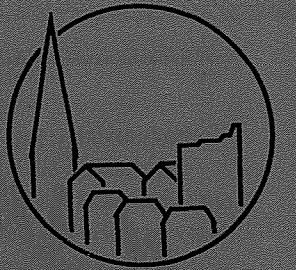


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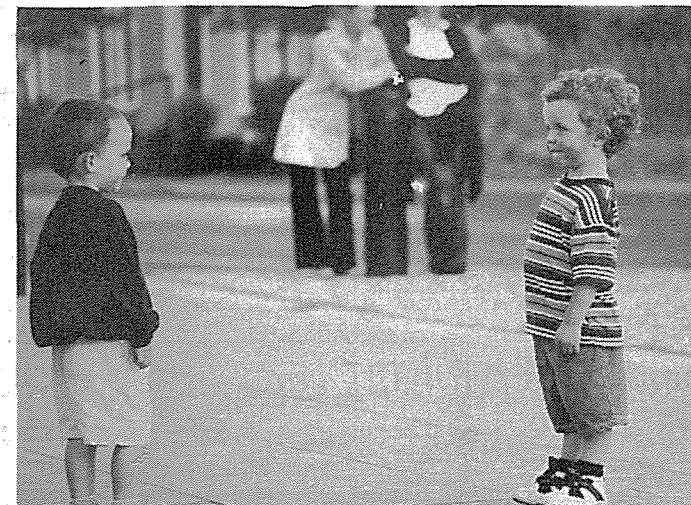
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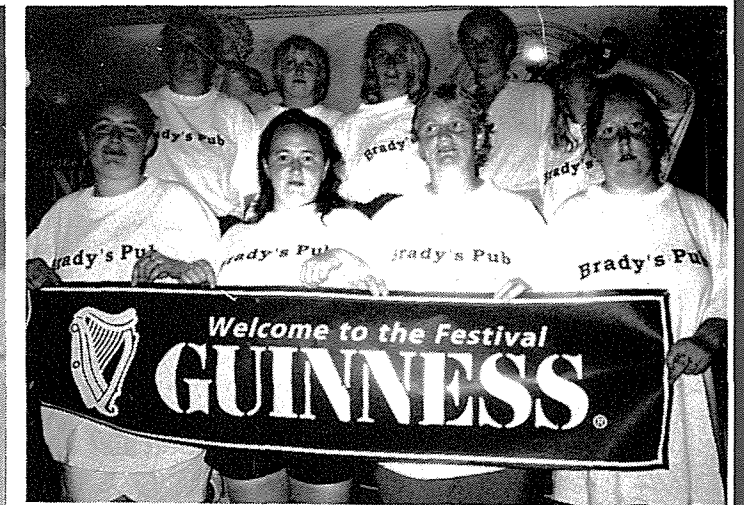
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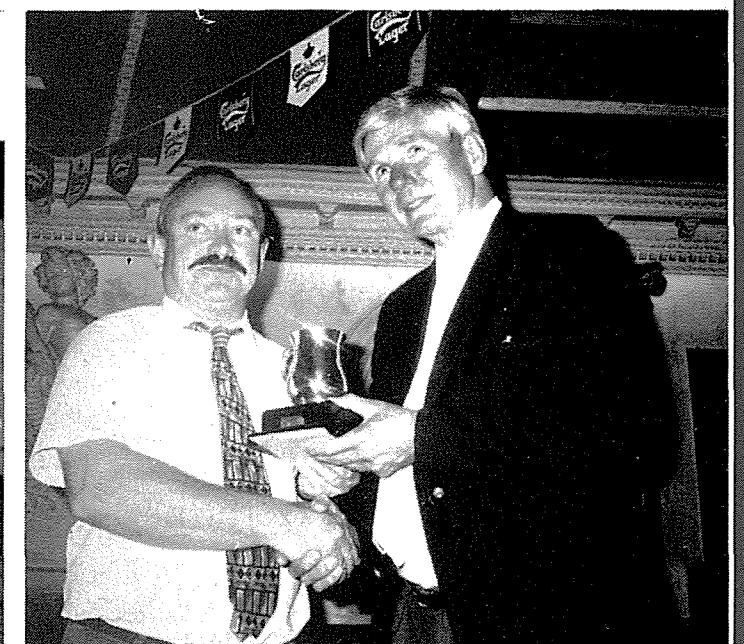
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"Simply the Best" - winners of the Guinness 7-a-side



Maisie Nott enjoying the Festival with the little ones.



Ben Mee, Guinness Barperson of the Year being presented with his trophy and cheque by John Merry, Guinness Rep.

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EDITORIAL

This issue of the Newsletter has extensive coverage of the Maynooth Summer Festival which, once again, was an outstanding success. Congratulations are due to the Festival Committee chaired by Norah McDermott, to all the workers in the Community Council offices and especially to the various groups, bands, dancers, singers, footballers and musicians who entertained us during the week. Despite some initial misgivings about the new Square, the general consensus seems to be that it was an excellent venue for the various events that were held there during the Festival. One of the most positive aspects of the Festival was the extent to which new residents in Maynooth participated. We have over 3,000 new residents in the last five years and Maynooth is set to continue growing for the foreseeable future. Events like the Festival have an important role to play in developing some sense of community in the midst of such rapid growth. Sprawling dormitory towns lacking this sense of community are not pleasant places to live. Maynooth has now reached a critical size where effort must be put in to ensure that people who live in Maynooth feel they belong. Some of this has to do with getting decent arts, recreational and sports facilities for the town which are long overdue. The rest has to do with the type of hard work put into the organising the Summer Festival.

Jobs for the Boys (and Girls)

A certain section of the population dread August every year. Because August is when the Leaving Cert results are published and 17 and 18 year olds all over the country have their fate decided. Prospects for the school leavers in north Kildare should be much brighter than in many other parts of the country, given the huge growth in jobs in both Intel and Hewlett-Packard. The media tend to focus on the points race

and the competition for College places. But not everybody wants to go to College. Some won't have the aptitude for academic study and some will just want to start earning some money. The creation of so many jobs for both graduates and school leavers right on our doorstep should prove a tremendous boon to Maynooth in the coming years and many young people who might previously have moved out of the area or emigrated have an opportunity to live in the communities where they grew up.

DIARY DATES

Community Council Elections: Voting papers will be distributed to all eligible households between Wednesday 28th and Friday 30th August and collected the following week. Where votes have not been collected they may be brought to the Community Council Office. All votes **must** be returned by Friday 6th September. Counting will be done by neutral volunteers on Saturday 7th September under the supervision of outside scrutineers. (See Community Council Notes).

St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band: are inviting all musicians in the area to join up. So if you're interested drop into the band hall on Pound Lane any Monday night between 8.30 and 10 o'clock.

Maynooth Golfing Society:

Next outing; Vice-President (Noel Brady) Prize to Portarlinton 10th August, 10-11.30.

Maynooth Tidy Shop Front/Estate/Area Competition;

Judging will be taking place in August so keep up the good work!

Leaving Cert Results

As you know the Leaving Cert results are expected out in the schools on Thursday, 15th August. So the best of luck to everyone awaiting results, and remember, whatever you get be proud of yourself - you've achieved a lot!!!!!!

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Community Council Elections

Elections for the new Community Council will be held at the end of August 1996. There are 63 places to be filled and two further places for the nominees of Maynooth College Executive Council and Maynooth College Student's Union. Co-options may also take place after the first meeting of the Council.

Arrangements for the Election

Again there are quite a lot of changes to the division of the Community Council catchment area into electoral areas compared with the last election. The number of Council places per electoral area is based on a rough ratio of 100 voters (from the Electoral Register) per Council member.

Electoral Areas

The Electoral Areas are as follows:

1. Town Centre (5 places) comprises the area bounded by Bond Bridge, Mullen Bridge, Blacklion, Kildare Bridge (Dunboyne Road) and the Parish Church.
2. Railpark/Traffan Road (1 place) includes the Crescent.
3. Railpark Estate (2 places).
4. Greenfield Estate (5 places) includes Laurence Avenue, Maynooth Park, Greenfield Drive and Traffan Way.
5. Carton Court (2 places).
6. Kingsbry (5 places).
7. Greenfield Lane/ Greenfield Phase 1 (1 place).
8. Greenfield Phase 2 (1 place).
9. Greenfield Phase 3/private sites (1 place).
10. Beaufield (3 places).
11. Meadowbrook (4 places).
12. Cluain Aoibhinn (2 places).
13. College Green (2 places).
14. Moyglare Road/Moyglare Meadows/Moyglare Village (4 places).
15. Newtown/Woodlands/Ashley Court (2 places).
16. Newtown Court (2 places).
17. Parson Street/Parson Lodge/Court (1 place).
18. Silken Vale (2 places).
19. Castlebridge (1 place).
20. Parklands (5 places).
21. Rockfield (5 places).
22. Outlying Area A (see map) (1 place) includes the townlands of Carton Demesne, Old Carton, Catherinestown, Kellystown, Blakestown.
23. Outlying Area B (2 places) includes the townlands of Windgates (east side of Traffan Road), Toolestown, Corbally, Griffinrath, Moneycooley, Ballygoran, Barrogstown/West/East, Killmacreddock, Donaghmore.
24. Outlying Area C (3 places) includes the townlands of Rowanstown, Dowdstown, Taghadoe, Toolestown (west side of Traffan Road), Windgates (do), Newtownmacabe, Rooks, Smithstown, Johninstown, Graiguesallagh, Cowanstown, Kealstown, Graiguelin, Derrinstown, Donaghstown.

25. Outlying Area D (1 place) includes townlands of Timard, Laraghbryan East/West, The Maws, Ballycurraghan, Treadstown, Cormickstown, Crinstown and Laragh Demesne.

Election Schedule

Nominations

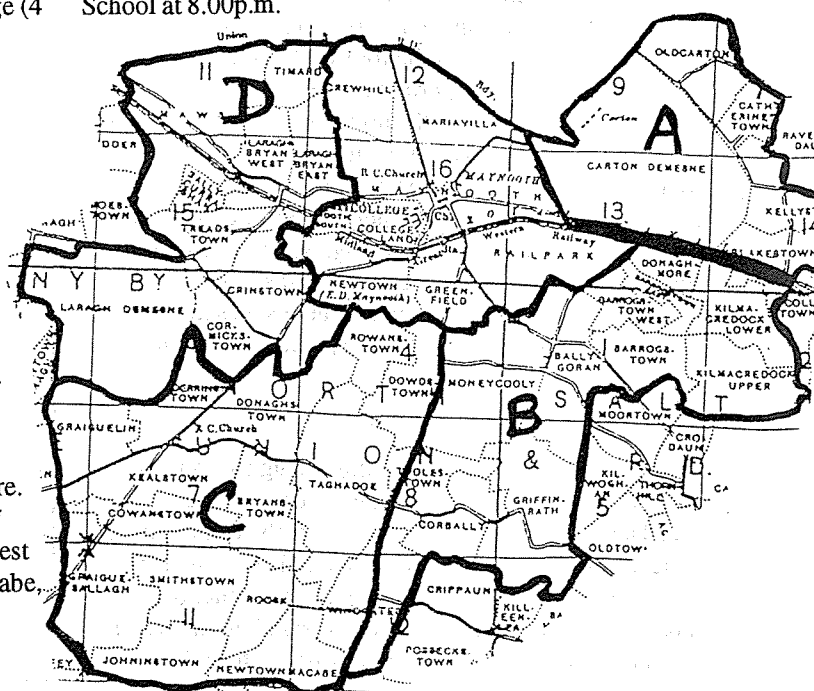
A Nomination Form is included in this issue of the Newsletter. Additional forms may be obtained from the Community Council Office.

All nomination forms should include the signature of the nominee signifying her/his acceptance of the nomination. All nominations to be submitted to the Community Council Office by Monday 26th August 1996. Any resident over 18 is eligible for the election and for voting.

Voting

If an election is to be held, voting papers will be distributed to all eligible households between Wednesday 28th and Friday 30th August. Votes will be collected the following week. Where votes have not been collected, they may be brought to the Community Council Office. All votes must be returned by Friday 6th September.

Counting of votes will take place on Saturday 7th September. Counting will be done by neutral volunteers under the supervision of outside scrutineers. For single seat electoral areas, the single transferable vote method of counting (as in by-elections to Dáil Éireann) will be used. For multiple-seat areas, each voter will have as many votes as there are seats available, with the candidates obtaining the most votes being elected, as appropriate. This system is both easy to operate, and fairer to first-to-the-post methods used in British elections. The first meeting of the new Council will take place on Monday 16th September in the Post Primary School at 8.00p.m.



MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections

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A LIST OF ALL ELECTORAL AREAS IS INCLUDED ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON
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VOTES COUNTED**

**Monday 26th August
Friday 6th September
Saturday 7th September**

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ELECTORAL AREA: _____

I agree to act on the Council if elected:

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE: _____

FESTIVAL REPORT

This years 10th Annual Community Festival **Sponsored by Guinness** took place during a week of beautiful weather and proved to be a very successful Festival. It is the fifth Festival sponsored by Guinness and we thank them for their continued support, also thanks to all the local clubs, pubs, organisations and hotel for all their help in organising events for young and old.

The Festival was launched in the Glenroyal Hotel on Wednesday 3rd July to a full house and was sponsored by **Guinness** and a great night was had by all.

We had a great bonus this year for the Maynooth **Guinness Festival** and that was our new square. There was an abundance of talent there for eight nights and the second bonus was the weather.

The Festival started on Sunday 14th with the Tug-O-War Competition for children — teenagers and adults. This proved to be a very popular event especially with the children and teenagers. We are indebted to Willie Healy and his helpers for the success of the competition and to the local pubs and Maynooth Community Council for their kind sponsorship for the event (full report elsewhere in **Newsletter**).

The **Guinness Jazz Band** opened proceedings on Sunday night in the Glenroyal and this was enjoyed by the Jazz followers and the Claddagh Folk Dance Group entertained all outdoor people in the Square.

This proved to be a very popular event as the Folk Dancing Group got the audience involved in the dancing. This group also performed on the Saturday night of Festival week. On Monday night the **Guinness Soccer 7-a-side** tournament got underway in the Harbour Field. John McGinley, organiser, and his helpers had a very lively week with all the teams. The committee would like to thank John for his commitment to the 7-a-side every year for the Festival (see full report elsewhere). The **Smitwicks Music Night** attracted good crowds on Monday night in the Leinster Arms and was enjoyed by all. Music was by Criteria. St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band gave their usual rendering in the Square for Festival week and this was enjoyed by all who turned out to listen. They looked very well in the new Square and were greatly appreciated by their audience, young and old.

Tuesday night brought a young band called Imodium to the Square all the way from Wexford. They played brilliantly for the audience and their performance was enjoyed by all (see report elsewhere).

Thanks to Martin Brady, Leinster Arms who provided refreshments for the band before their return journey.

The G.A.A. hosted a Karaoke night and new stars of entertainment emerged that night including Chairman of Community Council Tom McMullon. On the same evening Maynooth Library hosted a Poetry reading event. Thanks to Michael Quinn for organising at short notice and to Fiona from the Library for all her help. The audience enjoyed this very much and also enjoyed the cheese and wine reception provided by Sean Donovan, Londis (see report elsewhere). The night owls enjoyed themselves at the **Guinness**

Promotion in the Leinster Arms.

Wednesday night saw us again in the Square with Rita O'Reilly's Accordion Band ably assisted by music teacher John Mitchell. In addition to this there was a fabulous display of Irish dancing by the Maher School.

To add to all this variety we had a Gymnastic Display in Glenroyal Hotel and the team travelled all the way from Cork to put on their display and Leixlip Amenities supplied the mats. Their manager Leonard Bhattachayia will be starting Gym classes in the Parish Hall in September. He takes over from Des Hogan who has retired after several years in Maynooth (see report elsewhere).

In the G.A.A. we had another fine display of Dancing from the Rita Doyle School followed by set dancing. Thanks to Marie Gleeson for her organisation of this event. A great night was had by all. Caulfields hosted the famous **Guinness Table Quiz**. This quiz has become one of the keenest contested competitions during Festival week. Every chair and table and a few more besides were hauled in for this event and the champions on the night were: 1st Team — Brian O'Malley - Paul & Ben Daly and Declan O'Connor. In 2nd place: Dominic Nyland, Carol Hoare, Pat Farrell and David Ryan and in 3rd place: John and Mary McGinley, Margaret Clince and Willie Saults. Congratulations to all and thanks to Paul Croghan and Freda Kelleher for their expertise on the night at the adding board. Thanks also to Jim Doherty, Celbridge for his set of questions and to Peter Hussey who came all the way from Naas to do Quiz Master.

At this stage we were half way through **Guinness Festival Week** and the weather was still very kind to us and the **Guinness 7-a-side soccer** was still going strong.

Thursday night took us to the Parish Hall where the Wackadoo Variety Group were in full swing. This was a lovely performance by the young people of Maynooth. Thanks to Derek Lowry and Claire McGettrick and their team for all their hard work with this event (see report elsewhere). On the same evening, there was a great Irish Music session in the Square with about 20 musicians taking part. Our thanks to all who came out and played and listened for this event. Maybe we could have something like this at least once a week in the Square! There is absolutely no shortage of talent in this town and we only reached the tip of the iceberg during Festival week.

Having finished in the Square we all made a bee-line for Caulfields for the Old Peoples Cabaret. This is always one of the best night's entertainment during Festival week. The place was packed. A great night was had by all and the usual tea, sandwiches and cakes were served. Thanks to Josie and her Committee for a great night's entertainment and to their music man Mick McGarry. The Roost and Leinster Arms also had live music and all events were well attended.

Friday Night proved to be another great festive night with the selection of Miss Royal Canal in the Glenroyal (see report elsewhere). This proved a very popular event and in the end there was standing room only. We had Street Theatre in the

square and this went down a treat with children and adults. This was Peter Hussey's group from Newbridge and they involved all the audience in their drama. Thanks to all who made this such a successful event.

Saturday Afternoon was the big day for the children. The Baby show took place in the Harbour field and we had a great turnout of babies for all ages. In the under 1 section the winner was Roisin Fanthom, 2nd Gary Daly, 3rd Lauren O'Neill. In the under 2 section the winner was Sarah Greely, 2nd Adam Treacey and 3rd Hannah Stack. The winners in the twins section were John and Shannon Corcoran, 2nd were Sandra and Sarah Bell, 3rd Vivienne and Michelle Bermingham. The Fire Brigade gave a great display of their activities at the Harbour, lots of people especially the children were only too delighted to stand near the water spray to cool off. Thanks to Lennie Murphy who organised the event and thanks to all the lads for giving of their time to entertain everybody. Thanks also to the lads for putting up our Banner each year and for helping in the clearing away of the Festival Bunting afterwards. They actually had it taken down as I wrote the article.

The Teddies Bears Picnic

The Teddies Bears Picnic was the outstanding event of the afternoon. Children came from all corners of Maynooth and elsewhere to enjoy the afternoon. While enjoying all their tuck they were entertained by a very lively magician and amused by big Teddy Bears, real live ones from the Margaret Nolan Entertainment Company. All the children went home full of goodies and excited about their picnic while the mummies and daddies got a couple of hours of sunshine during the picnic. This proved to be one of the best events of the week for the children. Thanks to Johnny Dowling for all his help for the afternoon and to Eddie Sherry who came to the rescue with his barrow. Nice one Eddie! We had an abundance of talent from the Community Council Staff when it came to face painting. The queues lasted till five-thirty till every last face was painted. So thanks to all the gang for their help.

