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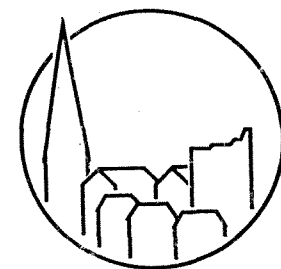
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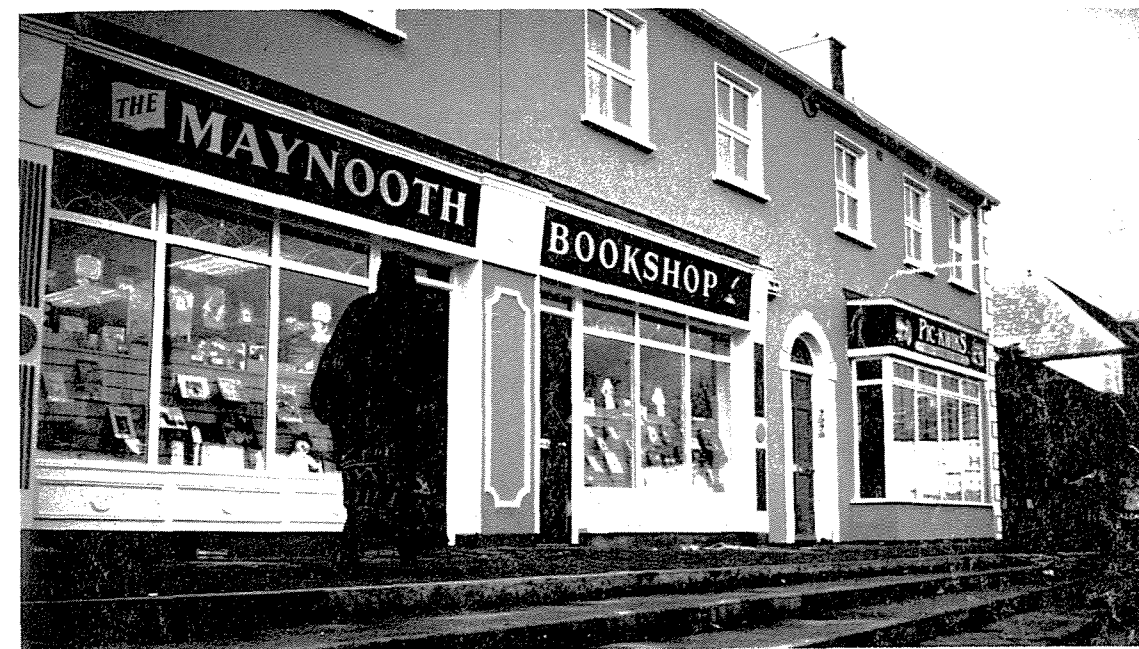


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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with something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

Community Council & Newsletter Staff

EDITORIAL

Maynooth town is finally taking shape. The bridge is finished and the Square is set for a transformation. In spring of 1996 we should see the finished product with the sculptures and archways adding a continental touch to the town. However, no matter how continental we look, the town still retains a particularly Irish problem — vandalism. This problem affects all aspects of the town.

The Royal Canal Amenity Group have done very fine work on the reconstruction of the Harbour area of the town but they find it difficult to keep the wooden slats on the seats they have built as the vandals decide to burn them during their drinking parties. The I.C.A. hall has been regularly vandalised. They now require protection in the form of grilles for the windows. The 1916 Memorial Stone was smashed in Pound Lane.

S.I.A.C., the contractors on the bridge and road building, have stated that their works are constantly vandalised. Cones are moved on the road and signs are interfered with. Last weekend, the 9th and 10th December, a more serious form of vandalism took place. The heavy stone blocks for finishing the bridges were pushed off their positions on the walls. It takes a crane to lift these blocks but only a few Maynooth vandals to move them from their position. Imagine if these blocks had fallen onto the railway line. We have in Maynooth an easily identified group to target as vandals — the students. But these things also happen when the students are on holidays. So it could be your son or daughter who perpetrates these acts.

The teaching of civic pride in the home and in our schools is the only way to combat this problem. Perhaps a joint New Year resolution for the people of Maynooth should be to stamp out vandalism now that we have a town of which we can be proud.

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Maynooth Community Council Notes

The Community Council wishes all the people of Maynooth a Happy New Year.

We would also like to congratulate the Chamber of Commerce for their beautiful display of Christmas lights during the festive season.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

We held a public meeting of our committee on the 30th November 1995 in the Maynooth Post-Primary School. This meeting was well advertised, with the general public and residents associations invited to this information meeting. But for members of the press, three of our local councillors and a few other interested people, it would have been an ordinary committee meeting. To quote our chairman Bob O'Reilly "He was very disappointed with the attendance", considering a number of complaints had been received regarding Tidy Town work. That said, we would like to thank councillors Catherine Murphy, John McGinley and Senan Griffin for their attendance and input into the meeting. We had our Turkey draw and thank Super Valu for their support and Brian Smith, Super Valu manager, for the vouchers which were won by Ollie Bright, Donnacadh O'Neill, Mattie Callaghan.

Plans for the future

Greater liaison with Kildare County Council at Local and County level on a more regular basis.

Regular contact with local councillors to ensure above takes place in an effective manner.

To inform local groups of our plans and try and get more advice about the work we are carrying out.

A number of changes are taking place to Maynooth and we hope in the next issue to advise you of same.

We wish all a Happy New Year and look forward to the positive developments in our town.

Richard Farrell
P.R.O.

C.I.C. NOTES

Question: I am long-term unemployed, married with three dependent children. I was getting £139.60 until I went on a Community Employment Scheme in June. I was then getting £156.45. I am now on Disability Benefit because I've had an operation and I get £91.98 Disability Benefit and £45.60 from the Health Board to bring me up to the basic Supplementary Welfare Level. I am told that I won't qualify for the Christmas Bonus as it is not paid to people on Disability or Unemployment Benefit. Is this true?

Answer: Yes. People on Disability Benefit or Unemployment Benefit or Short-term Unemployment Assistance in the first week in December when the Christmas Bonus - 70% of normal weekly payment - is paid, do not qualify for the Bonus. If you had been on Long-term Unemployment Assistance or the CE Scheme you would have got an additional £97.72.

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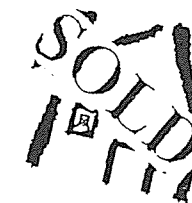
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MAYNOOTH BAND BULLETIN

We welcome you to the first Bulletin of the New Year. Our wish for 1996 is that we can build on the new music classes which began in October last to strengthen our forces over the coming years.

Race Night

We are glad to report that our race night in 1995 has been the most successful ever. Thanks to a combination of the Under - 21 Football Final, the Michael Carruth fight and a bar extension we had a capacity crowd who cheered the winners to the finishing post in every race. A great night was had by all and we benefited considerably from their enjoyment. We would like to thank most sincerely the following race sponsors for their continued generosity towards the band:- AIB Maynooth, Bartons Transport, Carton Hall Service Station, Circle Paints Ltd., Clock House (Maynooth), Coonan's Auctioneers, Corbally Stud, Mary Cowhey and Co., Ray Crofton Motors, Derrinstown Stud, Gas Showrooms (Maynooth), Geraldine Arms, Intel Ltd., Hugh Jordan & Co., Edward Kavanagh & Son, Moyglare Manor Hotel, Moyglare Stud, Brian Noone Ltd., Poitín Stil, Readymix Ltd., Emmet Stagg T.D., and Maynooth Office Supplies.

We would also like to thank the following who also contributed to the success of the race night: Coyne & Bergin, Katie's Flowers, Ulster Bank Ltd., Maynooth G.A.A. Club, M.C. Paddy Desmond and all who sponsored horses.

Christmas Festivities

At the time of writing we have not yet set out on our Christmas Carol Recitals, but we have organised our band with a view to covering all the estates in Maynooth over a four night period (weather permitting of course), in addition to our usual session in Quinnsworth Shopping Centre, so we hope we can complete our programme as planned which will in fact be our first year to visit everybody in Maynooth since the expansion of the town.

Christmas Day/New Year's Eve

With the development of the Square almost complete we hope to have more success in our traditional recitals on Christmas Day and New Year's Eve than we had for the Band Mass. Again at time of writing we don't know where we stand but hopefully Santa Claus will bring us a suitable spot.

Looking Forward to 1996

At this point in time the key items on our agenda are our A.G.M. on Monday 22nd January at 8.30p.m., a gala concert at the end of February and St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth (we also have applications from Kilcock, Enfield

and other centres all to be considered). However, our annual trip to Limerick is in doubt this year because the National Feast Day falls on a Sunday. More about this next month.

That's about all for now - see you in February.

COMMUNITY GAMES

The Community Games committee are holding their Annual General Meeting on 24th January 1996 at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall.

The committee would like to see a well-attended meeting this year, so come along and show your interest and enthusiasm in your children's recreational and sporting activities.

All Managers of Community Games events in 1995 are particularly requested to attend this important meeting.

The Committee have requested that all winners in events this year should return their Trophies, Cups, Plaques etc. to the Community Council office for the purpose of ascertaining the extent of damaged trophies etc. in order to carry out the necessary repairs prior to the 1996 events.

Secretary

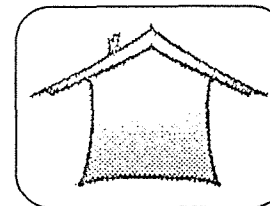


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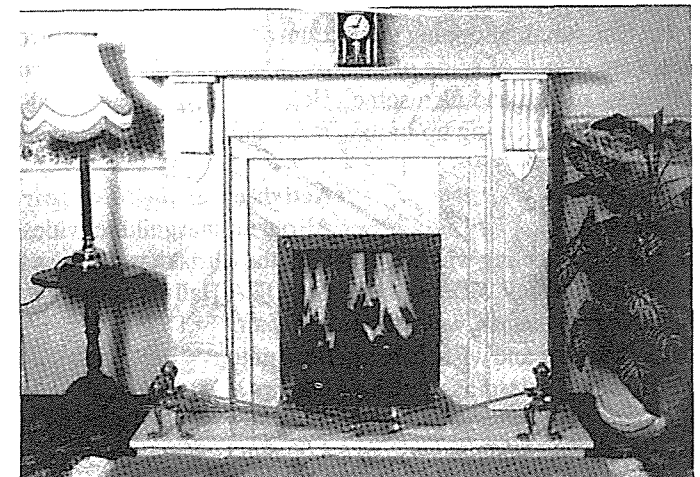
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ICA NOTES

As these are my first notes of the new year let me start by wishing our members and friends a very happy 1996. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas. My fellow guild members and myself had a very busy time in the run up to Christmas with meetings, crafts, sport, parties, etc., not to mention the Christmas shopping and baking. Here are details of some of the events of the last month and also some information on what's coming up in the new year.

December Meeting

The December guild meeting was held in the ICA Hall on Thursday 7 December. Our president, Marion Souhan, welcomed the ladies to our meeting and wished them a Very Happy Christmas. She complimented the ladies who decked out our hall in such nice decorations.

Following the usual business of the meeting we had a most enjoyable demonstration of cosmetics and beauty products from the Celtic Milled Beauty Products range. Thank you to Ms. Tina Murphy and Ms. Eileen Carroll for giving us lots of hints and tips on skin care and massage.

We then had our traditional Christmas

draw for turkeys, hams and a Christmas pack of beauty products. The lucky winners were:- M. O'Gorman, T. Corcoran, R. Hanley, M. Deane, A. Broughan and yours truly! The night finished on a high note with a lovely supper and some seasonal music.

Thirty Years in ICA

Two members of our guild, Mrs. Felicity Satchwell and Mrs. Helen Doyle, celebrated 30 years in the ICA in 1995. The two ladies received commemorative certificates at a ceremony during the Kildare Federation Christmas Party in Lumville House on 29 November. Our president, Marion Souhan, congratulated Helen and Felicity. We all wish them many more years of happy membership.

Activities for the New Year

All our normal guild activities will resume after the Christmas break as follows:-

Art - ICA Hall - Thursday 8 February at 8.00 p.m.

Badminton - Parish Hall - Tuesday 9 January at 10.45 a.m.

Crafts - ICA Hall - Monday 15 January at 8.00 p.m.

Bowling - Sometime in New Year - See Margaret Houlihan.

New members are always welcome.

Night out to Theatre

We are off to the theatre on Thursday 18 January to see "Return to the Hill". Rosemary Hanley has organised a coach to and from the theatre and anyone interested in this night out should contact Rosemary as soon as possible.

Irish Competition

The New Year is only starting and we are into competitions already. Veva Kearins, our Timire, tells me it's an Irish competition this time. All members who are good with the "cupla focal" should contact Veva as soon as possible as the closing date is 4 February. There is a lovely prize for the overall winner of a week in An Grianán.

