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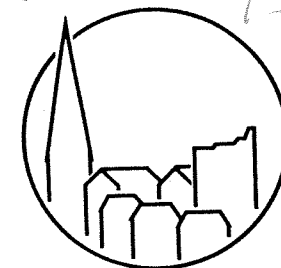
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DIARY DATES

Wednesday, 3rd April: in Maynooth Library at 8.00 p.m., the *Maynooth Peace and Renconciliation Group* are holding a Public Meeting. The meeting will be chaired by Dr. Mary Cullen and guest speakers will include T.D. Mary O'Rourke and Michael Farrell. The theme of the meeting will be "Towards Inclusive All Party Talks And A Just And Lasting Peace".

Tuesday, 16th April: in the Post Primary at 8.30 p.m., the *Maynooth Women's Forum* will be meeting.

Thursday 18th April - Enrolment for *Art Classes* in ICA Hall at 8 p.m.

Sunday, 21st April: in Glenroyal Hotel starting at 9.00 p.m., *St. Mary's Band* from Maynooth will be holding a fundraising night in aid of the Irish Cancer Society.

Sunday, 21st April: *Maynooth Old People's Committee*, Easter party Day Out

Sat/Sun 20th/21st April *St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band* take part in National Band Championship.

Friday 26th April - *Kildare Telethon* in Curragh Camp.

27th/28th April - *National Council for the Blind Collection*

Monday, 29th April: M.A.D.E. will be holding a 10th Anniversary Party in their centre
11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Clarification

Last month it was reported in the Diary Dates that the students of the Christian Communications Class in the Kairos Communications Institute would be presenting a live magazine radio programme on C.K.R.

This was a mistake on our part as the students broadcasted for the week March 8th-15th from their own station in Maynooth: K.C.I. on 102.5 FM.

We would like to extend our apologies to C.K.R. and K.C.I. Radio for any confusion this may have caused.

EDITORIAL

Once again this year Maynooth's St. Patrick's Day Parade did the town proud. Apart from the spectacle on the day, the number of floats, particularly those entered by local organisations, shows that Maynooth has a vibrant community life. Each year the parade brings on to the streets, cultural, social and sporting groups who, throughout the year, do tremendous work, especially on behalf of the town's rapidly growing young population. It seems a pity, then, that the same sense of purpose and unity is obviously lacking amongst our local County Councillors when it comes to planning the future of our town. Unfortunately, on this important issue, they appear bitterly divided. Having elected our five councillors - Brady, Griffin, McGinley, Murphy and Purcell - five years ago in 1991, this is the single most important issue that they are being asked to consider. Indeed, given the limited powers of Co. Councils, it could be argued that, as far as Maynooth is concerned, it is the only important issue that they will deal with during their term of office. The past month has witnessed the councillors divide into three separate camps. Cllrs. Brady and Griffin favour the rezoning of Doyle's land from Green Belt to a mixture of residential, industry and amenity and also the Celbridge Road rezonings. Cllrs. McGinley and Purcell oppose the Doyle's rezoning but favour the Celbridge Road rezoning. Cllr. Murphy opposes both rezonings. To cap all this a zoning decision made by the majority of our five councillors - the Green Belt zoning of Doyle's land - was overturned by councillors from other parts of the county. This rezoning of Doyle's land, the proposed large scale residential development and ring road between Blacklion and the Celbridge Road and rezoning on the Moyglare Road are issues which have aroused some opposition among Maynooth residents and are likely to give rise to objections.

Between now and May 25th the Maynooth Development Plan is on display in the library and the Newsletter suggest that the people of Maynooth reclaim the plan and make it theirs. The scale of residential rezoning - about 400 acres will be available for housing should the plan in its present form be adopted - is likely to transform Maynooth over the next 10 years just as rezonings in the 1980's led to rapid growth since 1986. Alongside this, badly needed amenity land also forms part of the plan which many will welcome. We all have until May 25th to assess the plan and make up our minds as to whether a proper balance has been struck. Individuals and groups may lodge objections up to that date. It's your town.

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Letters to the Editor

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I hope you are well and keeping your feet warm and your head cool in these queer times. And the weather is so awful too.

My old car was on sick leave the other day so I had to walk to Donovan's for my rag of a daily paper — the Indo; I cannot afford the Times. This was the first time I have made the journey on foot since the road works were commenced. On my way home I stopped at the bus stop and looked over the wall to admire the shrubs which are gaunt and haggard (as editor, you would know whether there is a difference between "gaunt" and "haggard") yet, but are budding nicely. No doubt, they will look well in mid-summer. But, oh! dear, what our educators of tomorrow are capable of doing to a *potentially* (that's not the word I wanted to use but it will have to do) beautiful area. And, no doubt, the more the shrubs grow and thicken the more damage that is likely to be done. What I am really telling you, in a long-winded way, is that the area is being used as a dump for all kinds of empty cans, packets, and plastic wrappings. Students are the main culprits, I feel, and I think their attention should be drawn to the damage they are doing. And who better to perform that chore than the *Newsletter* and its staff, God

bless them all. Some staff member, passing the way, might verify what I have said about the rubbish.

Yours sincerely,
Name and address with Editor.

The Editor,
Maynooth Newsletter.

A chara,

I note the appearance of Sinn Féin Party Political Notes in the March issue of the Maynooth Newsletter.

I wonder if, in your next issue, these notes might explain the action of the sole Sinn Féin member of Kildare County Council, Councillor Paddy Wright of Athy, in voting with Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael on March 7th last to overturn the democratic wishes of the local councillors representing Maynooth and impose a Development Plan which will turn our town into a sprawling concrete jungle while simultaneously turning a small group of landowners into overnight millionaires?

Is mise, le meas,
Prionnsias Breathnach

Re: Feature in March '96
Issue "Swan Rescued From
Royal Canal"

Dear Editor,

I refer to the above feature and wish to draw your attention to a number of errors in the article and the Society would be grateful if you could publish the corrections in your next edition.

1.- The young cygnet was rescued by Kildare Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Inspector Paul Dempsey. Not Kildare Animal Rescue as stated (there is no animal welfare group with this name in Kildare).

2.- The K.S.P.C.A. respond to 3 to 4 calls a month as regards sick and injured swans and cygnets in Maynooth.
Not 3 to 4 calls a year as reported.

3.- The contact numbers for the Kildare Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals are as follows; 045-522443, 045-869374 or 088-517381.
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Letters to the Editor

DEAR EDITOR,

It was with some interest and a great deal of amusement that I read the letter by Kay McKeogh which was published in your last issue. The matters outlined by said writer only serve to vindicate my belief, that we still have in our midst a very small minority who find it appropriate to knock those who strive throughout the years to provide a source of outdoor activity for various sections of our community. The visions portrayed by Ms. McKeogh would leave very little room for what is probably the most vulnerable section of our community, namely the children. We at Maynooth Town F.C. cater for teams from the under eight age bracket up to the higher school boys bracket of under seventeen. We also cater for ladies and senior mens teams with no age limit. There are very few age categories which we do not cater for with very meagre ground facilities. The generosity of St. Patrick's College and J.P. & M. Doyle has been of vital importance to us down through the years. We have also had to rely on the Salesian College, Celbridge for pitch usage for which we were very grateful and there were no complaints about the distance involved. With so many distractions for children nowadays it is vitally important that clubs such as ours have the facilities to cater for those who wish to pursue an outdoor sport. We need to get our children onto the playing fields again and prevent them from partaking in activities which were once unheard of and which have no part in our society.

Ms. McKeogh mentions the few hundred who play soccer and G.A.A. sports and then classes them as a minority with a question mark hanging over their interest or ability to use the facilities provided for them. We, and I'm sure our colleagues in the G.A.A. club, take pride in the numbers which we respectively cater for. It is our intention to provide an outlet for them and then encourage them to expand their ability and thereby improve their skills. We will never be able to create complete teams of Jason Sherlocks or

Paul McGraths but we will at least have tried. To quote a famous saying "better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all".

Some of the facilities mentioned by Ms. McKeogh would certainly not cater for many of the age groups for which we cater. How many children under eight would be interested in some of the amenities being touted by her? Namely pubs, discos, meeting places, theatre space, art gallery, etc. Not many I would think. Once again very little thought for our younger people. We take pride in taking children at a young age to coach, train and encourage them to play to the best of their ability and maybe one day progress to senior level and maybe beyond. From little acorns grow the great oak trees. We must not forget that our children of today make tomorrow's sports people, also the doctors, nurses, builders, politicians, etc., to whom we will look for our future progress. We will depend on them for our future just as they depend on us today for our guidance and knowledge.

At the recent public meeting hosted by Democratic Left, Councillor Catherine Murphy had many bright ideas about the planned rezoning of land in the Maynooth area. Some of her suggestions and ideas bordered on the ridiculous and left one wondering as to where land could be provided for the soccer club. She intimated that land at Ballygoran was too far away for football pitches and suggested that we hold on that, quote, "The Doyle land should come up again sometime", unquote. When questioned as to when this land might become available we were greeted with stony silence. We must take the opportunity of taking the initiative and avail of land which will be provided. We cannot expect to have

land at our doorstep. The North Kildare Club at The Maws is a wonderful example. Possessing some of the finest facilities in County Kildare catering for rugby, tennis, cricket, squash, hockey, etc. they also cater for many young age groups. If some of our children wanted to play any of those sports I would hate to think that they would be discouraged from doing so. Would Councillor Murphy or her followers cite the distance involved as a reason for not playing those games. It would be a poor world if they even thought about it. To continue denying our children the right to decent playing facilities is a political football which should be kicked into touch for good. The contents of Ms. McKeogh's letter smacks of political gobbledegook which should be treated with the contempt it deserves.

I note with some amusement the address from which her letter came. Is she aware that her house is situated just about where our centre circle was during our early tenure on land where Railpark is now built. We left that circle over twenty years ago. I suggest that Ms. McKeogh now does the same and enters the real world.

Sportingly yours,

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I would also like to thank the following:

- Mattie Callaghan for providing the reviewing stand
- Leo Bean, Elaine Bean and Ollie Bright for preparing the reviewing stand
- The staff of the Community Council Office for their trojan work
- Sheila McKenna, Jane MacNulty and Antonio Quinones for flower arranging on the reviewing stand
- Katie's Flowers for providing the ribbon for the stand
- Willie Kiernan for again providing and installing the Public Address System
- Paddy Desmond our master of ceremonies
- Our Guests on the reviewing stand
- Charlie McCreevey T.D. for being guest speaker
- Sean Horgan (Keely's Corner) for the power supply for the Public Address System
- Sergeant Peter Kearney and the Gardai for their advice and help
- Tae Kwon Do for their display at the reviewing stand
- Owen Byrne, our Lord Mayor, for leading the parade
- All the stewards who yet again performed their tasks professionally
- Quinnsworth for the use of the car park
- Pat Travers of the Parish Hall Committee for providing the chairs and steps for the reviewing stand
- The Glenroyal Hotel for providing tea and sandwiches for our guests
- Eddy Sherry for cleaning the Main Street
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- (d) Best Marchers:
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Veterans Association
- (e) Best Costumes:
Maher School of Dancing
- (f) Most Topical:
Bond Bridge Action Group
- (g) Funniest:
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Once again we thank the Callaghan family, Mattie, Elizabeth, Mathew and Margaret for their excellent work in getting the Tidy Towns entry ready for the parade.

The second year of the FAS Tidy Towns Community Employment Project started on March 19th. We will keep you advised of the work schedule in these notes in the coming months.

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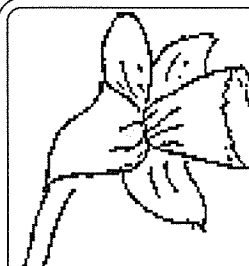
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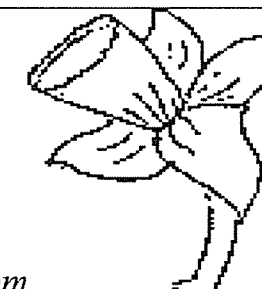
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Maynooth Community Council Notes

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Maynooth Street Plan

By now the views submitted by the people of Maynooth on the proposed upgrade of the main street and approaches to the town will have been considered. Despite a small number of issues which we raised in our submission, the proposals are very welcome and together with the work currently in progress in the square will, hopefully, transform the centre of Maynooth into a place of which we can all be proud. The money which is coming from a fund made available to refurbish towns after the opening of the M4 is a fortunate way for Maynooth to have vital improvements completed without waiting for funds from the usual sources which always seem to be in short supply. Let's hope the work will commence as soon as possible and that we will get value for money.

Bond Bridge Campaign

The re-alignment of Bond Bridge is an issue on which virtually everyone in Maynooth from our eldest lemon to our newest resident, particularly if they live in the Newtown area agree. The new group set up to push for this work to be done will be seeking support from people and particularly politicians from every persuasion to get the funds, much of which the local people paid themselves in development levies over the past 20 years. Perhaps this campaign will take less than a year, because by then we will all have cast our votes for the first time in the new constituency of Kildare North. Good luck to John Doogan and his committee.

Canal Bank Walk . . .

If you are a regular train commuter or take your stroll by the Royal Canal from Bond Bridge to the Harbour on the station side of the canal, you will have noticed that you no longer need to do so in the dark or if you wear high heels that you no longer fall into the many potholes. Yes, after years of persuasion this stretch of path has been upgraded to a safer and more pleasant walking experience. Who deserves the credit? - Well, now that it is complete you will find everyone getting in on the act. In reality, this issue was walked from place to place by one concerned man who

deserves special credit. He is none other than Des Matthews from Woodlands, a piece of information worth knowing in case we are looking for a new name for this path. Take a bow Des.

Carton Walk

If like a lot of people in Maynooth you take a regular stroll down Carton Avenue, you will have noticed the excellent job that the Tidy Towns group have done on cleaning up this area. Carton Walk is one of the few passive amenity areas currently in the town. However, on a recent Sunday afternoon walk there, taking about 20 minutes, I counted eighteen other people there ranging in age from a baby to late sixties. If my survey is anything to go by it shows that Carton Walk is a very popular local amenity.

