great garden next season.

Now is the time to get the digging done, have a thorough clean-up, order your seeds, finish new plantings where you can, and above all, go round the borders and correct your mistakes. We all make them and now's the time to put them right. There's still all the summer's warmth in the soil, so plants that you move will get away quickly. So, start with the big plants and take as much soil with them as you can. When they're replanted, pay special attention to the staking. Then mulch round the plant and water well - and that means for the whole of next season too.

General Tasks

- Bird Boxes should be cleared of old nesting material which could harbour parasites. Wash them out with boiling water (do not use any detergent or other cleaning agent) and repair them if necessary. Do this job well before late winter, when some birds will already be surveying the scene for nest sites.
- · Borders can be weeded and tidied at any time through the winter, so long as the soil is dry enough not to stick to your boots. Rake fallen leaves off plants, and either collect them to make leafmould or leave them on hard ground to rot down. Dig up and compost annual weeds, but burn or throw away the roots of perennial ones.
- Protect delicate plants that can suffer in frosty weather, such as cistus and fuchsias by tucking bracken or straw around their bases. Don't use peat or compost as these materials hold water and rot the plant. Bubble polythene is also useful to have for protecting shrubs and containers from severe frosts.
- Hedgehogs and toads often crawl into heaps of garden rubbish, particularly leaves, to hibernate for the winter, so take a little care as you fork out the compost or turn it.





Checklist

- * Established lawns should have their last cut, if they have not already hadit, first sweeping off leaves.
- * Continue taking hardwood cuttings of shrubs and fruit bushes.
- * Inspect potted bulbs regularly and water sparingly if necessary.
- * Feed *flowering* pot plants weekly with a liquid fertilizer.
- * Plant spring bedding and winter pansies by the end of the month.
- * Twist off dead indoor cyclamen leaves and flowers where they join the corm: remaining pieces of stem can cause it to rot.
- * Pinch out the tips of autumn-sown sweet peas when they're about 10 cm (4 in) high.
- * Check that tree ties are securely fitted and in no danger of rubbing.
- * Put guards round young trees if there's any danger of rabbit or deer damage.
- * Drain hosepipes, roll them up and store under cover.
- * Order seed catalogues.
- * Clean pots and seedtrays with hot water and disinfectant, ready for next
- * Plant garlic by the end of the month.
- * Check stored fruit and vegetables; throw out any showing signs of rot.
- * Net Brussels and cabbage to protect them from birds.
- * Prune apples and pear trees, and black currants.
- * Stop feeding fish as they'll live off their reserves for the winter months. Then take a rest!!!!

Lily the Pink

One of my favourite flowers is the Nerine Lily (Amaryllis family). The lovely clear pink flowers appear from September to November, and there is quite a variation in flower shade and time of flowering. They can be grown successfully out of doors under south-facing wall and the leaves die off in late summer, leaving short periods in July-August in which the large bulbs can be moved. Plant them at least 6 in. deep; they will gradually work their way upwards until the neck is above ground level, when they must be well mulched in frosty places or put down lower again. Keep them well fed with bonemeal when they are planted and with liquid fertilizer during growth.

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November Meeting

Our next meeting is to take place on Tuesday, 21st November at 8.00pm and will be held in the Loftus Hall at Maynooth College. Directions will be given at the main gate.

The demonstrator will be Betty Berney from Northern Ireland and the month's competition is to be a 'Wall Hanging', not exceeding 30", for all classes. The plant competition is one stem of berried shrub.

Admission for non-members is £3 and includes tea and biscuits.

Do come and enjoy an entertaining and friendly evening.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

A.G.M. will be held on 8th November in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m.

For the success of 1996 Project please attend this important meeting. The annual sale of work will be held on Friday the 8th December and all donations and goods for same can be left in to the Community Council Offices at Main Street, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

G.A.A. NOTES

Jack Higgins Cup Final played in Naas on Sunday, 8th October.

Maynooth 1-7pts v Moorefield 2-8pts

This was a bad display by Maynooth in the final. Moorefield were the better team in first half and led by 6 pts to 3 pts at half time. The second half was only started when Moorefield got their first goal after 2 minutes. This left Maynooth a big hill to climb. They tried hard and with 10 minutes to go Joey Riordan found the net but then with only one point in it Moorefield got their second goal to seal a good victory.

Best for Maynooth: Joey Riordan 1-1, Joey Nevin 2 pts, Ken Killoran, Paul Garvey, Killian Fagan, Mick Scanlon 1 pt each, Paul Stynes, David Mahoney, Mick Kelly.

Under Age Training Every Saturday Morning

Hurling 10.30am to 11.45am.

Football 11.45am to 1.00pm.

We are very short of help for our under age training so anyone out there who would like to help our under-age hurling or football training can do so by meeting in the field (Moyglare Road) any Saturday morning. Please come along and help our under-age hurlers and footballers.

North Kildare U-13 League - Round 1 Maynooth 2-9 Leixlip 1-4

In the first round of the North Kildare League Maynooth travelled to Leixlip and scored an eight-point win over the home side. Padraig O'Sullivan and Mark Kavanagh dominated midfield and gave the forward line a plentiful supply of ball. However, despite getting some good scores, they also had some bad misses, which would have been costly against stronger opposition. Leixlip came more into the game in the second half but could find no way past a strong Maynooth defence in which full back Tommy Masterson was rock-solid.

Maynooth's best players were T. Masterson, P. King, P. O'Sullivan, J. Brennan, M. Sweeney, P. O'Rourke and S. Pidgeon.

Scorers: P. King 1-4, M. Sweeney 0-3, S. Deveraux 1-0, M. Kavanagh 0-1, A. Molloy 0-1.

Team: P. Sheehan, D. Travers, T. Masterson, A. Pidgeon, M. Dolan, S. Pidgeon, J. Brennan, P. O'Sullivan, M. Kavanagh, P. O'Rourke, P. King, S. Deveraux, A. Molloy, M. Sweeney, D. Lawler.

Maynooth GAA U-13 - Round 2 North Kildare League Round 2 in Balyna

Balyna 4-9 Maynooth 1-4

Maynooth travelled to Balyna on Wednesday, September 13th, and suffered a heavy defeat at the hands of the home side. The first half was a fairly even contest and at half time Maynooth led by 1-4 to 0-5, their goal coming from centrehalf forward P. King. However, they failed to score in the second half as Balvna gradually got on top. In the final ten minutes, with the light fading rapidly, Maynooth's hopes faded also as the home team scored two goals and three continued on next page

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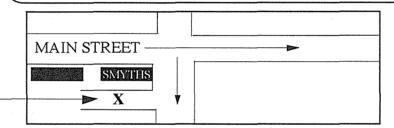
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Sports

Best of a disappointing Maynooth team were T. Masterson, P. O'Sullivan, D. Campbell, A. Pidgeon, M. Sweeney and M. Kavanagh.

Scorers: P. King 1-0, M. Kavanagh 0-2, S. Deveraux 0-1, K. Lawler 0-1.

Team: P. Sheehan, D. Travers, T. Masterson, A. Pidgeon, M. Dolan, S. Pidgeon, S. Deveraux, D. Campbell, P. O'Sullivan, P. O'Rourke, P. King, M. Sweeney, A. Molloy, M. Kavanagh, D. Lawler. Sub.: S. O'Flaherty.

Lotto Result: 10-09-1995 Numbers 3/11/12. No winner Jackpot £400; - 5 x £10 Ann O'Brien, Bartle Conneely, Kenny Moore, Christy Edwards, Liam Jennings.

Lotto Result: 17-09-1995 Numbers **2/8/11**. No winner Jackpot £450. 5 x £10. Carrie Boyd, Norman Kavanagh,

Mick Gleeson, Caroline Keenan, Mrs. Wylie. **Lotto Result: 1-10-1995** Numbers 1/6/13 No winner

Jackpot £500. 5 x £10 Gerry Long, Una Dunne, Bridie
O'Toole, C. Ashe, Geraldine O'Rourke.

8-10-1995 Numbers 10/14/18 No winner Jackpot £550. 5 x £10 Mary O'Melia, Betty Tracey, Joey Edwards, T. McEvoy, Eamon Wyen.

Set dancing classes every Tuesday at 9pm
Instructor:- Brendan O'Grady: All welcome including beginners in Club House, Moyglare Road.