Osteoporosis in Women

The ICA are undertaking a comprehensive campaign of information and education on Osteoporosis in 1996. It is proposed to launch this National Osteoporosis Campaign in February. We have a small and very informative book entitled "Make No Bones About it" and it is available to any member who would like to borrow it.

Trip to Strasbourg

Details were given at the November Federation meeting of a Trip to Strasbourg in April of 1996. Anyone interested should contact the Federation secretary, Ms. Mary Whelan, for more information.

Next Meeting

Our first meeting of 1996 will be in the ICA Hall, The Harbour, Maynooth on Thursday 11 January at 8.00 p.m. The competition on that night will be "A slice of Christmas Pudding". Please note that the February Guild meeting will be on the first Thursday of the month as is normal, i.e. Thursday 1 February.

Connie Harpur
PRO, Maynooth ICA.

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GOLFING SOCIETY NEWS

The AGM of the Kildare ICA Federation Golfing Society was held in Bodenstown Golf Club on Tuesday 14th November. The new captain is Ms. Josie Fitzpatrick. The secretary is Ms. Ann Corry and the handicap secretary is Ms. Marie Houlihan. The society's finances will be looked after by treasurer, Ms. Peg Lynam.

After the AGM the ladies played a twelve hole competition. The new captain, Ms. Josie Fitzpatrick, was on top form, taking first prize on 21 points. In second place was Ms. Evylen O'Molloy on 20 points. There was also a category for "Pitch and Putters" and the top prize here went to Ms. Marcell Stokes on 9 points.

The next outing will be to Cill Dara (Woodlands) Golf Club on 23 January, 1996. Tee off will be at 10.30 - 11.00 a.m. The society has twenty-three members at present, but would warmly welcome new members. Maynooth ICA is well represented in the society by Ms. Breda Cronin. Any of our members who would like to know more about the Golfing Society should have a word with Breda.

Connie Harpur,
PRO, Maynooth ICA.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Annual Dinner, January 23rd, at Moyglare Manor Hotel. Tickets from Margaret Howe. Phone 6285454.

Results of December Competitions.

Class A
1st Felicity Satchwell
2nd Mary Cleary
3rd Mary Doyle

Class B
1st Kitty Core
2nd Phyllis Reid

Class C
1st Amanda Harris
2nd Rosemary Smyth

Plant Competition
1st Noeleen O'Brien
2nd Carmel O'Leary
3rd Sarah Angel

Next Meeting on February 20th in Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College, is a garden talk titled "Paint your Border", given by Dorothy Hill R.H.S.I. Lecturer.

Non-members welcome. Admission £3.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our Christmas party took place as planned on Sunday December 10th in the Post Primary School. We had a huge turnout for this despite the fact that there was a lot of flu and colds about. We had a wonderful afternoon, enhanced by the presence of a group from Leixlip Active Retirement Association.

Many thanks to Tom Ashe, Fr. Boylan, Brian Farrell, Kevin McGovern and of course Vincent who always makes sure that Santa arrives on time.

Our annual dinner will be held on Sunday January 7th at 5p.m. in the Post Primary School, sponsored as usual by Peter O'Brien to whom we owe immense gratitude. All our senior Citizens are welcome, just let us know by the 28th of December.

Our A.G.M. takes place on Tuesday, February 6th at 8 p.m. in the Health Centre. This is an open meeting and anyone interested in our work is welcome to come along.

Finally, I hope you all had a peaceful Christmas and may it last throughout the New Year.

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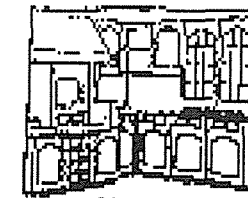
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Chairperson: Seamus O'Connell; Secretary: Gay Hoare;
Treasurer: Madeline O'Hare; P.R.O: Claire O'Rourke.

We would like also to thank the outgoing committee for all their hard work and dedication during the past year.

We wish all the staff, boys and parents a very happy New Year.

P.R.O. Claire O'Rourke

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Approximately five weeks ago the Royal Canal Amenity Group acquired, we are delighted to report, a new office situated beside the **Newsletter** and Community Council Offices. The office is staffed by Claire McGettrick a Community Employment Scheme worker on the RCAG. The office opening hours are 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The telephone number is 6290980.

The training package for the sixteen Community Employment Scheme workers will soon be put in motion, as Tom Flatley (Supervisor) has started on his training course with Fás. We still have vacancies for another three Community Employment Scheme workers, so anybody who is eligible and interested please contact us at the above number.

The stonewalling and general maintenance work on the canal is still in progress under the able supervision of Tom Flatley.

As soon as the station car park opens the canal amenity area will not be available for public car parking. Notice of closure will be displayed prior to the closure of this area. When the area is re-established as an amenity area we will then make arrangements for the key to be made available locally. In the meantime if anybody needs the key, get in touch with Tom Flatley (Supervisor) or Matt Kennedy.

Freda Kelleher

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Due to circumstances beyond our control our planned Pre-Christmas clean up in the estate did not take place. We will now have this clean up in the Spring of 1996.

We congratulate the Greenfield Shopping Centre Management and Businesses and Maxol Service Station on the beautiful Christmas display.

We are continuing our discussions on various items with Bord Gais, Kildare County Council, E.S.B. and Telecom Eireann, Cable Management (Television reception) and will keep you advised on developments.

Happy New Year to all our members, residents and readers.

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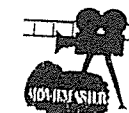
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So you have a winter week coming up and you're wondering what you might do with it? Should you tackle that wallpapering and painting job or will you be totally lazy and take off somewhere for the week? If laziness or leisure is the winner in this conundrum then you could do a lot worse than take yourself north of the border. Four of us did just that in October and we were very pleasantly surprised with many aspects of our adventure.

If you require information about the North, the Northern Ireland Tourist Board will provide you with loads of literature which will give you a huge choice of places to visit or stay in. One of the most striking features you will discover when you scan the accommodation options is the marvellous value and comfort offered. We chose an apartment in the Silvercliffs Caravan Park in Ballycastle on the north coast of Co. Antrim and we were so satisfied that I have no hesitation in recommending it.

Each apartment can sleep nine people. One bedroom has a double bed, adequate space for hanging clothes and a wash-hand basin; another bedroom has two bunk beds plus a single bed, plenty of space for clothes and a vanity unit, and the sittingroom area has two settees which can very easily convert into double beds. All beds have duvets so you won't spend much time making the beds; bed linen is also supplied. The heating facilities are adequate, though with the weather being so mild we didn't have to test it to any great extent. The bathroom has a shower unit and the fitted

kitchen is finished with a full oven, fridge, toaster and everything you require for your cooking needs. In fact, the only things you need bring are towels and tea towels. You even have a TV there — however, you can't tune in RTE One or Network Two (aw!).

Guinness £1.50 a pint!

The on-site recreation area includes a swimming pool, though this is open only at weekends during the winter months. This area also has a cosy bar which sells pints of Guinness for £1.50 and pints of Harp for only £1.30 — this on its own is almost enough to cause all dedicated drinkers to break for the border! A pool table and dart board are also available in the bar. During the low season the cost of accommodation including the use of these facilities comes to only £95 plus £10 compulsory insurance for a week, which means that if you are sharing costs your week's stay could be a lot less than the price of an evening meal in Dublin. We chose Ballycastle because of its location. It is fairly centrally situated if you are interested in exploring the Glens of Antrim, the famous Antrim Coast Road or all the North Antrim resorts and towns. Northern Ireland is a compact area, which means that most parts of it are a very comfortable driving distance from Ballycastle. The caravan park lives up to its name, being situated near a 300-foot cliff (don't worry, it's well fenced off). This means you have a great vantage point for looking over to Rathlin Island, six

miles away; Fair Head is to the north-east and Ballycastle town and bay are between you and Fair Head. Just to the north of Fair Head the Mull of Kintyre in Scotland is very prominently in view — one of our group was visiting us from Scotland so this meant we almost brought him back home!

We were reasonably lucky with the weather, apart from two days when we were kept housebound by teeming rain. Otherwise we were able to get out and about to see all the best-known sights. The Glens of Antrim, which all run out to the coast, give some impressive views of the pretty coastal towns of Cushendun and Cushendall. From some of the high points the western isles of Scotland can be very clearly seen.

Travelling westwards along the coast from Ballycastle provides a different kind of scenery to that of the glens: it is flatter countryside but very interesting nonetheless. The Giants Causeway, which is only 12 miles away, is well worth a visit: it is most unusual. A few miles further west will bring you to the ruins of the big Dunluce Castle. We stopped to have a quick look before moving on to Portrush. This is an extraordinary but very nice town. What makes it different is the fact that the main part of the town fills a narrow peninsula. There are beaches both east and west of

Portrush, and the October day on which we visited was so mild that there were several brave people in swimming. The town, which is very pleasant, is easily as big as Bray and has all the usual amusements of seaside resorts.

After passing through Portstewart, three miles further west, we turned south to visit the substantial town of Coleraine on the River Bann. Though impressed by the size of the town we were not delighted with its appearance. It has extensive pedestrian shopping areas and seemed very busy. Having visited all these places still finds you only twenty miles from Ballycastle when you go back by the more direct inland route. You can be surprised by how much you can see without having to drive very far.

Visiting Derry is a "must"

Derry was our destination on another outing — this was our longest trip at a distance of approximately 46 miles. There is truly an enormous amount to see in the very historic Maiden City and though we were there for several hours we left feeling conscious that we had only scratched the surface. A walk around the city walls is very interesting with all the well-known places you have heard of from more harrowing times to be seen before your very eyes. Two interesting buildings we visited were the Guildhall and St. Columb's Anglican cathedral.

Some terrific aspects of driving in Northern Ireland are the wonderful roads: the surfaces are very even and smooth, the road markings are very clear and the road signs are so good that you can truly feel spoiled. All towns of any size have by-passes so getting around can be very easy with no long, long tail-backs.

On our way home we visited Belfast and were very impressed: in many ways it seems bigger and busier than Dublin. Everywhere there seems to be the sign of change in the shape of new shopping centres just finished or work in progress. To the north-west of the city Cave Hill dominates the scene: the hill is over 1,000 feet high and must give a marvellous view over both the city and the surrounding countryside. On the eastern slopes of it is the beautiful Belfast Castle, which is well worth a visit. Another "must" if you are in Belfast is a visit to the Crown Bar on Great Victoria Street — stained-glass windows, marble-topped counters, fancy floor tiles and lovely mahogany-finished snugs all comprise what is probably the best pub in Ireland.


At the beginning of our visit to Northern Ireland we had been slightly apprehensive, given the reputation the area has built up over the years, but by the time we were leaving this had largely changed for the better. The signs of bitter division seem to fading and this is reflected in a strange way: people don't seem to be caring about replacing the ragged Irish flags in Nationalist areas, no more than Union Jacks are being replaced in Loyalist areas. The feeling of entering alien territory is not so strong when the colours are not so starkly painted — maybe the place is a bit friendlier than it used to be. So we left Northern Ireland with very few bad memories: it is definitely no longer a "no go" area. Overall, it is definitely neater and cleaner than the Republic, accommodation is very good and value is generally better than in the south. It is now on our list of places to visit.

Paddy Caulfield



During the troubles the Guildhall in Derry was blasted twice, almost totally wrecking the interior. It is now fully restored.

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round as it is one of the most serious breaches of the Road Traffic Act. It is worth remembering that non-compliance with this legislation often results in tragedy for the offenders, their families or innocent parties who become victims via traffic accidents. Finally on a lighter note the Gardaí would like to express their appreciation to all those who attended our functions, business organisations, residents associations, and all concerned or connected in any way. May we take this opportunity to wish you a peaceful and crime free 1996.

MAYNOOTH AND MOYGLARE COMMUNITY CHANNEL

A meeting was held recently in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on the future development of the Maynooth and Moyglare Community Channel. The meeting, attended by representatives from Maynooth based community groups and Screenphones Ltd. (the company which produces the Community Channel), was organised in an effort to heighten the level of community involvement in this pilot project.

Representatives from such groups as Maynooth Community Council, Citizen's Information Centre, Maynooth Old People's Committee and the Royal Canal Amenity Group all forwarded ideas and suggestions on ways to improve the services provided by the Community Channel. It is hoped that such active feedback from the community will help localise and personalise the information on the channel, reflecting the true personality of the Maynooth Community.

As a result of this meeting the Maynooth and Moyglare Community Channel now displays local G.A.A. results for underage players and proposes in the New Year to carry a "Know Your Rights" page of questions and answers, provided by the Maynooth Citizen's Information Centre.

It was suggested that many Maynooth residents are not aware of the existence of the channel. The Maynooth and Moyglare Community Channel can be accessed by all subscribers of the CMI cable system and can be tuned in between Sky 1 and Eurosport at 232MHz.

Screenphones would like to thank all those who have helped with the Maynooth and Moyglare Community Channel over the past year - those who have submitted notices, attended the recent meeting, gave us their time and help, and also all those who watch the channel. We look forward to receiving your ongoing support in the New Year.