Now for the bad news, at the first seat there were three empty plastic bags surrounded by 25 empty beer and cider cans. Not wishing to comment on underage drinking or any other sensitive issues, I am probably safe in assuming that there was more than one person involved. As the Tidy Towns scheme has just completed its current year, let's take this opportunity to thank them for all their good work during the year. Maybe it's time to take the seats out of Carton Avenue or lock the gates at night.

Maynooth — "A Heritage Town"

During recent discussions on the development plan a number of people raised the view that Maynooth, as the only University town in Ireland, together with the other excellent features in the town such as the Castle and the Royal Canal, both of which will see significant investment in the next few years, should be developed as a heritage town.

There is a wealth of local history which could be harnessed to develop additional areas of interest for tourism. All of this before you include Carton House, which is in private ownership and has very important links with the town. We are aware that various groups have been working towards achieving this aim. While funds for this project would not seem to be available this does not prevent the discussion from

progressing and utilising the goodwill of the people of Maynooth.

We know this subject has come up before without success. However, we would like to bring the various groups and individuals together to discuss this proposal again. We can be contacted at the Community Council Office.

The "Maynooth Development Plan"

Regular readers will know that the development plan which outlines the proposals for land rezoning in Maynooth has featured in this column for the last number of issues. During the entire process we have used this space to keep the people of Maynooth informed of what was happening, purely on an information basis only.

The plan went before the full Kildare County Council on 7th March, 1996, and was approved with a number of amendments. The major change from the plan agreed by the local area committee in February was the inclusion of the zoning of the "Liffey Farm" (Doyle's) land which is situated between the Dublin road and the Dunboyne road bordered by the Blacklion road. This meant an additional 40 acres for residential but also a significant increase in amenity land. So what happens now!!

- The plan will be put on display in the Library for a two month period.
- Individuals and groups will make their own submissions rejecting the proposals for zoning suggested.
- These will be considered by the planners. Amendments will occur and the plan will go before the full Kildare County Council for adoption.

The Planning and Development Committee will not necessarily make any submissions directly, but will be guided by reaction from other groups on the matter. Next month we will outline some of the other issues we will be dealing with in the future.

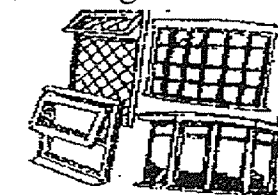
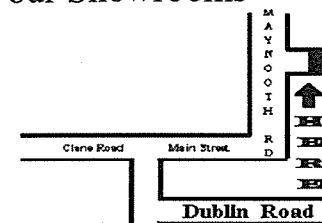
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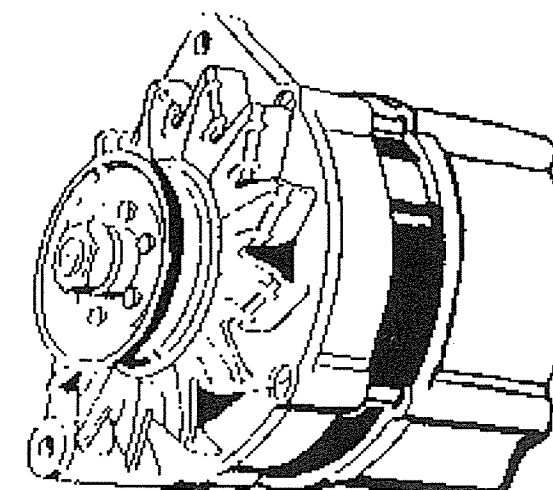
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A dependent spouse is someone who does not have an income in excess of £60 a week or a Social Welfare/Health Board payment in their own right.

There are other conditions for qualifying for the schemes and if your income is below the guidelines then you should check it out further in your Citizens' Information Centre by ringing or calling in.

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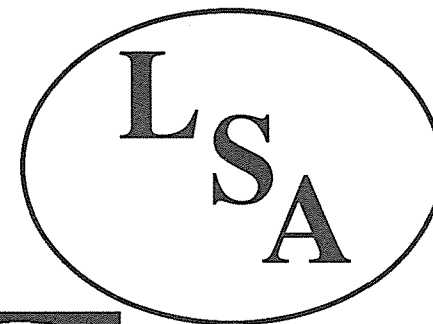
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

It was great to see the Summer Project taking part in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade and reminding us of the good days ahead. We would like to thank all who organised and participated in the Parade. On-going meetings are being held for the Project events in July. We would still like to hear from anyone who would like to work with us on this very worthy project, either on the organizing committee or during the month of July. We would like to welcome all the newcomers to Maynooth since the Project last year and would love to see them get involved. The Project is for the month of July with events each day for the children, some at home and some away and children from the age of seven years upwards can register.

Any further information from Norah McDermott —
Maynooth Community Council - 6285922 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE

We ended our item in last month's issue by asking for your support for our annual collection. So I will begin this month by thanking you for doing just that. Your response was so generous that we realized £1,851.40, which speaks volumes for the quality of this community. In a climate where there are such demands on revenue, it's nice to know that our Senior Citizens are still high on our list of priorities. Many thanks to all who contributed or helped in any way in making this collection the most successful to date.

The last month has been very busy. We attended a Pantomime in Dublin, a Talent Contest in Summerhill and of course the M'Lady Kildare contest in the Glenroyal. Many thanks to Norah and Staff of the Community Council for the complimentary tickets to the latter. All of these events were most enjoyable indeed.

Our Easter Party is next on the agenda and instead of the usual format, we will be linking up with our student friends in Maynooth College in what promises to be a lovely day out. The afternoon will consist of Mass, meal, entertainment and perhaps a short tour of places of interest within the College, all of which will take place on Sunday April 21st at 3.00p.m. Transport will start as usual from Greenfield Shopping Centre, but at the earlier time of 2.15p.m. Those who normally travel by car will be directed at the college gates.

Our club will close for Easter on Thursday March 28th and will re-open on Tuesday April 16th meanwhile our next Committee meeting will be on Tuesday April 2nd in the Health Centre. Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a very happy Easter.

J. Moore.

TAE KWON DO EVENT DIARY

Tae Kwon Do classes for beginners and advanced students 8 years and over Monday and Friday 7p.m.-8p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Hall and Wednesday 7p.m.-8p.m. in Post Primary Gym.

Sports Notes

Maynooth Tae Kwon Do School

In place now for 10 years the Maynooth Tae Kwon Do school has grown and is now a strong and established club. The school was founded in 1986 and presently has 4 black belt members and 35 other grades. Ages range from 8 years upwards and grades spread through all the age groups. Because it is a very disciplined sport/art both young and old of both sexes can join and fully participate with the knowledge that their training and skills will be based on their ability and they will move through the art as these skills and abilities develop. The instructors are all qualified to the highest national and international standards within the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon Do Association (R.I.T.A.) and continue to expand their own skills and bring this knowledge back into the school.

The art has evolved from Korean Master General Choi Hong Hi teachings. Used initially in the Korean military, Tae Kwon Do has spread all over the world and has been included in the Olympic Games. Because of its origins Tae Kwon Do is a very disciplined sport/art and this discipline is reflected during classes between student and instructor. Because of this it is an excellent way for those interested in martial arts/self defence/fitness to become involved. In the class beginners are brought through basics until such time as they have learnt the control and consequence of each punch, block and kick. This is very important as no contact between students is allowed until they have progressed to the higher coloured belt grades. The benefit of this is a development of the skills required without physical injury occurring in the process. Later students will get to use their skills in controlled sparring and also using their punches and kicks to break timber blocks which allows students to comprehend the skills and power that they possess.

The Tae Kwon Do school in Maynooth provides an excellent, convenient way for people of any age to learn some simple self-defence techniques and to be part of an organised disciplined martial art.

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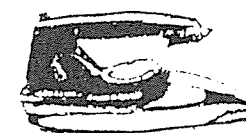
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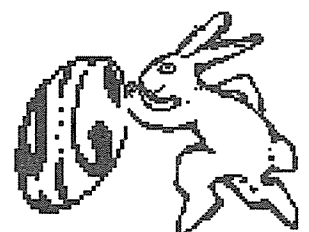
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COMMUNITY GAMES

Chess

On Sunday February 25th at Straffan, National Community Games Chess Champions Straffan defeated Maynooth in the semi-finals of the County Kildare Community Games. Straffan secured the victory when Fergus Denman, down two pieces and in an impossible situation, resigned his match against Neil de Rosario after 31 moves, Straffan who have All-Ireland Under 14 and Under 12 Champions on their team defeated Maynooth in the Kildare final last year.

Paul Dempsey defeated Philip O'Shea (Beaufield)

Colm de Rosario beat Aidan Molloy (Woodlands)

Eoin Spring beat Mark Quigley (Moyglare Road)

Neil de Rosario beat Fergus Denman (Leinster Lawn)

David Fogarty beat Nicholas Bell (Meadowbrook)

We are grateful to Eoghan Corry once again for co-ordinating the chess event.

Draughts

Maynooth U14 team defeated Nurney in the Quarter final, in a closely fought battle over 64 squares. The final result was in doubt up to the final game. In this game James Hoare kept his nerve and Maynooth progressed to the semi-finals. Maynooth 5 1/2 Nurney 4 1/2. Team: Donal Houlihan (capt.), Paul O'Flattery, James Mullarkey, Ciarán McCullagh, James Hoare, Subs: Pierre Ennis, Aoife Tracy.

Art and Modelling

An unprecedented number of boys and girls entered this year's Art and Modelling competition on 9th March at Maynooth Post Primary School. We are grateful to Mr. Ashe, Principal, for making three classrooms available to us this year. The standard of work at this competition was so high, our judge on the day Oonagh Breslin found herself with quite a difficult task in deciding the winners in each category.

Winners as follows:-

Girls

U.8

1st. Sinead Kearney, 2nd. Grace Kennedy

U.10

1st. Eleanor Coyle, 2nd. Lauren Hennessy

U.12

1st. Triona Cahill, 2nd. Paula Curran, 3rd. Brenda Kearney

U.14

1st. Orlaith Tobin, 2nd. Emma Cullinane, 3rd. Aoife Tracey

U.16

1st. Erin Coyle, 2nd. Rosemary Greally, 3rd. Sharon McLoughlin

Boys

U. 8

1st. Eoghan McCartan, 2nd. Justin Cullinane, 3rd. Shay Fleming

U.10

1st. Luke McKeogh, 2nd. Keith Wong, 3rd. Sean MacNamara

U.12

1st. Neil Cusker, 2nd. Sean Kennedy, 3rd. Simon Keenan

U.14

1st. Andrew Lynch, 2nd. David Lawlor, 3rd. Stephen McCartan

Modelling

U.10

1st. Matthew O'Gorman

U.14

1st. Finbarr O'Gorman

The County final for the Art and Modelling competition is :-

Girls - 20th April, Confey

Boys - 21st April, Confey

Project Competition

The themes this year for the Project events were:-

Category 'A' Under 11 years -

"CARING FOR ANIMALS"

Category 'B' Under 13 years - "THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES IN OUR ENVIRONMENT"

Due to the enormous interest in the Project this year an area competition was held on 10th March in the Boys'

National School. Six judges (teachers from outside Maynooth schools) had a very difficult task deciding on winners, as the standard was so high.

We are grateful to Mary O'Gorman, co-ordinator of this event, for putting all this together. It was quite obvious on the day that the boys and girls had spent many hours researching their projects. We wish them success at county level in Nurney on 30th March where they will have their work judged by experts from all over the county.

The committee are grateful to the teachers of the two Primary schools involved for encouraging their pupils to take part in this interesting and educational area of the Community Games, also to the six judges for doing the necessary on the day of the competition.

Thanks once again to Mr. O'Connell, Principal, Boys' National School for his co-operation and for the use of the school premises.

Winning teams are as follows:-

U.11

1st. Ronan O'Connell, David Baxter
2nd. David Gahan, Shane Mannion,
Peter Lawlor, Damien O'Neill
3rd. Mark Sidney, Colin Watts

Highly Commended

Mark Cooney, Patrick Larragh, Cian Walshe, Declan Kavanagh

U.13

1st. Finbarr O'Gorman, Barry Hogan,
Stephen Curran, Tommy Fox

2nd. Mark Watson, Neil Cusker,
Wayne Feeney, Barry Coughlan

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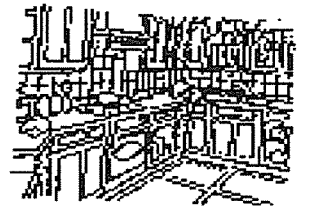
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Just a brief mention of upcoming events: Sunday 24th

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Figure 1. The structure of the proposed model. The model is composed of three parts: (a) the input layer, (b) the hidden layer, and (c) the output layer. The input layer consists of 10 nodes, the hidden layer consists of 10 nodes, and the output layer consists of 10 nodes. The model is trained using a genetic algorithm (GA) to optimize the weights and biases of the network.



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ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY

Aluminium real tab — about the environmental impact of beverage cans

About 100 million beverage cans are sold every year in Ireland. They are made from aluminium, a metal which is almost too good to be true: one third as dense as copper, brass or steel, it is strong, easily worked, corrosion resistant, and a good conductor of both heat and electricity. As a result, industrial designers have worked wonders with the metal. Without aluminium, for example, modern aeroplanes would have trouble getting off the ground, since the strong, light metal is a critical — and primary — ingredient in today's airframes, wings and engines.

But aluminium has an Achilles's heel. Aluminium production is said to be one of the world's most damaging industries. Bauxite, which is the metal's principal ore, is strip-mined, mainly in Australia, Brazil, Jamaica and Guinea, and since most deposits occur as a thin layer of the mineral, bauxite mining probably destroys more surface area than the mining of any other metal. The process leaves also large quantities of waste. About four tons of "red mud", a caustic soup of metallic oxides and other contaminants, is produced for every ton of aluminium. It is corrosive to skin and pollutes both surface and ground water. Furthermore, loads of energy is used to dig the mineral. Miners routinely move thousands of tons of soil and rock just to get to the ore they want. More energy is used to haul the ore off for processing - often at refineries a continent away.