Our Annual Dinner Dance will be held in Club House on Friday 8th December. Please book early; any committee member.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held in Club House on Sunday 10th December.

LEINSTER CRICKET UNION

The Leinster Cricket Union is very keen to recruit a Trainee Coach for its Community Employment project who will be resident in the North Kildare area.

Having successfully provided a coach to assist the North Kildare Club in Kilcock during the school holidays, the project now intends to visit primary schools in the area to demonstrate "kwik cricket". This is a modified form of cricket and is ideal for inclusion in School P.E. Programmes. It can be played by boys and girls from six years on any type of surface both indoors and outdoors.

The person recruited should meet usual Community Employment eligibility. They will work 39 hours per fortnight and are encouraged to seek other work or engage in other activity which would enhance their work options while on their time off from the Project. A knowledge of cricket or the ability to play the game is not essential as full training will be given. The ideal person will be one who is interested in sport, enjoys working with children and possesses good communication skills.

The person recruited will participate in a Worker Development Programme which enables them to learn new skills or enhance existing ones. This will assist them to seek full time employment on completion of the Project.

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Some latest match results are as follows

Leinster Junior League Premier Division Maynooth Town 1 v Cashel Celtic 0

We were better value for this win than the 1-0 scoreline would suggest. An excellent Cashel keeper performed heroics in denying Maynooth an early lead which they sought right from the start. Our newly acquired centre forward from Brazil, Adolar Acacio, was in top form in this game and paraded his many skills for a rapt audience. Having been spotted during a local seven-a-side tournament, Adolar had no hesitation in throwing in his lot with us for the duration of his stay in Maynooth. Having honed his appetite for the game during some pre-season friendlies, he is now displaying the more skillful aspects of his vast repertoire. He was in the thick of things right from the start of this game and inspired the rest of his team mates. Joey Dempsey, however, was the man of the match in this game by virtue of his amazing work rate between defence and attack.

The only goal of the game came midway through the second half when Michael Fennessy dispossesed the Cashel full back and laid the ball back for Michael Murphy to score with a twenty-yard drive. This was a good win against very classy opposition and Maynooth had many stars including Adolar Acacio, Fergal Barton, Keith Cooke, Paul Byrne, Joey Dempsey and Michael Murphy.

Leinster Junior Cup

St. Aonghus 3 v Maynooth Town 2

We made the early morning trip to Mountrath but were unable to book our place in the next round. We could never force our way into the lead against dogged opposition. We conceded the first goal in the thirteenth minute but got on terms in the 22nd minute when Michael Murphy crossed for Adolar to score. St. Aonghus took the lead again but Maynooth showed their spirit once more when Michael Murphy made the chance for Adolar to get his second. St. Aonghus got their third in the second half but time ran out for Maynooth who were unable to snatch a draw. Best for Maynooth were Adolar, Brian Galligan, Eamon Dunne and Paul Byrne.

F.A.I. Junior Cup Preliminary Round. Maynooth Town 6 v St. Mel's Shamrocks 0

We booked our place in the first round proper with this facile win over our shell shocked Co. Longford opponents. Maynooth attacked right from the start and quickly made known their intent on advancing in this prestigious competition. Our next opponents have turned out to be Mucklagh F.C. who hail from Tullamore and sees us face another early morning trip to the Midlands. Michael Murphy opened our account in the twelfth minute

and the same player increased the lead three minutes later.

Paul Byrne and Joey Dempsey were dominating midfield and it was no surprise that the scoreline reached such proportions. Joey Dempsey got Maynooth's third from the spot after Adolar was taken down in the penalty area. Colm Carroll scored Maynooth's fourth just before the interval. Maynooth completed their scoring in the second half when Adolar scored and Colm Carroll scored his second. Best for Maynooth were Gerry Thompson, Paul Byrne, Joey Dempsey, Thomas Fay and Colm Carroll.

Dalton Cup 3rd Round.

Vintage Utd. 1 v Maynooth Town 3

This was our third cup Sunday in a row and the recent good form was maintained with a top class performance. The scoring opened in the 33rd minute when Fergal Barton sent a Maynooth free kick around the wall in expert fashion and we held this lead up to half-time. Vintage got on terms two minutes into the second half when converting a penalty. Maynooth took the lead on the hour when Adolar provided the chance for Michael Murphy to score. Maynooth then had to withstand some strong pressure from Vintage during which Thomas Fay was in top form in goal with a number of first class saves. Maynooth put the issue beyond doubt with five minutes to go when Keith Cooke set up the chance for Michael Murphy to score his second.

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Maynooth Town 2 v Larkview Boys 1

Maynooth took a two nil first half lead but had to show their defensive qualities in withstanding a great second half fight back by Larkview. Carl McKenna and Freddie Clarke scored the Maynooth goals but the match honours go to Niall Naughton and David Coughlan who were outstanding during the Larkview period of dominance in the second half.

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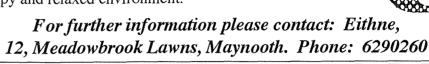
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Colm Captures Captain's Prize.

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We would like to thank the following sponsors for their sponsorship on Captain's Day.

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Captain's (T. Moore) Prize, Portarlington Sat. 26th August.

1st overall, Colm Feeney 40 pts, 2nd overall Noel Brady 39pts, Gross, Mick Dempsey 36pts, Class 1, 1st Terry Moore, 33pts (Back 6), 2nd Tom Sheehan 33 pts (Back 9), 3rd, Gerry McTernan 33 pts. Class 2, 1st Willie Moore 36 pts, 2nd Sean Tracey 34 pts, 3rd Dominic Nyland 34 pts.

Class 3, 1st Sean Moore 38 pts, 2nd Owen Byrne 34 pts, (Back 9) 3rd Pat Dunne 30 pts.

Front 9, John Carroll 17 pts, Back 9, Ken O'Brien 17 pts.

Visitors, Barry Desmond, 33 pts.
Past Captains, Mick Dempsey.
Two's Club, K. O'Brien, O. Byrne, T. Moore, P. Dunne, S. Moore.

Christmas arrives early to Parson Street.

The annual Christmas outing took place to Highfield Golf Club on Saturday 23rd of September. Thirty three players competed on a fine but windy day for the Christmas Hamper and it was one of our "rookies" John Doyle who came home with a great score of 42 pts to win this his first overall prize. Well done John. The match play has reached the final stage with the pairings of Miley Scanlon/Bernie Dempsey v Noel Bradv/Tom Flatlev. Results in next issue.

Turkey Outing to Highfield 23 September 1995

1st Overall, John Doyle 42 pts.

Class 1, 1st Sean Tracey 37 pts, 2nd Martin Foy 36 pts, 3rd Terry Moore 35 pts.