Once again if you have any ideas, suggestions or queries with regard to the Maynooth and Moyglare Community Channel, contact: Deirdre Joyce, Screenphones Ltd., Albany House, Main Street, Swords, Tel: 890 0388 Fax: 890 0387.

GARDA TALK

Neighbourhood Watch

The following is a brief synopsis of what the "Neighbourhood Watch" scheme is all about, how it can be effective and how it functions.

Firstly to outline what it does not entail:

It is **not** patrolling the streets. The Gardaí do not encourage individuals to take the law into their own hands. It is **not** working for the Gardaí. Crime is a community problem. The Neighbourhood Watch scheme is designed to encourage the community to become involved in the prevention of crime and to strengthen the partnership in closer Garda/Community participation, as it is designed to be run by the people themselves in close liaison with the Garda Síochána.

The familiar saying "It is not my problem", cannot be true today. Crime and its associated problems should be the concern of every citizen. There are a large number of schemes in operation in Maynooth and we encourage residents in new estates to implement the scheme at the earliest opportunity.

Opening Hours - Maynooth Garda Station

For the benefit of new residents in Maynooth, the following are the opening hours of Maynooth Garda Station.
Monday to Saturday - 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
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Outside these hours, please phone Naas Gardaí at 045 897333 and in turn we will deal with your call immediately, and if in emergency, phone 999. Maynooth Garda Station phone number - 01 6286234.

A special word of thanks to all motorists who made that special effort to organise a non-drinker to drive home over the Christmas period. It is also necessary to stress at this point that this legislation will be strictly enforced all year



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STREET TALK

The Glenroyal Shopping Centre has already become a familiar outline in the Maynooth landscape since its opening in November and is thankfully easier to access now that the Straffan Road situation has improved. Most people are now accustomed to dropping into the centre to sample the offers and especially in the last month, purchasing for the festive season.

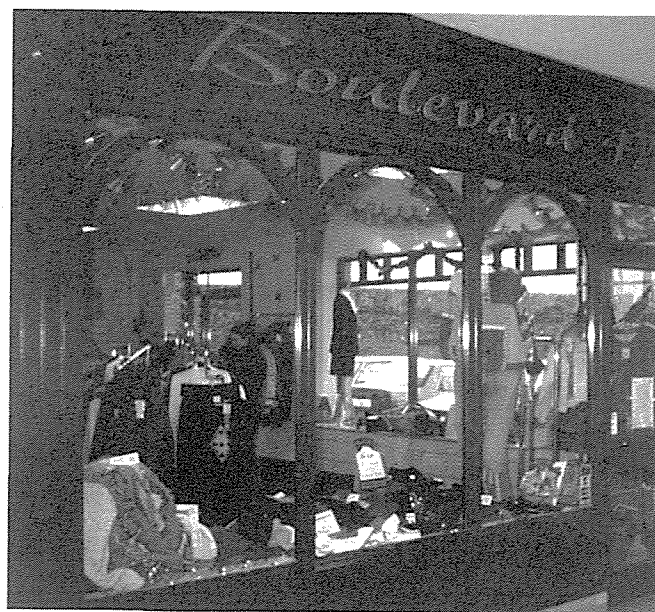
As already noted the shopping centre has nine retail units and six were occupied and successfully operating in time for the Christmas rush. The layout of the centre is ideal and designed to accommodate a large number of shoppers. Business during the last month was brisk and all of the premises noted very successful sales in the weeks running up to Christmas.



Have I got News-4-U, Geraldine Reidy busy shelving magazines

The newsagents just inside the centre, News-4-U is owned by Ms. Geraldine Reidy and stocks an extensive range of stationery, magazines (including specialist hobby and music magazines), greeting cards, wrapping paper and a selection of toys. Geraldine, a native of Donegal opened News-4-U to cater for the Glenroyal shoppers greeting card and stationery needs. During the festive season News-4-U offered an entry into the draw for a Christmas Hamper with every £10 spent and received a very encouraging response from the public.

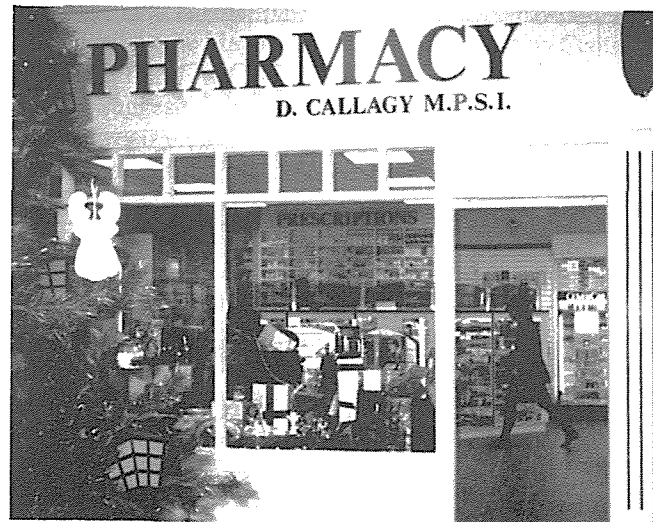
Boulevard 47 is a fresh addition to Maynooth's already extensive selection of casual clothing. Alan and Myrtle Chambers, originally from Trim, opened this store as they felt the casual dressers in Maynooth would appreciate an additional choice. Alan and Myrtle also operate a shoe shop in Wicklow Town - The Shoe Box, which has been open for the past year.



Take a stroll down Boulevard '47

A variety of leading brands in clothing, knitwear and footwear, for men and women are available and have proved very popular with the people of Maynooth. The selection of footwear in stock include Caterpillar, Dubarry and Reebok to name a few. Caracus, Lee Cooper, Wrangler and Mustang are some of the popular labels in casual wear available in Boulevard 47. They also have a selection of clothing for the more formal situations which may arise such as the Robert Rossi label.

Callagy's Pharmacy in the Shopping Centre is owned by Deirdre Callagy who also owns a pharmacy in Kilcock which has been in operation for the past seven years. Deirdre has been steadily busy in the run up to Christmas with many people purchasing last minute gifts from her range of cosmetics and fragrances. The selection of oil burners and essential oils were also very popular gifts. In addition, the Yardley aromatherapy sets made ideal instant Christmas presents for those who often prove difficult to please.



Callagy's Pharmacy with Linda Morrison during the Christmas rush

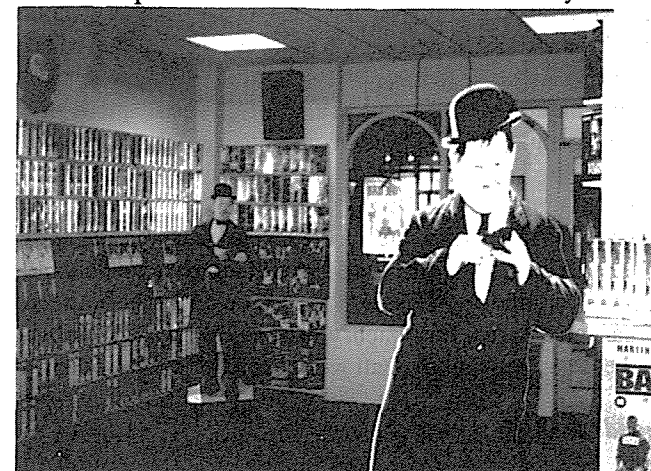
The range of cosmetics available include Rimmel, Max Factor, Cover Girl and they also are stockists of Vichy, Roc (which is hyperallergenic) and will be soon stocking products from the Clarins range. All of the popular aftershaves and perfumes are available and proved very popular for last minute presents. Deirdre also stocks photographic equipment, supplies and accessories for the photographic enthusiast.

Super Valu also enjoyed a busy time running up to Christmas with the late opening each evening to 7.30 p.m. being a particular bonus to the Centre. Brian Smith the manager, is of the opinion that the store is very popular due to its user friendly layout and business is progressing rapidly. Mr. Brian Murphy proprietor who is also the owner of a similar store in Carrick-on-Suir, is looking forward to good business in the new year and especially to the promotions on offer in the store.



Rachel O'Keefe stocking up with some more super value

Movie Masters are not by any means new to Maynooth but Kieran O'Connor has extended the selection and his opening hours from 11am to 12 midnight by moving to the Glenroyal Centre. Kieran also operates two additional stores in Lucan and Goatstown which is advantageous for avid video borrowers in that a video not in stock can be easily brought from the other stores. Since opening the new store, membership and rentals have increased substantially.



Two old movie masters, in the new movie masters store.

The opening of the Glenroyal Jewellers in the beginning of December paved the way for a wider choice of jewellery and extra special gifts for the people of Maynooth coming up to Christmas. Noel and Natalie Kelly have been in the jewellery business for over eight years and decided to open in Maynooth to add to the variety. Glenroyal Jewellers stock a beautiful choice of gold jewellery in addition to a wide variety of watches. They also offer an extensive range of silver jewellery which is always popular, at very competitive prices.



Noel and Natalie with some of the many ornaments on sale in their shop

The opening of the Centre was a great asset to the shoppers of Maynooth during the Christmas season and will hopefully enter the New Year on the same popular foothold. The vacant spaces in the Centre leave room for the opening of a coffee shop or restaurant which undoubtedly will add to the pleasure of shopping in the Glenroyal Shopping Centre.

The redevelopment of the town square is continuing in leaps and bounds. December saw the book shop moving to its newer, larger premises and the opening of a new sandwich bar/delicatessen. "Pic-Kwiks".

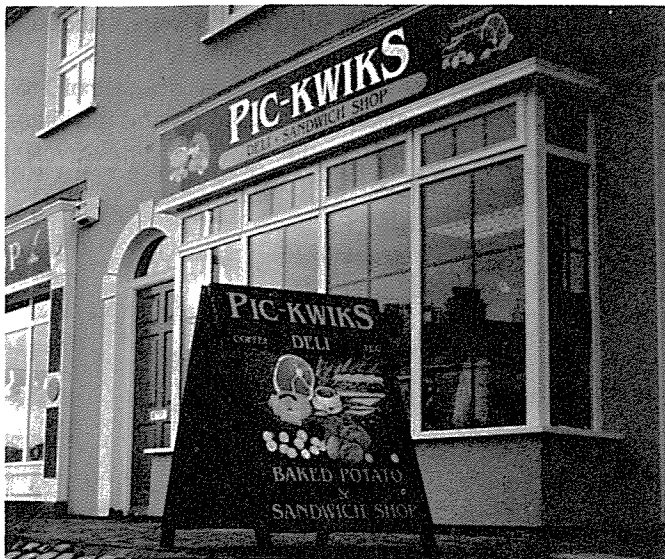
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Linda Kilpatrick is the proprietor of this latest addition to Maynooth's list of eateries. A native of Maynooth, Linda saw the success of the sandwich bar concept in Dublin and decided that Maynooth would be the ideal location for such a venture.



Pic-Kwik's deli and sandwich bar - the place to go for a square meal

Capably assisted by her friendly staff, Fiona Halpin, Anita Laynan, Sarah Brackin and Grace Brackin, Linda hopes to provide the people of Maynooth with the very finest in made to order sandwiches and good food.

Open 8.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. Monday to Saturday "Pic-Kwiks" can take your order over the phone and have your sandwiches ready when you arrive. Otherwise you can just pop in and pick quick the fillings you want, and your sandwich will be ready within minutes. When the redevelopment of the square is complete, "Pic-Kwiks" will be a most welcome addition.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Congratulations to everyone in Maynooth Post Primary school for getting to the final of the Coca Cola Dublin Colleges Juvenile Football B. The final took place on December 14th, after we went to press. Without doubt Maynooth acquitted themselves well in Croke Park.

Maynooth had an impressive run to the final, beating 4 teams in their group, losing just one match and qualifying for the quarter-final as runners up. The quarter-final, against Clonkeen College, took place on November 22nd at Cornelscourt. Discovering he had forgotten his boots did not hinder Maynooth's David Campbell one bit. He got a lend of a pair from the opposition, and went on to score 1-4, helping Maynooth win by 2-9 to 3-3! His contribution was terrific in an exciting match that was level three times.

The semi-final took place at Islandbridge on December 5th. Swords' Colaiste Choilm provided stiff opposition but could not stop Maynooth. Maynooth's Cormac McCarthy scored a goal in the 4th minute and this led to a strong passage of play from Maynooth. However, Colaiste Choilm recovered, scored a goal in the thirteenth minute and kept the match level at 1-3 each at half time.

Once again, the second half opened well for Maynooth when William Farrelly scored a goal after four minutes. Two more points from McCarthy, a pointed free from David Campbell and a goal from Trevor Naughton saw Maynooth come out on top with a place booked in Croke Park. Final score 3-8 to 2-3.