It is the smelting process, however, which makes aluminium the most energy-intensive metal to produce: while most other metals can be obtained by simply heating their ores, aluminium forms such tight chemical bonds that it can be economically

extracted only through a process involving the direct application of electrical current: to make a single pound of metal (i.e. 20-25 beverage cans), a modern aluminium smelter requires 6 to 8 kilowatt-hours of electricity — enough to run a colour TV for about 5 days! Only special industrial rates for electricity enable aluminium producers to turn a profit: this industry usually pays for lower prices (only 10%-20%) than any other.

Aluminium production is — and has been — closely linked with many of the world's most socially and ecologically harmful energy projects: because of the vast demand of electricity, huge dams in the U.S., Canada and Brazil have been constructed exclusively for aluminium smelters which have been used to justify these constructions and soak up now the main share of their power output. These projects not only destroyed various ecosystems by changing rivers into large artificial lakes, but also left thousands of people homeless by flooding huge areas of their land, particularly in Indian reserves in northern Quebec (Canada).

In Europe, where such large dam constructions are not possible, the electricity for aluminium industry is usually provided by nuclear power. In the United Kingdom, where the beverage cans for Ireland are manufactured, Sellafield is one of Europe's most discussed and criticized nuclear power plants, particularly since the Irish sea is well-known as the most radioactive waters in the world. By using — and wasting — aluminium in the form of beverage cans and tinfoil, we also support directly the construction of dams and new nuclear power plants. Since it is the extraction of aluminium from bauxite ore that takes so much energy, recycling provides at least a partial answer to the aluminium question: by using recycled aluminium scrap, 95% of the electricity

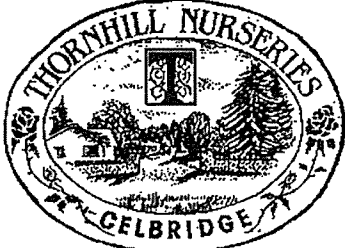
which is needed to produce aluminium from raw materials is saved — that means the equivalent of 15 minutes of TV per can instead of 5 hours! Recycling also helps to reduce the environmental impact caused by the strip mining of the ore.

Collecting and recycling of beverage cans is very easily done: all you need is an extra cardboard box or plastic bag in your kitchen and a few extra-steps to the recycling bin at Quinnsnorth (on the carpark behind the supermarket, also for glass, waste paper and textiles).

However, the most effective way to reduce the heavy environmental impact of aluminium is to reduce our consumption. Returnable beverage containers give us the same product for a tenth or less the energy use of aluminium cans. Let's try to avoid tinfoil. Instead of wrapping our lunch sandwich into tinfoil every day (also an energy equivalent of 4-5 hours of TV) we could buy a reusable plastic box (Tupperware)—it is also cheaper for the long term! Dishes in the fridge can be covered with a plate rather than with foil.

Start to appreciate the value of aluminium! In a time when everybody knows about climate change and other environmental problems, ever-growing aluminium production is clearly incompatible with current efforts to reduce energy use. The production of more energy to make aluminium can only be justified if the metal is restricted to energy-saving uses such as applications in aeroplanes and machines, and if it is recognized as the economically and environmentally costly material it is.

Florian Schonberger,
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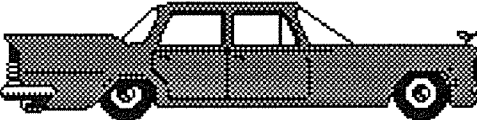


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MAYNOOTH ICA NOTES

Maynooth Ladies Take Top Prize

Maynooth ICA took home first prize in an AIB sponsored competition on Tuesday 12th March. The competition was held in Kill G.A.A. Club and attracted entries from guilds all over the county.

Each guild was required to select an EU country and (1) make its flag, (2) dress a doll, (3) select one course of a three course meal for tasting and display, (4) explore trade links between Ireland and chosen country and (5) make a verbal presentation on a lady who has made an impact on chosen country.

Our guild selected Spain as its country and set about preparing this enormous project. Following weeks of hard work we presented our project in Kill along with nine other guilds. The standard was extremely high as was the tension in the hall that night waiting for the judges' decision. Kildare ICA president, Mrs Betty O'Neill, announced the winners as follows: 3rd place Killeel guild, 2nd place Leixlip guild and in 1st place Maynooth. Congratulations to Marion, Rosemary, Jo, Ursula, Felicity and Mary. 'Thank you' to everyone who helped in any way with our project.

March Meeting

After all the excitement of our win it's very hard to come back to reality, but as they say 'the show goes on'. Our March meeting was held in the ICA Hall on Thursday 4th March. Marion Souhan, our President welcomed the ladies, especially, Pauline, our new member.

After our meeting we had a very interesting talk from Ms. Yvonne Ryan, a nutritionist and dietician from Leixlip. Yvonne answered lots of questions and presented us with some lovely recipe books. A most enjoyable evening.

Art classes open to non members

During the winter months, Ms Linda Souhan conducted a series of art classes that proved very popular with our members. Linda intends to hold a further series of classes in the ICA Hall and this time they will be open to non members. Enrolment takes place at the first class on Thursday 18th April at 8.00p.m. in the ICA Hall, The Harbour, Maynooth. The fee for the 6 week course is £12 for members and £18 for non members. All are welcome. For more information call Pattie on 6286696.

Effective Speaking

Some of our ladies will be attending an effective speaking course in Leixlip, commencing on 15th April. There may still be a place available on this course. Once again Pattie has the details.

Activities

Calligraphy classes are on in the ICA Hall each Friday, starting at 8.00p.m. Crafts are on in our hall on Mondays at 8.00p.m. and Wednesdays at 10.30a.m. Badminton in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10.30a.m. New members are welcome to attend any of our activities.

Collections for Charities

'Thank you' to the people of Maynooth for supporting our church gate collection for the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland on 17th February. We collected £105.

We will be helping with the collection on Daffodil Day this year, as usual, on 22nd March. We will also be collecting on 27/28th April in aid of the National Council for the Blind.

Crafts Spectacular

Our County Crafts Promoter, Mrs Eileen Beatson, has announced a 'Crafts Spectacular' competition for May in the GAA Hall, Kill. Mary O' Gorman has all the details.

Healthy Eating Competition

Jo O'Connell, Contest Secretary, has details on the Healthy Eating Competition sponsored by the Health Promotion Unit of the Department of Health. This year the theme is 'Be Healthy - Eat More Fruit and Vegetables'.

Next Meeting

The next guild meeting will be on Thursday 4th April (Holy Thursday) at 8.00p.m. The competition on that night will be an 'On the Spot'. Mary O'Gorman says not to forget to bring along your 'Most Unusual Pincushion' - made, of course, by yourself. Irene Matthews will be taking names for trip to 'Return to the Hill', at the end of April.

Lastly, I would like to wish all our members and friends a 'Very Happy Easter'.

Connie Harpur, PRO.

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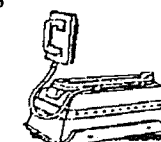
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MAYNOOTH WOMEN'S FORUM

The third meeting of Maynooth Women's Forum took place on Tuesday 12th March at 8 p.m. It was attended by ten women from the Parish. A report of the first Archdiocese Women's Forum meeting was presented. Deirdre Murray was elected as Deanery Representative to this Forum and it is hoped that the first meeting will take place after Easter.

We would like Maynooth Women's Forum to represent all women in the Parish and hope to meet some more people at our next meeting.

If you would like a voice in your parish come to the next meeting of Maynooth Women's Forum on Tuesday, 16th April at 8.30 p.m. in the Post Primary School.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Tom Flatley (Supervisor) of the Royal Canal Amenity Group again is putting out an SOS for eligible canal CE workers. Work on the canal and surrounds is going ahead with stonewalling and general maintenance work. The workers on the Canal CE scheme are kept busy.

Again, we would like to remind you that the steam train will be with us on the 26th May.

In July we will once again be hosting a Miss Royal Canal Selection Gala Evening. Further details will be made available in the Newsletter nearer the time.

Freda Kelleher

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MAYNOOTH PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND JUSTICE GROUP

As a local community group that has been active over many years on issues of peace and justice, we wish to state that the current position with the peace process presents both great possibilities and great dangers.

The many demonstrations and marches which have taken place throughout Ireland, Britain, U.S.A. and Maynooth, organised by the trade union movement, peace groups, community councils, etc. spell out the message that the people do not want a return to war but want both governments, all parties and the Republican and Loyalist movements to maintain the peace and genuinely engage in dialogue to resolve the issues at the heart of the conflict in the North.

We urge IRA to restore it's cessation, but to achieve this, all concerned, whether they be governments or established political parties, must continue talks at the highest level with Sinn Fein and drop all restrictions on their involvement in the all party talks to help facilitate a speedy return to a cease-fire. Sinn Fein and the two fringe Loyalist parties, the U.D.P. and the P.U.P., are key forces influencing grass roots opinion in those areas in the North which have been most affected by the conflict.

Since the beginning of the peace process in August '94 we have organised three events in Maynooth which involved Billy Hutchinson of the P.U.P., Minister of State Emmet Stagg, Brid Rogers of the S.D.L.P., Anne Speed of Sinn Féin, Steve McBride of the Alliance Party and a host of poets and musicians at our cultural evening run in conjunction with the Community Festival last August. Members of our group also supported the Community Council's peace march.

We are also now pleased to announce the details of our next Public Meeting to be held in the Library, Main Street on Wednesday 3rd April at 8 p.m.. The theme of the meeting will be "TOWARDS INCLUSIVE ALL PARTY TALKS AND A JUST AND LASTING PEACE" and the principal invited speakers are Michael Farrell, civil rights lawyer and Chairperson of the Irish Council for Civil Liberties, and Mary O'Rourke, T.D., deputy leader of Fianna Fail. The meeting will be chaired by Dr. Mary Cullen.

We are asking the people of Maynooth and surrounding areas to attend this meeting and raise their voices and not leave it to the politicians alone. Vocal, not silent support for peace is what's needed.

Hilda Mooney
Hon. Secretary

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GREENFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the Greenfield Estate Residents' Association took place on the 6th March in the I.C.A. Hall. A very poorly attended meeting heard Chairman Mattie Callaghan thank the outgoing Committee for their work and in particular Ann Connellan who was not seeking re-election.

Reports were given on discussions and meetings held with officials from Bord Gáis, S.I.A.C., Kildare County Council, ESB, Bord Telecom on the various work needed to be undertaken to improve the estate.

It was agreed to raise the Annual Subscriptions to £13 per house for the year '96/'97.

Items for the coming year:

- Improvements on lighting throughout the estate;
- Impact of developments at end of Greenfield Drive;
- Cable television;
- On-going work with Bord Gáis, Kildare County Council;
- Plans to hold social function.

A full report on the meeting will be circulated to each house on the estate.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

BOND BRIDGE ACTION GROUP

Following several public meetings, that were held to deal with separate issues, it was found that a number of people had expressed concern with regard to the lack of progress in having Bond Bridge, in the Newtown area of Maynooth, realigned. With the help of local County Councillors an action group was formed.

The agenda of the group was to call a meeting of any interested persons or group and elect a committee to draw up an action plan to put to the residents. A public meeting is currently being arranged and the date will be published as soon as possible. The objective of the committee will be to co-ordinate a campaign to secure funding for the realignment of Bond Bridge. This committee will deal with no other issue.

Any person wanting further information may contact any member of the committee.

Chairman: John Doogan, 22 Meadowbrook Court. Ph. 6289720.

Secretary: Paul O'Brien, 54 College Green. Ph. 6285559.

Larry O'Brien, 510 Newtown. Ph. 6285088.

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Connie Harpur, 11 Woodlands. Ph. 6286787.

Cathrine Fitzpatrick, 61 Newtown Court. Ph. 6290338.

Bond Bridge Action Group.

M.A.D.E.

The year 1995-96 is the 10th anniversary of the foundation of M.A.D.E. This was one of only four Adult Education groups in the county at that time. There are now over 40 groups. To celebrate our 10th anniversary we intend to hold a party on Monday 29th April in the M.A.D.E. Centre from 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

All past and present committee members, tutors and pupils are welcome. As we need to know how many to cater for places must be booked by phoning Ann at 6285219 or Bernadette 6286774. A cover charge of £2 payable at the door will include entry to a draw for a free place on one of our courses. Refreshments will be served and entertainment will be provided. We look forward to seeing you all there.

M.A.D.E. Committee

MAYNOOTH BAND HELPS CANCER RESEARCH

Sunday 21st April next sees St. Mary's Band, Maynooth adopting the role of donor instead of recipient when they organise a fund raising night in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. The venue is the Glenroyal Hotel, music is provided by the popular Bourbon Street and dancing kicks off at 9.30 to 12.00. Tickets £5 are available from Donovans Supermarket, Greenfield Shopping Centre, Post Office Main Street and Maynooth Office Supplies, Dublin Road.

This special evening affords Maynooth Band an opportunity to repay the support which they have received for many, many years from the residents and business people of the town. Why support the Irish Cancer Society? Put simply it is one of the most deserving causes we know of and especially when so many of our Band Members have had relatives and friends who have experienced the suffering and pain which accompanies this much feared disease.

A feature of this fund raiser is that all services are being supplied absolutely free. The management of the Glenroyal Hotel have been extremely generous in putting their magnificent function room at the disposal of the organisers while Bourbon Street also provide their own special brand of music without charge. This versatile band has the distinction of having a film star in it's midst. Their lead singer Eamonn O'Connor filled a solo spot in the smash hit movie "The Commitments" while two other members Oliver Bright on sax and Kevin Boyd on trumpet are also members of St. Marys Band.