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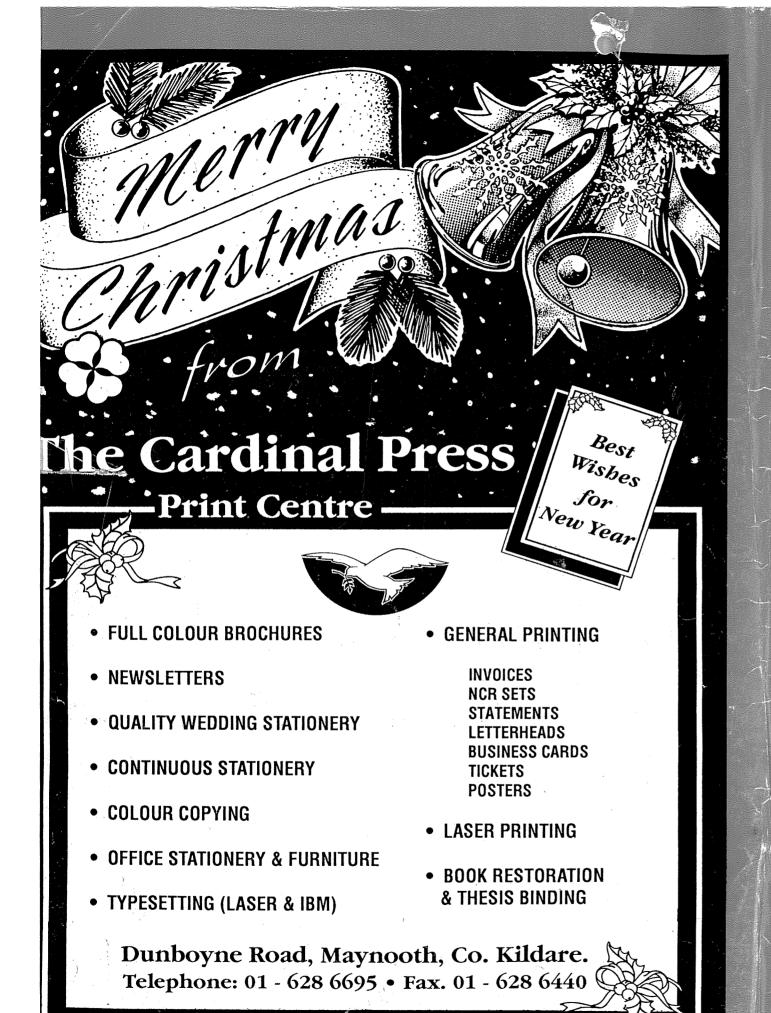
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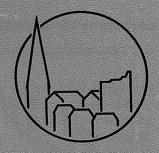
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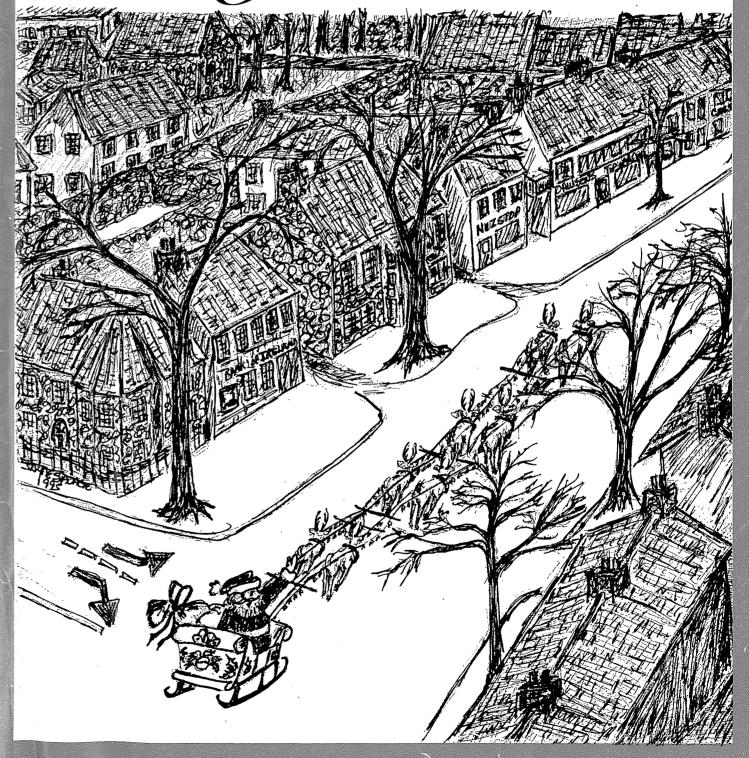


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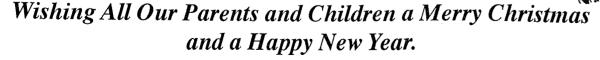
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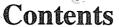
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EDITORIAL

Our December '95 "Christmas" issue is a bumper edition with pages of advertisements and articles of interest to put everybody in the festive mood! As well as our regular features we also have plenty of photographs of all the recent local events, including the Old People's Committee's Book Launch and the official opening of the Glenroyal Shopping Centre and Hotel.

The Glenroyal Complex is just one example of the new and exciting changes that have taken place in the last year. It was the opening of the Maynooth-Kilcock By-pass last December that started the ball rolling. Many changes followed including the major one - the long awaited face-lift brought about by the demolition of :"The Thing" in the Square. The by-pass of Maynooth was a welcome development as it was going to decongest Maynooth of all the traffic from the Galway road. However, a year further down the road (excuse the pun!) the people of Maynooth are still suffering traffic jams and stoppages, albeit of a different sort, but nonetheless inconvenient.

Work on the new Straffan road linking Maynooth to the by-pass has been in progress for over a year now. This is all part of the 'Five Year Plan' for development of Maynooth. Everybody expects a little inconvenience when work on such a scale as that is on-going. However, the state of the Straffan road at present is totally unacceptable. With the winter weather it has deteriorated even further. After the heavy rain we experienced in November there were reports of flooding at the Old Greenfield Road which caused great difficulty for pedestrians and cyclists. Residents are very unhappy about the state of the road. There have been complaints made to the company which is carrying out the work on the road - but they have been met with very little understanding.

Residents along the Straffan Road are delighted about the changes and developments taking place in Maynooth at the moment. The future of Maynooth as a blossoming town depends on it and therefore they are happy to put up with a little discomfort. Yet it is important to remember that local residents on the Straffan Road are living with the roadworks on a daily basis, and it would be a great help to them if the pathways could be improved while work is on-going.

APOLOGY

A piece in last month's issue suggested that the present owner of Carton Estate was interested in acquiring the Harbour Field. This suggestion is entirely untrue and we wish to apologise to Mr. Lee Mallaghan, who has been a valued supporter of Maynooth Community Council, for any difficulties caused by our error.

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

At time of writing we are a week away from our open meeting on the 1994 Tidy Towns results. This meeting was called to give the people of Maynooth an opportunity to talk about the Tidy Towns results and our plans for the future. If you did not make it to the meeting, we are open to comments, please write to our Secretary, Bridget Corkery ^c/ Maynooth Community Council Office.

containers in the Quinnsworth Shopping Centre, cans, bottles, part in keeping the waiting crowd in good form until Reg newspapers especially during the Christmas Holidays. We wish all readers, workers on Community Employment Project, County Council and staff a very Happy Christmas.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

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BAND BULLETIN

Once again we have come to the final Bulletin of another year. It seems only the other day since the "Thing" was standing in the Square. Coonan's Bridge Fields were a splash of green as you walked from the Railway Station and weekend traffic was flashing Eddie Irvine style down Pound Lane to avoid the congestion on the Main Street. Amazing the difference a year makes, isn't it? This time last year we were struggling to clear the final balance on our new uniforms and the re-roofing of the Band Hall. Now, a year later, thanks to the generosity of the people of the town and our Main Sponsor for 1995, Maynooth Office Supplies Limited, that debt has been settled and we can now talk to our Bank Manager in a sitting rather than kneeling position.

November Review

Catching up on some outstanding November events, we had a most enjoyable morning at the opening of the new Glenroyal Hotel and Shopping Centre on Saturday 4th November. We had a grand stand view of the star attraction Reg, when he appeared on stage to perform the official opening. We had to choose from a wide selection of tunes to greet Reg such as Hair, Cats, The Wild Rover and The Bare Necessities but we eventually settled on the tried and trusted Coronation Street We would like to remind our readers of the various re-cycling theme which everyone recognised. The Band played a big arrived.

> The Annual Mass for deceased members on the following morning was once again well attended by relatives and friends of those members who have passed. This year we

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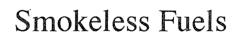
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introduced some new music during the mass with a degree of success and we hope to continue in this vein next year. A special thanks is due to Fr. Supple for his continued interest in the Band and it's history and for helping to make people aware of the extent of the part St. Mary's Band have played in both local and Irish History. Unfortunately our after mass parade this year had to be curtailed due to the condition of the Square but hopefully things will have changed for the better for our next parade on Christmas morning.

At the time of writing our Annual Race Night has yet to happen but we are delighted with the response we have received from both race and horse sponsors. We will have more details on this function including a list of sponsors in our next Bulletin.

December Events

The month of December means Christmas and Christmas means carols and once again we shall be upholding a tradition which has continued in Maynooth for almost a century, the visits to the houses in the area to provide Christmas music for adults and children alike. For many, many people in Maynooth the festive season would not be complete without the strains of 'Silent Night' or 'O Come All Ye Faithful' drifting through the frosty air and we in turn look forward to these visits, regardless of the weather. With the expansion of Maynooth in recent years it has not always been possible to call on all of the houses but we will make a special effort to include most of the estates this year. In any event we hope to be providing seasonal music at the Shopping Centres in the lead up to Christmas Day.