Panel: Tom Masterson, John O'Brien, Andrew Dalton, Ciaran Kennedy, Sean O'Flaherty, George Snee, Conor Diggins, George Beirne, Aidan Doyle, Paddy King, David Campbell, Padraig O'Sullivan, Trevor Naughton, Cormac McCarthy, William Farrelly, Cyril O'Brien, Denis Tracey, Shane Pidgeon, Aidan Molloy, Shane McCarthy, Michael Mathews, Joey Brennan, Alan Baxter, Jose Lorenzo.

The school would like to thank the following who sponsored the team: Brian Connaughton, Newtown - Bradys, Clock House - Maynooth G.A.A. - Quinnsworth - Salmon Transport, Donadea. Meal and thanks to Tom Salmon for umpiring the match.

MAYNOOTH ADULT DAYTIME EDUCATION

While the recent building work has been going on in the Post-Primary School, the M.A.D.E. group has been unable to use their usual hall for morning classes. For this term, we have held our classes in the rooms at the back of the Parish Hall. We would like to thank Fr. Supple for allowing us to rent the rooms at a reasonable rate. A special word of thanks is due to Peter, the care-taker, for all his help, we could not have managed without him. Thanks also to those who helped to carry chairs and tables from the M.A.D.E. Centre to the Parish hall, to those who took charge of the key, and to our tutors and pupils who adapted to the change of venue. M.A.D.E. is a committee of volunteers who, with the help of the V.E.C. organise a variety of morning classes for the local community. This is our tenth anniversary year, and we hope to have a party in the Spring for past and present pupils and tutors. Our list of classes for 1996 will soon be available and there will be some new classes to tempt you out of the house in February and March. Enrolment will be on January 15th and we have been assured that our hall will be ready for use by then.

Bernadette Duffy

First time lucky for Maynooth Post Primary

MAYNOOTH PP	4 - 3
O'CONNELLS	2 - 7

It was a case of first time lucky for Maynooth Post Primary yesterday. In their first appearance in Croke Park they lifted the Dublin schools' juvenile B football title, making it a long walk back down Jones Road for O'Connells.

Maynooth always moved with more cohesiveness but O'Connells will point out that a hard-fought encounter last Tuesday probably accounted for tired legs, which was particularly evident in the final quarter when they allowed the winners to score 2-1.

O'Connells led by double scores - 2-4 to 1-2 - at the break but Maynooth got the perfect boost 17 seconds after the resumption when Cormac McCarthy fastened on to a rebound off the upright from a David Campbell effort.

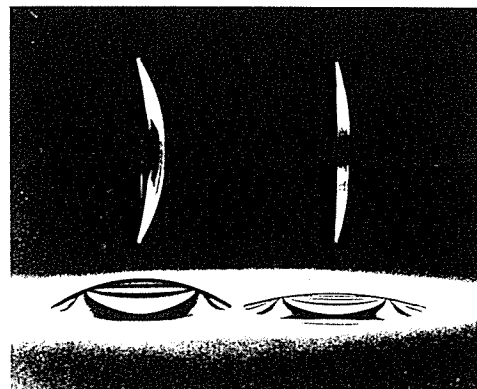
A further goal by George Beirne from a high lob 10 minutes later put Maynooth in front for the first time, 3-2 to 2-4, and while the sides were level with 15 minutes to go, Maynooth always had that extra gear with the losers left to ponder on several wasted kickable frees.

Maynooth PP: T. Masterson, J.O'Brien, A. Dalton, C. Kennedy, S. O'Flaherty, G. Snee, C. Diggins, **G. Beirne (1-0)**, A. Doyle, P.King, **D. Campbell (1-1)**, P. O'Sullivan, **T. Naughton (0-1)**, **C. McCarthy (1-0)**, **W. Farrelly (1-1)**.

Subs: S. Pidgeon for O'Flaherty (half-time).

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OBITUARY

Kevin (Sam) Murphy

Kevin was one of the first friends that I made on coming to live in Maynooth. Over a small Jemie and a few pints he made many newcomers to Maynooth feel welcome. Kevin worked as a bus driver for CIE. He was a very keen gardener and he also found time for many community activities e.g. The Mortality Society, Community Council, Citizens Information Centre (CIC), St. Patrick's Day Parade. He was a life long member of the Labour Party and he was an Honorary President of the Maynooth Branch. Sam had a very alert political brain and his advice was always welcome on the topics of the day.

In 1984 he was a founder member of the Community Council and indeed the first FAS scheme of four workers operated from his house. Without Sam's and his wife Kathleen's support then, it is unlikely that the Community Council could have progressed to what it is today — employing 70 workers under FAS schemes.

Kevin was also a founder member of the CIC and he gave of his time freely when it started off from the library. The CIC has now grown to operate from six different locations including Celbridge, Leixlip and Dunboyne.

Kevin has left his mark on the community and he will be sadly missed. We offer our sympathy to his wife and family. May he rest in peace.

STRONG SUPPORT FOR DIVORCE IN MAYNOOTH

Maynooth voted strongly for divorce in the recent referendum. All told, 59% of local voters supported the proposal. This compares with 67% in Celbridge and 61% in Leixlip. It is likely that Maynooth would have been up there with its neighbours were it not for the results of the vote in the College. The ballot box which covered most of the College gave only 41% support for divorce. In six of the other eight ballot boxes covering the town, support for the divorce topped 60%.

The heaviest support for divorce was in Box 1 (mainly Beaufield and Carton Court) where almost exactly two-thirds of voters voted Yes. This was followed closely by Box 4 (mostly Old Greenfield and Greenfield Drive) with 64% in favour. Apart from the College box, the only two boxes to dip below 60% were Box 2 (mainly Cluain Aoibhinn and College Green, but including also part of the College) at 53% and Box 7 (mainly Meadowbrook and Moyglare Village, but

including some older and outlying areas) at 56%.

These calculations, incidentally, are based on unofficial tally figures compiled on the day of the count. It may be of interest to readers that, after the first few tally sheets were brought back from different boxes around the county to Charlie McCreevy, who was in charge of the tally, he remarked to this writer that the measure would be carried nationally by half of one per cent. This was at 9.30 on the morning of the count! I am still trying to figure out whether this was an inspired guess or a piece of sheer genius. Perhaps it's no wonder that Charlie is a great man for race meetings!

ALL PRIESTS 20TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW

The Irish Heart Foundation will present "The All Priests 20th Anniversary Show" in Goff's, Co. Kildare, on Thursday, February 1st, commencing at 8 p.m. Admission is £10 and the proceeds from the concert will assist the Irish Heart Foundation in its fight against heart disease. Tickets for this gala concert are available from the Ambassador Hotel, Kill (Phone 045-877064), and from Goff's (Phone 045-877211). The "All Priests" is always a terrific show and this is a very worthy cause, so your support would be greatly appreciated.

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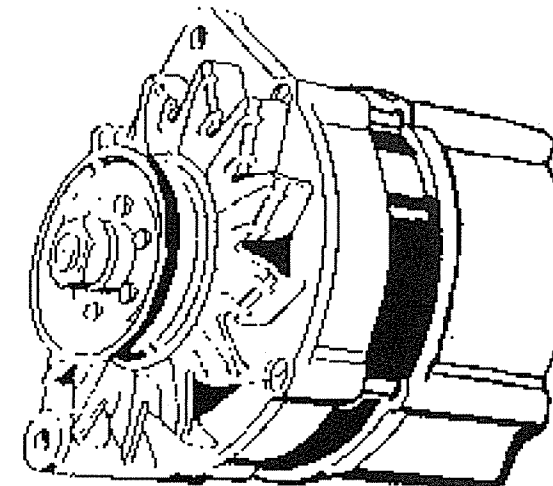
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GARDENING HINTS Water Gardens

Make magic in the garden with a little water — from the tiniest trickle fountain to a full-sized natural pond complete with waterside plants.

The recent spate of long, hot summers has made us all come to appreciate the luxury of water in our gardens. Introducing it as a feature can be as ambitious or as simple as you make it — larger pools and ponds need planning and some heavy spade-work, while the smallest pool can be made with pond liner and a sack or two of pebbles in hours.

Perfect positioning

Plan your pond in relation to the rest of your garden, both in terms of size, and how visible you want it to be from the house and other parts of the garden.

- Choose a fairly sunny position. Too much sun will encourage algae; too little and your water plants won't grow.
- Keep your pond away from overhanging trees, or falling leaves will be a problem.
- If you're having a pump-operated fountain or lighting, remember you'll need to get an electricity supply connected.
- When you've chosen the spot, mark out the shape of the pond with a hose pipe or pegs. Live with it for a few days to make sure it feels right before excavating.

Create drama

A water garden needn't be circular to look natural. You can create the illusion of a stream flowing through your garden with this water channel (see illustration). Mask the ends with tall and bushy plants like bamboo and plant the shelves on either side with lush shallow-water marginals. This feature would make a dramatic division across the width of a long, narrow garden, with a sturdy plank put over as a footbridge.

Keeping your pond clear

The secret of a clear and healthy pond is balanced planting, which means surface-floating and submerged aquatics. Marginals are attractive, but not vital for pond health. Planting begins in May and can continue until September, though no more than two-thirds of the surface should be covered, in order to control rampant growers in the spring.

Underwater Submerged oxygenators, eg, Lagarosiphon major and Myriophyllum aquaticum, are vital for a healthy balance. They don't need soil, but can be grown in

baskets of gravel to keep them weighted down.

On the surface

Surface-floating aquatics help to inhibit the growth of green algae. Water lilies are grown in soil in aquatic baskets; others, such as water soldier (Stratiotes aloides), float on water.

On the edge Marginal plants, eg, Marsh marigold (Caltha Palustris), miniature reedmace (Typha minima) and many irises grow in shallow water up to 6in/15cm deep, or damp soil at the pond edges. Grow them in baskets if your pond has shelves at the sides, or in the soil if making a natural pond with boggy margins.

Planting a water lily

Water lilies grow with their roots in soil and leaves and flowers floating on the surface. Plant them in special aquatic baskets lined with hessian and ordinary garden soil. They need to be lowered gradually to their final planting depth over a period of a few weeks, so start by supporting the baskets on bricks with 3-6in/7.5-15cm water to cover. As new stems and leaves start to develop, remove the bricks until the containers are resting on the bottom of the pool.

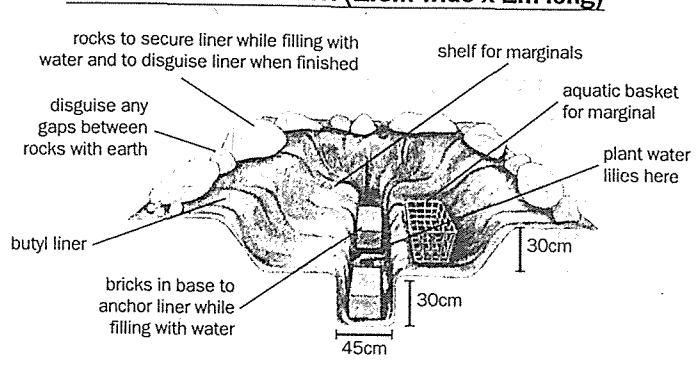
Goldfish pool in a pot

Absolutely no digging is required for this pretty pot pool. All that's needed is an attractive bowl and one or two of the smallest growing water lilies. Keep it slightly hidden by surrounding plants, or if it's on a patio, among other containers. If you want to keep goldfish, remember they need some shelter from the sun, so place your pot pool in filtered sunlight where you'll also get glints of light off the water.

Side attractions

Formal pools look best with a crisp paved edge, or set in a lawn. Informal

How to make a channel (1.5m wide x 2m long)



pools and ponds need a softer edge to blend in with their surroundings.

- Natural and rough-hewn materials like railway sleepers make good borders for informal pools.
- Uneven blocks of stone or rock make an emphatic edge and leave convenient crevices for planting.
- A hidden wildlife pool should be well planted around its margins, so that pond and perimeter planting appear to merge.

How to make a water flow

A safe and simple water flow feature is driven by an electric submersible pump connected to a power supply. For this, a special outdoor socket is needed and should be fitted by a qualified electrician.

You will need

- reservoir to hold 4 gallons of water, eg, central-heating expansion tank
- butyl or PVC pond liner
- small submersible pump, such as Blagdon Budget 80
- strong PVC rigid wire mesh to cover tank with overlap
- pebbles

1. Dig a hole large enough and deep enough to sink the reservoir, with its top 1in/2.5cm below ground level.
2. Line the area surrounding the tank with a 12in/30cm wide strip of butyl or PVC liner, so that it overhangs the edge of the tank.
3. Position the pump in the centre of the tank with the outlet hose just above the surrounding soil level. Fill the tank with water.
4. Cover with wire mesh and arrange pebbles or cobbles over it.