The Gael agus Gall Exhibition attracted a vast amount of interest. Most people were very interested in the group and actually took part in some of their demonstrations. This group is a Viking Age Living History Society recreating aspects of life in Ireland during the period 795 A.D. - 1014 A.D. The Car Treasure Hunt took place at 4p.m. and was organised by Paul Croghan at very short notice, 2 days to be exact. So thanks to Paul for all his efforts on this Saturday afternoon. The Winners were Eamonn Holton and family, Johnstown Bridge - Enfield and 2nd place went to John McGinley and team. Well done to all concerned. Following this we proceeded to the square for 7.30p.m. for another session with the Claddagh Folk Group - great entertainment here for a couple of hours and after that it was Disco time at the Glenroyal for the teenagers. Thanks to the No Name Club for sponsoring this event, to Martin Caine and Melanie Oliver and Johnny Dowling for all their help and to community council Staff who did rota duty at the disco and to staff of the Glenroyal for all their help on the Night. Not finished yet with Saturday as the big competition of the night had yet to come. Yes, you've got it, the **Carlsberg Talent Competition** in the Roost. By 10 o'clock the place was packed and everyone ready to go - Maisie Nott did M.C. and the background music was provided by Claire McGettrick. There was an abundance of Talent on the night and the winners were

Noel Mc Govern and Kevin McNamara and in 2nd place Joe Brady and 3rd was John Gibbon and Margaret McNamara. Clair and Phil McDermott finished off the night with a musical session. In the Leinster Arms a **Guinness Promotion** was also taking place and was attended by a large crowd.

That completed the Saturday Programme which was a hectic one. Then, came Sunday for all the finals and also the Rain, but it did not dampen any spirits. A record crowd of about 300 people turned out to see the **Guinness 7-a-side soccer finals** in the Harbour Field. The first game at 2p.m. was a football league organised John Doogan and this was followed by the Women's 7-a-side final and then on to the Men's at 4p.m. (full report elsewhere). Congratulations to Simply the Best Women's Team and to Derrinstown Stud Men's Team for winning the finals. The Roost was packed by 6p.m. for the prize giving of the **Guinness 7-a-side Trophies**. These were presented by **Guinness Rep** John Merry ably assisted by the newly elected Royal Canal Queen Alex Brady, to the delight of the mens teams. This was followed by presentation of Prize for the Pitch and Putt competition which was organised by Tony Bean for Festival week. Thanks to Tony for organising this event and the winner was Dean Logan. It was now time to announce the **Guinness Barperson** of the year. And it was Ben Mee from Caulfields with 613 votes and in second place was Donal O'Connor, Leinster Arms with 397 votes and third was Stuart Brennan, The Roost 321 votes.

A very successful Barperson event and thanks to all who took part and good luck Ben. Caulfields also won last year with Dermot Coakley taking the honours. Back to the Square at 7.30 p.m. for a dancing display from Grainne Feely School of Dancing. Due to bad weather we were able to move the event to the Glenroyal, also accordion player John Mitchell. We had a lovely rendering of tunes from John and fantastic displays of dancing from Grainne's pupils. Grainne herself is 10 times world dancing champion and retired 2 years ago unbeaten. So we do have a world champion in our midst in Maynooth for the past twelve years. Well done Grainne and to Rita O'Reilly for your entertainment this evening. I hope we'll see lots more of it in Maynooth. There is a wealth of talent out there and its great to see it. Thanks again to the Glenroyal for coming to our aid on the night.

The Festival finished off with a music session in the Roost. Thanks to Paddy O'Brien for his sponsorship for the night. We would like to extend our grateful thanks to **Guinness** for their continued support. We also thank the one and only Willie Kiernan for all his help with his sound systems during the Festival. Willie could be seen in three or four places **at the one time** during the Festival. Of course where would he be without Noreen —Thanks to you both. If you want P.A. success Willie is the man.

We also had a great help from the Community Council, the staff, the students from the office and the Festival Committee. Thanks to Christina Saults who was busy on Sunday around the town counting **Guinness Barperson** votes and last but by no means least thanks to Freda Kelleher who was at my elbow throughout the week making sure the Festival ran smoothly.

*Norah McDermott,
Chairperson.*

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

New Bus Timetable

The revised timetable for the 66/66X Bus service to Maynooth, recently introduced, is very welcome. However the revision to the timetable only recognises one problem that existed with the service to Maynooth which was the fact that passengers who were primarily travelling to and from Dublin had to stop at every stop between these places to serve passengers who could use other bus services. There was a particular problem with passengers travelling to Maynooth being left in Dublin because people from much nearer the city took up the capacity of the 66 bus.

The extension of the cityspeed service to an hourly service is welcome. This still allows people from Maynooth the option to get a bus serving the complete route.

However, the question must be asked why passengers are being asked to pay £2 for this hourly express service which clearly only recognises their travelling patterns when the normal fare is only £1.65. Dublin Bus are taking a similar approach to the Nitelink service last Christmas where the fare to Maynooth is £4 and only £2.50 anywhere else.

The biggest failure with the revised timetable is the fact that we did not see any increase in the peak commuter service. This is despite the fact that in the recent survey carried out by Dr. Shelagh Waddington, Dept. of Geography, St. Patrick's College, and her students, it was shown that only over 6% of the people of Maynooth used the bus service. It is clear that we need to entice more people to separate themselves from their car seats, but the bus service will not tempt them unless the peak time services are improved. This has to change with over 40% of the residents of Maynooth travelling daily in the direction of the city. Morning peak traffic is currently backed up to Lucan and with the likely development of the areas on this route it is possible that traffic will be backed up to Maynooth in the next years. Therefore Dublin Bus should start now to recognise this market. We have already seen the population of Maynooth increase from 6,000 to over 9,000 in the last five years mainly with young couples, many owning two cars, both going into the morning traffic.

Royal Canal Carpark

As we noted before, this area was closed to traffic when the new town carpark was opened earlier in the summer. However many people are wondering why the carpark stays closed when it is beside one of the most important amenity areas in Maynooth namely the Royal Canal and the Harbour field. We know the carpark was only a short term facility offered to Iarnród Éireann when their carpark was closed, but to the many people who come down to use this amenity area they do not understand why they cannot park there. Maybe our friends on the Royal Canal Committee might consider opening this carpark at weekends so that those who want to stretch their legs and feed the ducks could have somewhere to park.

The Buggy brigade and that missing bridge

Still in the area of the canal it was recently mentioned to me that the old footbridge removed from Mullen Bridge and used as a level bridge over the canal to the Railway Station for the last two years is being sadly missed by the people pushing buggies in that area.

The question has been asked why this bridge could not have been left there until the new bridge is in place there. While the timber structure is alright for adults it is intimidating for small children who feel they are going to fall into the canal. Imagine the poor parent carrying the buggy and the child if not children up and down those steps. We know there is a longer route alternative but when you are rushing for the train it does not seem like an option.

Maynooth Development Plan . . . Update

It now looks as if the proposals to rezone over 300 acres mainly for residential use will now be decided in September. The two groups highlighting the issues are continuing to inform the people of Maynooth of their concerns. It is important to remember that the proposals put forward by the Councillors will have a major impact on Maynooth as we know it. It is up to you to let them know your views so that they can take these into account in making their final decisions on the future of your town.

The decisions are taken by the 25 members of Kildare County Council many of which may not know the town as well as you do. Your best approach as the period for submissions is now closed is to confirm your views again to the local Councillors asking them to convince their colleagues particularly those in their own Political Parties to support your view. The people of Clane found recently that their views were not considered by Kildare County Councillors when they voted to treble the size of that village in the next five years. Let's hope that the same situation will not happen to Maynooth which can grow to over 12,000 people without a single extra acre being zoned.

Maynooth Community Festival

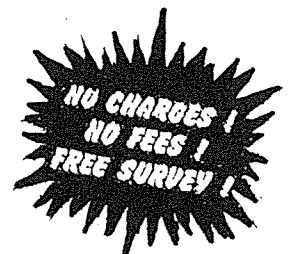
As a member of the festival committee it is pleasing to note that we had another successful festival blessed again with good weather. A particularly important feature of this year's festival was the use of the splendid new Town Square for evening concerts and dances in the heart of the town. Credit should also be given to all the people who turned out to the many and interesting events held. It is also very pleasing that many of Maynooth's newer residents took part in some of the events and also supported the others. In fact the festival has proved a good way for all the residents of the town to meet each other and develop community spirit. Put it in your diary for next year you will be very welcome. Finally, full marks to Norah and Freda and the team.

Paul Croghan, Chairman, Planning & Development Committee.

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CITIZENS' INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

Know Your Rights

Question:

Can you give me details of what grants are available to students wanting to study abroad?

Answer:

Means tested maintenance grants will be extended for the first time in the 1996/97 academic year to students following a full-time undergraduate course of at least two years duration in an EU member state. The course must be in a university or third level institution which is funded from public funds. Maintenance grants have been available for a number of years for students attending colleges in Northern Ireland.

The following courses are excluded: Courses in Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, and Teacher Training including those leading to the award of a Bachelor of Education (these courses are subject to a quota on places in Irish colleges); courses in Colleges of Further and Higher Education, courses in private commercial colleges. Also excluded are courses provided in Britain which are offered in private commercial third level colleges in Ireland and which are validated by that British college.

Further details regarding the extension of the grants system to students studying abroad is contained in the Higher Education Grants scheme 1996 which is available from local authorities. Maintenance grants will be increased by 5% in 1996/97 and the maximum maintenance grant payable will be £1,600. Income eligibility limits will increase by 2.4%.

Tax relief is allowed for the 1996/97 academic year on fees paid for approved private colleges here. These courses do not attract grants. This provision was made in last years Finance Act. Also tax relief was extended in this years Finance Act to students pursuing approved part-time undergraduate courses from Autumn 1996. Students on part-time courses are not eligible for Higher Education Grants.

The tax relief will apply to approved courses of a minimum duration of two years in publicly funded third level institutions and in private colleges which satisfy codes of standards to be drawn up by the Minister for Education (details not yet available). The relief will be confined to students who are paying their own fees and who have not already obtained a third level qualification.

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

As reported last month, we have just completed our annual collection.

We thank all who contributed and for the courtesy extended to our collectors who comprised of Maynooth Community Council members, FÁS workers and of course our own committee members.

Any further donations can be left in the Community Council Office. What was evident from speaking to people on the collection was that something has to be done about the litter on the streets on Sunday morning. On Sunday 14th July we started cleaning up and now we are looking for help, please contact the Community Council Office or join us at the Geraldine Hall for one hour on Sunday morning at 9 o' clock.

Please see elsewhere for details of Best Shop/Best Estate competition.

Richard Farrell P.R.O.

Maynooths Best Business/Shopfront/Tidy Estate/Area Competition.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee have been requested by the Maynooth Community Council to organise the above competition.

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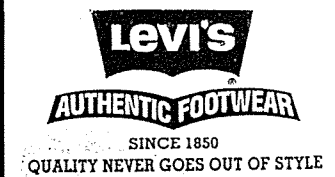
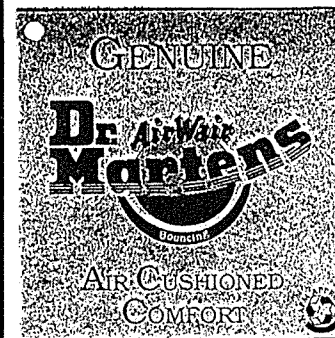
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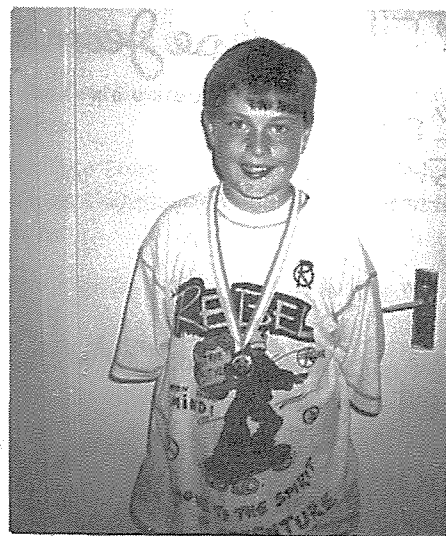
COMMUNITY GAMES

The Community Games are now winding down for 1996. We would like to thank all of you who helped make the 1996 games so successful. It was encouraging to see a few new faces on the committee this year, and also a good input from parents from the many new estates. Don't forget, the Community Games are for your children and without help and co-operation from parents it is your children who are deprived.

The committee wish to thank Maynooth Community Council for sponsoring the missing trophies for the gymnastics and art events this year.

Our participants at the county athletic finals in Newbridge last month had plenty to cheer about.

David Campbell was in splendid form, winning gold in 1,500m. Mark Cummins won first place in the county in the Long Puck event. This was a very competitive event and Mark did us proud here winning the gold medal for Maynooth.



Mark Cummins, Kildare Community Games. Long Puck Winner.

Muire Ennis meant business on the day and secured the silver medal for Maynooth in the 600m. event. Patrick O'Rourke did us proud arriving home with a silver medal in the 100m and Elaine MacNamara won a bronze medal in the 600m.

We wish our gold medalists good luck in the all-Ireland finals in Mosney at the end of the month. As well as the aforementioned gold medalists we also have Aaron McGrath representing us in the swimming event and Matthew O'Gorman in the modelling event. We wish all participants all the best and a great weekend's fun.

Pitch & Putt Girls U/16

The Leinster finals took place in Graiguecullen on 20th July last. For the second year in succession the Maynooth contingent emerged victorious and are proud Leinster champions.

This was a fantastic achievement by the team and again underlines the tremendous efforts by Manager Mattie Callaghan in the preparation of the Maynooth girls for the Leinster finals. A second Leinster title under his management is a unique achievement and we wish Mattie and the girls the best of luck in Mosney at the all-Ireland finals.

The committee are grateful to Tony & Mary Bean for the use of their Pitch & Putt course for practices over the past number of weeks.

Team and scores as follows:-

Triona Cahill	91
Emma Cullinane	76
Brid-Ann O'Shea	62
Suzanne Butler	78
Ciara Baxter	74

Kathleen Mullarkey
Secretary



Community Games winners Leinster Finals. Now go forward to National Finals in Mosney. L-R Brid-Ann O'Shea, Ciara Baxter, Emma Cullinane, Suzanne Butler and Triona Cahill.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

The Glenroyal Hotel was the place to be on Friday July 19th. Gay Byrne, the Dome and all the Roses were given a run for their money by Paul Daly, the Glenroyal Hotel and our Canal Queens. All tickets sold out at an early stage, with numbers far more than anticipated. We hope to cater for a larger audience next year so as to avoid disappointment.

Congratulations to the Miss Royal Canal for 1996, Alexandra Brady, Maynooth, who represented C.P.L. Motor Factors. The prize for the highest sponsorship went to Miss M.C.L., Sandra Cummins. It was suggested that we turn the event into a talent competition because of the outstanding performances provided by the girls, who sent the audience into a frenzy of excitement. One could hardly believe that there could be such talent crammed into one room. It must

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L-R Paul Daly (M.C), Alex Brady Miss Royal Canal Queen, Bernie Cotter (Travel Options-Main Sponsor), Matt Kennedy Chairman RCAG.

be stressed however, that the girls were not judged on their "party-pieces". The judges based their decision on two nights - the launch and the actual night itself, the former holding more importance. On this particular night the girls were interviewed individually in private by the judges, marks were given for personality, presentation and appearance, with more importance being given to personality and presentation.



Highest Sponsorship, Sandra Cummins, Miss MCL Cabs.

The Big Night

It is safe to say that Friday was a tremendous success, with everyone singing and dancing towards the end. Many thanks to the staff of the Glenroyal Hotel for their help throughout the night and indeed a very big thank you to everyone who helped make the 1996 Miss Royal Canal Selection a success.

R.C.A.G Office

The scheme is closed from Monday 22nd July and will reopen on Tuesday 6th August. We have a few staff members employed during the holidays to take care of litter and any other matters.



Winners of Best Dressed competition on the night were Lisa Cassidy and Paul Manning.

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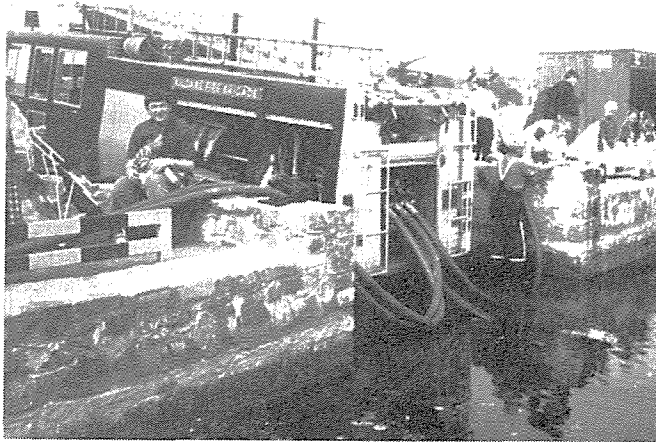
Festival Fun



Festival Launch - L-R: Dominic Nyland, Treasurer; Tony Tynan, Guinness Rep.; Norah McDermott, Festival Chairperson; Tom McMullon, Chairperson M.C.C.; John McGinley, Soccer Organiser; Front: Liz Stoll, Vicechair M.C.C.; Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary M.C.C.



Guinness Table Quiz Winners were:
L-R: Paul Daly, Declan O'Connor, Tony Tynan (Guinness Rep.), Brian O'Malley & Ben Daly.



Fire Brigade Display at Harbour during Festival Week



Runners Up in Table Quiz were:
L-R: Dominic Nyland, Carol Hoare, Pat Farrell, David Ryan & Guinness Rep. Tony Tynan.



Ollie Bright displaying his talent as a firefighter during Festival Week



Claddagh John Dancers during their visit to Maynooth

Festival Fun



Selection of Irish Music played in the Square for Festival Week



Accordion Band & John Mitchel in action in the Square



In Festival mood in G.A.A. Club for Karaoke



Members of Grainne Feely School of Dancing in Glenroyal Hotel



Members of Maher School Dancing in the Square in Maynooth



Members of Rita Doyle School of Dancing who performed in the G.A.A.

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BAND BULLETIN

It's hard to believe that we are heading towards the autumn and the end of another summer season and the beginning of our winter programme.

Community Festival

Monday, 15th July, marked another landmark for the band when we played our first recital in the re-vamped Square as our contribution to the Community Festival. The event was blessed with fine weather and a sizeable audience basked in the warm sunshine. We greatly appreciated their warm applause and we hope they enjoyed the evening as much as the members of the band. We hope to visit the Square again before the warm evenings pass, so watch this space for further news. The newer residents of Maynooth may be interested to hear of the historical link between the band and the Square when the Town Hall, which was situated in the Square in the early 1900s, was used as a rehearsal area by the band before being damaged during the "Troubles". Hopefully we will continue the tradition by giving regular recitals in the new Square in the coming years.

Stardust Engagement

On Sunday, August 25th, we travel to Artane to take part in a remembrance event for those who died in the Stardust tragedy some years ago. This event is organised on an annual basis by Dublin Corporation and we are looking forward to our first appearance this year.

Competitions

1996 seems to be a year for competitions and we hope to travel to Cashel in September to take part in a band contest. Our experience in the National Championships in April will be of considerable benefit in Cashel and we hope to do well against some of the better bands in the country.

Sick Bay

July was an unusual month for hospital patients in the band when Elaine Bean and Mark McCarron both underwent operations within days of each other. Elaine paid a visit to the Mater Hospital for a leg operation while Mark was taken to Blanchardstown Hospital with appendicitis. Both are now recovering from their respective ordeals and will be able to join us for our next engagement. A special word of thanks to Elaine for conducting the band for the Square recital (thanks to the L.A. for the loan of the bar stool) just a few days after her op., while Mark was having his operation somewhere between Ice Castles and Sweet Caroline.

New Members

We would once again extend an invitation to all musicians in the area to drop in to the Band Hall on Pound Lane any Monday night between 8.30 and 10 o'clock. We're sure there are some talented players who have moved into Maynooth during the past few years and you would be more than welcome to join with us no matter what brass or reed instrument you may play, drummers too also welcome. This

invitation is also extended to past members of the band who know where we are and will certainly be made feel at home with us.