Speaking of Christmas Day, we will have our traditional Christmas parade after 11 o'clock Mass on Christmas morning, concluding (hopefully) with a short recital in the new Square to send you home with a Dustin-sized appetite for your Christmas dinner. Then to round off your seasonal revelling we have our again traditional New Year's get-together in the Square to say farewell to 1995 and usher in 1996. This event has grown from a handful of hardy annuals in former years to the hundreds of kissers and huggers who

now join in the celebrations, I suppose any excuse for an oul' snog.

As for the Band itself, well we have added a further year to its history and with the new classes now taking off we are optimistic that there's another good fifty years to look forward to. We would like to thank all those who have given us their support, financial and otherwise, throughout 1995 and perhaps there are some fine musicians out there who are making a New Year's resolution to come down and make music with us, there are no age barriers.

We take this opportunity to wish all our friends a very Happy and Holy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

I.C.A. NOTES

The November Guild meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held in the I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour, Maynooth, on Thursday 2nd November. As is usual in November, we had a short ecumenical service at the meeting to pray for our departed members and friends. A lovely service was conducted by Rev. Jane Galbraith and Fr. John Dunne.

Primary School Competition

Jo O'Connell, our Contest Secretary, thanked all the children from Maynooth who participated in the recent I.C.A. competition. She also thanked the teachers for their assistance and the judge who had a very difficult task selecting the winners, as the standard was very high. The winners of the four sections will now go forward to County level and we wish them every success.

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1st and 2nd Classes - A Poster - The Circus

1st Mark O'Connell, Boys National School - 1st Class 2nd Satomi Mochinaga, Presentation Convent - 1st Class 3rd Eimear Flynn, Presentation Convent - 1st Class

3rd and 4th Classes - An Essay - A School Outing

1st Darryl O'Connell, Boys National School - 4th Class 2nd Feargal Molloy, Boys National School - 4th Class (Only two entries in this category)

5th and 6th Classes - An Essay - My Sports Hero

1st Elizabeth Broderick, Presentation Convent - 5th Class 2nd Mark Watson, Boys National School - 5th Class 3rd Aileen Devaney, Presentation Convent - 5th Class

Christmas Party - Change of Venue

The I.C.A. Kildare Federation Christmas party will be on 29th November. However, the party will now take place in Lumville House, The Curragh and not the Red House as previously stated. The cost will be £10.

Crafts

The craft ladies have just completed the quilting classes and are now turning their thoughts towards Christmas. Over the next few weeks they will be making various Christmas decorations and also participating in appliqué classes to be conducted by one of our members, Mrs. Felicity Satchwell. Eight members are attending a Craft Day in Suncroft organised by Federation Craft promoter, Mrs. Eileen Bateson. Another group paid a visit to the Knitting and Stitching show in the RDS on 10th November. As you can see, Mary O'Gorman, our Crafts Promoter is really keeping the ladies on their toes!

Art Classes

Art classes are in full swing in the I.C.A. Hall on most Thursday nights, starting at 8.00pm and the cost is £2.00 per night. Any member interested in participating in these classes should contact Pattie Lavin, our Arts Promoter on 6286696.



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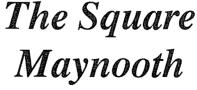
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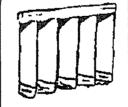
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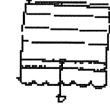


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MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP

Two months into our second term and it is great to see so many new faces. Just a reminder of the new venue, it's the I.C.A. Hall. but the date and time are unchanged. Monday 10-12 noon. We are still appealing for unused toys, you may want to clear out old stock to make way for the new dolls, bricks, cars etc. Also, we would appreciate if anyone has a Stair Gate they have finished using and would like to donate. Again a reminder all newcomers are welcome, it's a nice way to meet local mothers and their toddlers.

Diane McCann 6289247

The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club

The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club has recently commenced their third season. With the new season just after starting everything is running very smoothly, the new batch of Hosts and Hostesses have just completed their introductory training course and are really into the swing of things. The Hosts and Hostesses own sub committee undertook the task of decorating the hall for the Halloween disco. They are to be congratulated for the great job they did.

Admittance to all future discos and functions will be by ID Card only.

Only people with ID Cards or properly completed application forms will be allowed in.

THE SEVEN CASTLES FLOWER CLUB

The Seven Castles Flower Club are to announce their annual Christmas Demonstration and Auction.

This year the proceeds from this evening will be donated to the Irish Cncer Association Home nursing group. The Demonstrator for evening will be Imelda O'Rielly best known to all from her "Live At 3" days. Beautiful arrangements and gifts galore will be available on the night for that perfect gift.

Our auction will be the highlight of the evening with items not to be missed. Come early and catch some lovely bargains.

Date: Monday 11th December.

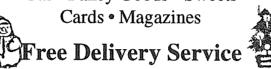
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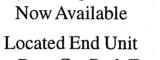


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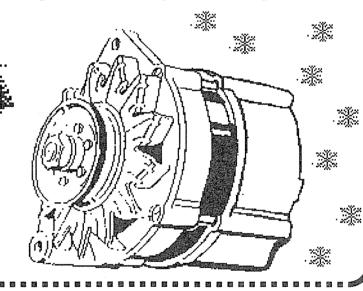
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Unless you have been out of the country recently you will know by now that we celebrated our Pearl Jubilee on Sunday, October 22nd, in the Post-Primary School.

The evening began with Mass at 3.30 p.m. celebrated by Rev. B. Supple P.P. and assisted by Frs. John Dunne, Pat J. O'Connor and David Boylan P.C., and enhanced by the music November brings us those three little words "Sale of Work", of our own very competent Folk Group.

Fr. Supple in his homily thanked the committee for their dedication over the past thirty years, which of course included all our former members, most of whom attended the celebration.

our present members and Marie Kelly one of our former members.

The offertory gifts were presented by our oldest resident Kitty the chain that binds this community together. For playing Thomson and Dinny Breen our oldest man on the day.

Our Mass was followed by tea and plenty of chat. This was a delightful part of the evening renewing old acquaintances, and Monster Hamper, Marie Hannigan, Leixlip. 2nd Prize, £50, friendships which had drifted with the passing of time. Nostalgia was the order of the day — so with not a dry eye in the house we set about the formal launching of our Booklet.

On our panel representing the various aspects of the community were Emmet Stagg (Fundraising), Tom Ashe (Schools), Norah Campbell (E.H.B.), Joe Buckley (Sponsors), Fr. Supple (Parish) and of course Mary Cullen, who in association with our committee wrote the Booklet.

Kitty Thomson and Dinny Breen received a special edition of Maynooth. the Booklet on behalf of our Senior Citizens and of course, not to be out done by Gaybo, we had one for everyone in the audience.

The anniversary cake which was made by Patricia Cusker was citizens are welcome. cut by our first Chairperson Mary Cullen and our present Chairperson J. Moore, properly supervised of course by Kitty and Dinny (see photos opposite).

After the appropriate speeches and compliments, etc., we rounded off the evening with dancing and entertainment by Mick McGarry who not only is an excellent musician, but an old friend.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who came along and made the day a memorable occasion. I thank our very capable committee who catered for J. Moore

more than 150 guests and took the whole event in their stride. I thank Tom Ashe and the I.C.A for the open door, and finally our sponsors, Barton's Transport, Donovan's Newsagents, David Geoghegan (Town Centre Fuels), Seamus Grant (Mini Bus Service), Billy McCrory (Fuel Merchant), Moyglare Nursing Home, Joe Buckley, Ua Buachalla Shop, John Byrne, Joe Wall, the "No Name Club" and indeed all our supporters, without whose funding this space would be empty and so would a lot of people's lives.

Our Booklet is on sale at all Donovan's shops, Barry's Newsagents and Maynooth Bookshop. These shops are stocking our Booklet free of commission. All monies from sales comes back to us, and we thank them for this facility.

With all celebrations over, it's business as usual. Yes folks, which of course was a huge success again this year. You would think after all these years we would have become accustomed to your generosity, not only are you hospitable and generous to our callers, but you then come along in vast numbers on the day. A special thanks to Sean Donovan for all his kindness. "Nice one Sean".

The lessons were read during the Mass by Helen Doyle one of Our net profit at going to print was £4,423.38 with some donations still to come. Whether you canvassed door to door in our name, sold or bought tickets for our draw or came along on the day to help or to spend, you are all a vital link in your part we thank you most sincerely.