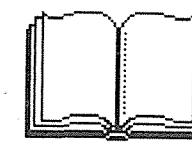
This is probably the first function of it's kind in Maynooth to raise funds for Cancer Research in many years and we hope it will receive massive support. Please get your tickets as soon as possible, as capacity is limited. Look forward to seeing you on the 21st. If you are unable to attend and would like to make a contribution you can do so by contacting Kevin Boyd 6285903 or Elaine Bean 6285634.

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Vera Lettis and Kitty Horan enjoying the Food Fayre and fashion show at the Glenroyal Shopping Centre

STREET TALK

The Olympics in Maynooth

To extend the selection of sports equipment currently available in Maynooth, an all inclusive sports shop is opening up in the Glenroyal Shopping Centre which will cater for the enthusiasts' every sporting need. Fintan McMahon, who hails originally from Co. Clare but who has been residing in Maynooth for the last seven years, is opening his "Olympic Sports" shop, which will be run by himself and a store manager professionally trained to deal with all sporting enquiries. Olympic Sports is situated beside Boulevard 47 and as the Newsletter was going to press, Fintan was frantically putting the final touches to his shop with the expectation of opening on the 25th March. All GAA lines, Premier League and Rugby jerseys, gym and aerobic equipment will be stocked. Fintan has promised that any required sporting equipment once ordered will be available within a few days.

The Orange Tree

An additional restaurant is due to open behind the Mill Wine Cellar, which judging from the intense preparations will be an enticing eating place for Maynooth diners. "The Orange Tree" is owned by James McCutcheon from Dublin and preparations were being hastened for the exclusive opening on the weekend of 22nd March. The theme is everything French and Mediterranean with the cuisine taking a specific French flavour. A few samples from the menu included: Lasagna of Chicken, Medallions of Beef Madeira, Breast of Barbane Duck and Salmon Roulade Blinis - enough to get your taste buds watering!

On the Move - Declan Foley moves up in the world.

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Home to Roost

It is now common knowledge Cassidy's Roost is under the new ownership of Louis Fitzgerald and although closed for only a few days in March to allow easy transition, it is now up and running with only minor changes. The Maynooth Newsletter wish Louis and his staff the best of luck and look forward to having more news on this venture in our next edition.

Glenroyal Hotel Telethon

The childrens' disco which was held on 10th March in aid of Telethon was a great success. There was an excellent performance by the Kathleen Keable Dance Group, Leixlip. The older children entertained everybody with their spoon playing and dancing and the younger children dressed as clowns put on a wonderful show which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Watch out for further Telethon events in the Glenroyal.

"A Gas Man Our Dessie"

The 29th February 1996 was a very special day, as it was the last leap year of the twentieth century.

It was a doubly special occasion for the citizens of Maynooth, where the new North Kildare Gas Showrooms were officially opened. The proprietor, Des O'Sullivan, has been in the business for twenty years, and we at the Newsletter wish him all the best for another twenty.

Local T.D. and Minister for Energy, Transport and Communications, Mr. Emmet Stagg had the honour of cutting the ribbon on this momentous occasion. Many people turned out to witness the man-sized teddy bears dancing in the street. The Minister's faithful young followers begged for autographs and availed of the sweets which were provided for them. The whole event was covered by CKR who reported live from the location on Main Street, Maynooth.

Features

In his speech, Minister Stagg congratulated the O'Sullivan family on their courage in setting up this business and the fact that they have created twenty jobs to date. When asked whether he thought that gas could be titled "the energy source of the future" he pointed out that natural Irish gas provides 30% of our national energy needs and that this percentage is likely to rise. The competitive price and the helpfulness of the Gas Showroom's staff were also commented upon by the minister.

Of the many special offers available at the North Kildare Gas Showrooms, the most seasonal was the prize of a free natural gas fire for every girl who proposed to her man on this romantic day of the year. There were also vouchers for £25 off any appliance, great deals on tumble driers and gas fires or £300 off the installation of gas central heating and many more prizes being given away by CKR D.J. Vincent O'Sullivan in the roadcaster.

The gas pipeline made its Maynooth debut last year (1995) and it looks set to stay, as Minister Stagg put it, "The nerve centre of North Kildare".

CONRADH NA GAEILGE

Pictured above at the launch of "Aspail ar son na Gaeilge" Timirí Chonradh na Gaeilge 1899-1923, le Colm O'Ceardúil on Thursday 14ú Márta in St. Mary's G.A.A. Hall, Moyglare Road.

Tháinig na Gael ó chéin is ó chóngar chun ceiliúradh seoladh an leabhar i Mhaigh Nuad. Tá "Aspail ar son na Gaeilge" bunaithe ar saothar na dTimirí ag tús an chéid seo agus an tionchar a bhí ag a chuid oibre ar chúis na teanga agus stair na tíre.

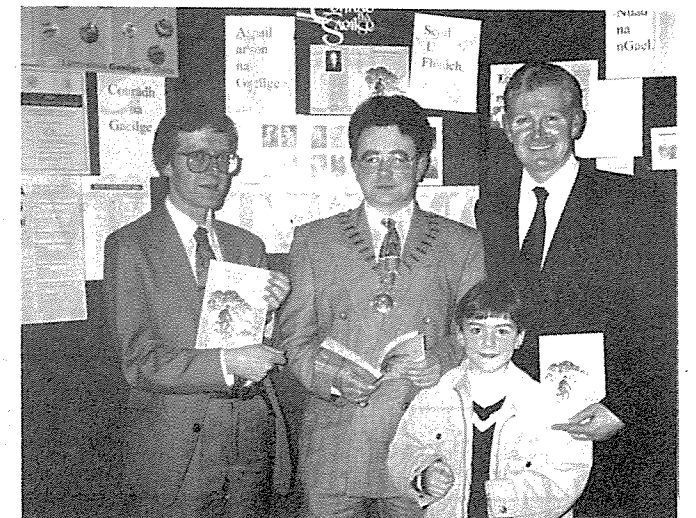
The history of the organisers of the Gaelic League is the subject of a book launched in Maynooth G.A.A. Hall by Seán O'Fearáil, Chairman, Kildare County Council. The author of the work is Colm O'Ceardúil, who lives in Moyglare Village with his wife Geraldine and children Naoise and Muireann.

The book is based on historical research and is a study of the work and influence of over 70 organisers. These men and women had the task of bringing the Gaelic League's philosophy of an Irish Ireland to every part of the country. They were successful in turning the feeling of shame in our native language, games, culture and customs to a positive expression of self-worth, self-reliance and eventually self-government.

Táimid go léir faoi chomaoín ag na timirí a shaothraigh go dícheallach i mblianta tosaigh na haoise seo, go minic agus iad ag cur a sláinte i mbaol.

The guests were welcomed to Maynooth by Mícheál Mac Uillic, Cathaoirleach Chumann Lúthchleas Gael, Maigh Nuad. The assembled local guests were joined by representatives from Conradh na Gaeilge, Glór na nGael, Bord na Gaeilge, Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge, Comhaltas Ceolteoirí Éireann, na Gardaí Síochána, Coláiste Phádraig, Mhaigh Nuad, Cumann na Scoileanna Cuimsitheacha is Phobail, Gaelscoileanna, Comhar na Mhúinteoirí Gaeilge agus Gael-Linn.

The reply from the guests was delivered by Tomás Uas. Mac Eoin. Councillor Senan Griffin spoke of the importance of



Seán Mac Mathúna (Editor Conradh na Gaeilge), Cllr. Seán O'Fearghaill, Colm O'Ceardúil and his son Naoise, at the launch of Colm's book.

Scoil Uí Fhiaich, Maynooth's Gaelscoil, which he said was a great boost to the Irish language and culture here on our doorstep in Maynooth. A medley of traditional musicians comprised of parents and friends of Scoil Uí Fhiaich provided ceol agus spórt. Bhain gach éinne taitneamh ón oíche agus tá na "nAspail" seolta go h-oifigiúil anois.

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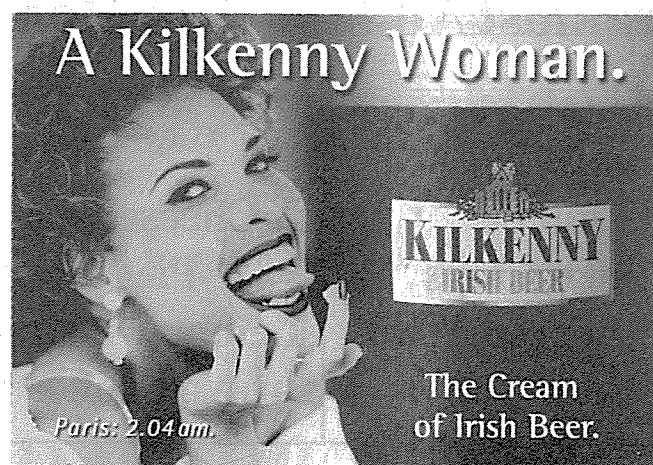
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Jeremy's new telephone card showing famous "Kilkenny Woman" motif

This new telephone card is a joint venture between Jeremy and Kilkenny Irish Beer. It shows the famous "Kilkenny Woman" motif and is produced specifically for the collectors market. It is a 50 unit full face chip card manufactured in England by Cambridge Telephones Ltd. and is usable in many of their closed user sites in the United Kingdom. So far there is only one place in the Republic of Ireland where this card can be used, but we are assured by phonecard collectors that no collector in their right mind would ever dream of scratching this card by inserting it in a phonebox.



Jeremy launching the latest in his new series of private limited edition telephone cards

The card went on sale from Jeremy at his stand at the two day Irish International Phonecard Fair, which was held at Newman House, St. Stephens Green, Dublin on St. Patrick's Week-end, March 16th and 17th last.

Jeremy was very pleased with the opportunity to produce a telephone card based on Kilkenny Irish Beer. "The Kilkenny

Woman is such a beautiful image. It transfers very well onto this medium", he told us. "Kilkenny Irish Beer have been very good to me." It shows just how an established company can help a new business in a practical way. "I am very grateful to them for all their help."

Jeremy began designing telephone cards as part of a project for his exams while studying for his Diploma in Foreign Trade & Marketing at Colaiste Ide, in Finglas. His efforts won him the much coveted Best Trade Practice Project Award at his graduation last November.

In December 1994 Jeremy started his own business Telephone Cards by Post to market his designs. He still works from his parents' home at 28 Carton Court, Maynooth. Recently fifteen sets of two of his first cards were sold in London by an English Phonecard dealer for Stg£75.00 per set. These two cards were based on the now failed ceasefire in Northern Ireland.

Another of his cards based on the 50th Anniversary of the ending of the Holocaust is

selling very well in Israel. His card marking the 150th Anniversary of The Great Famine is doing well on both sides of the Atlantic. With the exception of a FÁS Business Appraisal Course, Jeremy is operating totally without any State aid or grants. He sees it as his responsibility to provide himself with a job.

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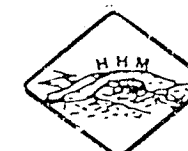


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M'LADY KILDARE

The M'Lady Kildare celebration organised by Maynooth Community Council was an outstanding success this year. Thanks to the media coverage we got, the competition was widely advertised. There were nine competitors in the contest from all over the County and from all walks of life.



Winner of M'Lady Maureen Abbott, Celbridge and runner-up Margaret Delaney, Sallins.

The Big Night

The one thing that shone through on the night was the amazing voluntary work all these ladies were involved in. We could only have one winner on the night but these ladies were all winners in their own right, as they gave us all a tremendous night's entertainment. The winner was Maureen Abbott from Celbridge, a very worthy and popular winner, who will go on to the National Final in Balbriggan to represent Kildare. Our congratulations to Maureen and we know she will represent Kildare excellently in the National Contest and we wish her the very best. Maisie Nott nominated by Citizens Information Centre was the only Maynooth participant. Maisie has had the honour of being invited by the Balbriggan Festival Committee to take part as an international contender in the M'Lady Eireann Contest in Balbriggan in June representing Australia. Maisie is a native of Australia and has lived here for eight years, so we wish Maisie every success in the National Competition.

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Doran and Michael Rooney, to our M.C. Matt Kennedy and to our escort Philip McDermott. All of whom were very necessary on the night to make it the success it was. Thanks also to our own staff, Joan Driver, Sheila McKenna, Maureen Dunne, Kathryn Walsh, Antonio Quinones, Teresa Bennett and Jayne Savage who worked very hard behind the scenes all night selling raffle tickets, manning the door, taking photographs and last but by no means least we must thank the bus loads of supporters who came with banners waving and great shouts of cheers and encouragement for the participants.



M'Lady entrants and Philip McDermott, escort, Matt Kennedy, M.C., Patricia Condron, Chairperson Maynooth Community Council and organiser Norah McDermott

We are already looking forward to next year's competition which will be held sometime in March '97. So all you clubs, associations and committees can now be thinking of your candidates for next year.

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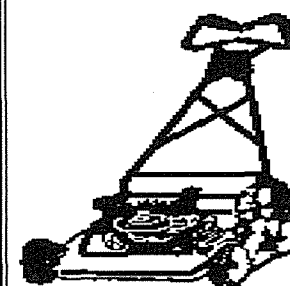
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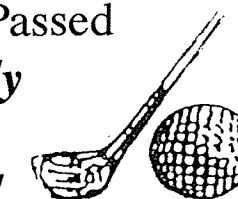
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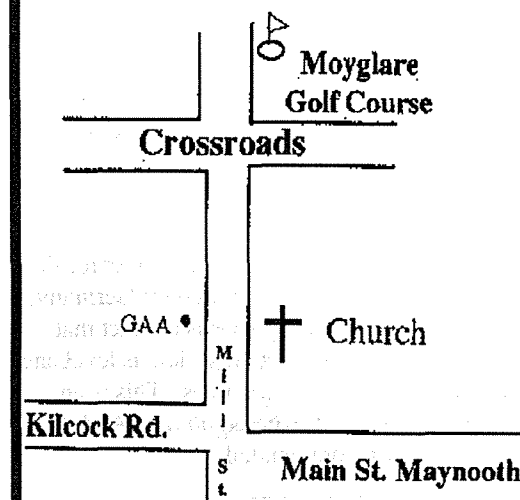
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REVEALED! NEW SCULPTURE FOR MAYNOOTH.