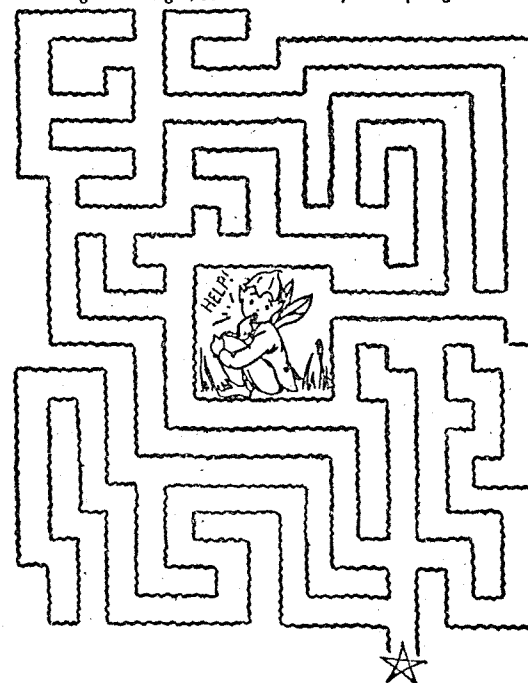


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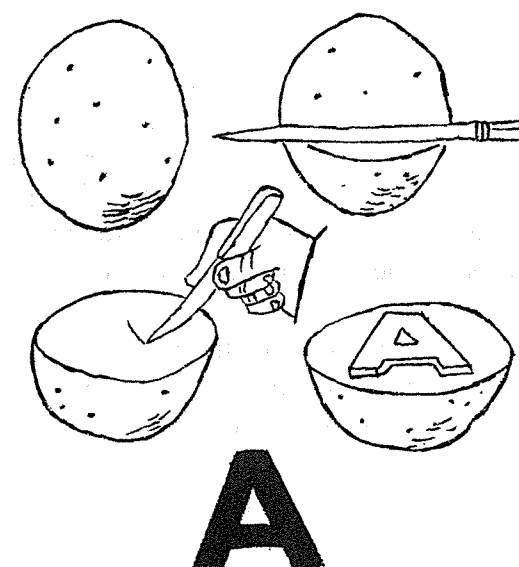
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HOW TO MAKE A POTATO STAMP

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171 Kingsbry,
Maynooth.

3rd: Danielle Power,
9 Parsons Lodge,
Maynooth.

Features

WALKIN' IN WICKLA

WALK NO. 4:

Glencree-Kippure triangle

This month's walk is a handy pocket-sized effort — it's less than six miles long and should take approximately three hours. You could say it's tailored for those still recovering from Christmas! The fact that the last two-thirds of the walk is by road makes it especially suitable for this time of year — even if it does get dark before you are finished you'll have no trouble getting back to your car. Another simplifying factor of the walk is that Kippure is possibly the most clearly-marked mountain in the whole country, being topped with two 350-foot masts which can be seen from 20 miles off (when it isn't covered by mist).

The start of the walk is at the western end of Glencree on the R115 (the main road from Rathfarnham to Sally Gap). Your starting point is at an acute bend in the road about three quarters of a mile south of the Glencree turn-off. There is a handy little spot beside the bridge at this bend where you can tuck your car in safely.

You start out on foot on the clearly-marked track on the south side of the bridge and before you have gone 100 yards Lough Bray Lower will come into view. You follow this path for approximately half a mile, until it divides to become two paths.

You go to the right at this point and after a couple of hundred yards Lough Bray Upper will come into view on your left. You stay with the track and a quarter of a mile further on you will reach the beginning of the steepest part of the walk.

The track is very clearly marked all the way up to the top of this steep section. The views from the rocky outcrop on top are very pleasant. In the

immediate foreground you will be looking down on Upper and Lower Lough Bray, while just beyond this to the east is the full length of Glencree; at the end of the glen you should be able to see the unmistakable pointed Great Sugar Loaf which is six miles away and about ten miles away the sprawling town of Bray can be seen spreading around Bray Head.

You now turn your back on all this and with a compass bearing of 260 degrees you direct yourself towards Kippure. You will now be entering a broad, damp, boggy area — it is not

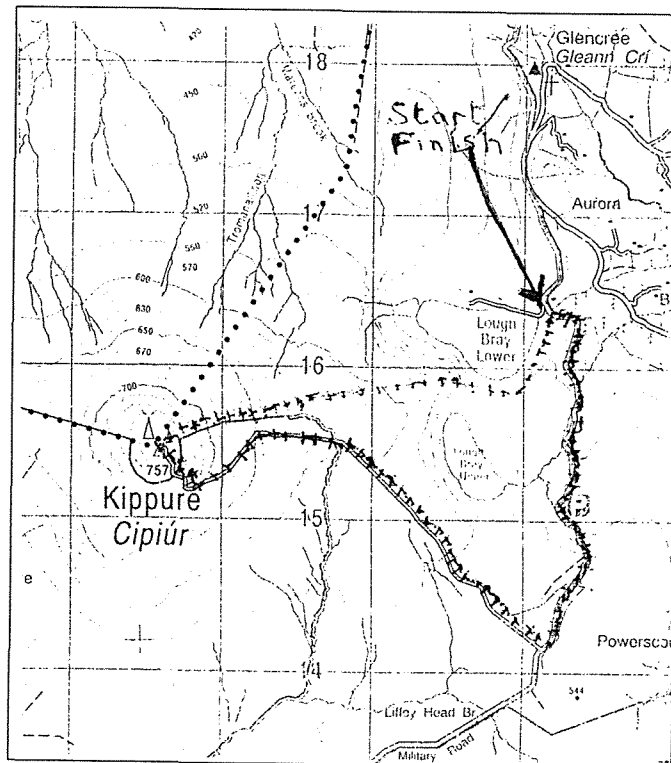
very pleasant at first but as you rise higher the views of the surrounding hills add improvement to the scene. The last quarter of a mile to the summit can be a bit bleak, with broad areas of almost black, bare and damp peat to be crossed on the way to the top.

If you are in heavy mist then you are likely to hear the wind blowing through all the stay-wires before you actually see the masts.

From this point your walk will be totally by road. As you descend, the road will be crossing the first streams which flow off to the right to make the infant River Liffey.

This RTE access road stretches downwards for about two miles before you get back to the R115, where you turn left. You are now only one and a half miles away from where the car is parked and, with the beautiful scenery all around, it is a very pleasant finish to the walk. May you have a very nice day and a very Happy New Year to you all.

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PARTY NOTES

New Cycle Lane/Footpath Straffan Road.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Engineer to have the new cycle lane and footpath on the Straffan Road relaid because of its very poor quality. The undulating finish allows water to lodge on the surface and pot-holes will soon appear. Cyclists are using the roadway instead of the up and down surface of the cycle path.

Dumping at Back Lane Greenfields

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the local Area Engineer of Kildare County Council to remove the dumped armchairs and mattresses from this location as they are a health hazard and have attracted rats to the area.

Newtown Cul-De-Sac

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Engineer to provide "Concealed Entrance Ahead" signs for the Cul-De-Sac at houses 509-514 Newtown Road. Oncoming traffic are unaware of this very dangerous exit.

Bond Bridge

Cllr. John McGinley submitted the following motion to Kildare County Council on 16/6/94.

"That the new bridge to replace Bond Bridge, Maynooth, be built forthwith".

The County Engineer responded by saying that £140,000 had been spent so far in buttressing the existing bridge and that the cost of a new bridge would be £700,000. The Council have only £100,000 remaining from Development Levies collected in the area for the new bridge. He added that he had sought Regional Road Development Funding for the bridge but that Bond Bridge was listed No. 16 on the priority listing for the County. This priority means that it would probably be the year 2004 before it would be considered for funding based on the fact that only two projects are funded for Kildare each year at present.

Despite intensive pressure over the last year its priority listing has remained unaltered. As people's lives are being put at risk, due to the narrowness of the bridge, Cllr. John McGinley submitted the following motion to Kildare County Council.

"That in the absence of Development Levies and in view of the new bridge's priority listing for regional Development Funding, that traffic lights and a raised footpath be installed at Bond Bridge, Maynooth".

The County Engineer agreed to this proposal and the other County Councillors agreed to it unanimously at the Celbridge Area meeting on the 17th November 1995.

This is a temporary solution in the interests of safety of both pedestrians and motorists. The fight continues to have the new bridge built as early as possible.

£12,500 Grant for Maynooth Post Primary.

Minister of State Emmet Stagg T.D., is pleased that his appeal to his colleague The Minister for Education, Niamh Bhreathnach T.D., has resulted in a Grant of £12,500 to Maynooth Post Primary towards the costs of providing furniture and equipment for the New Assembly Hall.

We would like to congratulate the Parent Teachers Association on their tremendous work in providing this facility for both the pupils of the school and the wider community.

Peaceful New Year

Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D., Cllr. John McGinley and the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party would like to wish all of you a Peaceful New Year.

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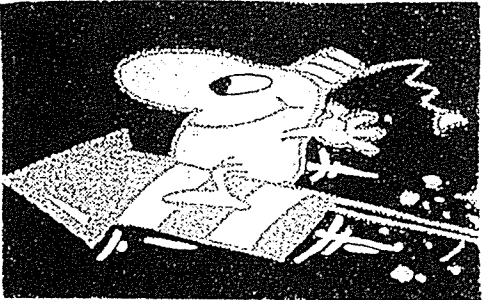
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DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Rail Station Walkway Upgrade

Councillor Catherine Murphy has been informed by Iarnród Éireann that the walkway between Maynooth Railway Station and Bond Bridge is to be greatly improved. Public lighting should be in place by the time these notes appear in print, and re-surfacing of the path is planned for the near future. The overgrowth is also to be cut back and Iarnród Éireann has also undertaken to control vermin in the area.

Bond Bridge Traffic

Kildare County Council has proposed installing a pedestrian footbridge and traffic lights on Bond Bridge as a short-term measure to improve both pedestrian and vehicle safety on the bridge. The long-term plans for the area involve major restructuring of the bridge which would be connected directly to the road dividing Meadowbrook and Beaufield. This road, in turn, would be extended to the Straffan Road near the interchange with the M4 Motorway.

However, it will be a number of years before major work will be done on Bond Bridge, due to the low priority accorded to the project in the County Council's programme for improvement works on non-national roads in the county. The Council's hands are tied to an extent in that, under EU rules, they have to give priority to projects which directly promote the development of industry, tourism and agriculture.

Readers will be interested to hear that the Barberstown Cross - Maynooth road is second on the list, with work projected to begin in 1996. Newtown residents will be even more interested to know that third on the list is major upgrading of Shaw Bridge in Kilcock. While this may in part be justified by the regional status of the Kilcock-Clane road, there is no doubt that strong united action by local residents was important in securing high priority for the project.

It was the essence of bad planning that up to 1,000 houses were allowed to be built in the Newtown area, without adequate provision for the additional traffic this would generate and the pressure that would be placed on Bond Bridge. Development levies are charged on new housing developments to pay for improvements to roads, etc. required as a consequence of such developments. In November, Catherine Murphy sought information on this from the County Council, but was unhappy with the reply received, which failed to specify the amount of levies demanded from developers in the Newtown area. Councillor Murphy is urgently seeking clarification on this issue.

Meanwhile, the Council is considering alternative approaches to dealing with the Bond Bridge problem, and we hope to have further information in the next **Newsletter**. However, Democratic Left is strongly opposed to any proposal to

remove the bollards at the end of Greenfield Lane, which was never designed to be a through road.

Main Street/Dunboyne Road Junction

Councillor Catherine Murphy has been informed by Kildare County Council that measures to tackle the traffic problems at the junction between the Main Street and the Dunboyne Road are to be included in the major improvement scheme for Maynooth Main Street which is planned for the near future.

Divorce Referendum

Democratic Left welcomes the outcome of the Divorce Referendum, and looks forward to the courts upholding the decision of the people. We see this as an important step forward in the creation of a truly democratic, secular and pluralist society in Ireland. Democratic Left mounted a vigorous campaign of canvassing, leafletting and postering in the North Kildare area and is very pleased by the strong support which the measure received in the area.

Rail Service Proposals Welcomed

Democratic Left strongly supports the proposals for improving the Maynooth commuter rail service recently put forward by a coalition of local authorities and community councils along the route of the line (including Maynooth Community Council). The key to a better service is the doubling of the track between Maynooth and Clonsilla. Without this, a proper commuter service cannot be introduced. The growth of population and industry in the area, along with that of Maynooth College, mean that a proper rail service is now a matter of urgency, and we look forward to a favourable government response to the proposals.