Flag Weekend

Our Annual Flag Weekend takes place this year on 31st August and 1st and 2nd September. This fund-raising event has always been well supported by all our friends in and around Maynooth and the monies collected this year will be going towards urgent repairs which we need to carry out on the Band Hall. It is quite a long time since we have done any work on the Hall and we must now make a concentrated effort to keep this wonderful old building in good repair to see us into the next century. Newer residents of the town would be interested to know that this building was the predecessor of the existing parish church (which is now over 150 years old) and was afterwards used as a primary school until the Boys' National School opened in 1942. So you see, it has had quite a chequered history in the past and it is our intention to ensure that the Band Hall will be there for many, many years. We trust you will give our Flag Weekend your full support.

Emigration!

In the past, our numbers have been depleted by our younger members leaving to go to college in places like Carlow, Galway, Waterford and Drogheda, but this year our members have widened their horizons in a more dramatic manner. In October our two Lucan members, Clare and Jane D'Arcy, pack their instruments into their pouches and hop off to Australia for a year at least to sample life on the other side of the globe. They have been two of the most loyal members of the band for many years and we will dearly miss their smiling faces and the "craic" they brought to the band. We wish them the best of luck in their travels and remind them to keep up the blowing. Maybe they can organise a band exchange for us in Aussieland! In September another non-local member, Chris Foxe from Celbridge, heads off on a teaching assignment to, "of all places", Libya. This is really a trip into the unknown and the only advice we can offer him is to keep his saxophone in good working order until he gets back. Chris, although one of our newer members, will be missed for his solid back-row support and his quiet sense of humour. Good luck with the teaching, Chris.

Classes

Our classes will be resuming in September and we hope to have full details in our next Bulletin, so, boys and girls, dust off your recorders, flutes and clarinets and get ready for the classes.

That's about all the news for August — don't forget to support our Flag Weekend.



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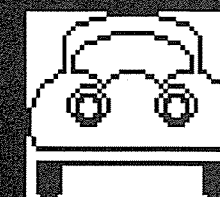
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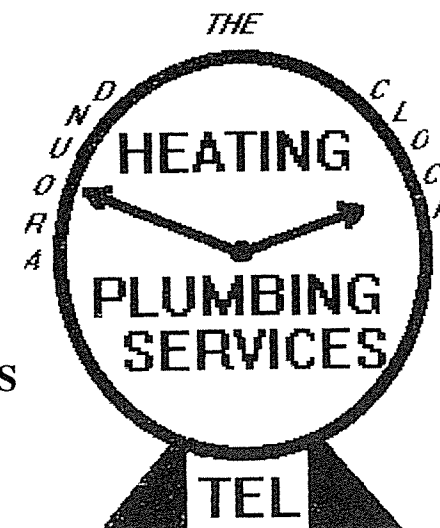
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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

The Maynooth Planning Alliance was formed as an umbrella organisation representing the various Resident's Associations in Maynooth to express their opposition to the excessive residential rezoning proposed by local councillors for the town. As is now widely known, the County Council planners' first draft of the Development Plan suggested that only a modest amount of rezoning was sufficient to cater for the projected growth in Maynooth's population until the year 2006. The five local councillors however proposed additional lands to provide for in excess of a doubling population - an increase from 9,000 to 22,000 people.

The Maynooth Planning Alliance has now held several meetings with representatives from the various residents' associations and has conducted a campaign through the media highlighting the folly of the proposals. It has also convened a public meeting, attended by over 250 people, to ascertain the concerns of Maynooth residents regarding the proposals. Following on from this, the Planning Alliance was instrumental in the submission of over 2,000 objections to the Amended Development Plan to the County Council. These concerns have centred on the following themes.

Loss of Character and Conversion to Dublin Suburbia

Maynooth is an historically important town with origins going back to the 12th Century. As a seat of the Earls of Kildare, an estate village of the Dukes of Leinster, the site of the National Seminary, and as a rapidly growing university town, the town has for almost a thousand years occupied a special position in Irish history. The

orderly planning of Maynooth is thus an issue of considerable national and even international significance. More so than most other towns of County Kildare,

inappropriate planning has the potential to seriously impact on the heritage and character of Maynooth at a time when such assets are seen as increasingly important attractions for employment and tourism development on a national scale. By consigning Maynooth to the role of dormitory suburb for Dublin the submerging of the intrinsic character of the town and of its historic assets is inevitable.

Excessive Population Growth Facilitated by the Rezoning Proposals

Maynooth is not alone in being threatened with huge population increases. Since there appears to be no overall planning strategy in the north Kildare region, regional limitations to growth imposed by considerations such as water supply and sewage capacity appear to have been disregarded and excessive population growth is planned for several neighbouring towns.

Maynooth cannot hope to increase its population from 6,000 to 22,000 in 5-10 years without serious consequences for infrastructure, education and services provision. In addition, none of the figures above include the 4,000 students present in the town for most

of the year.

Loss of Future Jobs Potential

Building houses on the scale envisaged means that scarce water supplies and water treatment facilities are used up on residential populations. This precludes the use of such resources for certain employment-giving industries. If the various Plans listed above are approved, a high tech firm doing similar work to Intel could not locate in north Kildare. This is just the type of industry for which access to a university town is considered highly desirable and yet we are ruling out such employment possibilities for the young people the Plan is supposed to be for.

Air Pollution

There has been growing attention in recent years on the role of increased nitrogen dioxide levels on respiratory disease, particularly asthma which is quite widespread in Maynooth. Up to 4,000 extra cars in Maynooth are a consequence of the proposed Plan. Already there is some evidence that health limits for nitrogen dioxide are exceeded at times. Should we treble the emissions of car exhausts without a lot more research and measurement? At present no measurements of air pollution are currently being made by Kildare County Council in the town and no mention of air pollution is made in the Plan.

Ring Roads Financed by New Housing Constitute Bad Planning Practice

Maynooth Planning Alliance welcomes the improvements to roads which have

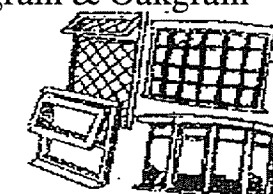
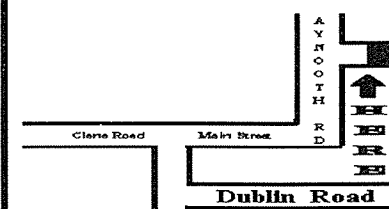
Town	Residential Land remaining from previous plan	Proposed Rezoning	Current Population	Projected New Population	Increase
Maynooth	116	325	9,062	21,189	12,127
Leixlip	-	138	15,000	18,500	3,500
Kilcock	130	210	1,600	8,600	7,000
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recently been undertaken. Its principal concerns regarding road development in the Development Plan centre on the proposed ring road. The Alliance objects to the proposal to build this road in the suggested location because:

- It is no longer needed for regional traffic: the completion of the M50 will ensure that most traffic from the north heading westward will join the M4 at the M50/M4 junction.
- Through traffic from other areas heading for the M4 can turn left at Blacklion and join the M4 at the proposed Intel/Hewlett-Packard interchange.
- There is a link road between the Dublin Road and Celbridge Road at Grangewillan which Maynooth residents are already using to bypass the Main Street congestion. The distance from Blacklion to the Celbridge road using this route is 1.9kms, as opposed to 1.33km using the proposed ring road. The difference is not sufficient to justify building 1,200 houses to finance another road running through existing residential areas.
- The road will not assist in relieving congestion on the northern or western sides of the town where large new housing developments are also proposed.
- The phrase 'when finances become available' suggests that the road is unlikely to be built within the near future, if at all. The experience of similar development levy-led projects such as the long promised improvements at Bond Bridge confirms that this is a flawed approach to planning.

Education

There is clearly an emergent problem in educational provision in the town which will become acute if the projected rezoning materialise. All schools in the area (i.e. Celbridge, Kilcock, Leixlip, etc.) are experiencing the same difficulties of coping with increasing numbers. To cater for an additional town population of 12,127 would require a substantial investment in at least three ordinary primary schools and one major secondary school. Such a provision is extremely unlikely to be provided for in the next five years and the arrival of 12,000 extra people poses enormous educational problems.

Amenity

A survey carried out in spring 1996 by the Department of Geography, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth of inhabitant's preferences in terms of amenities shows the following priorities:

Desired Amenity	% of respondent
Swimming Pool	38.7%
Gym/Sports Centre	25.3%
Cinema	10.4%
Night Club/Disco	8.9%
Playing Pitches	3.9%
Facilities for Children	3.6%
Facilities for Youth	3.5%
Currently Satisfied	0.7%
Other ideas	5.0%

Only 3.9% of respondents suggested playing pitches as a priority amenity. Yet the provision of playing fields is being advanced as justification for large scale urbanisation of

adjacent areas. What playing fields are proposed are in unsuitable remote locations in the extreme north or south ends of the town. According to this survey the active amenity provision in the proposed plan would meet the requirements of only a very small number of people and clearly is unacceptable in terms of the loss of passive amenity which the residential rezoning is associated with. There exists a perceived need in Maynooth for indoor amenities, including community facilities for small groups to allow for a range of cultural activities. The plan as proposed makes no provision for these needs.

Maynooth and the North Kildare Alliance for Better Planning

Maynooth Planning Alliance has been an active supporter of the North Kildare Alliance for Better Planning. Together with that body the problems of the region have been widely publicised. It is therefore to be greatly regretted that the Kildare County Council recently voted to accept the Development Plan for Clane which allowed for a near trebling of its population. This was in spite of 97% of the population of Clane opposing such proposals and in the face of opposition from Kildare County Council planners. The Maynooth and Kilcock Plans will be presented for ratification to the County Council most likely in September. The Planning Alliance will appraise you of how your locally-elected councillors voted on this most important issue.

If you wish to support the activities of Maynooth Planning Alliance, volunteer your help to any member of the committee or through your local residents' association. Convey your opinions regarding the proposed Development Plan to your local councillors NOW.

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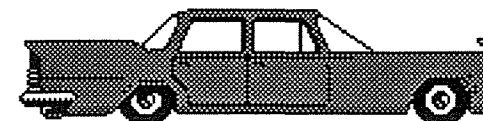


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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

We are usually absent from this space in August, but as the Community Festival took place in July this year Norah kept us all on our toes. Our contribution to the festival was as usual our Cabaret night in Caulfields which gets better with every passing year. We thank the very big crowd who came along to support us on the night including Norah (did you see her dance?), Freda and many of the festival committee. Our thanks to Kevin McGovern who never fails us and our guest Mick McGarry who provided such enjoyable entertainment. Not forgetting our hard working committee who supplied and served the welcome refreshments. Many thanks to our Junior Minister Emmet Stagg who in his busy schedule found time to join with John McGinley, David Moynan and the Smith family for the presentation of the cheque to our committee. The amount raised from the Tony Smith Memorial walk was £1,544.00 and we thank all of you who supported this event. Congratulations to those who won prizes on the night, Carol Barton, Kitty Thompson, L.S. Autos and Ellie Leavy and our thanks to the sponsors of those prizes, Séan Donovan, The Community Council, Ollie Bright, Mary McInerney and our own Committee.



Some Maynooth Residents enjoying the cabaret night in Caulfields organised by the Old People's Committee.

Finally as you read this article our Security Project will have been completed and I take this opportunity to thank Paddy O'Rafferty, Pat Moore and Vincent Mulready for their help and co-operation, without which, the work carried out would have been very difficult and expensive indeed. Now having said that and while we are all obliged to take precautions regarding our safety and security, turning our Senior Citizens homes into fortresses is not the answer to our crime problem. Too many locks and bolts can be counter productive as they can promote the fear we are trying so hard to allay, not to mention the potential fire hazard. Locking up the perpetrators of crime and not the victims would seem a more corrective option, or must the tail continue to wag the dog in this fair land of ours? An equitable Justice System and a greater Garda presence on our streets, would go a long way to providing the real security and peace of mind to which all our citizens are entitled, senior and otherwise.

Josephine Moore

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION

As we head into August it is now time to think of the children returning to school. Whether it's the first day in primary, starting in 2nd or 3rd level it all means more expense. If you are a member of our local Credit Union, back to school time need not be a major worry. Now is the time to apply for a loan!, it could not be easier or simpler. Just complete a short application form, in the comfort of your own home, drop it back into the office and that's it, no hassle.

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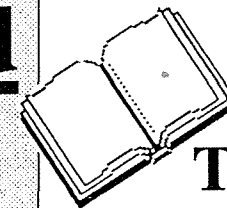
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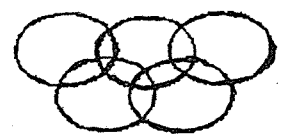
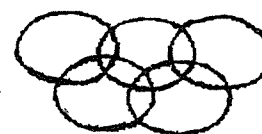
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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Joe enjoys "Glasson Experience"

The Captain's (Dominic Nyland) Prize took place on Saturday, 13th July, at Glasson Golf Club. On one of Ireland's finest golf courses the strong wind made conditions even more testing for the 43 golfers chasing the coveted prize. From early on it was evident that one of our lower and experienced men would win the day, and so it was Joe Moore, who carded a brilliant 40 points to collect the prize. Congrats, Joe, well done. Rookie Barry "The Dancer" Desmond came second overall with 38 points and certainly looks to have a brilliant future — handicappers take note. On presenting Joe with his prize the captain thanked all those who sponsored such a great array of prizes on the day. Having dined at the clubhouse the party then moved on to that famous watering hole, Lysters of Rochfordbridge where amid the music and craic more food was laid on, compliments of the local golf society. The bus finally arrived home circa 2.30 a.m. In fact Joe completed a great treble that day — he also won the past Captain's Prize and his number came up in the Lotto draw.

Recent Lotto winners: 20/7/'96 — John Byrne (45). 13/7/'96 — J. Moore (2). 6/7/'96 — L. Farrelly (36). 29/6/'96 — S. Nyland (7). 22/6/'96 — R. Delemere (20).

Next outing: Vice-President (Noel Brady) Prize to Portarlinton, 10th August, 10-11.30.

Glasson Golf Club

Overall winner — Joe Moore, 40 pts.

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Class 2: 1st — T. Flatley, 33 pts. Back 9. 2nd — D. Nyland, 33 pts. 3rd, G. McTernan, 32 pts. 4th — J. Greene, 31 pts. 5th — F. Desmond, 30 pts. 6th — M. Foy, — 29 pts. Back 9.

Class 3: 1st — P. Doyle, 29 pts. Back 9. 2nd — N. Brady, 29 pts. 3rd — J. Carroll, 27 pts. 4th — S. Moore, 25 pts. 5th — O. Byrne, 24 pts. 6th — P. Foy, 22 pts. Back 9. Front 9 — B. Condrón, 16 pts. Back 6.

Back 9 — S. Tracey, 15 pts.

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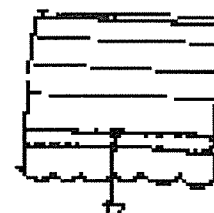
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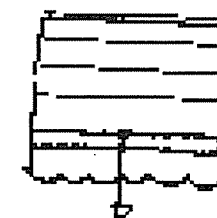
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Pat Barton and Trevor Reilly at the exhibition of Vinny Doyle's work in Barberstown Castle, held in June.



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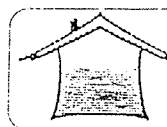
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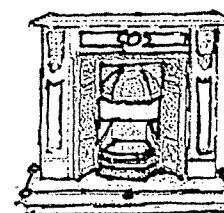
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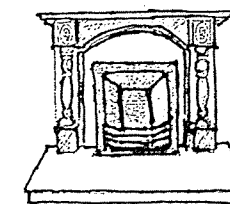
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Bar-B-Que

The eagerly-awaited Greenfield Bar-B-Que took place on Saturday, July 13th. The clean-up had taken place the previous Wednesday. Three skips supplied by the Residents' Association were filled and the recently purchased strimmer and weedeater was put to good use. The recently planted trees and shrubs were in full bloom and the greens were looking like billiard tables as the day dawned. Full credit to the hard work of all concerned.

Sports

The bouncing castle and jumping jack had been entertaining the young and not so young since early in the day. The stage, disco and P.A. system were soon in place and the varied and packed programme got under way at three o'clock with the sporting events. With Murt Dowling as official starter and Michael Lee and Norman Birchall holding the tape, all events were run off very smoothly. Catherine Murphy, Kildare County Councillor from Leixlip, told me that David Matthews, who is now an Olympic athlete, began his career at such a sporting occasion. So who knows, maybe one of our athletes will be up on the big screen in the future wearing Olympic gold. The following are a list of our medal winners (gold, silver and bronze respectively in each case):

U.4 Boys: Andrew Birchall, Joe Kennedy, Joe Stanley.
U.4 Girls: Sarah Carey, Catriona Crowe, Edel McMahon.
U.8 Boys: Philip McCarron, Luke Telly, Jason Cleary.
U.8 Girls: Tracey Fleming, Amy Naughton, Hannah Ledwith. **U.13 Boys:** Joe Fleming, Dean Conway, Cliff Nolan. **U.13 Girls:** Elaine Carruthers, Louise Ball, Tara Nolan. **0.13 Boys:** William Farrelly, Stephen Redmond, Andy Madden. **0.13 Girls:** Pauline O'Neill, Jennifer Lee, Ciara Leavy. **Mums' Race:** Orla Murphy, Máire Mohinn, Tina Crowe. **Dads' Race:** Norman Birchall, Mick Larkin, Jack Birchall. **Girls' Three-Legged:** Elaine Carruthers/Rebecca Rochfort. **Boys' Three-Legged:** Noel White/Paul Gartland. **Wheelbarrow Race:** Paul and David Hawkins. **Slow Bicycle Race:** Norman Birchall. **Fast Bicycle Race:** Jason Newton. **The Wellie Throw:** Murt Dowling.

There was great interest in the penalty competition and young and old had a go at Norman Birchall in goal. Eventually it was narrowed down to two, Andy Madden and Eric Quinn. Eric's trusty left boot didn't let him down and he walked off with the Emmet Stagg Perpetual Cup. The Disco Dancing competition then followed and there was a lot of hopping and shaking going on with D.J. Derek Mee getting the best out of the dancers. Terry-Anne Byrne ran out winner of this competition and took home the Express Cabs Perpetual Trophy for her trouble.

Most Glamorous Gran/Most Romantic Couple

With the children happy and gone off to gorge themselves on Johnny Dowling's burgers and hot dogs or Eileen McGovern's goodies from the shop, we turned our attention to the more adult members of the audience. Emmet and Mary Stagg had arrived at this stage and were on hand to present the medals, and the more onerous and dangerous task, as a belt from a scorned granny could be quite painful, to judge the Glamorous Granny Competition. There was a reluctance to come on stage this year, whether it was the personal nature of the questioning by the M.C. or the fact they might have to sing, I don't know. However, a great number mounted the stage and were very good sports to put themselves through the ordeal. When asked how come her husband and son were so fit Mary Birchall replied it was plenty of good food and (the microphone went *bleep*). Emmet, in pronouncing his Solomon-like judgement, proclaimed that anyone who saw World War One and lived through it and saw World War Two and lived through it and at the age of 96 could climb the steps to a trailer was deserving of the title Most Glamorous Granny of Greenfield 1996, namely Kitty Thompson. Senan Griffin and Catherine Murphy had the very enjoyable job of judging the Most Romantic Couple. Four couples were fun-loving enough to take part in a smooching session, rolling an orange down each other without using hands and talking or singing to each other. At the end of all this the Most Romantic Couple were Siobhán and Keith Doyle, who won a meal for two sponsored by the Glenroyal Hotel.