AT LONG LAST THE NEWSLETTER CAN REVEAL THE SCULPTURE WHICH HAS BEEN SELECTED TO TAKE PRIDE OF PLACE IN THE NEW SQUARE. THE OFFICIAL SELECTION TOOK PLACE ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY APRIL 1ST WHEN A LARGE CROWD OF....., VOTED FOR THE NEW WORK.

The winning design submitted by Messrs., will feature fountains, whirlpools and at a later date the writings and artwork of local talent such as Kilroy, Miko, Deko, and a host of lesser known artists. Hopefully a few artists from the College will be persuaded to add their work to the impressive list of talent already lined up to decorate the interior of the new work.

Described by the adjudicators as being "made for the place" the "Truly Holistic Incorporated Neo Geometric" creation will take pride of place in the newly renovated square. Standing approximately 8ft high it will not only provide an architectural enhancement to the existing location but will allow for the convenient disposal of chip bags, drink cans and of course such items of food which are judged unfit for human consumption soon after being consumed.

When complete the work will offset the mainly slate grey stone slabs in the new square with its cheerful soiled red brick effect. The work is based on the observations of the post-Haste school of architecture whose work refuses to be entrapped by such petty concerns as aesthetics, mood or the fickle nature of public opinion. Drawing their chief influence from the Bunkerenmineschaft school in pre-war Germany the architects feel sure that their creation will represent the new confident face that Maynooth will present to the world for the next Millenium.

Note:

The judges hope that the people of Maynooth will welcome the new work to the town "and not go trying to get it torn down like they did the last one". We shall wait and see, lets just hope that "things" aren't going to go from bad to worse.

VIDEO REVIEW

Braveheart (15s)

Based (loosely) on the true story of William Wallace, a 13th century Scottish farmer who rose up against the tyranny of the English and became a legend. Historically, liberties have been taken with the story, but the action more than makes up for this. Much of the film was made in Ireland around Blessington Lakes and The Curragh, and the Irish Army reserves were used for the brilliant battle scenes. Mel Gibson stars and directs extremely well, and the whole thing is very entertaining. Recommended.

Dolores Claiborne (18s)

Taken from a story by Stephen King this is a thriller with a twist in the tail. Kathy Bates plays the title role; a woman who, eighteen years ago, was accused of killing her violent husband. She was acquitted through lack of evidence and now she decides to tell the truth about the entire business. It's not, however, the story that the police expect to hear... This a good film and the storyline is excellent, Bates is excellent as Dolores and it will keep you guessing to the end. Recommended.

The Infiltrator (18s)

A true story about a journalist who goes under cover for the low-down on a Neo-Nazi organisation in modern Germany. What makes his task even more dangerous is the fact that he's Jewish. He witnesses racism at a very vicious level and he himself is almost discovered several times. This is an excellent film, more so because it's based on fact. And it's well worth seeing. Highly recommended.

'WOMEN IN THE HOME'

'Women in the Home' was founded in 1981 to reaffirm the value of the role of the Homemaker as a vital stabilising influence in the family and society.

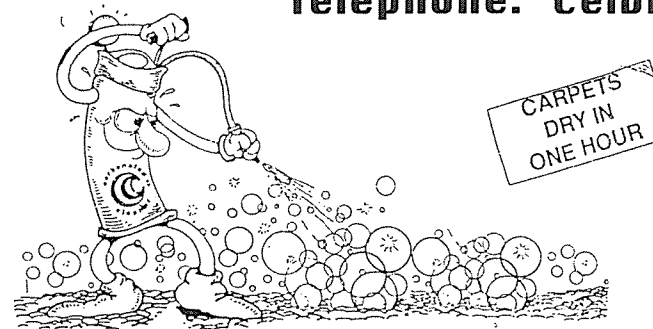
'Women in the Home' aims to establish friendship groups on a neighbourhood or community basis to provide support and encouragement to women who choose (or would like to choose) to stay at home to care for their families, and to provide them with a forum through which they can have a voice and influence in society.

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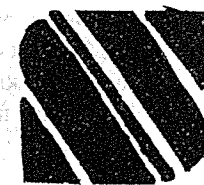
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Success in Public Speaking

Maynooth achieved notable success in the Mental Health Public Speaking Project reaching the National semi-final stage, held in Dun Laoighaire on Friday March 8th. The team consisting of Lorraine Downey, Fiachra Kirwan and Claire Duke who were Kildare Champions and Leinster Finalists, spoke on "Mental Health not Mental Illness - a positive approach".

The team spoke very well but after long deliberation by adjudicators, were defeated by Coláiste Abhain, Wexford, who go through to the finals. Lorraine, Fiachra and Claire admit that the project has greatly developed their self confidence and has given them an invaluable insight into mental health and the treatment of mental illness, particularly within the Kildare area. They are indebted to Ned Cusack and Eamonn Sweeny, for their invaluable assistance as members of the M.H.A.I.

Maynooth Success in Girls Senior Soccer

In the space of six days, Maynooth Post Primary School won two Leinster titles. After the success of the boys under 14 Gaelic Football final two weeks ago, a girls team from the school won the Leinster Senior Soccer Trophy. The match was played in Home Farm Grounds, Whitehall and the girls from Maynooth Post Primary School defeated St. Mary's, Baldoyle by 2 goals to 1. Maynooth attacked early in the game, putting St. Mary's under pressure. The pressure on St. Mary's continued throughout the match resulting in a victory for the Maynooth side.

Maynooth Post Primary Team

Una Burke, Irene Kearney, Mary Maguire, Brid-Ann O'Shea, Ginny Breslin, Paula Burke, Emma Kilduff, Rachel Agnew, Meadhbh Flood, Carol Cassidy, Laura Kearney. Subs: Claire Duke, Ann-Marie Snee, Michelle Gillick.

Michael J. Walsh.

Maynooth Post Primary Parent/Teacher Association

The Parents Association, Maynooth Post Primary School, wish to congratulate the teachers, students and all involved in the excellent production of Calamity Jane

Michael Dillane P.R.O.

Maynooth Post Primary under 14's, Dublin & Leinster Colleges 'B' Champions.

Leinster Colleges Under 14B Final
Pairc Tailteann Navan
28/2/96

Maynooth P.P. 2-11 Kells C.S. 1-8

Maynooth celebrated their 25th Anniversary in style to win

their first ever Leinster College title.. Maynooth had earlier won the Dublin Colleges section by beating O'Connells in the Final in Croke Park. Kells C.S the North Leinster winners had qualified by beating Buncloody F.C.J., the South Leinster winners.

Maynooth settled early and after only four minutes were 1-1 to no score ahead, when William Farrelly scored a brilliant goal. Kells hit back with three points without reply and should have scored a goal only for three excellent saves by Tom Masterson. Maynooth half backs of Conor Diggins, George Snee and Sean O'Flaherty were slow to settle but soon began to come into the game and with the full-back line of John O'Brien, Andrew Dalton, Ciaran Kennedy rock solid Maynooth were dominant. David Campbell's accurate right boot punished indiscretions in the Kells defence by slotting over some delightful scores.

Half Time Score: Maynooth 1-7 Kells 0-4

Kells reopening strongly to shoot over two points in the space of five minutes and looked now to be playing the better football but it was at this stage that the Maynooth midfield of Aidan Doyle and George Beirne started to exert control and with George Snee tidying up everything at centre back they began to put pressure on the Kells defence. The Maynooth half forwards of Padraig O'Sullivan, David Campbell and Pat King were now feeding the full forward line of Trevor Naughton, Cormac McCarthy and William Farrelly. This led to a fine goal by Cormac McCarthy midway through the half and with Campbell deadly from frees and Farrelly also very accurate Maynooth began to pull away again. Kells got a late goal which did not affect the result.

Sub. (55 minute) Aidan Molloy for Pat King.

Scorers:

David Campbell (0-6), William Farrelly (1-2), George Beirne (0-1), Cormac McCarthy (1-2).

Team Sponsor Francis Barrett (back extreme right) with the Maynooth Post Primary Under 14's. Front, left to right, Jose Lorenzo, Joseph Brennan, Alan Baxter, David Lawlor, Kevin O'Brien, Martin Dolan, Michael Gleeson. Middle, left to right, Conor Diggins, Michael Matthews, Cyril O'Brien, Aidan Molloy, Trevor Naughton, George Beirne, Aidan Doyle, Shane Carty, Denis Tracey, Padraig O'Sullivan, Patrick King, Shane Pidgeon. Back, left to right, Pat Brennan, John O'Brien, William Farrelly, Andrew Dalton, Tommy Masterson, Kieran Kennedy, David Campbell, Cormac McCarthy, George Snee, Sean O'Flaherty, Willie Coughlan, Francis Barrett.

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Paul responds to calls throughout County Kildare, covering an average of 1,500 miles a month. It's a large area, totalling 650 square miles and in any one day Paul can find himself answering a cruelty call in Athy or a road traffic accident involving an animal in Maynooth.

The 1995 financial year has proven to be the most difficult in the Society's history, with a deficit expected to exceed well over £4,000. This is entirely due to a high increase in our workload and, consequently, the corresponding rise in veterinary costs. However, the society's efforts on behalf of animals and wildlife in County Kildare continue to be maintained at a very high level.

We have had five successful prosecutions for cruelty to animals during the past nine months, while 3 more cases are due before the courts over the coming weeks. Hopefully, this will go a long way towards discouraging the all-too-common neglect of animals in County Kildare.

As always fund-raising continues to be an essential part of our work and is also sadly becoming more difficult due to the professionalism in recent years of so many charities, each one now competing against each other in order to survive. Many of these charities have professional fund-raisers on their committee. Despite our obvious disadvantages in this area, constant fund-raising is absolutely vital if we are to continue with our work in County Kildare.

It is extremely disappointing to note that we do not receive any financial assistance or grants whatsoever from local authorities or the state, despite the fact that we often end up having to do much of the work for them.

The 1994/95 annual report of the SOCIETY contains a list of statistics that points the finger at the guilty in North Kildare. The number of cases reported to the K.S.P.C.A. rose by 250 per cent - 1,221 calls of claims of cruelty, with North Kildare towns such as Maynooth claiming a high share.

The Maynooth figures include 47 cases of alleged cruelty, with Maynooth 3rd on the list; 41 emergency calls mostly dogs and cats, but also hedgehogs and wildlife; 38 swans and cygnets injured and in distress with Maynooth topping the list; 21 calls for assistance with feral cats bringing in a total of 56 cats and kittens. Just some of the facts from the report of '94/'95.

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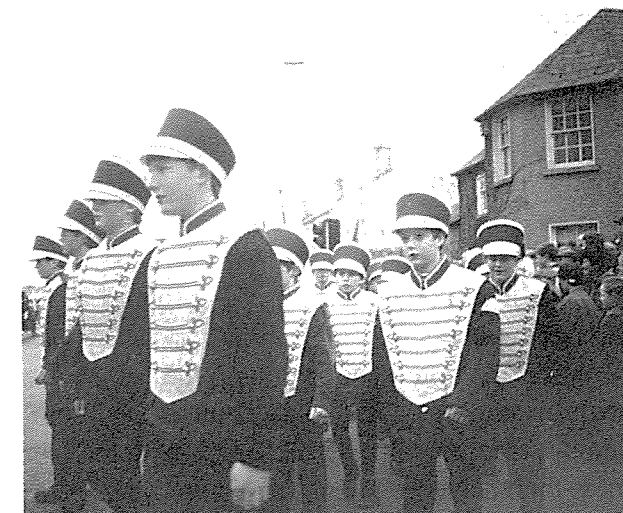
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Ingredients

- 1lb/450g boned leg of lamb, cubed.
- 2 small onions, quartered.
- 1 red pepper, cored, deseeded and cut into strips.
- 1 courgette, trimmed and cut into chunks.
- 1 tbsp olive oil.
- 2 tsp dried rosemary.
- 1 lemon, grated rind and juice.
- 8 large white pitta breads.
- 4oz/125g finely shredded white cabbage.

Method

- 1.- Mix lamb, onions, red pepper, courgette, olive oil, rosemary and lemon rind and juice in a shallow microproof dish. Season with freshly ground black pepper. Cover with clingwrap and leave to marinate for 30 mins.
- 2.- Pierce clingwrap and cook on High (100%) for 12 mins, stirring and re-covering every 4 mins. Cover and leave to stand for 3 min.
- 3.- Split pitta breads, spoon in meat and cabbage filling and cook on High (100%) for 1 min until warmed through. Serve with relishes.

MUSHROOM PILAFF

Ingredients

- 1lb/450g button mushrooms, sliced.
- 1 onion, chopped.
- 1 green pepper, diced.
- 8 oz/225g long grain rice.
- 2fl oz/50ml vegetable oil.
- 2-3 sprigs of parsley, chopped.
- 1 oz/25g butter, or margarine.
- 1 tin/397g plum tomatoes.
- 1 tablespoon tomato purée.
- Water as required.
- Salt and pepper to taste.

Method

Put the oil, chopped onion, pepper into a big deep pyrex or microwaveproof bowl. Cover the bowl and set microwave on High for 2 mins. Uncover, add the sliced mushrooms, stir to moisten with the oil, re-cover the bowl with pierced plastic film and return to the oven for 4 minutes on High. Drain the juice from the tomatoes and make up to 15fl oz/425ml with water, add the tomato juice and bring to boiling

point. Chop the tomatoes, season lightly. Add the tomatoes, the liquid, and the parsley to the rice, cover, microwave on High for 7 mins. Stir thoroughly, microwave on Low or Defrost for 7 mins. Remove the bowl and stand, covered, for 5 mins. Stir in the butter. Turn into a hot serving dish. To make the pilaff on top of the stove, heat the oil, fry the onion and pepper in a heavy saucepan, add the rice. Cook for 1-2 mins, add the tomato juice made up to 1/2 pt/300ml with boiling water. Cover, simmer for 12-15 mins. Stir in the diced tomatoes and the mushrooms. Season and cook 2-3 minutes. If the mixture becomes too dry, add a little boiling water.