> Congratulations to all the prize winners: - DRAW 1, 1st Prize. Claire Coakley, Old Carton. 3rd Prize, £25, John Sheridan,

DRAW 2, 1st Prize, C.D. Cassette Player, Liam McGeaney, Kilcock. 2nd Prize, Large presentation basket of assorted chocolates, Ray Noonan, Leixlip. 3rd Prize, Sheridan's presentation pack, Catherine Fay, Maynooth. DRAW 3, 1st Prize, Christmas Cake, Paddy Desmond, Maynooth. 2nd Prize, Bottle of Whiskey, Martha O'Rourke, Maynooth. 3rd Prize, Bottle of Harvey's Bristol Cream, Marie Nolan,

Our next event will be our Christmas Party, which will take place in the Post Primary School at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday 10th December 1995. Transport as usual and all our senior

Our club will close for holidays on Thursday 14th December 1995 and will re-open on Tuesday 9th January 1996. This is the time of year when our older people are most vulnerable. If you live near an older person, especially those living alone, do keep a neighbourly eye on them. Reach out to those who can not reach out to you.

Finally, may I wish each and everyone of you a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and the best in 1996.

Pearl Jubilee Celebrations



Cutting of the Anniversary cake by Josie Moore, present chairperson Mary Cullen, first chairperson, Kitty Thompson and Dinny Breen.



Enjoying the celebrations were Billy & Lima Higgins and Kevin McGovern.



Past Committee members & present Club members enjoying the party.



The folk Group who played the music during the Mass.



Tom Deane, Betty Farrell & Mary Deane relaxing at the Pearl Jubilee.

Residents' Associations

ST. MARY'S BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL

The Board of Management of St. Mary's Boys National School, would like to thank all the parents who helped to make the Sponsored Cycle a great success. It raised £3,833.28.

We would like to thank Sergeant Peter Kearney, his staff and Mr. John Hulsman of the Order of Malta and his staff for their presence.



Helping Hands. Left to Right:- Lisa O'Farrell, Mary McInerney, Sergeant Peter Kearney, Colm Nelson and Daughter, Paddy Holmes.

A special thanks to the Sponsors who helped with the prizes: Mr. & Mrs. J. Duignan, Moyglare Stud, Moygaddy Stud, Credit Union, Barton's Transport, A.I.B., Jim Cosgrove (Noones Garage).

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Of course, we must not forget the cyclists who were responsible for raising most of the money. WELL DONE BOYS!

Congratulations to Aaron Donnelly who won the bicycle. Other prize winners were:

Kevin Gannon, Steven Clifford, Sean O'Farrell, Bryan O'Rourke, Brian Mitchell, Harninder Gill.

The Parents Association have sponsored The Sticks and Stones Theatre Group to come and perform a play based on bullying, for all boys in the school. This took place during the month of November and was a great success.



Left to Right:- John Kelleher and Niall Cusker

The envelopes for the Annual Subscription of £5 per family have been sent out and may be returned to the school at any time. This money goes towards educational and sporting

Clare O'Rourke

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Since last reporting to you we have held an Estate Clean Up and we thank those who helped.

We are continuing our discussions with Bord Gais, Telecom Eireann and Kildare County Council on the various items which we reported to you during the year.

On behalf of our committee we wish our readers, residents and Community Council staff a very Happy Christmas.

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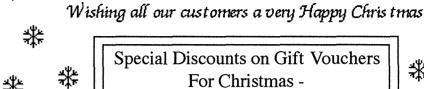
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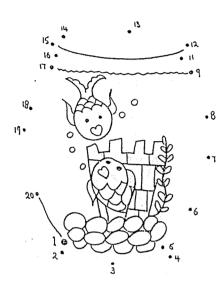
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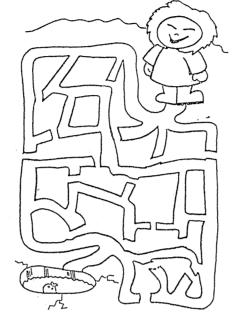
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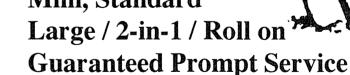
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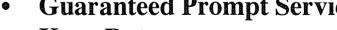
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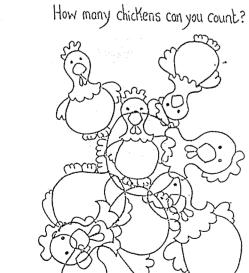


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Work is being done at the moment in the Maynooth fire station in order to get an old fire-engine back on the road. This engine, manufactured by Austin in 1962, is red in colour, weighs 3 tonnes 15 cwts, is being restored and is hoped to be seen driving through the Main Street of Maynooth on St. Patrick's Day.

The restoration of the engine commenced on the 27th of September and the work has been a success ever since. The project, which is part of the Gaisce (President's) awards, was set up by Niamh, Claire, Linda and myself, all students of Coláiste Chiaráin, Leixlip, has been greatly supported by the fire-men of Maynooth Fire-Brigade and our Gaisce leader. Martin Hewitt.



Left to Right: - Peter Leahy, Station Officer Maynooth/ Leixlip., Niamh Doody, Claire Cody, Noel Murphy. Assistant Chief Fire Officer KildareFirse Service, in front of Austin ZW 8599 in Maynooth Fire Station.

At present the main body work of the engine has been completely stripped and sanded, parts of the body have been rebuilt, all damaged timber has been removed, and is at present being replaced. The front and rear wheel arches, the hose reel, the footgrips and the cabin are getting our main attention at the moment.

We would like to thank all who have helped and supported us so far, and especially those directly involved in helping us. Those being, Peter Leahy the Station Officer, and Martin Hewitt our Gaisce Awards Leader.

I am sure you will all look forward to seeing the engine fully restored in the St. Patrick's Day Parade just as much as we will.

Clodagh Ryan

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The agents expressed themselves extremely satisfied with the prices achieved in all cases and stated they presently had an excellent enquiry and demand for all kinds of property in the North Kildare area - an enquiry that they require several

In their opinion the property market had improved quite considerably during the year and given a continuation of the present favourable climate relating to mortages and confidence they believe this increase will continue.

North Kildare has become particularly popular in their opinion due to the opening of the M4 Motorway to Kilcock which has made several areas in its vicinity far more accessible to the city.

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It has again wheeled around to that time of year when we at Maynooth Garda Station would wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for your co-operation and assistance throughout the past year. We would also like to wish all an extremely happy, peaceful and safe Christmas.

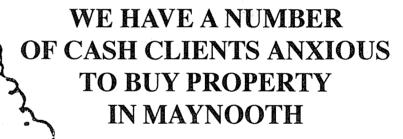
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Barcelona is a fabulous city, but be warned:

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MEMORIES of that old ballad "Ouare Bungle Rye" came back to me while on a visit to Spain recently. We were on a day's visit to Barcelona at the time, setting out to see all the sights. We had earlier been speaking to a Spaniard who advised us to visit Montjuic, which is a very high hill overlooking the whole city. So that's where we headed.

We found Barcelona to be an amazing place. The boulevards spreading in all directions as we left the railway Station were as wide as football pitches and seemed to stretch very straight as far as the eve could see. As we set out for Plaça Espanya, which is about a mile from Montjuic, we walked past towering buildings and crossed intersections that were as wide as Maynooth's Main Street is long.

Looking from Plaça Espanya towards Montjuic presented us with a stunning sight — certainly, when the planners of modern Barcelona decided on how they would plan the lay-out of their streets a major part of the plan was to give plenty of space to show off the very impressive buildings. In this case there are acres of space as Queen Cristina Avenue stretches to the base of Montiuic and then from the bottom to the top of this mini-mountain is a line of fountains. The summit is crowned with the massive Palau Nacional (National Palace): Buckingham Palace, eat your heart out!

We were like kids as we made our way up to the palace. There was no great effort needed here because openair escalators were operating. It was marvellous not having to make a weary climb up steps that seemed to go on for ever. It meant you could turn your back

"Barcelona boulevards are as wide as football pitches"

to the escalators and watch the huge unfolding picture of the city as you ascended. The only problem was that you'd nearly topple over as you arrived backwards at the top of each section of escalator!