Disco and Home Grown Entertainment

The children then had their own disco, where once again Derek Mee excelled himself. The adults were now arriving in great numbers and settling in for a good night's crack. The floodlights, courtesy of Maynooth Hire, switched on and the local musicians got up on stage. Kevin McGovern, aided and abetted by Bola Fleming, Mick Murtagh, Norman Birchall, Gerry Lynam, Kathleen Bennet, Mickey O'Sullivan and the D.J. Derek Mee, belted out some great numbers and the atmosphere was just electric. Derek, who has been playing festivals all over the country for longer than he cares to remember, says it was the best he has ever played at. Many people said that it was even better than last year's. High praise indeed. The hard-working committee deserve all the praise that was heaped on them.

The following were the winners of our two raffles: **Afternoon:** 1st (£50 voucher from Maynooth Homecare) — Mick Hegarty. 2nd (£30 voucher from Barrett's) — Stephanie Thompson. 3rd (£15 voucher from the Irish Permanent) — Mrs. Simon. 4th (£10 voucher from House Pride) — Jim Meehan. 5th (Doll's buggy) — Brenda Lettis. 6th (21-piece dinner service from Pound Buster, Kilcock) — Mrs. Cronin. 7th (Football and camera) — Mark Newton. 8th (Calculator) — Karl Quinn. 9th (Set of four mugs) — Mary Stagg. 10th (Extractor fan) — Fr. Supple. 11th (Pot of flowers, Garden World) — Jason Burke. 12th to 18th (Shrubs from Garden World) were won by Fr. Supple, Pat White, Pamela King, Liam Higgins, Eddie Dunne,



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A big hearty welcome to Kathleen Bennett, who is moving into Old Greenfield shortly.

Sympathy to Mary Nolan and family on the death of her husband Pat. To Tony Mooney and family on the death of his wife Ann. To Margaret McCarron on the death of her Aunt Maureen.

Our new nameplates should be placed shortly as they have been accepted and passed for a grant by Kildare County Council. As a result of a plebiscite the Lane has been renamed as Willow Crescent, Phase II will be called Greenview and Phase III will be referred to as Hazelmere. Plates showing the names and location of the different numbers, and there are a few different sets of numbers in use in the estate, will be strategically placed. Your address or number doesn't change. There will just be an addition to your address. For example, 733 Greenfield will become 733 Willow Crescent, Old Greenfield, Maynooth. This should make things easier for everyone, resident and non-resident alike. We are also in the process of having litter bins erected in the area. We are waiting for the Council to pass this and give us a grant for same.

Tidy Estate Competition

The Maynooth Tidy Estates will be judged in August and the Kildare Tidy Estates will be judged in September. We are asking everyone to make a special effort during these two months. We came second in the Kildare Tidy Estates last year on our first year of entering. With a little bit of effort we could go one better this year. If the community spirit we saw in action at the Bar-B-Que is put into practice we will win hands down.

Re-zoning and the Ring Road

Finally, the Residents' Association supports the Maynooth Planning Alliance in their efforts to reduce the amount of re-zoning in Maynooth. We also support the Meadowbrook Residents' Association in their efforts to have the connecting road to the motorway run parallel to the motorway and not through their estate.

A sincere big "thanks a million" to all our sponsors and helpers. Without them there would be no Bar-B-Ques, clean-up days or anything else. Thanks to the people of Greenfield for coming out and supporting us in such large numbers. You really get behind anything we organise which makes it all worth while. We ask all the residents to support all our sponsors, as generously as they have supported us, in the year ahead.

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GREENFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

We had an estate clean up on Saturday 30th June. We would like to thank all who helped in the clean up. The estate is looking well. Kildare County Council provided the skip as usual for the clean up. Our thanks to them. Our Annual Subscription collection continues, we thank all who have paid the Annual Subscription.

Richard Farrell.

Features

AUDREY CANNON PRIZE

We at the Newsletter and all Community Council Staff would like to extend our sincerest congratulations to one of our Miss Royal Canal Contestants, Miss Audrey Cannon, who has recently completed her Diploma in Secretarial and Administrative Studies at Rosse College. She was honoured to receive the Desktop Publishing Award which was presented to her by the Leader of the Progressive Democrats, Mary Harney. Audrey graduated this summer, and I feel sure that we speak for the whole community in wishing her every success in the future.



Audrey being presented with her award by Mary Harney T.D.

Immodium

Wexford band Immodium, graced the Square, Maynooth with their special blend of 'Radio Friendly Punk' on Tuesday night of the Festival week. The four piece band are entirely self taught, and play a mainly original set, with a tasty smattering of covers. They are: Darren Dempsey (15) on vocals and lead guitar, Marc Hillis, also 15, on drums, Gary Rossiter (20) on bass and Barry Tennant (17) on rhythm guitar.

Darren's father Sean, who manages the band, also travels everywhere with them, arranges their gigs and generally keeps them out of trouble.



Young Band, Immodium from Wexford brewing up a storm in the Square during the Festival.

They have played all over Wexford and the South, including the last two I.M.R.O. showcase awards and the Wexford Strawberry Fair. They won first place at a talent show at the Roxy Waterford competing against some fine musicians and were deemed 'the most likely band to make it' on the night according to Sean. There was a good turn-out in the new Square and Immodium did not disappoint their fans.

BUSINESS WATCH

The local businesses of Maynooth have clubbed together following a Garda initiative to prevent local crime escalating with the expansion of our town.

The Maynooth Business Watch consists of local businesses keeping an extra sharp eye on any seemingly untoward activities. These range from petty theft to strangers watching premises. The scheme is being set up nationally and the Gardai hope that it will increase community awareness and spirit.

For further details, the local Crime Prevention Officer Sergeant, Mary Corcoran can be contacted at Naas Garda Headquarters.

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STREET TALKING

T.S.B. - Opens new branch in Maynooth

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This new branch reflects T.S.B.'s continued growth plans and takes its nationwide total to 76.

A further opening is planned for Mitchelstown, Co. Cork in September 1996. Commenting on the opening of the Maynooth Branch Mr. Harry Lorton, Chief Executive of T.S.B. said "We are confident that the Maynooth Branch will develop quickly, as tends to be the case with new T.S.B. branches. Our research identifies strong demand for T.S.B. Bank services in the area. Allied to this is the fact that the population has grown by over 50% in the past five years and is expected to grow by another 50% over the next ten years. This makes Maynooth one of the fastest growing population centres in Ireland and one which we are delighted to provide with our competitive banking services".

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Catherine Scanlon of Doctor's Lane, Maynooth receiving a piece of crystal for being the first customer into the New Branch from Gerry Bolger (Manager).

The manager of the new Maynooth branch Gerry Bolger, is a Dublin man who thoroughly enjoys his work. He believes that there is a place for T.S.B. in Maynooth as the mixture of farming and new industry not to mention the growing population, will suit both T.S.B. and Maynooth's interests perfectly. Mr. Bolger was previously Assistant Manager in one of T.S.B.'s oldest branches in Abbey Street.

A quarter of a million pounds was spent on rebuilding and redecoration of the main street house which has become a bank, and it is a credit to the designer Paddy O'Hara Architects. T.S.B.'s Banking hours are extremely customer friendly as they open at 9.30 every morning and only close at 5 p.m., except for Thursdays when they stay open until 7 p.m.

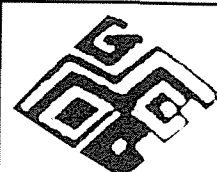
We at the Newsletter would like to express a hearty welcome to our new bank and to wish the Maynooth Branch every possible success.

For further information please contact:
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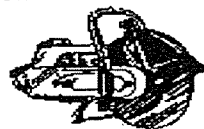


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End of summer/back to school £500 giveaway, Maynooth Shopping Centre

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Tommy Carew and his five assistants from the Leinster Council who were helped by Cormac Davey, Maurice Nolan, Shane Brannack, Sonya Mulligan, Paula Fitzpatrick and Clare Bohan who are currently involved in the Student Training Scheme.

The whole event was kept running smoothly by camp directors Ray Murray, Michael (Mixer) O'Brien and Séan McGee ably assisted by Ethna Byrne, John Keane and Michael O'Connor. There was great competition between all participants in all the games and competitions organised and the girls were more than a match for their male friends. The camp finished off on Friday evening with a mini blitz competition for the Pearse Crowe Shield. This was followed at 8.00pm by a barbecue for the participants and presentation of medals to the winners and presentation of T-Shirts, baseball caps, folders and posters to all participants in the camp.

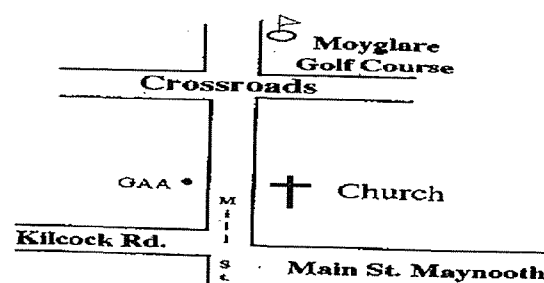
Kilcock Bord na nÓg committee wish to thank David Murphy, Leinster Council Co-ordinators for all his help, their sponsors Leaf Ltd, Ollie Byrne, John Ryan, Tommy Hynes, Black Forest Bakery, Quinnsworth and Super-Valu, Maynooth, A.I.B. Kilcock. Thanks also to John Doyle and Tommy Simms for their help. This first camp was deemed a tremendous success by everybody concerned especially all the boys and girls involved.

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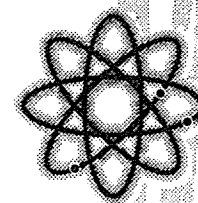
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Me and Uncle Ed!

The school has 25 horses varying in breed and size, some of which are bred here, and one, Bay Jewel, is a Grade A showjumper. They hold a pony camp in July and August every year, weekly clear round jumping, lessons and hacks.



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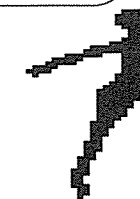
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FESTIVAL POETRY READING

On Tuesday 16th July Maynooth Library was the setting for a very successful evening of poetry. The evening was organised by the Maynooth Peace and Reconciliation Group in conjunction with the Maynooth Community Council and was just one of the many events on the programme for the eleventh Maynooth Community Festival.

Tom McMullon as head of the Maynooth Community Council got the evening off to a melodious start with his rendition of Robbie Burns' "A Fond Kiss": a melancholic song ode to a woman the writer had once courted.

What made the evening such a success was the number of writers that took part including members of the Celbridge Writers Group and the variety of subjects their work dealt with. The atmosphere was further enhanced by the beautiful performances on flutes by Eithne Bean and Claire D'Arcy.



Eithne Bean (L) Claire D'Arcy (R)

Mary Cullen acted as M.C. for the evening introducing each of the writers and contributors and spoke about the role creative writing had to play in the formation of some kind of constructive dialogue between people in the North and indeed everywhere.

Local poets and writers

Maynooth sisters Martina Murphy and Claire Reilly then entertained the audience with Martina reading extracts from her forthcoming book "Live Wire" which is being published by Poolbeg in September and also reciting some of her own poetry including a poem about being ousted in a bus queue which everybody particularly enjoyed (especially those of us who use the buses).

Claire showed off her speech and dramatic skills in her recitals of the modern poets such as Roger McGough, Pat Ingoldsby and Brendan Kennelly. Another local poet Patrick Murray took to the floor a number of times during the evening and recited from his own collection of poems.

Stewart Lane from Kilcock who has received great



Norah and Freda with some of the contributors who helped make the evening a great success!

recognition for his work including a special mention at the "Samhlaíocht Chiarraí," the Festival of Art & Literature which is held every Easter in Tralee, delighted the audience with his own poetry and the poetry of Yeats whom he admires greatly. Stewart is a member of the Celbridge Writers Group.

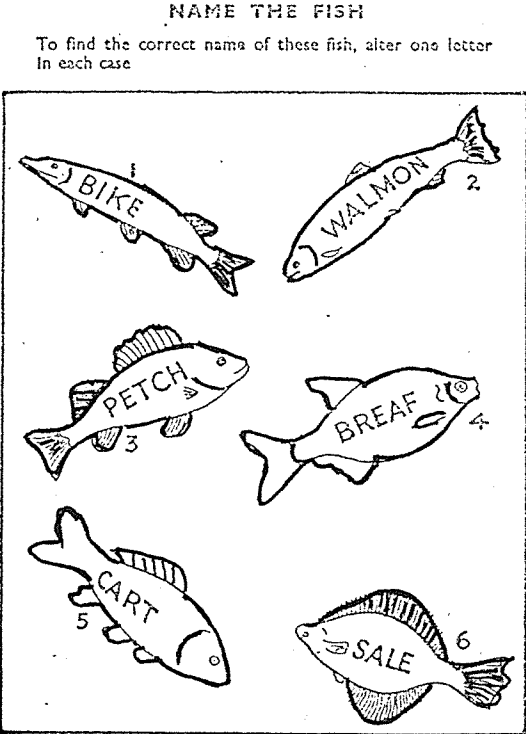
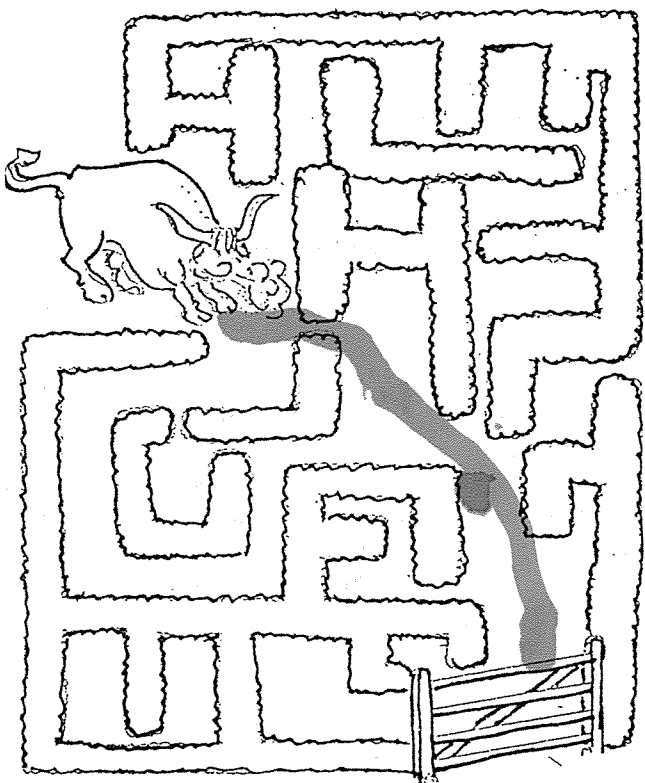
Anne Egan whose poetry is nature inspired as well as having an historical theme delighted everyone with her poem "The Seaman" about her father's dream of becoming a sea-operator. Anne is also a member of the writers group and has been a prize-winner in many of the prestigious competitions including in 1994 the Gerard-Manly Hopkins and in 1995 the Listowel Writers Review where she won a fortnight residency in the Tyrone Guthrie Centre in Annaghmakerrig, Co. Monaghan.

Another participant in the evening and a prestigious prize-winner in her own right is Cathy Conlon from Celbridge who is also a member of the Celbridge Writers Group. Cathy came second in the 1996 Gerard Manly Hopkins Competition and she read from her forthcoming collection.

It was then the turn of Joe Barry who was introduced as a "farmer, poet and environmentalist.... from the Meath/Kildare border". Joe had all the audience in fits of laughter with his wonderful rendition of one of Brendan Kennelly's best from the book "Poetry My Arse". He is also with the Writers Group as is Alison Maxwell. She set the temperature soaring when she read an extract from her forthcoming novel about an Open University Summer School which is 75% finished and which she says she "painstakingly researched". Alison writes about sex and loss but she says "every woman writes about loss - but that's such a bore".

Mary Cullen then thanked the writers for their recitals saying there was "an amazing amount of talent and creativity" which she said had been a "privilege to listen to". Mary stressed the importance of exploring what other people are thinking and the ability to understand ones own feelings and articulate them, which creative writing does and she said this has something to say to us when we try to discuss the North.

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Suzy is going to work in the garden with this. Connect the dots and see.

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Delicious refreshments of wine and cheese were provided. Thanks were extended to everyone for attending a very successful and enjoyable evening.

The Celbridge Writers Group would like to announce that they are accepting entries for the 1996 Jonathan Swift Literary and Poetry Competition. This competition is open to all writers and poets. Entry fee is £3 per poem and you can enter as many times as you want. The closing date is October 15th as many writers' groups may have stopped meeting for the summer.

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Beatrice is responsible for the accounts as well as the sales where she is assisted by Paddy Ellison. Paddy is also a qualified

mechanic but has spent much of his career in sales. He is very familiar with the surrounding area having spent the first 27 years of his working life operating from nearby Kilcock before moving to a Dublin-based Suzuki dealer five years ago. Also employed at LS Autos are a qualified mechanic, panel beater and painter.

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ICMA

Every summer St. Patrick's College plays host to the ICMA (Irish Church Music Association) Summer School. The Catholic Summer School beckons participants from all over Ireland and further afield. This year many people came from Scotland and England. The Summer School was held in the first week of July. It consists of tutorials for choirs and organists, morning and evening prayer services and a Mass celebrated every day. Every year a guest director from either the U.K. or the U.S.A. holds sway over this festival of Church singing. The guest this year was David Saint from St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham. He was previously welcomed here in 1985 and 1988.

The main purpose of the school is to learn new material by both Irish and foreign composers and the week is spent preparing and practising the hymns. The event is organised by a 10 member elective council, one of whom is Ciaran Tackney, a native of Cootehill in Cavan and a graduate of Maynooth, who informed me that there were over 280 participants in 1996 alone.

Camp Ireland

Organised each year all across Ireland are summer camps for foreign students. They are intended to be 'learning holidays' and provide an excellent opportunity for young people of various nationalities to mix and make friends. Some lifetime friendships (and even romances!) are formed this way.

One such organisation is Camp Ireland, started by Andrew's Travel Consultancy (A.T.C.) in 1965, and enjoyed by hundreds every year. Camp Ireland has centres all over Ireland and has been held in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth for the past five years. The groups come individually, and stay for up to six weeks, but many only stay a fortnight. This year the students are mainly Italian. The Camp organises half and full day outings, with English classes in the mornings and sports and other activities in the afternoons. The students stay locally, and integrate with local youngsters through the No Name Clubs, whose members join their European friends every day for sports and fun.

Camp Ireland has a high success rate nationally, and brings a summer boost to the town of Maynooth in particular when our own students have deserted us for those sunnier climates.

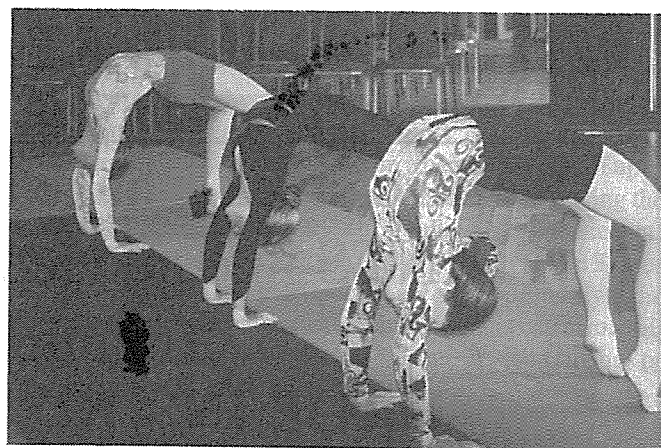
New Degree

The Department of Theology are proud to announce the inception of a new Degree course for the coming college year. It is similar in content to the Baccalaureate in Theology and Arts, however it specialises in Theology. It is aimed at mainly lay students who would wish to gain a better understanding of the Christian Faith. It is covered by the Higher Education Grants Scheme and also by the Free Fees Scheme run by the Dept. of Education. The course lasts for three years and students are chosen for Honours or General Degrees on the basis of their first year exam results.