CHEAT'S HOT CROSS BUNS

Ingredients

- 100g/4oz mixed dried fruit.
- 25g/1oz mixed chopped peel.
- 1 lemon grated zest.
- 1 tsp mixed spice.
- 2x300g/11oz tubes croissant dough.
- 175g/6oz white marzipan.
- 4 tbsp clear honey.
- 1 cinnamon stick.

Method

- 1.- Preheat the oven to 190°C/375°F/Gas mark 5. Grease 2 baking sheets. Mix the dried fruit with the chopped peel, lemon zest and mixed spice.
- 2.- Open the tubes of croissant dough and knead in the fruit mixture until evenly blended.
- 3.- Divide the dough into 12 pieces and shape each one into a ball. Place on the baking sheets, spaced well apart, and bake 20 mins.
- 4.- Meanwhile, roll out the marzipan and cut into 24 x 1cm/1/2in wide strips. Brush with water and place in a cross on top of each bun.
- 5.- Preheat the grill to high. Put the buns under the grill for a few seconds to brown slightly.
- 6.- Warm the honey in a pan with the cinnamon stick for 2 mins. As soon as the buns come out from under the grill, brush with the honey, then leave to go cold on a wire rack.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



Sightseers at Patricks Day Parade in Maynooth



Maynooth Summer Project taking part in Parade



Narraghmore Pipe Band in Parade



Vintage car from Celbridge Club at the Parade



Citizens Information Centre Mobile Unit at Maynooth parade



Maynooth people enjoying the parade

Hobbies and Interests

GARDENING HINTS — *How Does Your Garden Grow?*



Spring is definitely the busiest season for garden centres and after a dreary winter most of us are dying to see some colour in our gardens. If your garden is looking less than thrilling, you may be anxious to get things going. But a word of warning! If you are going to the garden centres, prepare a list in advance of what you think you need, otherwise you could end up buying plants that (a) you don't need (b) you have no room for (c) are not suitable to your soil/location conditions. Try to choose a few varieties of hardy annuals that attract bees and butterflies, like alyssum, candytuft, cornflower, godetia, larkspur and scabious. Bees are enormously useful in the garden and butterflies are just as pretty as the flowers.

April is renowned for its variable weather and temperatures. As the days lengthen the sun's light and heat rays grow stronger, the plant world surges into the most active phase of its annual cycle. As a result plants are at their most vulnerable, since night temperatures, after days of clear blue skies and uplifting sun, can plummet below freezing point in damaging radiation frosts.

Spring bedding is at its colourful best this month. Still real favourites are the good old wallflowers (Cheiranthus) which always look cheerful with their red or gold flowers, not to mention their lovely perfume. Inter-plant them with drifts of Polyanthus and forget-me-nots (Myosotis) and their many sprays of pale blue flowers and you'll have a real eye-catcher. But don't forget that they have to be sown in summer and planted in autumn. Forget-me-nots also self-seed easily and they look lovely grown as informal masses under trees and shrubs.

Bulbs like daffodils are at their peak now and there are lots to choose from. Dead head these and larger bulbs as soon as they finish flowering, so that they can put all their energy into building up reserves for next year. Leave flower heads on smaller bulbs like snowdrops and scillas so that they can self-seed. During dry weather, water bulbs that have already flowered and feed with a tomato or rose fertilizer.

Dahlia tubers can be planted outside in warmer areas, but elsewhere delay planting until next month. They like a rich soil, so dig in plenty of organic matter and some slow-release fertilizer. Plant the tubers so that the tops or crowns are 7.5 cm (3 in.) deep, and put in a stake before backfilling the planting hole as the tubers can easily

ACTION!!!

Clear the Patio

- Scrub moss, algae and winter grime off paving stones with a strong household cleaner, such as Jeyes fluid. At the same time, pull out weeds or paint individual perennial weeds with a touch weeder (applied directly to foliage, thus avoiding accidental splashes to surrounding plants). By using this method you will prevent weedkiller from coming into contact with any nearby plants.
- Clean out decorative pots in readiness for planting with spring and summer-flowering annuals.
- Terracotta flowerpots are no longer cheap and it's worth going to the trouble of glueing a favourite that's broken. Use a strong adhesive and wrap wire around the pot to keep the pieces in place while the glue is hardening. To disguise the joins and give a professional finish, you can grind up a spare fragment of pot in a pestle and mortar and add it to the glue.

be speared.

Tender bulbs, including gladioli, can now be planted out. They like a sunny sheltered site and well-drained soil. Gladioli can be grown in rows for cutting, in tubs, or planted in small groups in the border 10 cm (4 in) Other tender bulbs well worth grow-

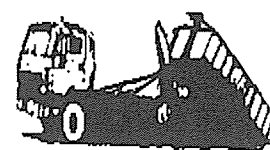
ing include the 'peacock orchid' (Acidantha muerielae) which bears fragrant, white, purple-centred flowers in late summer, and Nerine bowdenii which produces stems of large pink flowers from mid to late autumn.



The Garden Indoors Grow your Own Flowers for Cutting

Fresh flowers are the perfect finishing touch for any room, but buying flowers every week can add up to quite a bill, and you may prefer to enjoy your garden flowers in the garden rather than cutting them, so grow a few especially for cutting. Many hardy annuals can be raised from seed to provide a cheap and cheerful blaze of colour. On light soils sow in autumn, otherwise sow in spring to avoid the seeds rotting over winter. Sow thinly in rows and thin the seedlings apart. Some of the best hardy annuals for cutting include marigold (Calendula) sweet sultan (Centaura imperialis), Cosmos, larkspur (Delphinium ajacis), baby's breath (Gypsophila elegans), sunflower (Helianthus annuus), love-in-a-mist (Nigella) and black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia). Sweet peas are excellent for cutting too. They need to be picked regularly, as leaving seed heads on the plant makes it think that it no longer needs to flower and reproduce itself. Dahlias are also wonderful for cutting and they flower right through summer until the first frosts. Either buy tubers for planting out this month or pot them under cover and take cuttings from the new shoots.

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

As you read this, householders in the Town of Maynooth will have received two circulars from The Labour Party concerning Fine Gael and Fianna Fáil's zoning of 71 acres for housing and factories both sides of Carton Avenue. The line of building will be a mere 50 metres from Carton Avenue itself.

A public meeting will have been held on March 20th to form a Save Carton Avenue Committee and we offer our full support to this group.

To put the case simply, there is no convincing or acceptable reason to zone these lands for housing and factories. Adequate land is already zoned in the Maynooth Area for these purposes. If this was the last parcel of land within the Maynooth Development Boundary it should still be preserved as a Green Belt for future generations. The actions of Cllrs. Senan Griffin and Gerry Brady are the height of planning madness.

Fine Gael and Fianna Fáil have attacked us for telling the truth to the people of Maynooth and publicising their phone numbers and home addresses.

The people of Maynooth have ready access to Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley through our Labour Advice Service Network. If Cllrs. Senan Griffin and Gerry Brady operated such a service there would have been no need for us to let the people of Maynooth know how to contact them.

On the question of truth — the plan is on display in the library now. The people of Maynooth can see for themselves the destruction of the visual amenity at Carton Avenue which is to be imposed on them by Cllrs. Senan Griffin and Gerry Brady.

Main Street and Shopping Centre Traders — Beware
In another show of strength Cllrs. Senan Griffin and Gerry Brady were successful in overturning the Celbridge Area Committee's decision to zone Noone and Dunne's lands at the Motorway Interchange from General Development excluding retail, to General Development.

The effect of this decision will be the creation of two retail areas in Maynooth. This will ultimately see the duplication of retail services and established business's on Main Street and at the shopping centres could close down. This will in turn lead to vacant shop units in the Main Street area and will culminate in Urban decay. The Labour Party will be writing to all traders on this issue.

Bond Bridge

The following motions submitted by Cllr. John McGinley were discussed at the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare County Council at its meeting on 8th March:

1. That the priority listing of Bond Bridge for Regional Development Funding be changed from No. 16 to the top 3.
2. That proper signage and road markings, including 'slow' signs written on the road, be put in place at Bond Bridge as a matter of urgency.

The Councillors agreed with the motions. However, as the County Engineer was absent it was not possible to make the necessary policy adjustment in relation to the priority listing of the Bridge for funding. This is again on the agenda for decision at the next meeting of the Area Committee on the 1st April. The Bond Bridge Action Group were set up at a meeting called by Emmet Stagg, T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley on 23rd February. The group will be calling a public meeting soon in order to get a mandate for their actions. We wish them well in their work and assure them of our full support.

Parson Street

Emmet Stagg, T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley met the residents of Parson Street on the 7th March in order to hear the residents' views on what they wanted in order to improve safety for pedestrians in the area.

There was unanimous agreement that priority should not be given to the College traffic as proposed in the Maynooth Improvement Plan. It was generally accepted that the footpath needed to be made wider and higher and better signage is needed. The question of providing ramps will also be pursued at the next area meeting of the Committee on the 1st April.

Maynooth Improvement Plan

Cllr. John McGinley will be proposing the following amendments:

1. Doctors Lane to be made one way with entry at the Dublin Road side.
2. Fagans Lane to remain open.
3. Priority to be given to Kilcock Road Traffic at the junction with Main Street.
4. A traffic island to be put in place at the cross roads at the barracks.
5. Priority to be given to Parson Street traffic at the T junction with the College Road.

Extension of Speed Limit on Newtown Road

Following representations from residents in the area Minister of State, Emmet Stagg, T.D. has requested Kildare County Council to move the existing speed limit sign at Cluain Aoibhinn to beyond Ashleigh Grove.

Its present location is not appropriate in view of the recent housing developments on Newtown Road.

Potholes — Cluain Aoibhinn

A number of potholes have appeared in Cluain Aoibhinn Estate which are as a direct result of work carried out by An Bord Gáis when laying gas pipes.

Minister Stagg has requested Bord Gáis to contact the contractors involved with a view to having the required repairs carried out.

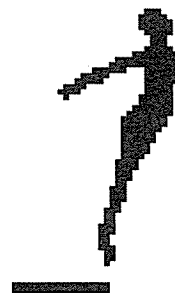
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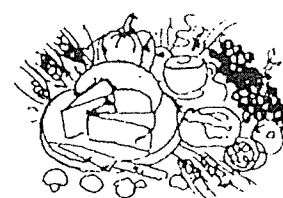
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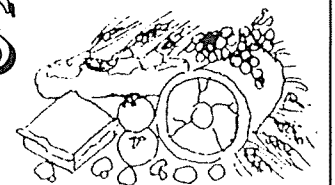
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Blocked Shores at Newtown

Constant flooding has occurred on the Newtown Road recently as a result of blocked shores. The shores were blocked during work by Bord Gáis contractors and Minister Stagg has contacted An Bord Gáis on this matter.

Footpath Restoration at O'Neill Park

In response to requests from residents of O'Neill Park Minister Stagg has asked the Co. Engineer to complete the restoration of footpaths at O'Neill Park from the 1996 Road Block Grants.

Public Light Requested on Moyglare Road.

Minister Stagg has requested Kildare County Council to provide an additional public light between the entrance to Maynooth Post Primary School and the entrance to the S.M.A. Hostel on Moyglare Road.

The overhanging hedge at this location has resulted in a very dangerous black spot for pedestrians and Minister Stagg has asked the Council to provide this light from the 1996 allocation.

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DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

DRAFT PLAN A DISASTER FOR MAYNOOTH

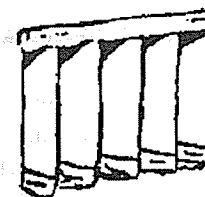
The Draft Development Plan for Maynooth which emerged from the Kildare County Council meeting of March 7th last has disastrous implications for Maynooth as a viable community. In voting to rezone 280 acres of land for housing development - in addition to the 120 undeveloped acres left over from the previous plan - the Council will allow the population of Maynooth to shoot up to 20,000 over the next ten years.

This is an unsustainable rate of development which will destroy Maynooth as a functioning community. The town's unique historical heritage will become buried in suburban sprawl. As always, the houses will be built immediately, but the necessary services will take years - if ever - to follow. Meanwhile, a small number of landholders will be turned into millionaires overnight. Ironically, the preamble to the Draft Plan states that its basic aim is to provide "a framework for the physical development of Maynooth so that development can take place in an orderly manner while at the same time conserving the intrinsic character of the town". In voting as it did on March 7th, the County Council has made a mockery of this aspiration while riding roughshod over the wishes of its own professional planning staff.

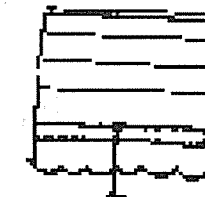
The most outrageous feature of the Draft Plan is the proposal to build 1,200 houses in the Celbridge Road area. This is being pushed by the Council with the aim of using development levies from these houses to fund the Ring road from Blacklion to the M4 interchange on the Straffan Road. It has received political support because it offers 10 acres for playing pitches. Democratic Left believes that housing development should be based on proper planning principles, not on considerations such as these. Ten acres of playing pitches cannot justify 158 acres of housing. Driving a high-volume regional road through a built-up area is the essence of bad planning. In any case, the people of the Newtown area will be amused at the prospect of development levies ever funding local road improvements. We believe that a windfall tax should be levied on rezoned land, with the proceeds going directly to local authorities to finance the infrastructure and services required as a result of rezoning.

What can you do?