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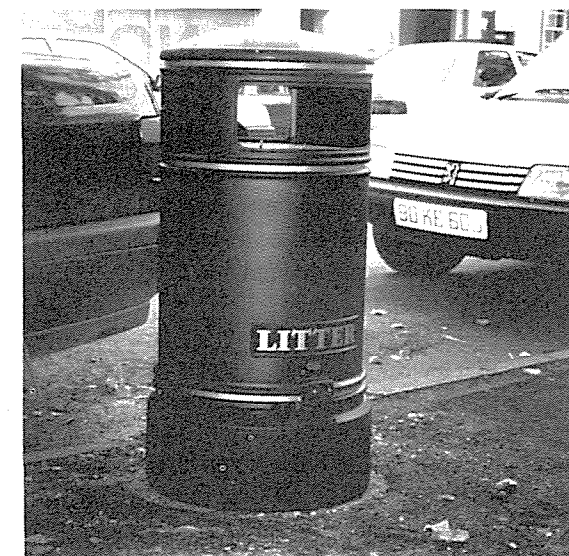
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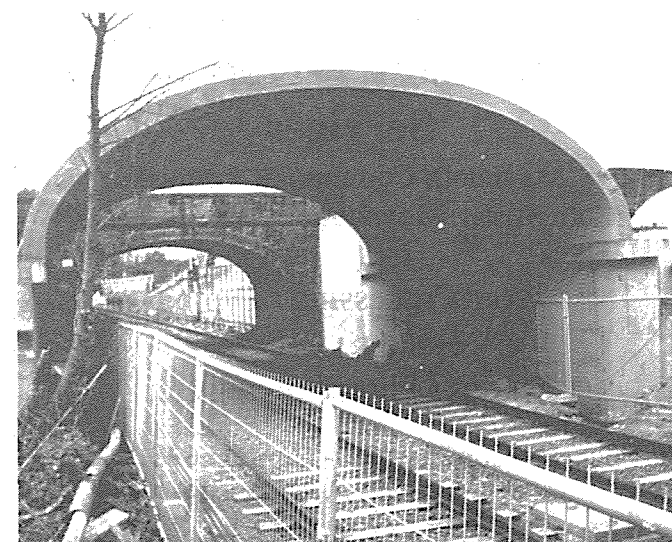
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Square in past days



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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Councillor Senan Griffin wish the residents of Maynooth a Happy and Prosperous '96. Bernard Durkan, Minister of State at Social Welfare, stated that he was delighted that his Department gave £1 million to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and £50,000 for Protestant Aid prior to Christmas.

He stated that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is to be applauded for the trojan work they do to help those people who are less well off in our society. The society is particularly strong in Co. Kildare and he urged people to support them, especially at this time of year.

Protestant Aid will receive £50,000 to help them with their work, which is similar to that of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Mr. Durkan stated that the Department of Social Welfare is paying out a bonus of £40 million this Christmas.

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Councillor Senan Griffin recently welcomed the statement from Minister of State at the Department of An Taoiseach, Mr. Gay Mitchell, when he announced that Kildare North will be included in the Rural Areas for the programme to start their business under the Local and Urban and Rural Development Programme.

This programme enables persons starting their own business to retain 100% of their unemployment payment for one year while also maintaining their entitlement to secondary benefits such as medical cards and rent allowance. In year two the person will be eligible to receive 75% of their unemployment payment and 50% in year three. For further information contact Minister Bernard Durkan at 01 8748444.

At a recent meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee the improvements for the Main Street, Maynooth, were discussed. The proposals include: (a) Undergrounding all ESB and P&T cables; (b) provide for parallel on-street car parking; (c) new street layout at entrance to Girls' School and at Parson Street/College entrance.

The proposed plan will be discussed by the Community Council and Chamber of Commerce early in the New Year.

Bond Bridge

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Councillor Senan Griffin attended a public meeting to discuss the problems at Bond Bridge. The majority of those present favoured the proposal that the bridge be re-aligned and Councillor Griffin was instructed to convey this proposal to Kildare County Council. He was further instructed to determine the exact amount of money paid in levies by the residents using Bond Bridge.

Deputy Bernard Durkan outlined the history regarding levies

and his traffic management proposals to the meeting and he gave his full support to the residents in having the bridge re-aligned.

Maynooth Development Plan

The above plan was discussed by the Celbridge Area Committee on December 8th, when an oral hearing took place. The proposed development at Hewlett Packard has now changed the requirement for housing in North Kildare and with this in mind, along with the real requirement for instant amenity land/open spaces, both passive and active, Councillor Senan Griffin is now working on a package which will be of benefit to all the people of Maynooth.

The Maynooth 1916 Memorial

Councillor Senan Griffin was delighted to be of assistance to the 1916 Maynooth Memorial Committee during their consultations with Kildare County Council. The 1916 committee is to be commended for their work and especially in having sufficient funds available from their own resources to pay for what the people of Maynooth will see as due recognition of the 15 volunteers who walked to Dublin and gave their best support to men/women defending the GPO. This memorial will be erected on the south side of the new square during early 1996.

NEW CUMANN

A Sinn Féin Cumann has been formed in the Maynooth area with the intention of contesting local and Dail elections in the North Kildare constituency. Anybody interested in joining the Cumann is welcome to contact the party's head office at (01) 8734931.

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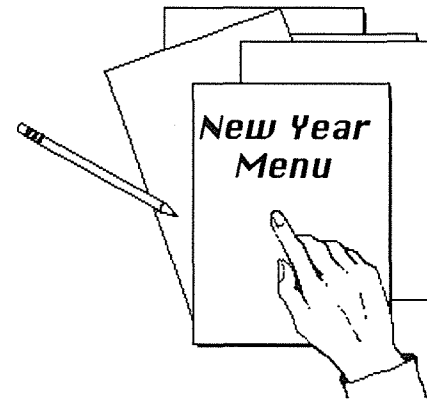
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Baked Macaroni Cheese

Preparation: 15 minutes
Cooking: 40 - 45 minutes
Serves 4

275g/10oz pasta shapes such as rigatoni
2 tbsp olive oil
2 medium onions, peeled and chopped
Leaves from 2 fresh marjoram sprigs
CHEESE SAUCE:
50g/2oz butter
50g/2oz plain flour
850ml/1½ pt milk
75g/3oz grated mature Cheddar cheese
50g/2oz freshly grated Parmesan cheese
Halved cherry tomatoes, frisée lettuce and extra grated Parmesan cheese to serve.

1. Preheat oven to 190 °C/375 F/ Gas mark 5. Cook the pasta in a pan of boiling salted water for 10 minutes (the pasta should be under cooked). Drain.
2. Meanwhile, heat the oil in a pan and add the onions and marjoram leaves. Cover and cook over a gentle heat for about 10 minutes until very soft. Mix together with the pasta.
3. To make the cheese sauce, melt the butter in a pan and add the flour. Cook for 1 minute, stirring constantly. Away from the heat, gradually beat in the milk. Return to the heat and cook, stirring constantly, for 3-5 minutes until the sauce thickens. Remove from the heat and stir in 50g/2oz of the Cheddar cheese and 25g/1oz of the Parmesan. Season with salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste.
4. Stir three-quarters of the sauce into the pasta mixture and spoon into a deep baking dish. Pour over the remaining sauce and sprinkle with the remaining cheeses. Bake for 25-30 minutes until bubbling and golden on top. Sprinkle with freshly ground black pepper and serve with the salad and the extra Parmesan cheese.

Aubergines with Ratatouille - VEGETARIAN

Preparation: 20 minutes
Cooking: 30-35 minutes
Serves: 4

2 tbsp olive oil
1 onion, peeled and chopped
2 garlic cloves, peeled and crushed
1 red pepper, seeded and diced
1 green pepper, seeded and diced
4 celery sticks, trimmed and chopped
1 (400g/14oz) can chopped tomatoes
1 tbsp tomato purée
100ml/4fl oz dry white wine
½ tsp brown sugar
100g/4oz plain flour
Oil for deep frying
2 medium-size aubergines, sliced lengthways
Fresh flat-leaf parsley sprigs to garnish

1. Heat the olive oil in a large pan. Add the onion, garlic, red and green peppers and celery and cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally, until vegetables begin to soften.
2. Add tomatoes, tomato purée, wine, sugar, salt and freshly ground black pepper. Bring to the boil, reduce heat and simmer, partially covered, for 15 minutes until the vegetables are very tender and the juices have thickened.
3. Meanwhile, sift the flour into a large bowl and make a well in the centre. Gradually beat in about 150ml/¼ pt water to form a thin coating batter
4. Heat the oil for deep-frying to 190°C/375 F or until a teaspoon of batter dropped into the hot oil sizzles immediately. Coat 2-3 slices of aubergine with the batter and deep-fry for 3-4 minutes, turning once, until golden and tender. Remove with a fish slice and drain on kitchen paper. Repeat with remaining aubergines and batter.
5. Arrange 2-3 aubergine slices on each warmed serving plate and spoon over some of the ratatouille. Garnish with sprigs of flat-leaf parsley to serve.

Steak and Kidney Puddings

Preparation: 30 minutes + cooling
Cooking: Approx. 23/4 hours
Serves: 6

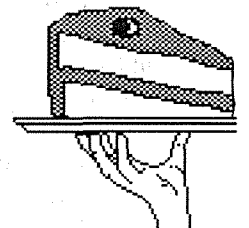
700g/1½ lb braising steak
175g/6oz lamb's kidneys
2 tbsp oil
100g/4oz mushrooms
1 large onion, peeled
2 celery sticks, trimmed
2 carrots, peeled
300ml/½ pt beef stock
150ml/¼ pt Guinness
2 bay leaves
A few sprigs of thyme
1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
2 tbsp mushroom ketchup
Suet Pastry
225g/8oz plain flour
15g/½ oz baking powder
100g/4oz vegetable suet
25g/1oz butter
1 tbsp plain flour
Pan-fried vegetables and mustard to serve



1. Trim the steak and cut into 2.5cm/1in cubes. Trim and chop kidneys. Heat oil in a large frying pan, add steak and kidneys and fry for 5-8 minutes until brown. Transfer to a large pan.
2. Wipe mushrooms clean and cut into quarters. Chop onion and celery and slice carrots. Fry vegetables in meat juices for 5 minutes. Add to meat with remaining ingredients; bring to the boil. Reduce heat. Cover; cook for 1½ hours until meat is tender. Leave until cold.
3. To make suet pastry, sift flour, baking powder and a pinch of salt into a bowl. Stir in the suet and mix in 150ml/¼ pint water to make dough. Cover and leave for 20 minutes. Lightly grease and base-line 6 (300ml/½ pt) pudding basins with greased grease-proof paper.
4. Preheat oven to 150C/300F/Gas mark 2. Thinly roll out three-quarters of the pastry on a lightly floured surface; use to line basins. Using a slotted spoon, fill with meat mixture. Add 2 tbsp meat juices to each basin. Moisten pastry edge with water. Cover basins with remaining pastry; trim and press edges together. Cover each basin with pleated buttered foil.
5. Stand puddings on grill rack over a roasting tin. Half fill tin with boiling water; cover with foil. Steam puddings in oven for 1 hour.
6. Strain remaining meat juices. Melt butter in a pan, add flour and cook for 1 minute. Gradually beat in meat juices. Cook for 5 minutes, stirring, until thickened. Season to taste.
7. Turn out puddings on to warm plates. Spoon over gravy and serve with pan-fried vegetables and mustard.

Almond Slice

175g/6oz plain flour
100g/4oz butter, cubed
2tbsp caster sugar
1 egg, size 3, beaten
Topping
100g/4oz butter, softened
100g/4oz caster sugar
2 eggs, size 3
100g/4oz ground almonds
1 (340g/12oz) jar strawberry conserve
50g/2oz flaked almonds
Custard to serve



Preparation: 20 minutes + chilling
Cooking Time: 35 minutes
Serves: 6

1. Lightly grease an 18 x 28cm/7x 11in rectangular, loose-based, fluted flan tin. Sift the flour into a large bowl and rub in the butter until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs. Stir in the sugar. Using a fork, stir in the egg to form large clumps. Then bring the mixture together with your hands to form a dough.
2. On a lightly floured surface, gently knead the dough for 2 minutes until smooth. Roll out the pastry and use to line the prepared tin. Chill for 20 minutes.
3. Preheat oven to 200C/400F/Gas Mark 6. Prick the base of the pastry with a fork then line with greaseproof paper and fill with baking beans. Bake blind for 10 minutes. Remove the lining paper and beans and cook for a further 5 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 190C/375F/Gas mark 5.
4. For the almond topping, use either a wooden spoon or electric mixer to beat together butter and sugar until pale and fluffy. Gradually beat in the eggs, a little at a time. Using a metal spoon, fold in ground almonds.
5. Spread the strawberry conserve over the pastry base and cover with the almond topping. Sprinkle flaked almonds over the top and bake for 20 minutes until golden and firm to the touch. Serve warm with custard.



MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Recent results have remained encouraging and it looks as if we will have an interest on a number of fronts right throughout the season. Due to a good cup run, our first team have fallen behind with their league programme and have a number of games in hand over several teams above them. Most recent results to hand are as follows:

L.J.L. Premier Division

Edenderry Town 1; Maynooth Town 3.