Successful Honours students are expected to take a course in the biblical languages. The main topics to be studied are Moral and Dogmatic Theology and the Scriptures.

GYMNASTICS IN MAYNOOTH!

On Tuesday 16th in the warm summer sun, a small group arrived from Cork to the Glenroyal Hotel. They were here to put on a gymnastics display, and what a display! Three supple little girls, Thérèse Tobin, Philomena McCullagh and Joanne Rice, under the careful observation of their trainer, Leonard Bhattachayia, stretched and strained and showed a force and determination not often witnessed in performers of any age.



Three supple girls in action

Leonard Bhattachayia has been involved in the world of gymnastics for almost a decade. He is originally from South Cork, and has studied under German, British and Zimbabwean coaches, to qualify as an Olympic Artistic Gymnastics Coach. What brings him to Maynooth? Des Hogan, the Kildare Coach, is nearing his retirement, and being personally acquainted with the skills of Mr. Bhattachayia, has offered him the post.

In the last four years, Leonard has had the highest success rate in Ireland with his students. He has taught two competitive classes in Cork, and since starting in a new club last September, already two students have qualified for the National Finals in Mosney. Every one of his previous finalists have enjoyed National Championship Status, winning 90% gold Medals. Many of Leonard's students have also made it to international level, competing against Scotland and Wales, and travelling to Lilleshall, Birmingham, and also to Portugal, Spain and even further afield. From a local point of view, Leonard is already well known through the annual Cork/Kildare competition, and has even been interviewed on Cork Multichannel T.V.

The perfect age to start gymnastics, according to Mr. Bhattachayia, is four or five. The younger the better, he says. The children who start at this age have a better chance of learning, and of course, their bodies are much more flexible then. All Leonard's classes start out as recreational. The

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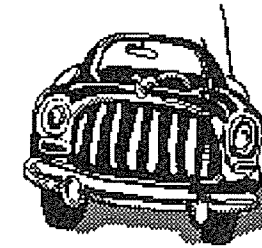
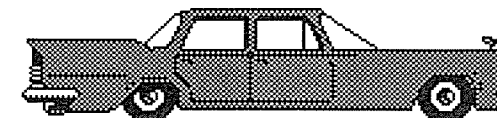
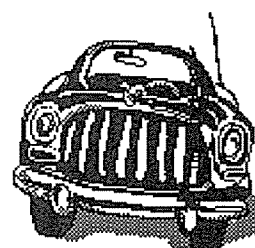


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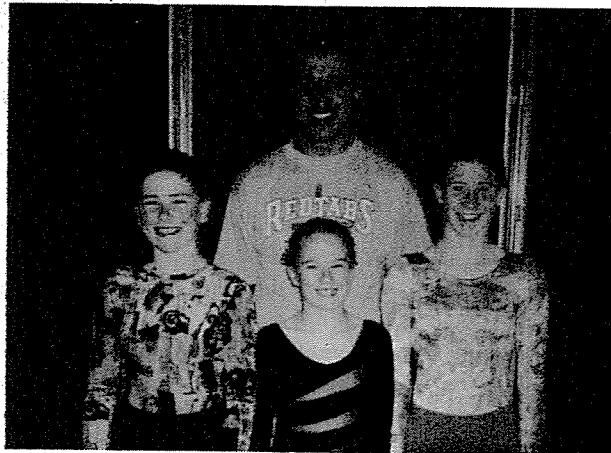


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emphasis is on fun. However, if a particular child shows potential, Leonard will contact the parents about training for competition. The competitive training is similar to the recreational, stressing the importance of stamina, flexibility, balance, body awareness, co-ordination and strength. However, it is naturally more intensive. The importance of parental support cannot be stressed enough, and indeed, we met one mother who travels to every event with her daughter.



Leonard Bhattachayia with three of his students:- Therese Tobin (L), Philomena McCullagh and Joanne Rice (R).

Financial expenditure can be a burden, admittedly, but Leonard plans to combat this by involving parents in the fund-raising side of things. The classes will probably be after school hours, but nothing is final as of yet. Leonard hopes to have a meeting for all parents involved about a month after classes begin, and at regular intervals yearly thereafter.

Leonard enjoys his work thoroughly, and wishes to integrate all children of the community. He has worked regularly with mentally handicapped children, and hopes to continue to do so, preferring to mix his classes. There will be another display, hopefully towards the end of August or the beginning of September, so be sure not to miss it! Here's hoping Leonard Bhattachayia can put Kildare on the Gymnastics map of Ireland, and indeed, the world, as he has done for Cork.

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ON BOARD THE J.F.K.

Co-Written by Emma Higgins and Rachel Cunningham

Emma

Oh well. It all started when my friend Rachel was staying the night in my house. My dad and my sister Suzanne decided that it would be a good idea to take a look at the U.S.S. J.F.K. As Rachel was staying with me she came along as well.

Rachel

When everyone was ready we got into Emma's dad's car and set off for Dun Laoghaire at roughly 6.15 p.m. By the time Emma's mam Claire, Emma's dad Gerald, Suzanne, Emma and I had reached Dun Laoghaire Harbour the rain was pouring down.

Emma

We ran down towards the pier in the rain and took shelter in the departure area of the harbour. As we were walking around searching for a spot where we would see the J.F.K. clearly, we happened to meet one of my Dad's working friends. He had just been on the ferry and gave us two tickets. We thought that they would help us to get a closer look.

Rachel

We began to look for a place where we could board a ferry to take us closer to the J.F.K. Suddenly we noticed a line of sailors and other people moving towards a large car ferry so we joined the end of the queue. After the short voyage on the ferry ended we had reached the J.F.K. We saw people disembarking from this massive ship. We realised that we were getting the chance of a lifetime, to get a guided tour of the huge American Battleship.

Emma

We got off the ferry and waited on the jetty until all the J.F.K. passengers had boarded their departing ship to take them back to the pier. When all was ready, our large group alighted from the massive U.S.S. J.F.K. We seperated into our own groups and were assigned a tour guide named Steve who was a sailor on the vessel. My dad took a photograph of myself, Rachel and Steve.

Rachel

After taking some photographs Steve took us on a tour that nobody else could get. One of the members in our group owned one of the ferries in Dun Laoghaire Harbour! As Steve was an engineer he took us to his mechanical shop to show us where he worked. After that he brought us down to the flight deck where all the fighter planes were kept. We were taught how the aeroplanes were catapulted from the deck and how the radars and missiles work. Steve also showed us a plane of the same kind as the one that was used in the film "Top Gun".

Emma

After the tour on the flight deck Steve brought us up to the control tower. Steve helped both myself and Rachel up onto the admiral's chair. Afterwards he gave us a talk about the

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admiral and his duties. We then moved to the captain's chair.

Rachel

We once more went down to the flight deck where we found out that the ferry had reached the J.F.K. Steve decided to bring us back to the deck where we had started. When we got there we saw that many of the children were wearing sailor hats. Clare and Gerald tried to convince us to ask any sailor for their hats but as they were on duty they couldn't give them away. As we disembarked we saluted the sailors near the steps. Once again we were on the jetty boarding the ferry and as we sailed slowly back to Dun Laoghaire we waved goodbye to the U.S.S J.F.K. and our adventure ended.




Rachel Cunningham, Emma Higgins and tour guide, Steve J.F.K.

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YET AGAIN ANOTHER WACKADOO SUCCESS

The Wackadoo Variety Concert which was one of the highlights of Festival Week in Maynooth was a magnificent night of entertainment. All music tastes were catered for, from John Denver to the ever popular Oasis. One significant aspect to the night was the devotion of Act Two to World Peace which is unfortunately headlining our National Newspapers for the wrong reasons. It certainly sets one thinking when the youth of our community partake in such a poignant desire for peace.



Front row L-R Danielle Power, Carol Cotter, Gillian Cotter:
Second Row L-R Aileen O'Keeffe, Sarah Baxter, Deirdre McCann,
Triona Cahill: Third Row Ciara Connolly, Rachel Cunningham,
Rebecca Doyle, Sarah Owens: Back Row L-R Eimear Quinn,
Emma Cullinane, Anthonine Rossiter, Anne Connolly

Besides the serious aspect of the night the singing and performances during the evening were evident of the tremendous amount of hard work the fifteen girls put in during the previous four weeks. Under the directive eye of Derek Lowry of Maynooth Community Council and Claire McGettrick, Administrator with The Royal Canal Amenities Group the girls were rehearsed into giving a performance which was imaginative and freestyle. One noticeable aspect of the night was the lack of 'formal' costume - all performers wore their own clothes as Derek was better quoted, "it's their show". A nice selection of songs from all our favourite musicals was delightful and enchanting especially Any Dream Will Do from the musical Joseph, the lighting effect was to say the least, brilliant. The Audience was young but appreciative as they were captivated for the entire evening - they too were struck by the well polished performance. No doubt there will be a similar production in the near future. As they say watch this space for further details or contact Maynooth Community Council.



The wedding of Eileen Reidy Travel Options, and Douglas Walsh from Maynooth Park. Eileen and Douglas got married on June 11th in Celbridge - followed with a reception in Finstown Country House Hotel, Lucan. Eileen and Douglas went to Florida on honeymoon and are now living in Celbridge

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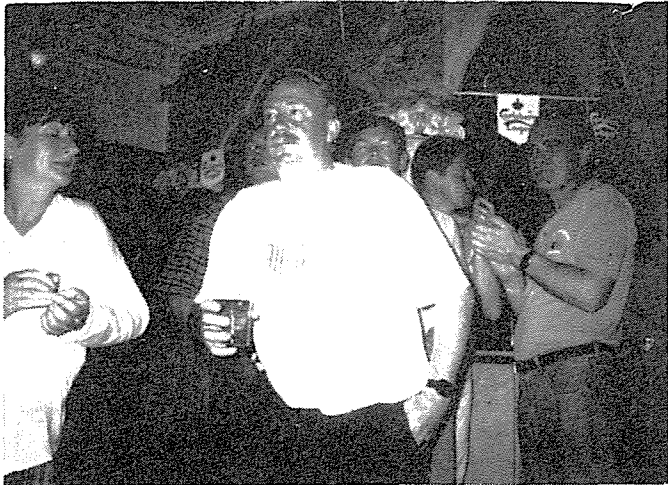
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Festival Fun



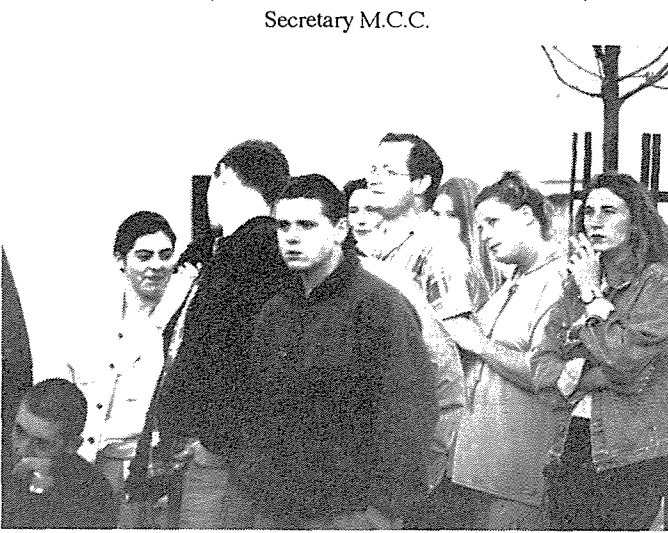
Lenny Murphy in deep thought at the presentation of trophies of Guinness 7-a-side



Festival Committee at launch L-R Back: Freda Kelleher, Secretary; John McGinley, Soccer Organiser; Tom McMullon, Chairperson M.C.C.; Paul Croghan, Norah McDermott, Chairperson. Front: Maisie Nott, Chris Saults & Muirean Ní Bhrocháin, Secretary M.C.C.



Members of the Street Theatre Group with producer Peter Hussey at the Square



The audience in the Square enjoying the Open air entertainment



Grainne Feely Dancers at exhibition in Glenroyal Hotel during Festival Week

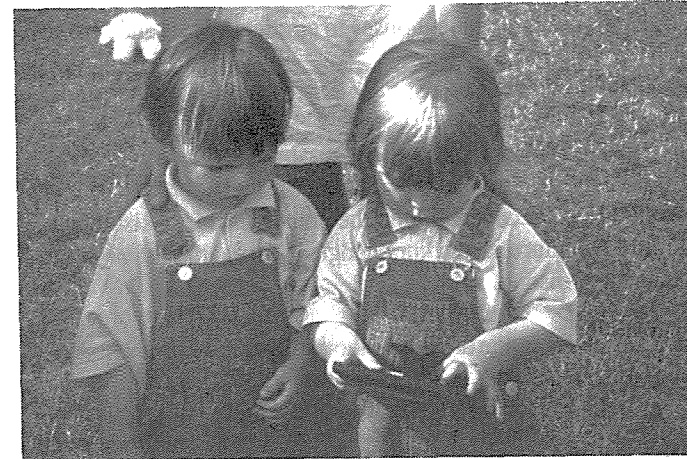
Festival Fun



Under 1 Baby Show
1st. Róisín Fanthón, 2nd. Gary Daly, 3rd. Lauren O'Neill



Under 2 Baby Show
1st. Sarah Greely, 2nd. Adan Treacey, 3rd. Hannah Stack



Twins Baby Show
Winners John & Shannon Corcoran



Enjoying the Teddy's Bear Picnic during Festival Week



Magician at work at the Teddy's Bear Picnic



Enjoying a cone at the Square during the Festival

Gardening Hints

AUGUST IN THE GARDEN

This month's weather is usually similar to July's. Signs of Autumn may not be apparent, however, plants and trees have lost their youth and many have become overgrown and tired.

Lawns: mow regularly, water sensibly during dry spells. Apply a good lawn fertilizer and weedkiller.

Roses: once flowered, prune ramblers. Watch for and pull out suckers. Continue to spray against mildew.

Perennials: never let perennials dry out, particularly autumn-flowering species. Dead-head all faded flowers not needed for their seeds.

Annals: water and dead-head regularly. Water well if ground is dry.

Biennials: dead-head plants that have finished flowering.

Bulbs: plant bulbs for early spring flowering. Dead-head

and tie in dahlias. Rub out young buds on side shoots.

Fruit: peach trees need to be pruned after fruiting and replacement shoots tied in. Plant new strawberry plants, and layer runners on established plants. Cut back raspberry canes after fruiting to just above soil level. Support new canes and sprinkle fertilizer on surrounding soil. Prune blackcurrant bushes.

Vegetables: when vegetable crops have been harvested the ground should be prepared for more cultivation. Lettuces, radishes, spinach and turnips can still be sown. Onions and carrots for winter harvesting can be sown under cloches. Sow spring cabbages and winter greens early in the month. Fertilize brussel sprouts using a general fertiliser. Spray and feed runner beans. Start lifting maincrop potatoes. This is the time to fumigate greenhouses to eradicate pests and diseases.

ENJOYING HERBS IN THE HOME

Herbs in Medicine

The use of plants to cure disease is as old as the human race. Man has been dependant on the plant world for existence in a nutritional sense throughout much of his history; it was inevitable, therefore, that a knowledge of herbal medicine would evolve. At first, it must have been trial and error - for many plants are poisonous.

Although herbal remedies have become less valued since then, due mainly to the advent of the synthetic drug industry, the last five to ten years have shown an increasing interest in herbalism.

Medicinal Preparations

Infusions, decoctions and teas are principally for internal use; compresses, poultices and oils for external use - these are however interchangeable. It is the essential oil that is important so every drop must be extracted. Home-made remedies do not, of course, contain any preservatives so they should be used up as quickly as possible, as they will not last.

Infusions: These are the simplest and can be made with dried or fresh herbs.

25g fresh herbs to 600ml boiling water

15g dried herbs to 600ml boiling water

Cover tightly, and allow to infuse for 10-15 minutes before straining.

Use hot or cold, and within a couple of hours.

Sweeten with honey if preferred.

Decoctions: Using the same ratio of herbs to water, soak the herb or pounded stem, root or seeds in cold water for at least 10 minutes before bringing to the boil in an enamel (not metal) saucepan. Cover and simmer for about 5 minutes, then leave to steep for at least another 10 minutes. Cool, strain and use.

Compresses: These are used externally, hot or cold depending on the effect required. Soak pieces of lint in a very strong herbal decoction and hold over the affected area (or bandage in place). When a cold compress warms through contact with the skin, replace with another cold one. When a hot compress becomes cold, repeat the process.

Poultices: Applied externally, usually hot. It is applied either directly to the affected area or encased in muslin or cheesecloth and soaked before application.

Ointments: A base of Petroleum jelly. Combine 125g of jelly with 25g of the crushed herb, and simmer together for 15-20 minutes.

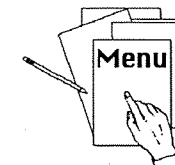


Deliciously Simple

Spicy Vegeburgers

Makes 8

100g/4oz wholewheat breadcrumbs
50g/2oz walnuts, very finely chopped
3 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
2 tbsp sunflower oil
1 onion, grated
3 carrots, grated
2 garlic cloves, chopped
2.5cm/1in. piece fresh root ginger, finely chopped
1 1/2 tbsp mild curry paste
400g/14oz can cannellini or haricot beans, drained
1 red pepper, seeded and finely chopped
1 courgette, finely chopped
2 tbsp fresh lemon juice
2 eggs, beaten
seasoning
hot naan bread and fresh tomato chutney, to serve.



1. Combine the breadcrumbs, walnuts and parsley; set aside. Heat the oil, add the onion, carrots, garlic and ginger and fry gently, stirring, for about 5 minutes until the vegetables are softened. Stir in the curry paste and cook for 1 minute; remove from heat.
2. Mash or blend the beans to a rough purée. Stir into the vegetable mixture with the pepper, courgette and lemon juice. Stir in six tablespoons of crumbs and season well; reserve the remainder. Stir thoroughly, then cool. Chill for 30 minutes.
3. Divide the mixture into eight portions, then shape each one into a patty. Coat in beaten egg, then in crumbs, pressing on firmly; repeat and chill until needed.
4. Cook on a moderate barbecue for 4-5 minutes on each side until nicely browned. Serve with naan bread and fresh tomato chutney.

Fresh Tomato Chutney

Serves 8

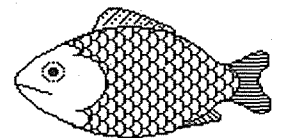
1 small red onion, finely chopped
4 plum tomatoes, halved, seeded and diced
1tbsp red wine vinegar
1 tbsp sunflower oil
1/2 tsp chilli powder
seasoning

Combine all the ingredients in a bowl, then leave to allow the flavours to infuse for up to an hour. Serve with Spicy vegeburgers.

Seared Salmon with Almond and Summer Herb Stuffing

Serves 6

1.25kg/2 1/2 lb salmon, filleted
2tbsp fresh lemon juice or lime juice
grated rind of 1 lime or 1/2 lemon
small bunch of fresh mint
small bunch of fresh basil
15g/1/2oz fresh parsley
50g/2oz ground almonds
75g/3oz butter, softened
oil, for brushing
seasoning
barbecued new potatoes with
mixed leaf and herb salad, to serve



1. Sprinkle the flesh side of each salmon fillet with half of the lemon or lime juice and seasoning, then set aside.
2. Make the stuffing: chop the herbs, then add remaining lemon or lime juice and rind, almonds, butter and seasoning; mix well.
3. Spread the stuffing over the flesh of one fillet and cover with the other fillet. Tie them together at 2.5cm/1in intervals, then brush the skin lightly with oil.
4. Cook on a moderate barbecue for 15-20 minutes, turning once until the salmon is tender. Slice the salmon into steaks and serve with potatoes and salad.