We urge all Maynooth residents to examine the Draft Plan, which will be on display at Maynooth Public Library until mid-May. Further, we urge all concerned individuals and groups to make a submission rejecting the plan to the Secretary, Kildare County Council, St. Mary's, Naas. Councillor Catherine Murphy is available to meet with concerned groups and to assist in preparing submissions. She is also willing to facilitate in any way possible any group which wishes to take action in opposing the plan. Catherine Murphy can be contacted at 46 Leixlip Park, Leixlip (Tel: 6244903) or each Saturday in the back lounge of the Roost at 6.30 p.m.



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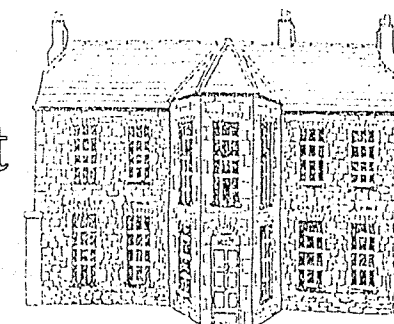
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SINN FEIN NOTES

Maynooth Marches for Peace

The dramatic expression of the people of Maynooth's heartfelt desire for peace on the 25th of February was most welcome. The march began at the top of Carton Avenue, went down the Main Street and then to the 1916 Memorial. Ms. Patricia Condon, Community Council Chairperson, made a speech.

"We should not be afraid to reclaim our history and say that these people are not fighting for us" she said.

"The men of 1916 stopped fighting out of concern for civilian casualties, unlike the I.R.A.", she continued.

While delving into the history books, anxious to reclaim our history, I came across some interesting quotations from the men and women of 1916, such as "If you condemn those who fight today you condemn those who fought in the past" - Mary McSweeney

"Ireland unfree shall never be at peace" - Padraig Pearse.

I also discovered some facts which would be of interest to adherents of the 'Glorious Heroic' I.R.A. of the past 'Evil Terrorist' I.R.A. of today myth.

The I.R.A. had no popular mandate for the Easter Rebellion, during which 234 innocent civilians lost their lives. Between the 1st of January and the 1st of April 1921, 73 civilians were summarily executed by the I.R.A. as spies.

Between the 1st of January and the 4th June, 46 civilians were killed in crossfire between Crown Forces and the I.R.A. in Dublin alone.

In Maynooth in 1920 the I.R.A. burned down the Town Hall which was to be used as a billet by the Black and Tans. This was a particularly grievous blow to the people of Maynooth, as we have not had a Town Hall or Community Centre since.

From 1916 onwards the I.R.A. were routinely condemned from the pulpit and the newspapers, it didn't stop them. Condemnation didn't stop the Black and Tans either.

However, the question is not whether or not the armed struggle is justified or whether the I.R.A. are a terrorist aberration or the inheritors of Ireland's 827-year freedom struggle. The question is how do we create a viable alternative to war, surely inclusive negotiations without preconditions is the only way to do that. Who stands in the way of this - not republicans, but the Tories and the unionists. They are sabotaging the peace initiative with their time wasting preconditions and refusals to negotiate. Regrettably some of the organisers of the nationwide peace marches have not realised this and display an anti-republicanism, that would not be out of place at a Tory Party Conference. Mr. Chris Hudson, a leader of S.T.O.P. and of Peace Train for example, has called for the re-

introduction of internment. Internment - imprisonment without trial was used against the Nationalists of the Six Counties in the '20's, '30's, '40's, '50's, and the '70's. The vast majority of those interned were innocent of any crime except political outlook. Ironically many of the internees belonged to Official Sinn Féin. Official Sinn Féin evolved into The Democratic Left, the party for which Mr. Eamonn Gilmore, Mr Hudson's colleague in S.T.O.P., currently holds a Dáil seat.

Another organiser of S.T.O.P. is Mr. Paul Burton, formerly employed by R.T.E. as Bosco's right hand man. Mr. Burton is a member of the 26 counties reserve defence force, the F.C.A., which poses the question: What would Mr. Burton be ordered to do if British soldiers were marching up O'Connell St? How would the F.C.A. propose to defend Dublin?

To call upon the I.R.A. to call a ceasefire, as Sinn Féin have done previously is legitimate. But to call upon the I.R.A. to call a ceasefire and not call upon the British Government to initiate inclusive negotiations with preconditions, to demilitarise and to release political prisoners is ridiculous.



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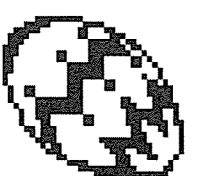
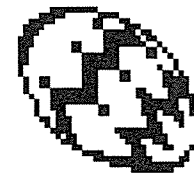
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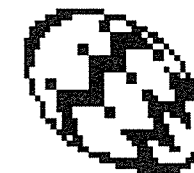
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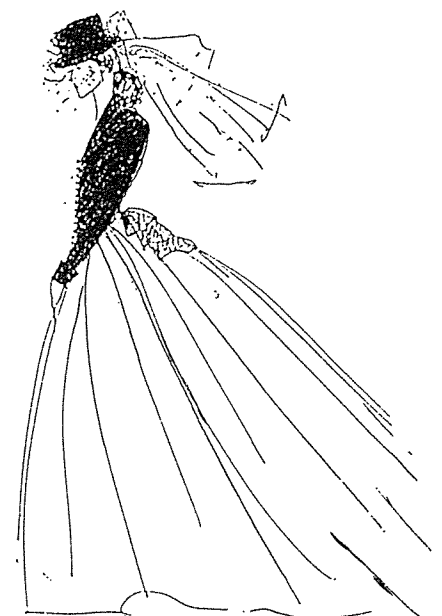
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FINE GAEL NOTES

The Draft County Development Plan which has just been approved by Kildare County Council, will now go on public display and residents will have an opportunity to approve or disapprove.

At the end of the display period the amount of land zoned can be reduced but cannot be increased.

1. At the outset landowners applied for approximately 600 acres to be rezoned for development.
2. Previous to this Plan, Maynooth had a total of 11 acres of amenity land: 7 acres at the G.A.A. Field and 4 acres at the Harbour Field.
3. The population of Maynooth is now estimated at 9,200 approximately, and under the terms of these proposals could increase by a maximum of up to 7,000 over the next 10 years.

The following may be of interest to residents:

The Council has agreed to rezone:

- 292 acres for residential use giving an increase in population of between 6,733 - 7,034 inhabitants over a 5-10 year period.
- To provide an extra 108 acres of amenity land as follows:
 - *20 acres to G.A.A. and the Schools
 - *10 acres to the Soccer Club
 - *10 acres to a Park Development on the Celbridge Road
 - *47 acres passive amenity at Carton Wall/Lime Avenue
 - *11 acres at Blacklion (Council Land)
 - *10 acres at the Rathcoffey Road

This allocation of amenity land has to be seen as a very positive step forward for the present and future residents of Maynooth.

The plan further provides for:

- (1) A 2-acre site for a Church
- (2) A 6-acre site for a National School
- (3) A 4-acre site for a Gael Scoil
- (4) 18 acres for Co-Op Housing under Kildare County Council
- (5) 30 acres for Industrial Development

It is anticipated that the Maynooth-Dublin rail line will be upgraded and this combined with the completion of road and footpath improvements in the Main Street and the proposed Ring Road will result in a major upgrading of the infrastructure in and around Maynooth.

It is important to note that Maynooth has suffered from a severe lack of amenity land for playing fields, track and field events etc. for several years despite having a growing population. The current proposals, while increasing the population by 63% will however have the beneficial effect of increasing the amenity lands available by more than 1000%.

N.B. It should be noted that a total of 65 acres approved for rezoning remains undeveloped from the 1985 Development Plan, which will increase the population by 1,490 but in respect of which no amenity lands are available.

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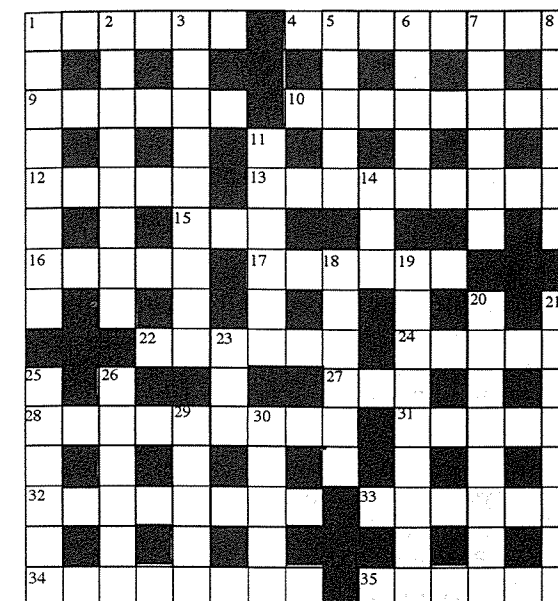
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Crossword No. 101



Entries before 5 p.m. Friday, 19th April, 1996.

Name _____

Address _____

Across:

- 1 Quietly speak about the double drink (6)
- 4 The instruments are shortly inside the fish (8)
- 9 Five hundred avoid capture to mislead (6)
- 10 Supply the incentive to solve this clue (8)
- 12 Hesitate after Tom is to supply the meal (5)
- 13 The Seven Dwarfs weren't! (9)
- 15 Go back at present, and find you're the victor (3)
- 16 The hangman's rope will be seen shortly about the east (5)
- 17 Change sides because of the blemish (6)
- 22 There is no limit for this fruit (6)
- 24 Funny man Hal sought by some anglers (5)
- 27 The flying mouse! (3)
- 28 The drink you and Albert make may be soulful (9)
- 31 Be hesitant and it will grow (5)
- 32 The hour is late. Too late (8)
- 33 Community Employment in the backward transport system? It will be found! (6)
- 34 The rates, oddly enough, are for show (8)
- 35 The stand-in Queen is in a fearful rage (6)

Down:

- 1 Take it like a man! It's for your own good (8)
- 2 Later, oddly, ties one on with a family member (8)
- 3 Jockey shorts or Y fronts!! (9)
- 5 The sailor has a poem on his place of residence (5)
- 6 Go up and down to the south annexe (5)
- 7 Does he speak about the alternatives at the centre? (6)
- 8 Anne is returning for the brown dye (6)
- 11 Call on Donald to visit the capital (6)
- 14 Sardonic grain, we hear (3)

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- 18 The meat turns around before the French become weak (6)
- 19 The animal in the orchestra? (9)
- 20 Convenient headgear, we're told, will hinder your progress (8)
- 21 Quietly more embarrassed can tear you to pieces (8)
- 23 Small worker trapped in the planting season (3)
- 25 Declare you have the valuable right inside (6)
- 26 One hundred leave the quietness to the plants (6)
- 29 Great gas? Just the opposite! (5)
- 30 Auntie loses her head to undo the knots (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 100:

Across: 1, Father (fat her); 4, Banshees; 9, Recipe (re-CI-PE); 10, Foreseen (four-seen); 12, Halve (Hal-VE); 13, Sandpiper (sandpaper); 15, Sap; 16, Nines; 17, Income; 22, Astern (a stern); 24, Irish; 27, Eon; 28, Initially; 31, Bream; 32, Tipsters; 33, Casino (C-as in-O); 34, Enrolled (EN-rolled); 35, Bedeck (B-deck).

Down: 1, Farthing; 2, Tickling (tick ling); 3, Expresses; 5, Acorn (a corn); 6, Steep; 7, Exempt (ex-E-MP-T); 8, Sentry (SEN-try); 11, Aspire (a spire); 14, Duo; 18, Coneys; 19, Mainbrace; 20, Likewise (like wise); 21, Shamrock (sham rock); 23, Tea (T); 25 and 26, Little nipper; 29, Intel; 30, Large (Little and Large).

Winner of Crossword No. 100:

John McEvoy, 3 Rockfield Gardens, Maynooth.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

The continuous bad weather is still playing havoc with our fixture list with games still being cancelled due to poor ground conditions. It looks at this stage as if every evening will be taken up with mid week fixtures in an effort to clear the backlog which applies to all our teams at the moment. Games have been at a premium over the past number of weeks but some results to hand show mixed fortune.

Sheeran Cup 3rd Round

Monksfield Utd. 1 Maynooth Town 2 A.E.T.
Maynooth had to show great resilience and fighting quality in order to overcome a stubborn Monksfield Utd. Maynooth showed good early form and were unlucky not to take the lead in the opening minutes. Joey Riordan, Paul Byrne and Adolar Acacio missed chances during this spell of dominance and Monksfield can feel flattered to have been in touch for so long. Niall Naughton was showing good form in the Maynooth goal and his confident handling certainly belied his youthful years. Martin McTernan with two free kicks and Joey Dempsey with a shot on the run were unlucky not to put Maynooth in front. Michael Murphy had two chances to open the scoring before Paul Byrne and Joey Dempsey were denied. Despite the pressure Maynooth went behind in the 79th minute when failing to clear a Monksfield corner and conceded the opening goal. Maynooth then laid siege on the Monksfield goal in their quest for the equaliser. The breakthrough came when Fergal Barton volleyed home when a corner was cleared. The game then went into extra time with Maynooth still shading the exchanges but a penalty shoot-out was beckoning when Maynooth won a corner on the left. The ball dropped in the danger area where Eamon Dunne forced the ball over the line after a number of abortive chances. The final whistle came soon after, much to the relief of Maynooth. Best for Maynooth were: Niall Naughton, Michael Kelly and Keith Cooke.

D.D.S.L. U/11

Maynooth Town 1 St. Mark's Ath. 4
This was an enjoyable game despite the scoreline. St. Mark's will feel flattered by the margin of the result which does scant justice to a good home performance. Laxity in defence was the Achilles heel of a Maynooth side who had several good performers, notably Mark Newton and James Keegan who had the honour of scoring the best goal of the game.