Highflying Edenderry were given a lesson in discipline and commitment by Maynooth, who looked defeat in the face early in the second half but stepped on the gas and ran out deserving winners. Falling behind to an early Edenderry penalty which was hotly disputed by Maynooth, the visitors came more into the game with Paul Byrne giving an outstanding performance, ably assisted by Joey Dempsey. Half time arrived with Edenderry hanging onto their slender lead and the game becoming increasingly physical. Early in the second half Maynooth were dealt a further blow when Michael Murphy was sent off for kicking the ball away following a horrendous tackle by the Edenderry full-back. Although awarding the free kick to Maynooth the referee failed to punish the defender any further, which seemed far too lenient. This spurred Maynooth to greater effort and Edenderry were unable to stem the relentless tide which engulfed them for the remainder of the game. Maynooth got on terms when Paul Byrne headed home following a corner which was soon followed by a Mickey Kelly goal to put Maynooth in front for the first time. Joe O'Riordan sealed the points for Maynooth when he scored from close range following yet another corner. An excellent win for Maynooth with many heroes, with Paul Byrne, Gerry Thompson, Joe O'Riordan and Joey Dempsey topping the honours list.

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F.A.I. Junior Cup Quarter-final Midland Area St. Mark's (Portlaoise) 0; Maynooth Town 1.

This was a hard-earned win for Maynooth, who booked their semi-final place against the highly-acclaimed Dublin side, Tolka Rovers. A heavy pitch made good football difficult and this had a marked effect on Maynooth's usual free-flowing style of play. Maynooth were finding it difficult to get to grips with the St. Mark's midfield, whose captain was commanding the play for the home side. Maynooth manager Mick Dempsey played his trump card when switching Mickey Kelly to midfield in an effort to gain control. The switch had the desired effect with Kelly snuffing out the danger and giving Maynooth the midfield supremacy for the first time in the game. Kelly urged his colleagues forward at every opportunity but a stubborn home defence would not give in. With three minutes remaining, Maynooth's man of the match Kelly drove forward once more and created the opening for Killian Fagan to smash home the inch-perfect pass. St. Mark's had one more chance but Maynooth's keeper Tommy Fay was equal to the task with a fine save. The final whistle came soon after with Maynooth just deserving their place in the next round. Best for Maynooth were Mickey Kelly, Martin McTernan and Gerry Thompson.

L.J.L. Premier Division

Maynooth Town 2; Aston Village Utd. 2.

Maynooth will rate this as a disappointing performance when compared with their other exploits over recent weeks. The visitors shocked Maynooth with two goals in the opening fifteen minutes when slack marking by the home defence made it seem like Christmas had come early to Maynooth. Harsh words from the Maynooth Management team of Mick and Noel Dempsey soon shook the home side out of their complacency and they got right back into the game. Two goals late in the first half had Maynooth on terms at the interval. The first came when Adolar's corner was headed home by Paul Byrne and a couple of minutes later Joe O'Riordan headed home Joe Smullen's corner. The second half developed into a hard midfield slog with neither side

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able to assume overall supremacy. Both sides had a number of chances without success and Aston Village can feel flattered by their performance in gaining a point. Best for Maynooth were Paul Byrne, Mickey Kelly, Ger Thompson and Joe Smullen.

D.D.S.L. U/11

Maynooth Town 2; Corduff 1.

Maynooth's recent good run continued with this narrow victory over a well-organised Corduff side. Conditions were not good for football but nevertheless exciting fare was provided for an enthusiastic attendance. Both sides were very tired before the game ended and the final whistle came as a happy relief.

Best for Maynooth were James O'Dea and David Greely.

D.D.S.L. U/17 B1.

Templeogue Utd. 2; Maynooth Town 1.

Maynooth dropped two valuable points despite taking an early lead and will feel most let down by a disappointing overall performance. Donncha McGarrick opened the scoring for Maynooth and the prospects looked promising. Maynooth's form then took an amazing slump and they were toiling for the remainder of the game. Templeogue scored twice before the break and were content with their slender lead and held on for a narrow win.

Best for Maynooth in a below-par performance were David Coughlan, Alan Nugent and Niall Naughton.

D.D.S.L. U/16

Maynooth Town 4; St. Mochta's 1.

The first half was evenly contested with neither side able to break down very strong defences. The second half took on a new look with Maynooth dominating the exchanges in giving a top-class display. Maynooth went into a two-goal lead but St. Mochta's fought back to reduce the arrears. Maynooth raised the tempo once more and forged back into attack to score twice more without reply. Lester Cassidy (2), David Langan (1) and Niall Byrne (1) were the Maynooth scorers,

with Karl Murray, Stephen O'Sullivan and John Tobin also in top form.

D.D.S.L. U/11

Maynooth Town 6; Mountview 1.

Maynooth went into attack from the opening whistle and gave Mountview a lesson in open attacking play. Scoring three goals without reply in the first half, Maynooth gave themselves a solid platform for the second half. The home side kept up the pressure in the second half which yielded three further goals before the visitors grabbed a late consolation.

Top of the scoring charts for Maynooth was James O'Dea with a superb hat-trick. David Greely contributed two goals and Sean Kennedy completed Maynooth's scoring. Maynooth had an excellent defence in which Ciaran McCullough was outstanding.

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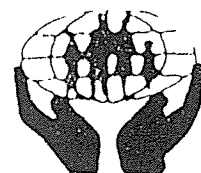
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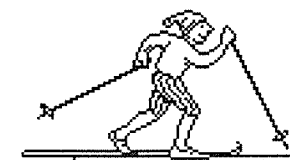
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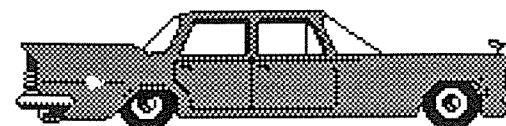
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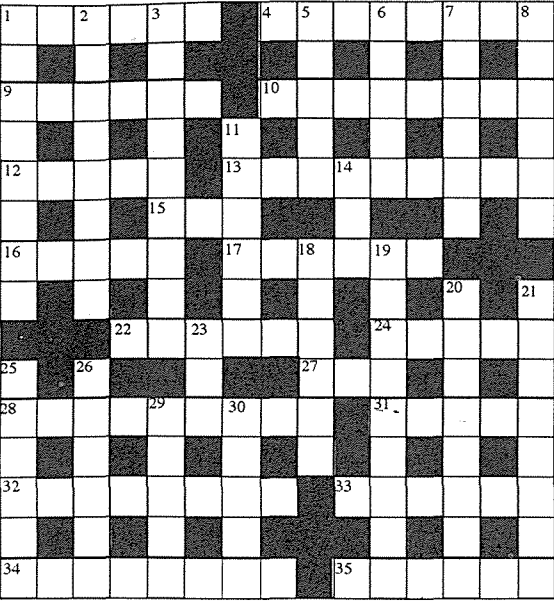


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Crossword No. 98



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

Name _____

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Across:

- 1 Detect the water isn't hard (6)
- 4 Something fishy to be beaten? (4,4)
- 9 Not much hair at the seaside (6)
- 10 Fantastic notions are fruity to start (8)
- 12 A cross-country runner in France (5)
- 13 Figure out how many (9)
- 15 An egg made of tin? (3)
- 16 Roman lady (5)
- 17 Decided to be out of the weather (6)
- 22 The answer for a town with heart trouble? (2-4)
- 24 One who could have Her Highness (5)
- 27 Red setter? (3)
- 28 Is it unlikely to include bad language because the editor deems it usable? (9)
- 31 A fixed look could take you to another level, we hear (5)
- 32 The direct opposite which may be the subject of comparison (8)
- 33 A trophy for hens? (3,3)
- 34 A statement made by a judge? (8)
- 35 Are they said about the better teams? (6)

Down:

- 1 Cosily located and too little to leave (8)
- 2 Those hairy little rogues made mainly of French soil (8)
- 3 It marks a ton of time (9)
- 5 Goodbye to God! (5)
- 6 It's grand for some French river (5)
- 7 Something to pay when you cut this man short! (6)
- 8 The lady with the man's name was off target (6)
- 11 It helps you see about Tina (6)
- 14 Possibly West, we hear (3)
- 18 An aid for the blind? (6)
- 19 Notices gas indicators (4,5)

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- 20 Improved two points having chanced losing 100! (8)
- 21 Anticipates how muddled Meryl gets involved with a politician! (3-5)
- 23 It sounds like one of many letters received at dinner-time (3)
- 25 They can make things hot despite being cold inside (6)
- 26 Commence broadcasting at the dole office (4,2)
- 29 There could be a number (5)
- 30 Bachelor of Agricultural Science, I see, provides computer jargon (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 97:

Across: 1, Rained; 4, Speak out; 9, Intact (in-tact); 10, Radiator; 12, Diner; 13, Mistletoe; 15, Sip; 16, Ennui; 17, Averse (a verse); 22, Snatch; 24, Pinch; 27, OAP; 28, Enclosure; 31, Ogres (anagram); 32, Presents; 33, Stance; 34, Deniable (deni-able); 35, Orders.

Down: 1, Reindeer (rain dear); 2, Intoning ((L)in-ton-ing); 3, Excursion; 5, Pears (pairs); 6, Axial; 7, Octets (Oct.-ETs); 8, Turkey; 11, Impact (imp act); 14, Tor (T(h)or); 18, Echoes; 19, Supporter (sup porter); 20, Entrance; 21, Chastens (Chas.-tens); 23, Ass (a-SS); 25, Heaped (he aped); 26, Screen; 29, Opera; 30, Until (anagram).

Winner of Crossword No. 97:

Michael Keenan, 95 Rail Park, Maynooth.

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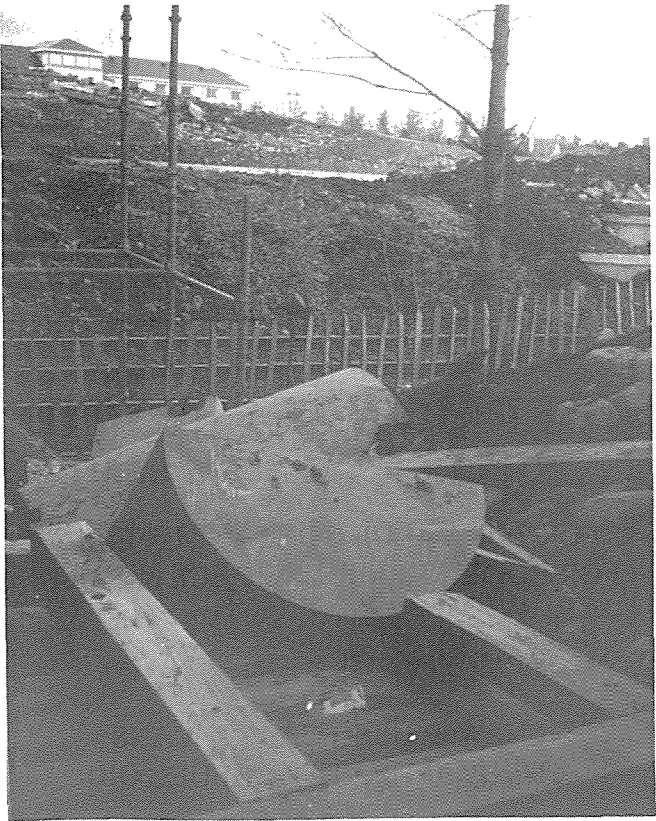


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Executive Committee: Pat Nevin, Eithne Killoran.

In the first round of the Inter Football Championship Maynooth play the winners of Eadestown or Robertstown.

Inter Football Team Manager: Kevin Connolly.

Selectors: Paraig Kearney, Eddie Dunne, Pat Nevin.

Inter Football 'B' Team Manager: Fergus Devereux.

Selectors: Mick Ó Riordan, Paraig Kearney, Brendan Farrell.

Junior Football Team Manager: Gerry Connellan.

Selectors: Matt Doran, Cathal O'Grady.

U.21 Football Team Manager: Joey Edwards.

Selectors: Eamon Dunne.

Minor Football Team Manager: Pascal Ennis.

Selectors: Mick Gillick, Fergus Devereux, Sean Molloy.

The first meeting of the new committee will be held on Monday 8th January 1996.

North Kildare U.13 Football League

Maynooth 10-11 Naas 1 - 0

In the final round of the U.13 League Maynooth travelled to Naas and had a big win over a very weak home side. Mark Kavanagh and Seán O Flaherty dominated midfield from start to finish and combined intelligently with the forward line.

All six forwards played well as a unit, but despite getting some good scores they also had some bad wides. The defence was rarely tested and full back Tommy Masterson and corner back Aiden Pidgeon found time to break up field

and get on the score sheet.

Scorers: S. O'Flaherty 4 - 3, S. Deveraux 2 - 1

T. Masterson 2 - 0, M. Kavanagh 1 - 2, M. Sweeney 1 - 1

P. O'Rourke 0 - 3, A. Pidgeon 0 - 1

Team: A. Molloy, A. Pidgeon, T. Masterson, D. Travers, M. Dolan, S. Pidgeon, A. Browne, M. Kavanagh, S. O'Flaherty, P. O'Rourke, S. Deveraux, D. Lawler, F. O'Gorman, P. Sheehan, M. Sweeney.

Lotto result-19/11/95:- Jackpot £850: Numbers 10-12-23.