Soft Berry Fruits in Passion Fruit Fromage Frais

Serves 6

450g/1lb low fat fromage frais
3 tbsp thick Greek yogurt
40g/1 1/2oz icing sugar, sifted
6 passion fruit, halved
4 small bananas
450g/1lb selection of small berry fruits
2 tsp clear honey



1. Put the fromage frais, yogurt and icing sugar into a bowl and mix together. Scoop the seeds from the passion fruit and fold into the fromage frais mixture.
2. Peel the bananas, cut into cubes and stir into the bowl. Reserve some of the soft fruit and mix in the remainder.
3. Spoon the mixture into glass serving bowls. Decorate with the reserved fruit and strawberry leaves, if you like. Drizzle over the honey and serve.

Party Political

SINN FÉIN NOTES

Resist carnival of hate

Sinn Féin members, along with other citizens outraged by the events of the second week of July, i.e. the State and Loyalist violence directed at the nationalists of the Six counties in response to peaceful protest, have initiated a "Nationalist Solidarity Campaign".

The purpose of this campaign group is twofold. Firstly, to stand alongside the beleaguered Nationalists of the North, particularly those in the Lower Ormeau Road, the Garvaghy Road and the Bogside and show them that there are people in the South who care. Secondly, to secure popular support for the demand that all marches with the consent of the people of the area they go through, are re-routed.

Local activities

On the 18th of July we held a white-line picket on the Main Street of Naas and by the time you read this we will have organised several more around the north of the county as well as a petition and the production and distribution of a leaflet on the Orange Order. We also attended the Irish National Congress Rally at St. Stephen's Green on the 17th of July.

The re-routing of Orange marches

Why object to this "cultural expression"? Nobody opposes the Orange Order's right to march — it's just very few Nationalists want the Orange Order marching through their locality. The reasons for this are legion.

i) The Orange Order is a sectarian, anti-Catholic organisation. This is reflected in its constitution by General Law No. 4, which states: "Any member dishonouring the institution by marrying a Roman Catholic shall be expelled and it shall be deemed an offence for any member to facilitate Sunday sports, amusements or dances organised by Roman Catholics".

ii) The Orange Order is Fascist in its objectives in that it seeks to smother class divisions and social diversity within Ireland's Protestant community by creating an "us and them" situation. This together with denying Nationalists their rights is how it shores up Unionist domination. Promoting sectarianism, it stands in the way of any attempt to heal division.

iii) Orange marches through Nationalist areas often result in those areas becoming the subject of attack. Indeed, it was the Apprentice Boys' "parade" in Nationalist Derry which provided the spark which lit the bonfire in August 1969 when an RUC/Loyalist mob attacked the Bogside. This march was abandoned for 24 years but in 1995 was started again with resulting RUC assaults on peaceful protesters. This "parade" occurs this year on the 10th of August.

iv) These marches frequently include the singing of songs with lyrics such as:

"Slaughter, slaughter, holy water;
Slaughter the Papists one by one.
We will tear them asunder
And make them lie under
The Protestant boys who follow the drum."

Also,

"Poor Croppies, ye knew that your sentence was come
When you heard the dread sound of the Protestant drum.
In memory of William we hoisted his flag
And soon the bright orange put down the green rag."

Another Loyalist favourite goes like this:

"If guns were made for shooting
And skulls were made to crack
Then you'll never see a better Taig
Than with a bullet in his back."

"Papist", "Croppie" and "Taig" are all derogatory terms for Catholics.

The above songs have been well documented by writers on the Northern conflict.

v) The communities through which these marches are being forced have suffered much from Loyalist violence. Many of the Nationalist housing estates along the Garvaghy Road for instance were built to house families burnt out during the 1974 Loyalist rebellion against the Sunningdale agreement. The Lower Ormeau Road has lost 31 people at the hands of Loyalist death squads. The Orange response to this was to chant "Five-Nil" outside a bookies' where five innocent people were shot. Another of their taunts was "Teabag Theresa", a reference to a woman from the area shot 19 times in the head.

vi) The Orange Order not only inflames sectarian hatred among Protestants, it achieves the same among Catholics when it tramps down a Catholic street. Young Catholics are seeing Protestants in a purely negative light despite the enormous contribution Ireland's Protestant community have made to the Irish nation. It is tragic that a Church's name has been hijacked by such bigots who only speak for a minority of Irish Protestants. The Orange Order has seventy to eighty thousand members.

vii) During the fifty years of Stormont's existence (1922 to 1972) the Orange Order effectively held state power in Northern Ireland.

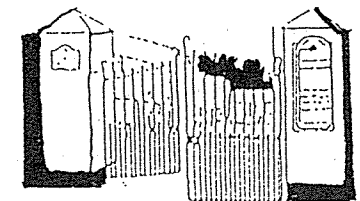


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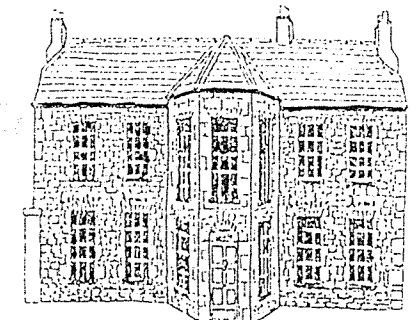


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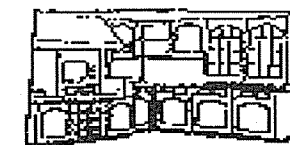
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FINE GAEL NOTES

Allocation of Grants

Mr. Bernard Durkan T.D. Minister for State at the Department of Social Welfare announced the allocation of grants to the following local groups from his Department:

1. Maynooth Adult Daytime Education
2. Leixlip Women's Studies
3. Irish Association for Spina Bifida
4. Celbridge Women's Group
5. Leixlip Resource Centre for the Unemployed
6. Kilcock & District Community Council

Drugs

The government approval in July 1995 for a multi-faceted drugs package aimed at tackling drug trafficking and abuse which is at the root of much of the crime in our society. Much of this package has been implemented including:

- (a) A Garda National Drugs Unit under the control of a Deputy Commissioner.
- (b) The Criminal Justice (Drug Trafficking) Bill allowing for questioning of drug traffickers for up to seven days and restricting the right to silence in drug trafficking cases.
- (c) Drug Trafficking Bill in the Dáil to amend the 1935 Public Dance Halls Act vis-a-vis entry in plain clothes by a member of the Garda to venues where a Public Dance Hall Licence is in force to investigate suspected drug trafficking offences.

Drugs in Prisons

Minister Nora Owen has taken steps to tackle the drugs problem in our prisons including:

- (1) A secure drugs free unit in the Training Unit in the Mountjoy Prison Complex.
 - (2) On 3rd July 1996 a New Drug Treatment Centre in Mountjoy Prison opened.
 - (3) In Mountjoy, cameras installed in the visitor area and facilities put in place to search prisoners coming from visits.
- Mr. John Bruton, Taoiseach recently made the following points in reference to drugs:
- "It is important to note that as far as drugs are concerned those who begin to use these lethal products should realise that, not only are they endangering their own lives, but the money they pay to pushers is liable to end up being used to finance the activities of organised mobsters and contract killers. Without the income supplied by drug users, drug barons would be put out of business".

Back to School Allowances

Back to School Clothing & Footwear Allowance available from the Department of Social Welfare.

Dep. Bernard Durkan has announced that people willing to avail of the Back to School Clothing & Footwear Allowance may apply between now and September 30th 1996. Dep. Durkan states that:

"this year as the allowance will be paid on an age related basis, together with it being increased by £3 per child, several thousand families throughout the country will benefit. The payment will be £43 for each child aged between 2 and 11 and £58 for each child between 12 and 22. The higher rate will be paid for children who are under 12 years of age attending secondary school".

The allowance is available to families getting either a Department of Social Welfare or a Health Board payment.

People wishing to avail of these grants should contact Minister Durkan at (01) 8748 444 at the Department of Social Welfare.

Maynooth Town Improvement Works

Cllr. Senan Griffin wishes to inform residents that the part 10 Local Government Grant of £200,000 to be spent on the improvement of the Main Street was approved at the last Co. Council meeting. It is hoped to have this money spent during the current year.

Public Lights

Cllr. Senan Griffin has applied to K.C.C. to have extra lighting provided at Bond Bridge, Moyglare Road, Celbridge Road and Dunboyne Road.

The next meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee will hear a report from the roads design team on the K.C.C. proposals for alterations at Parsons Street.

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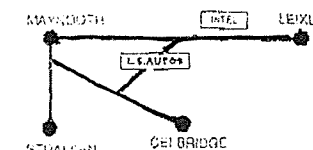
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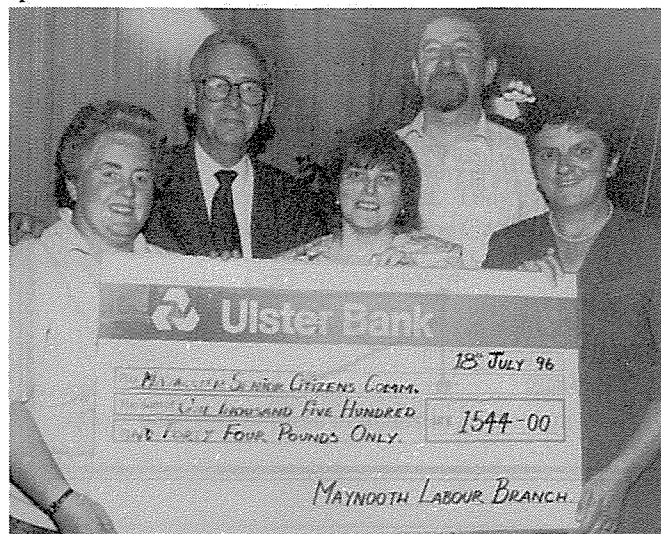
SOMETHING TO SUIT ALL

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY

Tony Smith Memorial Walk

The proceeds of this years Tony Smith Memorial Walk were handed over to Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee by Minister Emmet Stagg at a function in Caulfields on Thursday 18th July.

This year a record amount of £1,544 was collected and we would like to thank all those who took part and those who sponsored our walkers.



L-R Josie Moore, Emmet Stagg, Kathleen Dempsey, John McGinley and Patsy Refferty

Bond Bridge

The full Council deferred consideration of Cllr. John McGinley's motion (the Council taking out a loan to build the bridge and repay from special development levies) until the Estimates meetings in November which decides on the Councils Budget for 1997.

However Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for decision by the Celbridge Area Committee at its Meeting on the 29th July:

'that special development levies be increased to £4,000 per house on all future planning permissions granted for housing west of Bond Bridge, Maynooth in order to secure the financing of the new bridge.'

Old Greenfield

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for discussion at the Celbridge Area meeting on the 29th July. "That priority be given to the drainage and re-surfacing of the Back Lane, Old Greenfields, Maynooth". In addition, Cllr. McGinley has asked that three public lights be erected in the Back Lane.

"Maynooth" Sign on Leixlip Road

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Engineer to put this sign back in place. It was knocked down over two years ago.

Moneycooley Road/Straffan Road Junction

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Engineer to move the R406 Road sign from the present location as it is blocking the vision of traffic coming from the Moneycooley Road.

Blacklion Halting Site

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Secretary to provide new and larger caravans where these are required.

Kingsbry

Now that the required road resurfacing and provision of Public Lights in Kingsbry have been resolved, Cllr. John McGinley has tabled a motion requesting that Kingsbry be taken in charge by Kildare County Council.

Maynooth Main Street and Footpaths

The improvement plans for the Main Street and footpaths were approved at the Celbridge Area meeting on the 11th July.

The following was agreed on the outstanding issues.

1. Closure of Doctors Lane: Access to the Lane will be from the Square and Geoghegan's Lane. Such closure will be subject to the provision of adequate access for delivery vehicles using Doctors Lane.
2. Parson St/College Road Re-alignment: This proposal has been withdrawn.
3. Main St/Mill St. Junction: Proposals provide improved facilities for pedestrians at this junction. The Council Engineer ruled out a mini Roundabout in this location, as it would be a danger to pedestrians and cyclists. Main Street/ Mill Street traffic will still have priority.
4. Bus Stop at T.S.B.: Subject to agreement with Dublin Bus, this bus stop will be relocated further east of the present location in order to improve traffic flow.
5. Wall mounted street names will be included as part of the scheme. The Council hope to have the work on Main Street and footpaths completed before Christmas 1996.

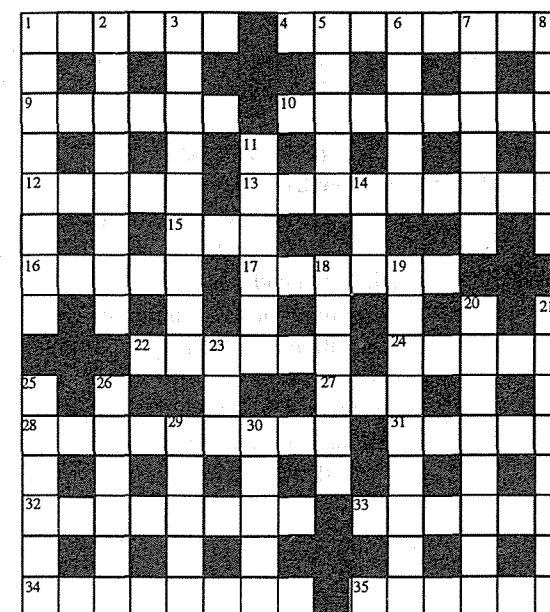
Celbridge Road, Maynooth.

Kildare County Council have now sought tenders for the drainage and resurfacing of this road from the Straffan Road Junction to the Obelisk Lane. The upgrading of this road was agreed by the County Engineer following representations from Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley.

Labour Advice Service

There will be no Labour Advice Service in operation during the month of August. Minister Emmet Stagg's weekly Advice Service will resume on Saturday September 7th at 4.00pm in Caulfields. Cllr. John McGinley's weekly Advice Service will resume on Thursday September 5th at 8.00pm in Caulfields. Anybody requiring assistance during August should ring the following numbers: 6041311 - 6041316 - 6041317.

Crossword No. 105



Entries before 5 p.m. Friday, August 16, 1996.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

- 1 Endeavour (6)
- 4 People who give financial or material backing (8)
- 9 Types of chairs, or cars in the U.S.A. (6)
- 10 What wealthy people may have to pay when they walk out on a co-habitee (8)
- 12 Rub out (5)
- 13 Did the playwright Williams come from there? (9)
- 15 Involves painting pictures or is a man's name (3)
- 16 Item of cutlery (5)
- 17 Land which is fit for farming is . . . (6)
- 22 Took a sneaky glance (6)
- 24 Sounds like the principal state in the U.S.A. (5)
- 27 Little devil (3)
- 28 Should it be applied at times of temptation? (9)
- 31 It may cover a hole in your sleeve (5)
- 32 Was plentiful (8)
- 33 He takes a lot of interest (6)
- 34 Could be weather or parts thereof (8)
- 35 Abscond (6)

Down:

- 1 Tension (8)
- 2 Heating appliance (8)
- 3 Retaliation (9)
- 5 Simple, not ornate (5)
- 6 Disturbing sound (5)
- 7 Musician (6)

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- 8 Fashions (6)
- 11 Assault (6)
- 14 Tip of pen (3)
- 18 Inspects accounts formally (6)
- 19 Light bearers much appreciated by dogs (9)
- 20 She Falls in Africa between Zimbabwe and Zambia (8)
- 21 Restore energy (8)
- 23 Period of time (3)
- 25 Wrinkle or fold (6)
- 26 Not at sea (6)
- 29 Limit of operation (5)
- 30 Nonsensical or unsuitable (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 104:

Across: 1, Gentry; 4, Browsing; 9, Revive; 10, Agnostic; 12, Tiger; 13, Westerner; 15, Era; 16, Oaten; 17, Manger; 22, Bedsit; 24, Racer; 27, Urn; 28, Non-member; 31, Exact; 32, Terrapin; 33, String; 34, Happened; 35, By-pass.

Down: 1, Gyration; 2, Navigate; 3, Reverence; 5, Rages; 6, Wrote; 7, Intend; 8, Go-cart; 11, Swamps; 14, Tag; 18, Nature; 19, Earnestly; 20, Sciatica; 21, Protégés; 23, Dim; 25, Snatch; 26, Unwrap; 29, Evade; 30, Brine.

Winner of Crossword No. 104:

Geraldine Feehan, 9 Parklands Court, Maynooth.

GAA NOTES

Inter Hurling Championship

Maynooth 1-5 Coffey 3-11

This was a very poor performance by Maynooth in the 1st Round of the Inter Hurling Championship. This Championship is run on a league basis, points, so Maynooth still have a chance of reaching the semi finals but will have to improve.

Best for Maynooth H. Nevin 1-1, T. Coffey 0-3, M. Nugent 0-1.

Also played well J. Cahill, F. Scully, K. Fagan, M. Nevin, S. Brennan.

Junior Football League Div 2.

Maynooth 0-14 : St. Laurences 0-5

Maynooth had a good win over St. Laurences. Some very good scores taken by J. Edwards sealed victory for Maynooth.

Best for Maynooth: J. Edwards 0-6, L.O'Toole 0-2, A. Burke 0-2, D. Fleming, E. Gallagher, M. Nugent 0-1 each. Also to play well K. Dunne, R. Tobin.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1-11 : St. Kevins 0-9

Maynooth had a very good win over St. Kevins in the Senior Football League match played in Maynooth.

Maynooth played their best football in the second half of this match. Some very good saves by goalkeeper Joe Rossiter helped Maynooth to a good win.

Best for Maynooth: P. Garvey 0-7, H. Nevin, J. O'Riordan, P. Burke, J. Nevin 0-1 each, E. Gallagher 1-0. Also to play well, H. Purcell, D. Mahoney, P. Stynes, M. Nevin, P. Ennis.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1-11 : Rathangan 1-11

Away to Rathangan Maynooth got a well deserved draw. Behind for most of the game Maynooth put in a storming finish to get this draw.

Best for Maynooth: P. Garvey 1-9, J. Nevin 0-1, J.O' Riordan 0-1. Also to play well, P. Stynes, D. Mahoney, E. Dunne, K. Fagan, P. Ennis.

Senior Hurling League

Maynooth 1-3 : Coill Dubh 1-11.

Maynooth lost this match due to lack of scoring power. Their forwards had plenty of ball but could not find the scoreboard.

Best for Maynooth: K. Fagan 1-0, J. O'Brian, T. Coffey, T. Farrell 0-1 each. Also to play well S. Griffin, J. Cahill, S. Brennan, H. Nevin.

Junior Football League Div3c

Maynooth 5-3 : Cappagh 0-4

Maynooth had a very good win over Cappagh. This win could put our 3rd team into a play off with one game to go that is V Confehy.

Best for Maynooth: J. Farrelly 2-0, J. Murray 1-1, M. McTernan 1-0, D. Myles 1-0, M. Kelly 0-1, C. O'Grady 0-1. Also to play well G. Greely, D. Grehan, P. Murphy.

Inter Football Championship - 1st Round

Maynooth 0-10 : Eadestown 2-7

Maynooth got off to a great start in this game and after 15 minutes were 4pts to 1pt ahead then Eadestown got their first goal and by half time Eadestown had gone ahead by 1-3pts to 5pts. Maynooth tried hard in second half but after 20 minutes Eadestown struck with their second goal. This sealed victory for Eadestown.

Best for Maynooth: P. Garvey 0-4, P. Burke, E. Dunne, H. Nevin, D. Mahoney, J. Nevin, P. Ennis, 0-1 each. Also to play well: P. Stynes, H. Purcell, T. Farrell and M. Nevin.

LOTTO RESULT - 16-6-96 Numbers 1-17-18 JACKPOT £350 - NO WINNER. 5 x £10 Eddie Dunne, Maura Mac, Eileen O'Connor, Pat Farrell, G. McCann.

LOTTO RESULT - 30-6-96 Numbers 4-14-22. JACKPOT £450. NO WINNER. 5 x £10 M. O'Reilly, C. Dowd, Caroline Dunne, R. O'Malley, A. Collins.