D.D.S.L. U/14

Celbridge Town 1 Maynooth Town 2
This long awaited local derby against near neighbours Celbridge deserved it's billing as the match of the day. Maynooth had a number of good scoring chances before Charles Gallagher opened the scoring with a shot from just inside the box. The Celbridge defence stood firm after this and were giving very little away, confining Maynooth to shots from far out. Despite Maynooth's best efforts

Celbridge held out until half-time without conceding anything further. Celbridge came more into the game after the interval and Maynooth had to withstand fierce pressure before making a quick break into enemy territory for Shane Folan to increase the visitors lead with a left foot shot. Celbridge scored a late consolation goal but time ran out and Maynooth held on for a deserved win. Best for Maynooth were: P.O'Sullivan, T. McMahon and Shane Folan.

D.D.S.L. U/14


Carriglea Boys 1 Maynooth Town 5
Maynooth's recent good form continued with this facile win over Carriglea Boys from Monkstown. As of late Maynooth attacked early and opened the scoring when Shane Folan shot to the roof of the net. It was something of a surprise that this was the only goal of the first half in view of Maynooth's overall supremacy. Carriglea got on level terms immediately after the break but this only served to spur Maynooth to raise the tempo and the home side suffered as a consequence. Charles Gallagher made it 2-1 for Maynooth and the same player increased the lead when he shot home following a pass from Shane Folan. P. O'Sullivan made it four for Maynooth soon after and Shane Folan wrapped up the scoring when he finished off a good attacking move. Best for Maynooth were: Trevor McMahon, Trevor Naughton, Charles Gallagher and Shane Folan.

D.D.S.L. U/17

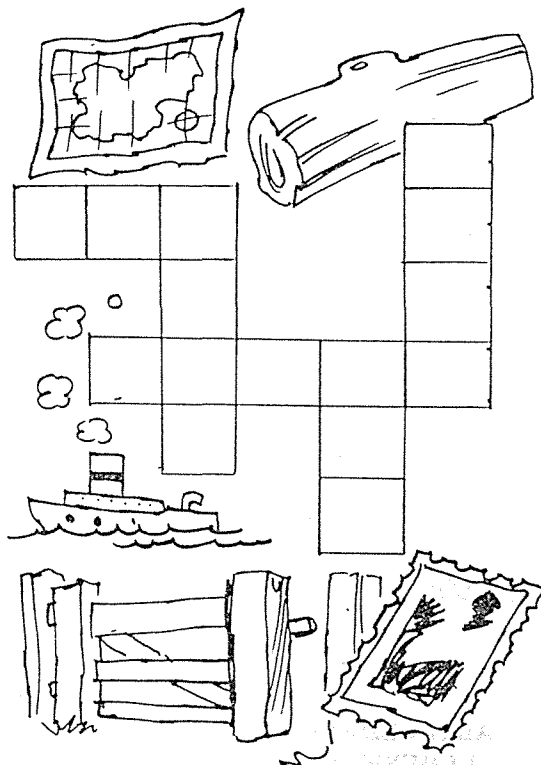
Maynooth Town 2 Templeogue Boys 2
Maynooth have only themselves to blame for not taking full points in this close encounter. Taking the lead twice during the game Maynooth never exerted total superiority during the game and therefore always allowed Templeogue back into the game. Maynooth took the lead as early as the 12th minute when centre half David Coughlan took time off from his defensive duties to score. Templeogue got back on terms ten minutes later against the run of play. Maynooth regained the lead in the 55th minute when Niall Daly smashed a shot against an upright and Jay Miley was on hand to slot home the rebound. Maynooth tried hard to extend their lead but the Templeogue keeper was in top form and denied Maynooth with a string of fine saves. With ten minutes remaining Templeogue broke quickly to get the equaliser. Best for Maynooth were: Martin Byrne, Alan Doyle, Niall Daly and David Coughlan.

D.D.S.L. U/19

Maynooth Town 1 Mountview 2
Maynooth played their best football of the season despite losing by the odd goal of three. Maynooth had the early pressure and made a number of chances before falling behind to a quick Mountview breakaway. Niall Doogan was unlucky not to score from a free following a foul on Cian Walsh. Maynooth got level when David Canny made the opening for Niall Doogan to score. Maynooth were on top

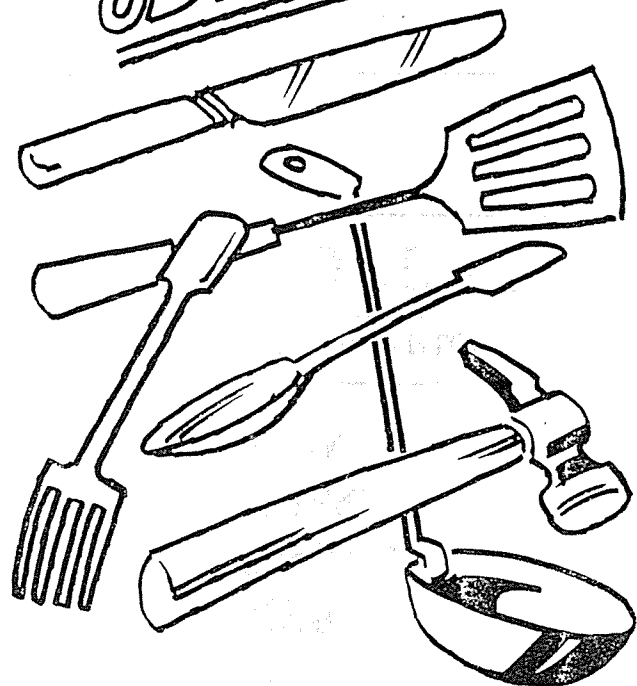


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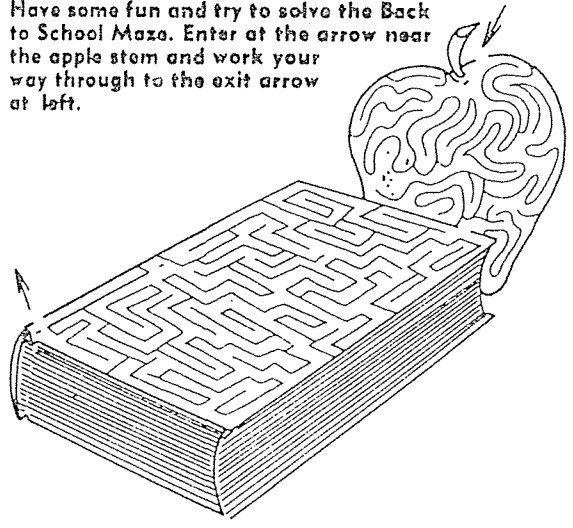
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3rd. Aishling Kelly 5, New Rd., Kilcock.	3rd. Laura Cunningham 51, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

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for most of the second half but conceded an unnecessary corner from which Mountview poached the winner. Declan Bambrick, Laurence Hutchinson and Ian Buckley had chances for Maynooth late in the game but the equaliser would not come.

D.D.S.L. U/9

Maynooth Town 1 Clonsilla 2

This was a most disappointing result for Maynooth. Getting on top at the start it was no surprise that Maynooth took the lead with a well taken David Canny goal. Maynooth lost their way after this and conceded the initiative to Clonsilla who capitalised on the home sides poor second half display. Failure to convert two penalties had an unsettling effect on the home side and their performance suffered as a result. Maynooth had good performers in D. Gahan, C. Walsh, N. Doogan, D. Bambrick and R. O'Neill.

Congratulations to Maynooth Post Primary School on their wonderful achievement in winning the Leinster Schools Senior Girls Final recently. We wish them well in their upcoming All-Ireland Semi-Final against opposition not yet confirmed.

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Congratulations to our 2nd team for their marvellous achievement on winning the "Jubilee Trophy" in their section of the "Dublin and District League" beating a much fancied Kilcock team in the final. The fact that this is their first year together as a unit, makes it even better, and with the cup semi-final next to come on Tuesday March 26th, who knows maybe it could be "the double". The whole of the second team wish to pay tribute to their supporters who attend their matches both at home and away.

The team members are as follows:- Kevin Murphy - Captain, Josie Casey, Emer Sherwin, Liam Duff, Noel Downing, David Ryan, Carol Hoare, Suzan McEvoy. Also a special mention for the two subs., Ann Kinsella and Pat Farrell.

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Junior Hurling League — Fixtures

25th April — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Leixlip — Away.
2nd May — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Eire Og/Corrachoill — Home.
9th May — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Ardclough — Away.
16th May — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Clane — Away.
23rd May — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Celbridge — Home.
30th May — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Kilcullen — Home.
13th June — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Rosglas — Home.
20th June — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Moorefield — Home.
27th June — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Kill — Away.
4th July — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v St. Brigids — Away.

Senior Hurling League Division 2 — Fixtures

31st March — 3 p.m. — Maynooth v Confev — Home.
21st April — 3 p.m. — Maynooth v Clane — Away.
5th May — 3 p.m. — Maynooth v Broadford — Away.
19th May — 3 p.m. — Maynooth v Naas — Away.
5th June — 7.30 p.m. Maynooth v Eire Og/Corrachoill — Home.
19th June — 7.30 p.m. Maynooth v Kilcock — Home.
26th June — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Coill Dubh — Home.
3rd July — 7.30 p.m. — Maynooth v Athy — Away.

Senior Football League Division 2. Sunday 10th March Maynooth 1-9; Cappagh 2-10

Maynooth, playing against the wind and hill in the first half, held Cappagh to level terms at 1-5 each. The second half looked good for Maynooth but some very bad shooting gave Cappagh the chance to stay in this game, which they took, and with five minutes to go sealed victory with a goal by Noel Mallon. Maynooth tried hard but could not get the scores and Cappagh came out good winners. Best for Maynooth: Hugh Purcell 1-2; Joey Nevin 0-3; Killian Fagan 0-2; Hugh Nevin 0-1; Joey Riordan 0-1. Also to play well: Thomas Farrell, Paul Stynes, David Mahoney, Mickey Noone.

Tom Keogh Cup Football Tournament

First Round Tuesday 16th April — 7.30 p.m.

Maynooth v Nurney in Nurney
Second Round

Maynooth or Nurney v Athgarvan or Robertstown
Quarter Finals:
Maynooth/Nurney v. St. Laurences/Caragh
Athgarvan/Robertstown v. Killcullen/Johnstown

Senior Football League Division 2 Sunday 3rd March

Maynooth 2-6; Celbridge 1-8

Celbridge, playing with the wind in the first half, led at half time by 7 points to nil. Maynooth played some good football but could not score. The second half started badly for Maynooth when Celbridge broke down the field to score a goal. Maynooth got their first score eight minutes into the second half. It looked very bad at this stage of the game, 15 minutes into the second half, Maynooth were behind by 1-8 to 0-3. But Maynooth fought back and two goals by Eamon Dunne and Joey Nevin, and further points, and going into injury time the sides were level and in injury time Killian Fagan scored the winning point from a free to give Maynooth a very good win.

Maynooth scorers: Joey Nevin 1-4; Eamon Dunne 1-0; Mick Nevin 0-1; Killian Fagan 0-1 Also to play well: D. Mahoney, Paul Stynes, Hugh Purcell, Johnny Nevin.

Lotto Result — 18/2/96:- Jackpot £550. Numbers 2-15-19 No winner. 5 x £10 David Jolley, Ann Fahy, Sean Donovan, Stephen King, John Aherns.

Lotto Result — 25/2/96:- Jackpot £600. Numbers 6-20-22. No winner. 5 x £10 Colm Shelley, Irene Dunne, Joe Farrell, Paddy Desmond, A. Taylor.

Lotto Result — 3/3/96:- Jackpot £650. Numbers 15-16-20. No winner. 5 x £10 Jim Ryan, Michelle Farrell, Conor O'Connor, Geraldine Moore, Deirdre Faherty.

Lotto Result — 10/3/96:- Jackpot £700. Numbers 4-9-17. No winner. 5 x £10 W. Coughlin, Joan Keane, Aidan Donovan, Dermot Kelly, Brian Marlborough.

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SYMPATHIES

The wife, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Patrick Ward, Barrogstown, Maynooth, formerly The Plains, Boyle, Co. Roscommon.

The wife, sons, daughter, sisters, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of John (Sonny) O'Neill, The Green, Maynooth.

The husband, sons, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, in-laws, relatives and friends of Mary Weldon (née Norris), Clonfert, Maynooth, formerly Buncloody, Co. Wexford.

The daughters, sister, sons-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Seán J. Weafer, Lucan, formerly Leinster Park, Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The brothers, sister, nephews and nieces of the late Frank Rochford, Kilcock, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; to those who attended the removal, Mass and funeral, sent Mass cards and floral tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. McWey, P.P., Kilcock, Dr. Mitchell, the doctors and nurses of St. James' Hospital, Our Lady's Hospice, Harolds Cross, the homecare team of The Drogheda Memorial Hospital, The Curragh, Nurse Reid, Maynooth Ambulance and Maynooth Fire Brigade, and all his many friends who visited Frank while he was sick.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

The wife and family of the late Patrick (Paddy) Ward, Barrogstown, Maynooth, Sincerely thank all who sympathised with them in their recent very sad loss; Those who called personally to the house, attended the removal, funeral mass and burial, those who sent mass cards, letters of sympathy and floral tributes; the set dancers who formed the

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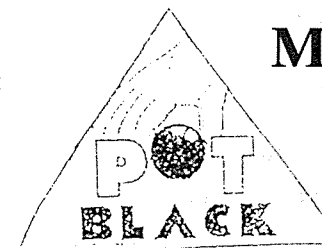
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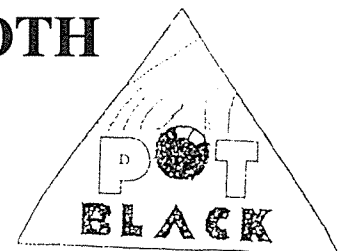
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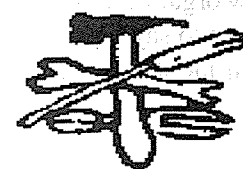
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