We were soon at the viewing area just below the great doors of the palace and we were totally relaxed as we looked out over the city, identifying the high points with the help of a small map we had brought with us. It was then when the two brightly-clad ladies arrived. The first we knew of it was

when we discovered flowers being pushed upon us — one being thrust down the front of my shirt and another behind my wife's ear and the idea of what was going on being explained to us in a flood of Spanish. The message from the two women was that they were going round the town handing out flowers to foreign visitors in connection with a Flamenco dancing festival and in return everyone was to respond by giving one coin of their own currency (not Spanish) in return for the flower.

We seemed to be having difficulty explaining that we only had Spanish money with us, as I turned and showed one of the women a handful of pesetas and offered to pay something for the flowers. "No, no," said the other woman, "no pesetas, Irlanda money", as I turned to find she had my wallet in her hand. She was checking its contents as I grasped it from her and the other woman grabbed back the flowers explaining that they could not give us the flowers if we could not give them coin of our currency. They moved on and we passed it off as a minor unimportant incident.

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VIDEO REVIEW

The Shawshank Redemption

Tim Robbins plays a young man convicted of killing his wife and her golf-pro lover, and is sentenced to life imprisonment in Shawshank Prison. How he copes with prison life, and eventually finds a niche for himself within the regime, makes a very good story. There is naturally, a twist in the tail that will keep you guessing and will surprise you at the end. Definitely recommended.

The River Wild

Meryl Streep is Gail, a woman who is an ex-river guide. She's going through a bad patch in her marriage and decides to take her son and her husband on a "river run", on the occasion of her son's birthday, in the hope of bringing the three of them closer together. While on the trip, they encounter a couple of "nasties" in what is basically a film on the same lines as 'Deliverance'. Photography is excellent; you can almost smell the great outdoors. It's well directed and the whole thing gels together quite well. Reasonably entertaining.

Forrest Gump

Another winner from Tom Hanks as the innocent "thick" who finds himself in all kinds of bizarre situations as he goes through life taking everything seriously, with hilarious results. There is a clever combination of newsreel footage, with Gump superimposed, as he meets some of the Twentieth Century's most famous people, including a couple of late American Presidents, and the whole film is extremely well put together and is hugely entertaining. Excellent!

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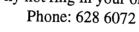


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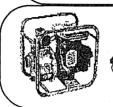


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The school, which is beside the Setanta House Hotel in Celbridge, is the first and only Multi-Denominational Co-Educational Primary School in County Kildare.

Because of the huge demand for the limited number of places at the school, David's parents, Gerry and Gina, are making sure that David's place in the school is reserved in plenty of time. They have two other children already attending the school, Sarah aged 9 and Dara aged 5.

"We are delighted with the new addition to the family", said David's mother Gina. "We are also delighted that his place in the school has been reserved for the 1st of September 2000!" said David's father Gerry who is on the Board of Management of the school.

The school accepts children, boys and girls, of all creeds and none, on a strictly first come first served basis. No other criteria applies and the school has no set catchment area for admission and already caters for children from Celbridge, Leixlip, Maynooth and further afield.

"It is important for parents to realise that we will always be a single stream school (i.e. there will only ever be one class of junior infants, one class of senior infants and so on up to sixth class), and as we are the only Multi-Denominational Co-Educational Primary School in Kildare at present, the demand for places will always exceed the number of places available", said School Principal Rita Galvin. "We cannot over emphasise the importance of getting your child's name down early if you want to be sure of a place", she added.

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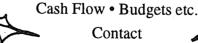


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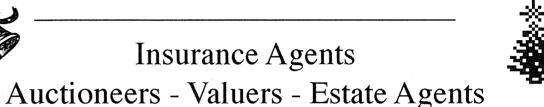


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Guiltrip -Maynooth On The Movie Map

The film Guiltrip, shot on location in Maynooth last Spring, went on general release on November 17th to critical acclaim. The film could best be described as a tense domestic drama, played out over a 24 hour period, where a husband's psychological and physical domination of his wife continually threatens to topple over into violence. The backdrop is small town Ireland. The husband, Liam, played by Andrew Connolly, is a corporal in the local army barracks who imposes army discipline and order on his domestic arrangements. His young wife Michelle keeps her head down, knowing that at the end of the day she must report her every movement and justify every item of expenditure down to the purchase of a packet of Hobnobs in the local supermarket. Towards the end of the film it emerges that both have been guilty of a transgression during the course of the day, though the scale of their crimes is very different.

The director Gerry Stembridge, of Scrap Saturday fame, maintains the tension through all of the 85 minutes of the drama. Much of this is down to the performance of Andrew Connolly who, with the exception of one or two scenes, comes across as a manipulative and potentially violent figure. His bullying behaviour at home reflects the brutality of army life where he treats his colleagues in the same manipulative way in which he treats his wife. There are some comic elements but in general this is a grim, tense, adult film which reflects great credit on all associated with it. Already Guiltrip has created some controversy among army personnel. They argue that it portrays army life in a very dark light and implies that army husbands may have a propensity to be violent towards their wives. Stembridge, though, has defended the film's portrayal of a particular army marriage and Guiltrip certainly raises some painful issues relating to domestic violence and chauvinistic values.

The film is well worth seeing but for Maynooth residents there is the added pleasure of seeing the main characters walking up and down Main Street. The army barracks is supposed to be located through the gates of the Avenue which, in the film, actually leads through to Collins' Barracks. As the soldiers walk through the gates on their way home in the evening one asks - "Will we head down to Brady's for a pint?" and down they walk, past Donovan's, the Elite and Caulfield's. Later in the evening some of the soldiers move on to the Roost where a Seventies revival band are strutting their stuff. No doubt everyone will be glad to know that "The Thing" features prominently in one scene. Pursued by a young beggar boy, Michelle pushes her pram in and out through "The Thing". Seeing it in all its

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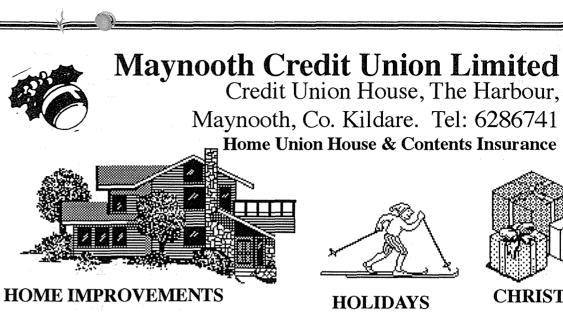
YOUNG MAYNOOTH **DESIGNER WINS AWARD**

Jeremy Farrell, of 28 Carton Court, Maynooth, a past pupil of Maynooth Post Primary School, received his Diploma in International Trade & Marketing from the Irish Exporters Association at a presentation in the Head Offices of An Bord Trachtála on November 7th last. Jeremy, who attended Coláiste Ide in Finglas, was among more than 50 graduates from colleges all around Ireland who received their Diplomas.

But the big surprise for Jeremy and his parents Liam and Mary Farrell was when he received a prize presented by the Insurance Corporation of Ireland for the best International Trade Practice Project, "I was really delighted, especially with mum and dad there", Jeremy told us.

In order to research his project which made up part of the final exams for his Diploma he set up his own business; Telephone Cards By Post. He designs and produces private limited edition telephone cards for the collectors market. A talented artist in his own right, Jeremy has produced eight phone cards, with six of the designs being his own artwork. At just 20 years of age, he is already recognised as one of Ireland's leading independent telephone card designers.

Jeremy earned the money for his college fees and the launch of his first phone card by working four nights a week and all day at weekends. "It was a hectic time for me, I had to study on the train on the way to and from college", he explained. But in all this rush he never lost sight of one of the basic principles of business - customer care. Jeremy has built up a very loyal customer base with a lot of repeat business for his mail order phone cards. "I give my customers what they want, when they want it and at a price they can afford", he said.





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His latest card is a full face chip card and shows a picture of Michael Collins. He will be attending the first Irish International Phonecard Fair on November 18th & 19th, at Newman House, in Stephens Green, where he will be signing copies of his card.

For those interested in his work Jeremy can be contacted by writing to him '/o Telephone Cards By Post, 28 Carton Court, Maynooth, or phoning 6286613.