LOTTO RESULT - 7-7-96 Numbers 6-21-24. JACKPOT £500. NO WINNER 5 x £10. Olive Roberts, Ann White, D. McDonnell, May Lysaght, Shauna Hickson.

LOTTO RESULT- 14-7-96 Numbers 3-12-21. JACKPOT £550. NO WINNER 5 x £10. Aidan O'Rourke, Gerry Flood, T. Shannan, Mooney, Valerie/Noeleen Dunne.

Junior Camogie Championship

Played on Sunday 14th July, 1996

Maynooth 5-5 : Sarsfields 2-4

At the end of this match Maynooth emerged as clear winners by a margin of ten points after a very hard 50 minutes in which a great display of camogie was given to the supporters of both teams. Maynooth opened this match well with an early goal from Talihia Duffy followed by 2 points from Teresa Hession and 2 goals from Naomi Devereux in which space of time Sarsfields responded by getting a goal and 2 points. The Maynooth girls opened the second half with a margin of six points but Sarsfields were to narrow this to three points after they got an excellent goal but Emma Fahy was to hit back with a shot from the half way line which landed in the back of the net. Sarsfields now felt it was time to change their goalkeeper but still this wasn't going to frighten the girls in black as the first touch of the ball she got was getting the ball out of the net after an excellent goal from Teresa Hession. Teresa Hession also got another 2 points before the referee blew his whistle. This was an excellent performance from the girls but stars for the winning team came in Catherine Duff, Jackie Kinsella, Emma Fahy (1-0) Teresa Hession (1-5), Naomi Devereux (2-0) and Michelle Gillick.



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Sports

Team and Panel

Maynooth: Ger Fahy, C. Duff, L. Neville, N. Mulready, A.M. Farrell, J. Kinsella, M. Gillick, E. Fahy, T. Duffy, A. Comerford, T. Hession, N. Devereux.

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FÉILE NA nGAEL HURLING TOURNAMENT

The Maynooth under 14 Hurling Team in representing Kildare at Féile na nGael in Waterford from June 20-23 brought credit to their families, their club and their county. They were graded in Division 3 and had in their group teams from Ardmore (Waterford) An Gaeltacht (Waterford) and Keady (Armagh).

In their first match Maynooth played Ardmore and hurled with great fire and determination with Mikey Gleeson in outstanding form. They eventually won the match on a score line of 2-6 to 1-3. Maynooth took on Keady in their second match and started very well scoring fine points both from play and frees. However Keady put in a determined bid in the second half but brave defending by the Maynooth defence and in particular goalkeeper Pierre Ennis enabled the Kildare champions to hold out for victory on a score line of 1-5 to 0-2. An Gaeltacht proved to be difficult opponents in the third match and hit Maynooth for four goals in the first half. A lesser team would have thrown in the towel at this stage but not Maynooth. They gradually clawed their way back into the game in the second half and reduced the deficit to two points. However on the stroke of full time An Gaeltacht ensured their participation in the knockout stages of the tournament with a late goal: While the Maynooth boys

failed in their bid to reach the semi-final stages of the Feile, nevertheless their gutsy and brave performance was a credit to them and their mentors and their behaviour on and off the pitch was exemplary. Great credit must be given to mentors Kieran Diggins and Kieran McGuinness who prepared the team so well for this competition and to the Vice-Chairman of Kildare Hurling Board Roddy Molloy who ensured that all resources were made available to the team. There is a huge cost factor in sending a team to the Féile and in this regard the generous sponsorship of the following firms and businesses is greatly appreciated by Maynooth G.A.A. Club. The Sports Locker, Maynooth, Moyglare Stud, Eircell Telecom Eireann, Kokusai Electric Europe, GNBH Leixlip, Damien Maguire and Co. Solicitors Maynooth, Fuscuardi Maynooth, Ardcourt Ltd., Baldoyle, J. and J. Holmes Ltd., Dublin, Rossmore Developments Ltd., Dublin, Casandra Developments Ltd., Lucan, Kelland Homes Ltd., Clondalkin, Stanley McAdam Company Dublin.

Maynooth Panel

Pierre Ennis, Peter Sheehan, Tommy Masterson, Joe Brennan, Aidan Molloy, Séan Flaherty, Christopher Flynn, Mark Kavanagh, Mikey Gleeson, Peter Guinan, Damien Travers, Morgan Sweeney, Robert Hammond, Séan Brady, Eoin Murray, Padraic Nevin, Colin Cushen, Donal McCarthy, Thomas Flatley, Stephen Kelly, Brendan Coffey, Fergal Molloy and Kevin Gannon.

Impressive Performance by Maynooth

Bord na nOg U/14 Hurling League Semi-Final
Maynooth 4-9; Coill Dubh 4-0.

The Maynooth U/14 hurlers earned their place in the league final with an impressive performance in disposing of a fancied Coill Dubh team at Clane on 29/6/96. Maynooth played with the advantage of a swirling breeze in the first half and opened the scoring in the 3rd minute with an excellent point from a 70 by Mikey Gleeson. The same player added a further point a minute later from a free after a foul on himself. Maynooth began to dominate at midfield and in the half forward line and in the 10th minute Mikey Gleeson notched his third point. After a foul on Peter Guinan, that man again, Mikey Gleeson, tagged on another point. Following good work by Kevin Gannon, Pierre Ennis struck over a fine point in the fifteenth minute. Maynooth had a chance to go six points clear in the 20th minute but Mikey Gleeson opted to go for goal from a 14 metre free but the Coill Dubh defence stood firm and the opportunity was lost. Against the run of play Coill Dubh broke upfield and scored a goal in the 25th minute leaving the halftime score at Maynooth 0-5 Coill Dubh 1-0

Despite playing against the breeze in the second half Maynooth further increased their advantage in the 2nd minute when following good work by Mikey Gleeson and Séan O'Flaherty, Robert Hammond pounced to strike the sliotar to the net. Two minutes later Pierre Ennis and Kevin Gannon combined well to enable Mikey Gleeson score a marvellous point from play. The same player added another point from a free in the 10th minute and moments later

Festival Fun



Maynooth Brass & Reed Band performing in the Square during Festival Week



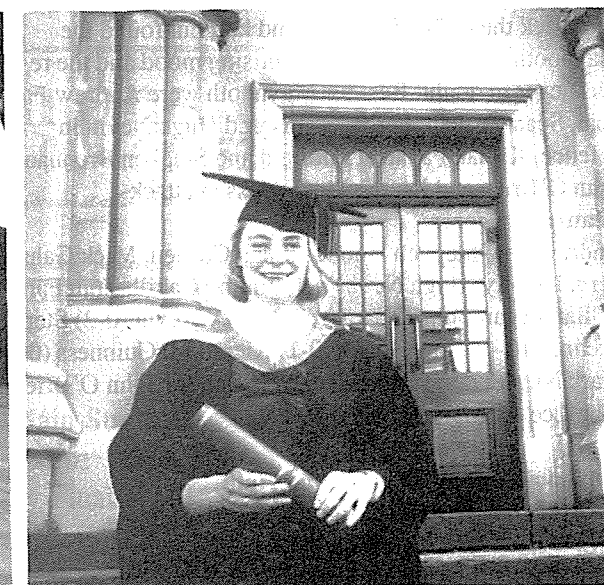
Community Council Staff at Launch of Festival



Maedhbh Ní Chonuladh with escort Antonio Quiñones at the Miss Royal Canal Contest in the Glenroyal Hotel



This scene shows a group of local children, clearing 'having a ball' at the music in the Square



Siobhán Howard-Williams who received 1st class Honours Degree in Furniture Product & Design in Nottingham University.

Sports

Robert Hammond struck for his second goal after a lob from Peter Guinan unsettled the Coill Dubh defence. Séan Brady got his name on the scoresheet for Maynooth after taking a handpass from Morgan Sweeney and booting the sliotar to the net. Coill Dubh got their first score of the second half in the 20th minute when a fifty yards free was not cleared by the Maynooth defence and a goal ensued. Maynooth responded with a point from a free by Mikey Gleeson in the 22nd minute. Morgan Sweeney broke through the Coill Dubh defence but his goal bound shot was blocked by the goalkeeper, [however, Séan Brady was on hand to whip the sliotar to the net.] Moments later a concerted attack by Coill Dubh ended with a marvellous save from Maynooth net minder Mark Kavanagh. Mikey Gleeson concluded the scoring for Maynooth in the 25th minute with a point from a free. However Coill Dubh fought to the bitter end and scored 2 consolation goals in the final five minutes.

Best for Maynooth were Mark Kavanagh, Tommy Masterson, Séan O'Flaherty, Chris Flynn, Mikey Gleeson, Pierre Ennis, Morgan Sweeney Sean Brady and Peter Guinan.

Team and Scorers

Mark Kavanagh, Joe Brennan, T. Masterson, Aidan Molloy, Peter Sheehan, S. O'Flaherty C. Flynn.

P. Ennis (0-1) M. Gleeson (0-8) P. Guinan R. Hammond (2-0) M. Sweeney Kevin Gannon S. Brady (2-0) D. McCarthy. Subs: P. Nevin for D. McCarthy, Brendan Coffey, Fergal Molloy, Stephen Kelly, Tom Flatley, Colin Cushen.

Return To Form By Maynooth

Intermediate Hurling League

Maynooth 0-12: Kilcock 0-4

Maynooth achieved a long overdue but well deserved victory over neighbours Kilcock at Maynooth on 19/06/96.

Maynooth gained the upper hand in this game from an early stage with the half back line and midfield particularly dominant and the attack took some fine scores to leave the home side leading at half time by 0-9 to 0-1. Kilcock tried to haul back the deficit in the second half but found the Maynooth defence in uncompromising mood and the result was never in doubt. Best for Maynooth were Andrew Fay in goal, Séan Cushen, Fergal Scully and Hugh Nevin in defence, Killian Fagan at midfield and Stephen Brennan, John O'Brien and Kieran McGuinness in attack.

Team and Scores

Andrew Fay, Stephen Noonan, Séan Cushen, Mick Gahan, Fergal Scully, Hugh Nevin(0-1) Jimmy Cahill, Tom Farrell, Killian Fagan, John O'Brien (0-2) Joey Nevin (0-2) Stephen Brennan (0-4) Tom Coffey (0-1) Kieran McGuinness (0-1) Mark Nugent (0-1) Subs: Senan Griffen for John O'Brien, John Lee for Mark Nugent.

Maynooth fall away in Second Half.

Intermediate Hurling League

Coill Dubh 1-11 Maynooth 1-3

In the first half of this game played at Maynooth on 26/06/96 the home side were by far the dominant team and were it not for some poor finishing they would have been more than one

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point ahead (1-2 to 0-4) at the interval. Early points by John O'Brien and Tom Coffey settled Maynooth but they were unable to increase that advantage and Coill Dubh, with limited possession, scored 3 points in quick succession. However a long range free from Hugh Nevin was collected on the 14 yard line by Killian Fagan who promptly crashed the sliotar into the Coill Dubh net. Coill Dubh responded with a point late in the first half to leave Maynooth leading by one point. In the second half Maynooth became very sluggish in their play and loose marking enabled Coill Dubh to hold the upper hand at midfield and their forwards took some fine long range points. Maynooth were only able to add on a further point from Tom Farrell. In the end Coill Dubh ran out easy winners.

Best for Maynooth were Séan Cushen, Hugh Nevin and Jimmy Cahill in defence, Tom Farrell at midfield and Stephen Brennan and Ciaran McGuinness in attack.

Team and Scores

Andrew Fay, Stephen Noonan, Séan Cushen, Senan Griffin, Pascal Ennis, Hugh Nevin, Jimmy Cahill, Tom Farrell (0-1) Killian Fagan (1-0), Stephen Brennan, Joe Nevin, John O'Brien (0-1) Eamon Toomey, Ciaran Mc Guinness, Tom Coffey (0-1), Subs: John Lee for John O'Brien, Mick Barry for Eamon Toomey.

Confey prove too strong for Maynooth

Intermediate Hurling Championship

Confey 3-11 : Maynooth 1-5.

Maynooth's Championship ambitions were severely dented in their first encounter with Confey on 30/06/96 at Ardclough. The Maynooth team as a unit played well below par and missed a number of scoring opportunities. Confey had the aid of a strong breeze in the first half and capitalised on this by scoring 2-7, while Maynooth with two points from frees by Tom Coffey and a goal from Mick Nevin were finding it difficult to keep in touch. In order for Maynooth to get back into the match it was vital that they got early scores in the second half. However this failed to materialise and

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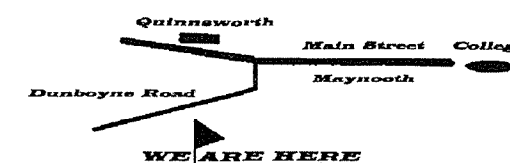
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Confey against the breeze used the low ball into the forward line to good effect, picking up some fine points. Maynooth, despite a lot of possession, were only able to add on a further three points from Tom Coffey, Mark Nugent and Fergal Scully.

Best for Maynooth were Mick Gahan, Senan Griffin, and Hugh Nevin in defence, Killian Fagan at midfield and Fergal Scully, Stephen Noonan and Ciaran McGuinness in attack.

Team and Scores

Andrew Fay, Paschal Ennis, Mick Gahan, Senan Griffin, Stephen Brennan, Hugh Nevin, Jimmy Cahill, Killian Fagan, Tom Farrell, Fergal Scully (0-1) Mick Nevin (1-0) Joey Nevin, Mark Nugent (0-1) Stephen Noonan, Tom Coffey (0-3)

Subs: Ciaran McGuinness for Joe Nevin: Ronan Murphy for Mark Nugent.

Intermediate Hurling League

Athy 6-6 : Maynooth 2-7

In this game played at Athy on 3/7/96 Maynooth never recovered from a dreadful start in which they conceded three goals in the first fifteen minutes. Maynooth had at least 50% of the play in the first half but the Athy defence, particularly the full backs were in outstanding form and only conceded three points in the first half. At half time Athy led by 3-2 to 0-3. Maynooth improved their performance considerably in the second half and early goals from Mick and Eoin Nevin brought them right back into contention. However Athy rallied and scored a further three goals to ensure a home victory. Maynooth were short a number of regulars for this match but slackness in defence and the inability of the attack to take their scores were the main reasons for their defeat. Best for Maynooth were Mick Gahan, Fergal Scully, Jimmy Cahill, Tom Farrell, Eamon Toomey and Padraic Ward.

Team and Scores

Andrew Fay, Ronan Murphy, Stephen Noonan, Mick Gahan, Fergal Scully, Séan Cushen, Jimmy Cahill, Mick Nevin, (1-4) Tom Farrell (0-1), Senan Griffin, Eamon Toomey, Stephen Brennan, Padraic Ward, Mick Barry, Tom Coffey (0-2)

Subs: Hugh Nevin for Andrew Fay. Eoin Nevin (1-0) for Ronan Murphy.

Missed chances prove costly for Maynooth

Junior Hurling League

Moorefield 1-13 : Maynooth 0-3.

In their home patch Maynooth failed to take advantage of many scoring opportunities and thus went under to a solid Moorefield outfit on 20/06/96. In the first half Moorefield held the upperhand despite some resolute defending by the Maynooth rearguard and led at half time by 1-6 to 0-3. Maynooth created a number of goal scoring chances in the second half but failed to raise a single flag for the half hour whereas the winners added on a further seven points to their tally and could have scored further goals were it not for some fine goalkeeping from Matt Carroll.

Best for Maynooth in addition to Carroll were Mick Gahan,

Brian Nevin, Stephen Noonan in defence, Fergus Devereux at midfield and in attack David Cusker, and Eamon Toomey when moved to the forty never stopped trying.

Team and Scores: Matt Carroll, Matt Callaghan, Mick Gahan, David Corcoran, Brian Nevin, Stephen Noonan, Eoin Nevin, John O'Brien (0-1), Fergus Devereux (0-1) David Cusker (0-1) John Lee, Mark Nugent, Philip Cunningham, Eamonn Toomey, Ealla Hassett.

Subs: Alan Nugent for Hassett, Ronan Bennett for Cunningham.

Kildare Team

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INTERMEDIATE HURLING LEAGUE

Maynooth out of luck in Blitz Mini-Féile U/14 Hurling Blitz

Sixteen clubs from various Leinster counties took part in the competition on 15th June 1996. These clubs were graded into eight strong and eight stronger groups with both these groups subdivided into teams of four. Maynooth who were graded in the stronger category had the Parnells Club from Carlow, Kiltegan from Wicklow and hosts Leixlip in their group. The Blitz was organised on a league basis with each team in their group playing three matches and the top two teams advancing to the knock out stages.

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Sports

In the first match Maynooth played Parnells. The first half was an even affair and the teams were level at half time on the score of 1-2 apiece. Maynooth who were short a number of regulars were unable to penetrate the Parnells defence in the second half and succumbed to their opponents on a score of 3-5 to 2-2. Best for Maynooth were Joe Brennan, Peter Sheehan, Seán O'Flaherty, Mark Kavanagh, Seán Brady and Morgan Sweeney.

Scorers: Mikey Gleeson 1-2; Donal McCarthy 1-0. In their second match Maynooth played Kiltegan. In the first half Maynooth hurled well taking some fine scores and led at half time by 3-1 to 0-1. In the second half Maynooth lost their composure and Kiltegan came back strongly in the last ten minutes to edge out Maynooth by one point on a scoreline of 2-7 to 3-3. Best for Maynooth were Aidan Molloy, Peter Sheehan, Tommy Masterson, Seán O'Flaherty and Mikey Gleeson.

Scorers: Morgan Sweeney 1-2; Mickey Gleeson 1-1; Seán O'Flaherty 1-0.

In their third match Maynooth came up against arch rivals Leixlip. Their earlier exertions began to take its toll on the players and Leixlip cruised to an easy victory on a scoreline of 6-8 to 1-2. Maynooth scores came from Mikey Gleeson 1-0; Seán Brady 0-1; Morgan Sweeney 0-1. Best for Maynooth were Brendan Coffey, Chris Flynn, Seán Brady, Kevin Gannon and Joe Brennan. Thus ended Maynooth's involvement in the Mini-Féile Blitz.

Maynooth Panel: Stephen Kelly, Pádraic Nevin, Tommy Masterson, Joe Brennan, Peter Sheehan, Seán O'Flaherty, Aidan Molloy, Mark Kavanagh, Mikey Gleeson, Morgan Sweeney, Seán Brady, Robert Hammond, Colin Cushen, Donal McCarthy, Thomas Flatley, Kevin Gannon, Fergal Molloy, Brendan Coffey and Chris Flynn.

U/16 Football League
Maynooth 1-9 Kilcock 2-3

This victory was a great boost to the U/16 team who had been floundering recently. Propping up the wrong end of the League Table and out of the championship this young team were not giving up and were still hungry for football. This hunger was shown against a team that had only been beaten by a point by the all conquering Clane team. Maynooth showed they could mix it with the best of them and come out on top. Their commitment had been questioned by their mentors and perhaps they had a point to prove to their mentors. Whatever the case this was their best performance since their first round victory against Sarsfield another of the big clubs.