Won by Phyllis Doran, 66 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.

Lotto result-26/11/95:- Jackpot £300: Numbers 10-17-21.

No Winner.

5 x £10:- M. O'Reilly, Phyllis Doran, Elaine Comerford, Edel Maguire, Paul Lanigan.

Lotto result-3/12/95:- Jackpot £350: Numbers 14-15-18. No Winner.

5 x £10:- Bridie O'Toole, Mrs. Patricia Cassells, Ursula Byrne, Martin Armstrong, Joan McNamara.

Lotto result-10/12/95:- Jackpot £400: Numbers 12-16-23.

No Winner.

5 x £10:- Tony Dunning, Kathleen McDermot, Ann Nugent, Carol Feeney, Bridie O'Toole.

1st Hamper: Collette O'Shea.

2nd Hamper: Liam Jennings.

3rd Turkey: David Cusker.

4th Turkey: Joe Devine.

5th Turkey: Dr. Fay.

6th Turkey: Gerry McDonnell.

7th Turkey: Johnny Nevin.

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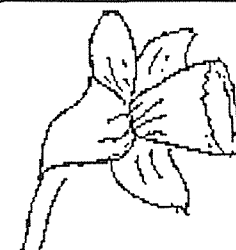
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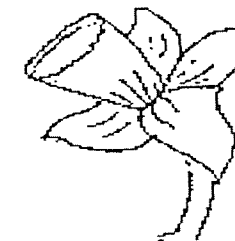
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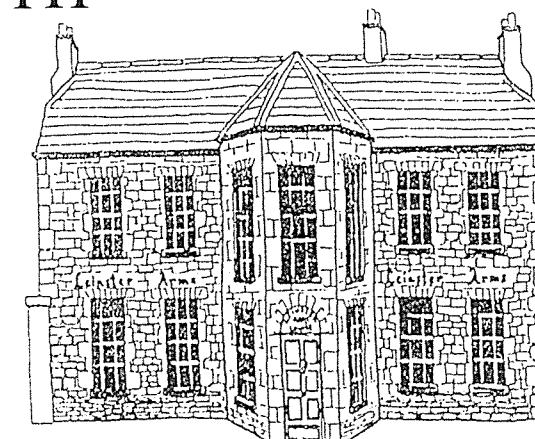
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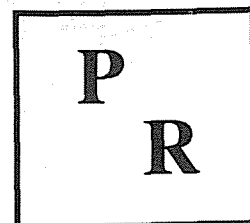


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Deliverance Year

This was the year of deliverance for Maynooth G.A.A. Club. Through barren years they have struggled bravely and now they have reaped their reward. First, they had the official opening of the Clubhouse on May 7th. The highlight of the occasion was a Senior Football Challenge between Mayo and Kildare, which was won by the home team. Then came the victories. It all began with the Junior Football Championship when they beat Kilcullen in Newbridge on Sunday by 13 points to 10. The heroic squad included P. Flood, M. Noone, M. Nevin, P. Ennis, M. Kelly, P. Stynes, D. Mahony, D. Casey, K. Fagan (Capt.), P. Garvey, K. Killoran, John Nevin, Joey Nevin, J. O'Riordan, L. O'Toole, P. Burke, M. Scanlon, J. Rossitor, E. Dunne, H. Nevin, M. Nugent, J. Edwards, T. Farrell and J. O'Toole.
Manager: Kevin Connolly.

Victory Mentality

Then the Junior B team took up the banner and buoyed up by the victory mentality went on to win the County Championship. The panel included Mick Faherty, D. Faherty, Hugh Purcell, Joey Edwards, Jimmy Gilligan, Derek Murray, Fintan Agnew (Man of the Match), Aidan Burke, Noel Reilly, John O'Toole and Eoin O'Neill among others. Manager: Martin Donnelly.
Maynooth could do nothing wrong and roared to victory in the Junior League. By now three cups had come to headquarters at Moyglare Road.

Youth Scoop

The U/16 squad were quick to follow on the glory trail by winning the League and beating Sallins by 11 points to 1 - 4. Team: Packie Carroll, Jas Gallagher, Eamonn Gallagher, Matthew Callaghan, Rory Kelly, David Coughlan, Niall Byrne, Alan Nugent, Eoin Guha, Eoin Nevin, Marty Byrne, Darren Naughton, Niall Naughton, Brendan Mooney, John O'Shea, Mick Tumelty and Rory Gavin.

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Sports

Soccer

Maynooth Town A.F.C. competed with considerable prowess in all their various competitions and with several notable victories to their credit they are making steady progress to even greater success.

Local Tournaments

The Community Festival tournament organised by John McGinley again proved to be a great success, with 11 teams participating. The competition was won by Derrinstown Stud. As Manager of the runners-up, the All-Stars, Tom Dempsey tasted the down side of management.

Joe Murphy Memorial Cup

This tournament is a vital and successful part of the local scene with over 160 participants (16 teams). The winners were Hedderdale United, anchored by Michael Faherty, David Faherty, John Nolan and Tommy Murray.

Patsy Byrne Memorial Cup

This competition continues to be an invaluable testing ground and show case for under-age talent. The winning team was captained by Aidan Ryan.

Players of the Year Awards

U/11 Simon Fagan, U/13 Andy Madden, U/14 Karl Murray, U/16 David Coughlan and Michael Murphy (second team). Senior Player of the Year: Gerard Thompson.

Ladies Soccer had another successful year as they achieved several worthwhile victories and finished as runner-up in their Division of the Dublin Womens League.

Athletics

The year of the Campbells would be an apt title for the Maynooth Athletic Club history of 1995. No other family in Ireland, not alone Maynooth, have achieved such national success as this clan. They are led by their father John who has won an All Ireland NACAI Gold Medal in Vets 1500m. and Silver in 5000m. He also crossed over to the BLE Code and won a National Silver Medal in 800m. Young David Campbell has proved a top national champion in the U/14 600m. and High Jump. His brother Philip U/11 also claimed All-Ireland Gold in the High Jump. These same athletes have won several provincial and county medals in 1995. Veteran athlete David Jolly won a National Gold Medal in 4 x 800m. relay with L. McNamee winning bronze in 3000m. Other top inter-county and national performers include Patrick O'Rourke, Declan O'Rourke, Karl Ennis, Mary O'Sullivan, Lynn Brennan, John O'Rourke Senior and Donal Lennon.

Rally Driving

Maynooth Rally Driver Ted Gaffney won bronze in the Novice event of the fourth Annual Maynooth Festival Auto Test at Doyles Mart on June 13th last.

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Sports

Boxing

Early in the year we heard the sad news that, the very promising New York based, professional welter weight boxer, Jimmy McMahon from Mulhussey, Maynooth, had to retire from competitive action on precautionary medical advice. This difficult decision by the supremely fit and dedicated athlete was very painful for him and a great loss to all his numerous local fans who join in wishing him well in the future. Jimmy had won 16 professional fights and only lost one in his career to date.

Pitch and Putt

Tony Bean's course on the Dunboyne Road was honoured as the venue for the Kildare Community Games finals. The local girls team achieved outstanding success by finishing fourth in the National Community Games Finals. They were: Brid Ann O'Shea, Suzanne Butler, Margaret Callaghan, Gillian O'Hurley and Emma Cullinane. Trainer: Matt Callaghan. As they are still under-age for this event next year even greater success may be achieved.

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Top Russian Chess player Alexander Baburin took part in a tournament in Maynooth College on Thursday March 16th. Baburin who took on nine contestants simultaneously won eight games but his run of success was interrupted by Post-Graduate Brian Galligan (current Leinster Intermediate Champion) who secured a meritorious draw.

In Community Games the local U/16 Chess team attained county silver medals.

Gymnastics.

The Maynooth Gymnastic Club won the Kildare Inter-Club Tournament at Newbridge, on March 17th last. Competing in the Community Games, locals Niall Cooney and Brian Bean won gold and silver medals respectively in the County Finals.

Parachuting

In early April, local Dare Devil Christopher Byrne, from Greenfield, participated in a charity parachute jump 9,000 ft over the Bog of Allen. Christy careered towards earth at an amazing 150 m.p.h. before engaging his chute. This was in aid of the D.S.P.C.A. What about cruelty to the auld ticker Christy?

Tennis

A Maynooth Girl's team won Div. 3 of the Dublin Parks Tennis League on August 3rd. They were coached by Philippa Pentz.

Golf

In May some twenty three members of Maynooth Golfing Society took part in the annual weekend outing to Athlone. The overall winner of the Christy Kenny Memorial Cup was Ger McTernan Jnr.

Colm Feeney pipped Noel Brady by one point to win the Captain's Prize at Portarlinton in August. Normally Noel is never known to run out of pints.

John Doyle, 'a rookie', won the Christmas Hamper in September. Ken O'Brien won the Captain's Prize in Trim (October).
Overall Golfer of the Year: Sean Tracey.

Summer Project

The annual Summer Project provided plenty of sport and adventure for youngsters in July. Activities included Swimming Outings, Sports Day, Soccer, Crafts, Pitch & Putt, Tennis, Bowling and Bingo. This is a great local voluntary effort which fosters a good community spirit among the young.

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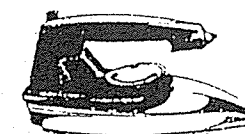
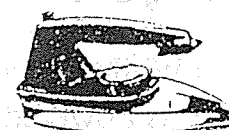
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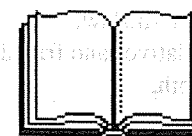


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Sports

Community Games - Athletics

Maynooth representatives in Athletics proved to be top rated contenders at the County Finals in Newbridge. Gold medal winners were David Campbell, Lynn Brennan, Muire Ennis, Pierre Ennis. Silver was won by Donal Lennon in Discus. Muireann O'Sullivan and James Mullarkey won bronze.

In the National finals in Mosney, David Campbell won Silver in 800m. Muire Ennis was 4th in 200m. and Pierre Ennis finished 7th in 600m.

Tug-o-War

Three tournaments took place in 1995.

January 8th - the Hitchin Post tournament
June 25th - the Hitchin Post Cup was a great success with four teams competing.

The Festival Tournament took place on August 13th. The main organiser of this event was Donal Finnan. This was very successful with 80 contestants competing in five sections. Helen's Hair Affair won the Women's Section for the fourth time.

Volleyball

The girl's team won bronze medals in the County Community Games Finals thanks to a great effort and the coaching of Matt Doran.

Basketball

The Boys U/13 team won bronze medals in the Kildare Community Games. Mentor: Anna Dolan.

Sympathies

Kick-Boxing

Local youngster David Tarpey of College Green won a silver medal in the National Kick-Boxing Championship recently.

Obstacle Course Record

Maynooth is expected to enter the record books for possessing the longest running Obstacle Course tournament. For almost a year now Maynooth's residents have dived with Earth Movers, JCB's, Steam Rollers, Jeeps, pot holes and boulders and still have managed to make it over Mullen Bridge and into the town!

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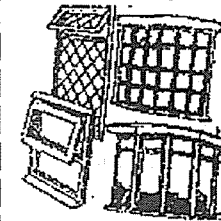


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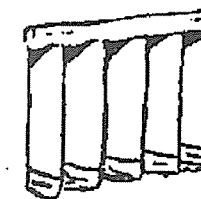
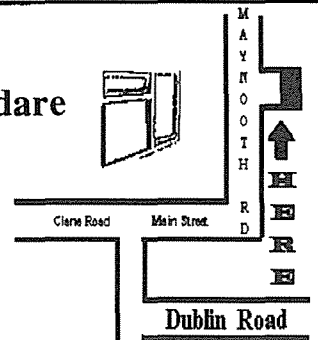
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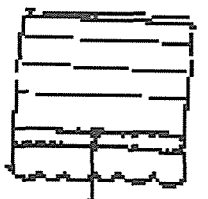


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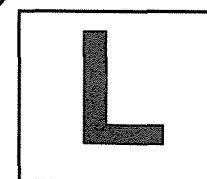
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A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan, Fr. Boylan, Dr. Hanlon, Dr. Fay, Nurse Campbell of the Health Centre, Nurse Carmel Cosgrove and the team of St. Brigid's Hospice; also to our very kind neighbours and friends for all their help and support, to Oliver Reilly, Undertakers for their kindness, help and efficiency in handling all the funeral arrangements.

The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

The family of the late Louisa Josephine McAssey wish to express their gratitude to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. A special word of thanks to all who attended the services and helped out in any way.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our friends a very happy Christmas.

The sisters, brother, and relatives of the late Luke Farrelly, Parson Street, Maynooth, wish to express their sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal and funeral mass, those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy, perpetual enrolments and floral tributes. All the neighbours and friends who were so kind and supportive. Trusting this acknowledgement will be accepted by all as a personal expression of our sincere gratitude.

The holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

The family of the late George Browne wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. The sacrifice of the mass has been offered for your intentions.

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To Orla, Happy 17th Birthday on the 12th January.
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