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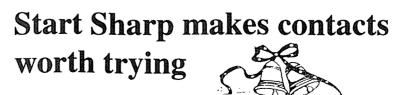


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The film is well worth seeing but for Maynooth residents there is the added pleasure of seeing the main characters walking up and down Main Street. The army barracks is supposed to be located through the gates of the Avenue which, in the film, actually leads through to Collins' Barracks. As the soldiers walk through the gates on their way home in the evening one asks - "Will we head down to Brady's for a pint?" and down they walk, past Donovan's, the Elite and Caulfield's. Later in the evening some of the soldiers move on to the Roost where a Seventies revival band are strutting their stuff. No doubt everyone will be glad to know that "The Thing" features prominently in one scene. Pursued by a young beggar boy, Michelle pushes her pram in and out through "The Thing". Seeing it in all its

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In order to research his project which made up part of the final exams for his Diploma he set up his own business; Telephone Cards By Post. He designs and produces private

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

School Tour to Barcelona

Barcelona was the destination for the 1995 Maynooth Post Primary School tour, which left the school gates on Wednesday 25th of October. The trip, which consisted of 110 students and 14 teachers, included a brief tour of Paris en route to Barcelona. Visits to Monserrat, the famous Barcelona football grounds and the Salvador Dali Museum were planned for the students. The trip also included a shopping spree. Throughout the entire tour, the personal safety of the students was a high priority. Such tours are of great educational value and broaden the mind. Considerable credit is due to Mr. O'Donnell, the tour organiser, and to the many teachers who assisted him in this mammoth task.

Graduation of the 1994/95 Transition Year

On Wednesday 4th of October, a ceremony was held in Maynooth Post Primary School to celebrate the passing out of the 1994/95 transition year students. This graduation ceremony was a very important occasion as it was our first transition year. Both students and parents were present at a gathering in which the students were presented with certificates on the successful completion of the first transition year at Maynooth. The meeting was addressed by Dr. Patrick Hogan from Maynooth College. A very entertaining evening was had by all. Considerable credit must go to Mr. McKeon, the transition year co-ordinator and also to Miss K. O'Leary who assisted in the organising of this successful event.

Transition Year visit to the Bog

On Friday 6th of October, the present transition year class went to the exhibition at Peatland World and then visited a bog. Bogs are areas of great educational interest as they have links with history, science, geography and art. The students were accompanied by Mr. McManus and Mrs. Mahony of the science department and were introduced to the flora and fauna of the bog. It was considered a very worthwhile study.

Debs Dance for Maynooth Post Primary Students

The sixth year debs dance was held on Friday 13th October in the Keadeen Hotel Newbridge and was attended by pupils, past pupils and parents. It was a very successful event and credit must go to Mr. S. McManus, the year head who organised the event.

Intel Bursary to Maynooth Student

Maynooth Post Primary School is proud of Miriam Gormally who got a bursary of £1000 from Intel on the strength of her Physics result in this years Leaving Certificate Examination. We are grateful to Intel for encouraging students in the sciences.



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Pictured above is Miriam Gormally, extreme right, after receiving her Bursary from Intel

Maynooth Post Primary Success in Essay Competitions Our hearty congratulations to Janice Walsh who won the Michael Sweetman Scholarship for her essay on Europe. This is a considerable achievement and we are pleased to state that Janice is the third of our students to win this award (See Article below). Our congratulations also go to Una

Burke and Anna Martin who were highly commended for Irish essays, written as part of St. Patrick's College Bicentenary celebrations.

The following is an account by Janice Walsh who won the Sweetman Essay Competition. Janice is a Sixth Year Student at Maynooth Post Primary School. This essay is an account of the prize which she won in the essay competition. Michael J Walsh

An Account of the Prize

Nobody was as surprised as I was when the news came that I had won the Sweetman Essay Competition! First of all I had to write an essay about the Inter-Governmental Conference of 1996, and after that twelve of us were shortlisted and called for an interview. I wasn't too pleased by how the interview had gone and I was quite taken aback when I was told I was one of the four chosen to go on a trip to Europe. At that stage all I knew were the names of the three other winners as well as the name of our supervisor, Loman Conway, so I didn't really know what to

The trip started on 5th July, with lunch in Dáil Eireann with former Taoiseach Garret Fitzgerald. This was very interesting and the time passed quickly until the 4 o'clock flight to Brussels. We were staying in the centre of the city, close to all the tourist attractions. The two days here flew and included meeting with Commissioner Padraig Flynn, seeing Bruges and the Grande Place and seeing all the EU buildings.

Paris was the next city on the agenda and we arrived here on the afternoon of the 7th July. The heat was stifling, but it did not stop us seeing any of the sights! During our three days here we saw the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, Versaille, Sacre

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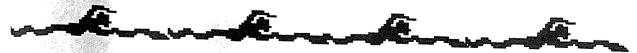
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his way into the Centre. signing autographs along the way. We found ourselves immersed in celebrity euphoria with everyone there fighting for a second of his attention. Chaos broke out as Reg disappeared in the

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The circuit of Glendalough

The circuit of Glendalough is probably the best

transition year. Both students and parents were present at a west, 195 degrees) about one and a quarter miles away. You will travel only half this distance before changing direction at the mid-way high point.

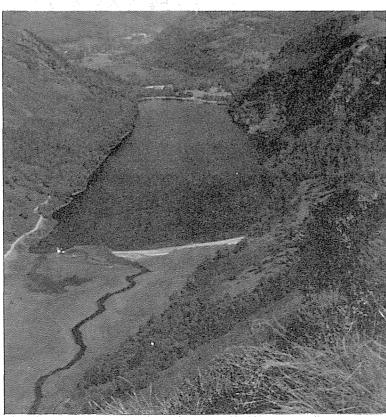
As you now change your bearing to 310 to bring you onto the ridge for Lugduff you can take in your splendid isolation: as you make your way along the ridge you'll be looking into Glenmalure to your right while across the tailend of Glenmalure you'll see the massive great bulk of Lugnaquilla. However, these are just distractions because your walk will take in neither of them.

Change of direction

You stay with the ridge for two miles until you are at the high point a half mile short of the summit of Lugduff. Here you change direction to 95 degrees, which is almost directly east. This will take you away from the ridge track across an area of tall grass as you drop down towards the Spink: this is the ridge which overlooks the southern side of the Upper Lake. The best views of the whole walk will now be opening up as you look down to see the lake in the reverse manner to the way most visitors see it (see picture). Down below you the Glenealo river twists snake-like into the lake. You now continue making your way along the Spink: a track will soon

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Often the biggest treat was the trip to see the Crib in the nearby church, the children had to be on their best behaviour or they would be barred from going. Brigie's father worked as a steward on an estate owned by a British officer, and she still remembers the shilling he gave her and her youngest brother with some pride, a shilling was a lot of money for a young child in those days.

Christmas day was a day for family; aunts and uncles would come to share the day. In a family of eight, a few more faces at the table were still welcome to join in with the festivities. Brigie remembers one incident when she was reprimanded by her father for sitting on the steps outside the door of her house. This was Christmas morning and one did not move past the threshold as it was a special day.

Mass on Christmas morning was a family occasion, where the whole family dressed in their best. Older family members assisted the younger children to speed their departure. On the road to mass, friends and neighbours gave their Christmas greetings and wishes for the Holy day, while children stole whispered conversation about the contents of their Christmas stockings and made plans for Wren day.

"The wren, the wren, king of all birds.....". After the solemnity of Christmas day the antics of the 'mummers' and 'wren boys' provided a more exuberant feel to the season. An old tradition that barely survives today, it is a part of Christmas that Brigie fondly recalls.

Those earlier Christmases passed as one for Brigie, until 1925. In that year, two of her brothers died on April 25th and October 25th. It was also the year that her Christmas changed forever. On Christmas morning her older sister May, died as the family were preparing for mass. That morning for once the old tradition was broken as the house was filled with grieving friends and neighbours. Christmas for Brigie was never the same after that.

Brigie moved to Maynooth in 1930, two years after her mother died. She went to stay with her uncle and lived in a large house, where Parson Court stands today. Maynooth changed everything, as her life before that was too familiar with tragedy and death. She remembers the local band marching down from the Minstrel Gate to the church on Christmas morning. She also remembers coming back from mass to find her uncle having prepared the table for dinner. Her first taste of wine was at her uncle's insistence. "Don't talk about Confirmation pledges on Christmas morning", he said. Her uncle believed, because our Lord's first miracle was to turn water into wine, it was only proper to toast his birthday with a glass.