Darren Naughton, captain and midfielder controlled this match from the centre of the pack. His fielding and distribution of the ball was superb, linking up very effectively with his younger brother Trevor. Between them

they scored eight points of Maynooth's total of 1-9. Darren scored 6pts, three from frees and he should have had a handful more. Trevor scored two points, one in each half, the first from a beautiful lob with the right foot from a tight angle. The second a low angled shot. In between Eamon Donoghue the other corner forward scored a lovely goal from a great pass from Trevor. William Farrelly or Chilly as he is known to his friends and foes alike scored the other point a long range shot after some beautiful fielding. Chilly had one of his best games for Maynooth playing at forward, he roamed far and near in search of the ball and usually came away with it. His turn of speed invariably left his marker in his wake. Sean Lennon was another who stamped his authority on this match coming out of defence time and again with the ball and breaking up many good Kilcock attacks. Aidan McCarron and Alan Geoghegan also worked very hard in defence and sent good quality passed up field. Maynooth in their efforts conceded two penalties which Kilcock converted. John Fagen and Dara Carr saved Maynooth on many occasions. Danny Byrne was switched onto Kilcock's dangerman Lorcan O'Brien. After the switch Lorcan wasn't as dangerous due to the efforts of Danny. Niall Byrne had his work cut out to keep out their centre forward. But he worked tirelessly and succeeded in keeping the rampaging forward at bay. Maynooth played more as a team, did what they were told, and when they got their heads in front they were not going to let it slip. If we win our two remaining matches we may be in contention for the league. But one thing is certain our confidence is sky high after a great performance against Kilcock.

Scorers.
Darren Naughton - 6pts, Eamonn O'Donoghue - 1goal, Trevor Naughton - 2pts., William Farrelly - 1pt.

Man of the Match.
Darren Naughton.
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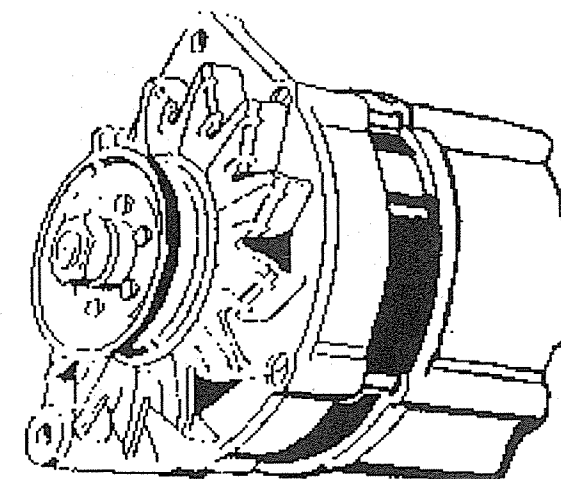
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JUNIOR CAMOGIE LEAGUE

Maynooth 1-3 Vs Confey 0-3

Maynooth again emerged victorious in another local clash but their victory wasn't easily won, a great combination of camogie playing and team unification enabled the still very young team to beat a much older and experienced Confey team. The fact Confey got to the final last year didn't knock the confidence of the Maynooth girls. Confey opened the scoring early with a point from Teresa Dennehy and although they commanded much of the first half they couldn't convert their chances. Maynooth got two excellent points both from Teresa Hession and they lead 0-2 to 0-1 at half time.

The second half opened and this time it was Maynooth's turn to do the dominating and a further point from Teresa Hession and a superb goal by Emma Fahy was responded to by two points from Confey. Yet again for Maynooth another valuable two points.

Maynooth team: Ger Fahy, Catherine Duff, Naomi Devereux, Laura Neville, Ann-Marie Farrell, Michelle Gillick, Teresa Hession, Emma Fahy, Sharon Cummins, Margaret Callaghan, Talihia Duffy, Ann Comerford.

Subs: Niamh Mulready for Laura Neville, Ger O'Gorman for Sharon Cummins, Fiona Cassidy, Edwina Mahoney.

Maynooth 1-3 Vs Sarsfields 0-3

The Maynooth girls entered this match a little dubious as they are also set to face Sarsfields in the first round of the championship. The Maynooth girls were not going to let this dampen their day as they wished for a valuable two points which they dutifully achieved. This was an excellent team performance with the defence of Ann-Marie Farrell, Catherine Duff and Naomi Devereux being as good as a brick wall. Maynooth opened the scoring with an excellent long-range shot from Michelle Gillick, Teresa Hession then got a very good goal and she then went and pointed two frees accurately over the bar.

Maynooth team: Ger Fahy, Catherine Duff, Naomi Devereux, , Niamh Mulready, Ann-Marie Farrell, Michelle Gillick, Talihia Duffy, Emma Fahy, Ann Comerford, Teresa Hession, Edwina Mahoney, Sharon Cummins, Ciara O'Neill.

Maynooth 2-5 Vs Celbridge 1-1

After a six week break from the sport due to exams, the Maynooth girls came back to the sport with a bang in this local derby. They had a very convincing win over a very young and impressive Celbridge side. The Celbridge girls started this match in an eager spirit but Maynooth fought hard and it paid off in the end.

Maynooth team: Emma Fahy, Catherine Duff, Naomi Devereux, Sharon Cummins, Ann-Marie Farrell, Aisling Kelly, Edwina Mahoney, Ger O'Gorman, Teresa Hession, Michelle Gillick, Ann Comerford, Margaret Callaghan, Ciara O'Neill.

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The highlight of our close season was certainly the visit to Maynooth of the two teams from San Francisco. A ladies and mens team played the local sides during their Irish visit at St. Patricks College. We would like to thank the College Authorities at this stage for allowing us the use of their facilities.

The ladies match kicked off the evenings' entertainment with Maynooth Vs San Francisco ladies.

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Sports

Maynooth Town 2 San Francisco Ladies 2

A most entertaining game in which Maynooth took an early lead through a spectacular Antoinette Mooney goal which set the scene for a thrilling game. The visitors to their credit fought back gamely despite their weariness from a hectic schedule and improved as the game wore on. Taking over at midfield they kept pushing forward and kept Maynooth under wraps for long periods, but were unable to pierce a stubborn home defence and still saw themselves trailing by the only goal at half-time.

The second half saw San Francisco get their due reward when Theresa Mooney outsped the home defence to grab the equaliser. This goal spurred San Francisco and they kept up the pressure on Maynooth, before increasing their lead when the speed of Theresa Mooney proved to be a problem once more, when she broke clear with a blinding burst of speed to grab the lead with a low ground shot. It looked as if Maynooth were going to buckle under the fierce pressure, but urged on by a large home following they again got to grips with the opposition to compose their own authority on the game once more and swept forward from midfield in search of the equaliser. It looked as if the visitors would take the honours, but Maynooth kept battling away and the old adage of "its never over until the fat lady sings", certainly proved correct. With time running out Maynooth won a free kick just outside the box. Antoinette Mooney coolly placed our shot around the defensive wall and wide of the keeper for a deserved equaliser. A fitting result to an excellent game.

Maynooth Town 2 San Francisco Celtic 1

This game proved to be as exciting and closely fought as the opening game with the Celtic side led by former Maynooth Town player Niall Boyce. Showing that he had lost little of his former dash and élan he proved that Maynooth's loss was certainly San Francisco's gain. Sporting a new hairstyle a la Vialli he led his troops with great dash and hustled and harried throughout the game and gave the Maynooth midfield a torrid time during the early stages of the game. Being played during the close season one wondered if Maynooth's inactivity would prove to be a problem in the latter stages of the game. Maynooth shook the early stages of the game but were unable to make any impression on a strong uncompromising visitor's defence. Midway through the second half Celtic took the lead when Maynooth got the outside trap all wrong and paid the price when Mickey Kelly was left exposed in goal and could do nothing to prevent the opening score. Maynooth shut up shop after this and gave an excellent rearguard performance in keeping Celtic at bay. The second half saw Maynooth turn over a goal down but they set out rectifying the matter with great gusto. Adolar Acacio was leading the line with great dash and was revelling in the warm Summer conditions which were more akin to the Brazilian conditions he was accustomed to before coming to Maynooth. Adolar set up the equaliser for Donncha McCarrick when neatly headed into the latter path

who made no mistake from close range. With the game taking on a distinct draw appearance Adolar popped up to grab the winner in the dying moments. Although defeated the Celtic team accepted the fact with grace and were now looking forward to the evenings entertainment in The Roost. Refreshments were on hand at The Roost and were enjoyed and savoured by one and all. Excellent entertainment by Noel and Sandra Brady had everybody in top form for the remainder of the evening.

During the evening Club Chairman welcomed Celtic to Maynooth and wished them well during their extensive tour and hoped that they would get more favourable results for their efforts. He also related the times when Niall Boyce was a Town player and intimated that a place would be available to him if he ever returns home. In response Niall Boyce countered by saying that he was happy to return to Maynooth with his team mates and spend some time among former team mates and school pals. Thanking Maynooth for arranging the games he fondly recalled his days as a Town player with his late brother Colm in whose memory this tour was commemorated. Closing his speech he wished the Town well in the new season and looked forward to another visit in the future.

The club was deeply saddened by the recent untimely death of Ann Mooney. Ann whose daughter Antoinette is one of the cornerstones of the ladies team was a staunch supporter of the club. Even during the latter stages of her illness Ann was to be seen at the games urging on the ladies in their quest for honours. Her presence at games will be sadly missed but we can be sure that she will still be urging and encouraging her favourites from her now lofty perch in that Great Stadium above.

To her husband Tony, daughters Antoinette, Martina and Jaqui we extend our sincere sympathy.

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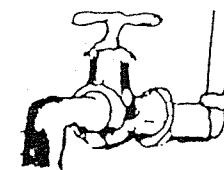
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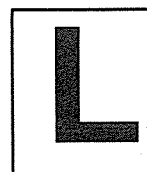
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In Section 2 Derrinstown Stud, last year's winners, came top, winning all their matches. The fight for the runners-up spot went right to the wire with the second last match of the final evening deciding the outcome between The Commitments and The Terminators. The Terminators, with nearly all ex-footballers, were red-hot favourites. However, as their name implies, The Commitments showed much more commitment and determination to hold out for a 1-1 result and go through on goal difference.

The first semi-final was between The Gravediggaz and The Commitments with the former 1/3 favourites. However, The Commitments yet again showed that they had great 'bottle' and won 2-0 against a totally demoralised Gravediggaz.

The second semi-final between Derrinstown Stud and Parklands was a much closer contest. After a cat and mouse, normal time produced a 0-0 scoreline. The game went into extra time and the Golden Goal rule applied for the first time in any competition in Ireland. The Golden Goal rule proved to be a great success with both teams opening up and playing very exciting fast football. Ger Brabston got the all important goal for Derrinstown after 4 minutes play.

So to the final between Derrinstown Stud and The Commitments. The former were the red hot favourites but the crowd were with The Commitments.

But first of all, on the final day we had a women's match between The Dizzies and Simply The Best. The players provided great entertainment for the large crowd. It took only nine minutes for Stephanie Thompson to put Simply The Best ahead with a smashing twenty yard shot.

The Dizzies missed from a penalty before equalising through Ann Marie Reilly three minutes from time.

After 1-1 in normal time Ann Lyons scored the Golden Goal three minutes into extra time.

The Dizzies' jerseys were sponsored by The Roost and Simply The Best by Brady's.

The men's final was just as close as the women's. Both sides showed great respect for each other. It took 18 minutes before Paul Brabston put Derrinstown in front with a near-post header following a corner. Despite intense pressure from The Commitments, Derrinstown hung on for a deserved victory.

Presentation of the trophies took place in The Roost and a good time was had by all.

Finally, I would like to thank all the teams for their very sporting behaviour and particularly for their punctuality throughout the tournament. Thanks also to my fellow hard-working Organising Committee members, Willie Saults, John Doogan, Lennie Murphy and Tom Dempsey. Many thanks is due to our referee, Brendan Lawless, who handled the matches in his usual excellent manner.

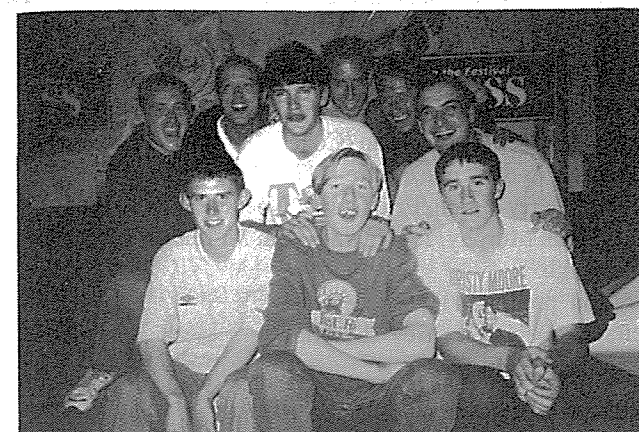
Last and by no means least, I would like to thank our sponsors, Guinness Ireland, who again put up such fine trophies for both the men's and women's competition.



Guinness 7-a-side soccer - Ladies Team Runners-up "The Dizzies"



Guinness 7-a-side soccer Men's Winning Team "Derrinstown Stud"



Guinness 7-a-side soccer Mens Runners-up "The Commitments"

TUG-O-WAR

Maynooth Festival Report

The 5th Annual Tug-O-War Festival Tournament took place on Sunday 14th July in the Harbour Field at 4pm. Despite bright sunny conditions the attendance was down on previous years due to Maynooth Footballers playing in the championship and the televised hurling matches. As the rope was rolled out we knew we were up against it, but the good-spirited members of the community present, ensured that we did not fail.

The youngsters did not let us down as the U/10 mixed boys and girls, with great vigour and enthusiasm started the proceedings. One is reminded of Isaiah 11 (6-7)—"and a little child shall lead them". (He was a better scribe than I). And so it was these little hands which pulled desperately, as if trying to raise a dead Maynooth from deep slumber. Regretfully the names of these winners are not available.

U/12 Winners

In the U/12 mixed Boys and Girls, the contestants struggled hard and honoured the occasion with their best efforts. The winners were Gary McMahon, Stephen Healy, Thos. McGovern, Dean Conway, David O' Connor, Patrick Behan, Oliver Lanney, Paul Lanney, Lyndsey Behan and Pamela Lee. The R/UP's were: John Kinsella, Michael Higgins, Lawrence Hutchinson, James Fallon, Brenda Kelly, Stephen Conneely, Amy O'Connor, David O'Brien, Ann Connolly, Bryan O'Rourke. Freda Kelliher of Festival Committee was on hand to present the prizes.

Torrid Victory

The U/14 Boys took centre stage in the sun scorched arena and a difficult torrid victory was won by these dogged contestants who have been a feature of the tournament over the last two years. The winners were: Harinder Gill, Trevor McMahon, Noel Healy, Mícheál Conway, Derek O'Sullivan, Andrew Grehan, Niall Bright, David O'Brien and Sean Kennedy.

The R/UP's were: John Kinsella, Mark Kavanagh, Thos

McGovern, Gary McMahon, Patrick Behan, Michael Higgins, Brendan Kelly, John Doogan and John Tobin.



U/14 Boys Winners:- Harinder Gill, Trevor McMahon, Noel Healy, M. Conway, Derek O'Sullivan, Andrew Grehan, Niall Bright, David O'Brien, Sean Kennedy.

Loudest Cheers

The U/14 Girls, many of whom had competed last year, gave a great display and when victory was won the loudest cheers of joy and delight awakened Maynooth Festival Week.

The winners were: Julie Comerford, Stacey McGovern, Ciara Leavey, Leanne O'Brien, Carrie Flynn, Pauline O'Neill and Denise Geoghegan.

The R/UP's were: Vickie Byrne, Sandra White, Lisa Finan, Terry Ann Byrne, Valerie Kealy, Denise Dolan, Clodagh Mee. Norah McDermott of Community Council Offices presented the prizes.



U/14 Girls Winners:- Julie Comerford, Stacey McGovern, Ciara Leavey, Leanne O'Brien, Carrie Flynn, Pauline O'Neill, Denise Geoghegan.

Greater Skill

In U/18 Boys, the winners showed the greater skill of the under-age competitors. They kept an even formation and responded well to coach George Gallagher.

The R/UP's also showed great determination and passion and were very disconsolate at losing.

The winners were: Ruairi Wadefort, Rodney Hopkins, Peter

Sports

Kinsella, Jonathan Gallagher, Ross Boylan, Sean Lennon, Ritchie Hughes, Jose Lorenzo. R/Up results not available.



U/18 Boys Tug-O-War Winners:- Ruari Waderfort, Rodney Hopkins, Peter Kinsella, Jonathon Gallagher, Ron Boylan, Sean Lennon, Ritchie Hughes, Jose Lorenzo.

Brave woman said it all!

In the Senior Women's event there was a shortage of competitors. One brave contestant called out, "Where is your community spirit?", summing up the feelings of all present. However a good contest got under-way and Helens Hair Affair team showed the greater composure and resisting strong heaves they edged to victory. They got nothing easy with Sean Hyland's sister Lil O'Rourke featuring on the other side.

The winners were: Marie McGovern, Margaret McNamara, Bridget McNamara, Catherine McNamara, Martina Finnan, Geraldine Browne, Caroline Thompson, Eileen Healy. Liz Stoll of Community Council presented the prizes. This was the 5th successive win for Helen's Hair Affair team.

In the lap of 'the gods'

In Senior Men, again the interest was down on previous years, however three teams engaged in battle. In early pulls there was a good staunch battle between 'the Hopefuls' and 'the Gods' with the former winning out.

Then, the Hopefuls, were up against a strong Brady's side. The latter were never under pressure and gave a great display of tug-o-war, which was enjoyed by the younger fraternity. Brady's then faced 'the Gods!' The latter showed the true spirit of the competition in battling with superior opposition. The tournament winners Bradys were in control throughout and their skill and antics were popular with youngsters who dubbed them "The Professionals". The Bradys selection included Sean Hyland recent winner of a Leinster Gold Medal in the 660 section.

Other great local campaigners included strongmen George Gallagher (Manager) and Michael O Rourke who are master weight pullers. The winners were: Bradys, George Gallagher (Capt) Michael O Rourke, Sean Hyland, Leo Hynes, Liam FitzHarris, Anthony Muleady, Anthony Mooney, Aidan Mulhall.

The R/UP's were: "The Hopefuls" Brendan Byrne, Paul Finnan, Willie Healy, Paul O'Brien, Paul Stone, John Gibbons, Nicholas Donovan (Coach) other names not available. In third place were :- 'The Gods' : Brian O Connor, Gerry Quinn, Eric Quinn, Noel McGovern, Pat Craig, John Murphy, Jer Hearn, Tom McMahon and Peter McCullagh.

Liz Stoll presented the Prizes.

Referee:- Declan Dufficy (Leixlip).

The day would not have been possible without our generous sponsors: The Community Council, The Glenroyal Hotel, Brady's The Clock House, The Leinster Arms, Caulfields Bar & Lounge, The Roost.

Thanks also to George & John Gallagher for setting up the arena, The Sports Locker and Willie Kiernan.

Footnote

Oh how I remember the days when cheers of success rang in my ears. Last Sunday when tug-o-war's back was to the wall, you could count on one hand all the former men competitors who turned out. However, with our ranks swelled by children, women and other local warriors and dare-devils, we held the garrison.

Viva La Revolucion

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For all those people the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered and the memories of their support will remain with us forever.

To the People of Maynooth and Surrounds

We would like to say a very grateful thanks to the Fire Brigade for organising the Lourdes Fund to send Ann and myself to Lourdes. It was sad that Ann didn't get to make the trip but Martina and myself did go.

Thanks to all the people who sold and bought tickets and who helped in anyway. We prayed at the Grotto for Ann with our Blessed Lady.

We lit candles and prayed for everyone. We will never forget the trip; it was the most enjoyable and peaceful experience of our lives. Thanks to all.

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

God Bless, everyone.

Tony and Martina Mooney.

The family of the late Kathleen Murphy would like to thank everyone who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement. All those who sent mass cards, wreaths, letters of condolences, including those who helped in any way. The Holy Sacrament of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

SYMPATHY

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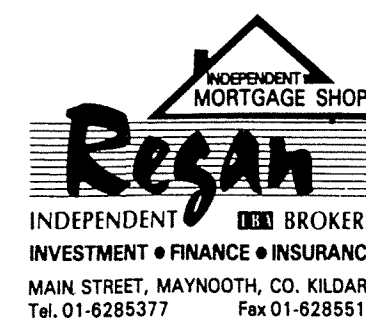
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