She spent several years in England and recalls her first taste of champagne, which was nice, but made her walk crooked! When she returned to Ireland after the outbreak of the war, there was no more champagne. The Emergency and rationing meant that Christmas became a test of ingenuity. Brigie's banana souffle, made from dry boiled parsnips, sugar and banana essence was one example of the lengths to which people went to retain the element of celebration associated

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with Christmas.

This is perhaps what one would associate most with Brigie. Despite the tragedies of the past, she looks forward to Christmas, to old friends and new visitors dropping in for a chat and a slice of cake.

These days Christmas is associated with the hustle and bustle of shopping and the whirl of the social round. Brigie Saults represents the spirit of a Christmas that has passed us by, a more simple but a somehow more celebratory Christmas. And one whose spirit is kept alive in someone like Brigie.



Brigie Saults enjoying her 80th Birthday Party in Caulfields

FINE GAEL NOTES

Re: Celbridge Interchange

Mr. Bernard Durkan, T.D., stated at a recent meeting that the motorway scheme for the Kilcock/Maynooth/Leixlip By-Pass provided for an interchange on the by-pass to the west of Lucan with a new link to the existing Lucan/Celbridge road. Access for Celbridge traffic is also provided at the Straffan Road Interchange to the south of Maynooth. The question of providing additional access for Celbridge traffic to the Kilcock/Maynooth/Leixlip By-Pass would only arise in the event of Kildare County Council preparing a new motorway scheme in respect of such an access. It would be a matter for Kildare County Council to determine the scope of the works to be included in such a scheme. Any such scheme would have to be the subject of a public inquiry, at which evidence in all aspects of the proposal would have to be presented, before I could make a decision on the motorway scheme.

Responsibility for the improvement and maintenance of national roads and motorways is a matter for the National Roads Authority who are also responsible for the allocation of grants for individual schemes.

At the October Meeting of the Maynooth Branch Cllr. Senan Griffin welcomed the following grants allocated by Mr Bernard Durkan Minister for State at the Department of Social Welfare.

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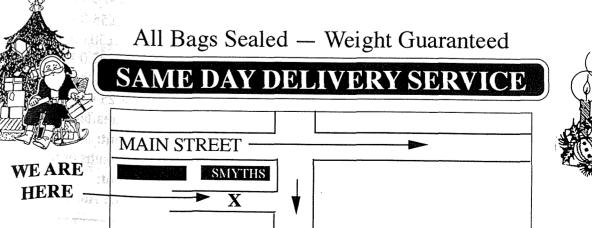
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- 1. £3000 to Celbridge Friendship and support group for Separated people towards cost of reprinting of information booklet.
- 2. £900 for Leixlip Resource Centre for the unemployed, towards the cost of courses in Personal Development, Debt Management and Vocational Skills.
- 3. £1,800 Balyna Rural Enterprise Development Association, Johnstownbridge towards the cost of a P.C. and printer for the production of community newsletter.

Councillor; Senan Griffin informed the meeting that he has submitted the following motions to Kildare County Council:

- 1. "That the County Council appoint caretakers for Laraghbryanand Donacomper Cemeteries"
- -2. "That the County Council provide proper footpaths on the Moyglare Road up to the nursing home".

At the Celbridge Area Meeting held on Friday 17th November 1995 it was decided and agreed by all councillors to make the following allocation of public lights.

- 1. Greenfield Lane (6 lights).
- 2. Leinster Street (Harbour) (3 lights).
- 3. Maynooth Road, Celbridge, from the Main Street to Telemecanique. This section of roadway is in urgent need of attention and the extra lighting will be of benefit to road users. The total cost of item, which will include a new stand location, is approximately £10,000.

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

New Public Lights

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Engineer to erect a further 6 lights on existing poles on Greenfield Lane. This area is very dark and extra lights will only cost £1,200.

Greenfield Estate

Cllr. John McGinley has asked Bord Gais to unblock the shores in Greenfield Estate. The shores were blocked during the pipe laying by Bord Gais and flooding has taken place in a number of areas.

Celbridge Road, Maynooth

The County Engineer has advised Cllr. John McGinley that he intends to resurface this road from the motorway bridge to Straffan Road during 1996. This road is in a terrible condition and the promise of resurfacing comes after prolonged pressure from both Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D., and Cllr. John McGinley.

Cluain Aoibhinn/College Green

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have accepted the need to carry out a major resurfacing job in Cluain Aoibhinn during 1996. John will continue to press the Council on this matter to ensure that the work is done.

Maynooth Development Plan

The Celbridge Area Committee will hear submissions from those who sought oral hearings on 8th December. It is unlikely that the revised Draft Plan will go before the full Council before the end of January 1996.

Traffic Calming Measures - Parson Street

Following a meeting with local residents in Parson Street, Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D., has asked Cllr. John McGinley to table a motion for the next Celbridge Area Committee of the Council requesting the provision of traffic calming measures at Parson Street. We will be seeking the provision of Wide Footpaths, Raised Kerbing and Ramps.

Kevin (Sam) Murphy

It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of our comrade Kevin (Sam) Murphy. Kevin was the longest serving member of the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party. He was also an Honorary President. He also was involved in many community activities in Maynooth, being a founder member of the Community Council and the Citizens Information Centre. In addition he was an active Committee Member of the Mortality Society. The Branch extend their sympathy to his wife and family. He will be missed.

Happy Christmas

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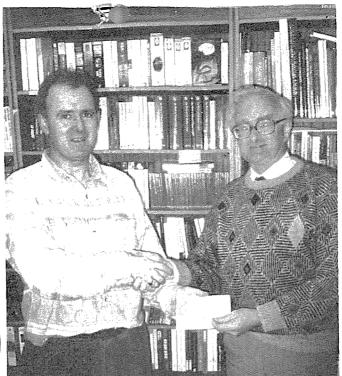
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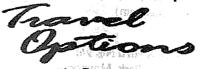
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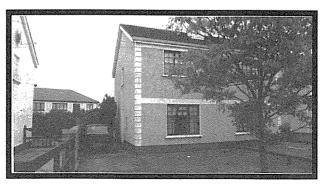
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Jimmy Foy, Double Lane, whose Birthday was on November

Birthday greetings to Noel Cassidy, The Roost whose Birthday is December 9th. Best wishes from wife Ann, family, staff, customers, the Roost and friends. Hope you enjoyed the film Noel.

Birthday greetings to Clare McTernan, Greenfield whose birthday is December 12th. Best Wishes from Daddy. Mammy, brother Gerard, Grannies and Grandad.

Jim Smyth (Butcher) Main Street whose Birthday is December 16th. Best wishes from all your customers and friends.

Birthday greetings to Trevor Naughton, Greenfield, age 14, November 19th., his sister Aimee, age 6, November 29th. Best Wishes from Mammy, Daddy, brother Darren and sister

Happy Birthday to Ashling Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Rd., Maynooth, who celebrates her 10th birthday on December 14th. With love and best wishes from her Daddy, Mammy, brothers Brian and Conor and Grandparents.

SYMPATHIES

The wife, sons and daughter of the late Harry Kelly wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent sad loss. Those who attended the removal and funeral Mass, those who sent Mass Cards and floral tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple & Fr. Dunne S.M.A., Dr. Cowhey all his friends and relations for all their kindness, the holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of

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To Phil Brady of the Clock House, Maynooth on the death of his sister Kate. Kate (97) will be missed by a very large circle of relations (brothers and sisters down to great grandchildren) and friends. May she rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Thomas Fay, 545 O'Neill Park, on his conferring from Sligo R.T.C. and for receiving a special award for best overall student in Food Science.

Congratulations to Noel and Ann Cassidy, The Roost Inn who celebrated their 20th Wedding Anniversary November 15th. Best wishes from all your family, staff, customers, The Roost and your many friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Congratulations to Sean and Breda Horgan, Keelev's Corner. Main Street, Maynooth, who were married recently. Love and best wishes from their families and many friends.

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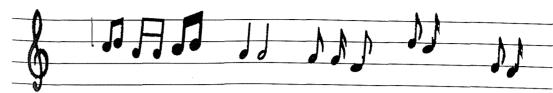


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