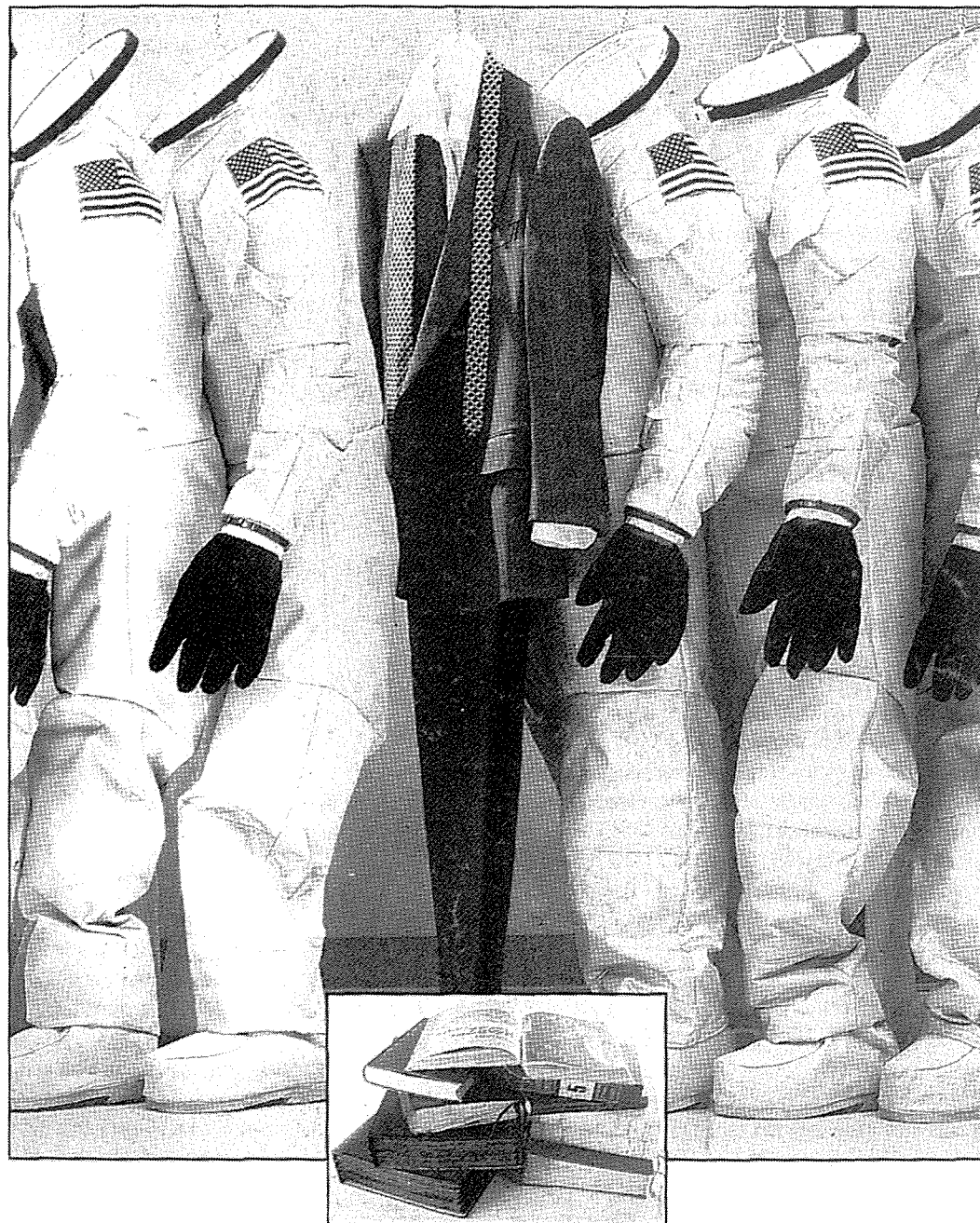
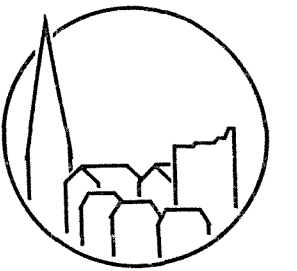


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### Diary Dates

**Thursday 2nd January:** Summer Project Teenage Disco  
Glenroyal Hotel, 8.30pm. Admission - £2.50

**Friday 3rd January:** Church of Ireland Beetle Drive,  
Parish Hall Dunboyne, 8pm.

**Sunday 5th January:** Maynooth Old Peoples Annual  
Dinner, Post Primary School, 5pm.

**Thursday 9th January:** St. Mary's Band AGM, 8pm.

**Thursday 9th January:** ICA Guild Meeting, 8pm.

**Friday 17th January:** Newsletter Copydate.

**Saturday 18th January:** Post Primary Parent/Teacher  
Association - Social Evening & Dance - Glenroyal Hotel.

**Monday 20th January:** Community Council Meeting, Post  
Primary School, 8pm.

### Editorial

The Maynooth Newsletter hopes for the following in 1997:

#### Northern Ireland

That politicians on all sides will show real leadership by looking to a common future rather than a divided past. In the context of Northern Ireland there is nothing easier than pandering to people's fears and bitterness. Seventy five years of sectarianism has brought bodies in the streets, economic decline and divided communities. In 1997 we hope that prejudices and guns will be decommissioned.

#### Politics

There will be a general election in 1997 and the government that is elected will probably see us through into the NEW millenium. The problem is that public cynicism regarding our politicians is probably at an all-time high and this is despite the fact that most of them are working harder and longer hours than any of us would be prepared to do. The new constituency of North Kildare will return three TDs. Let's hope that the successful candidates appreciate the unique problems faced by our corner of the county which is now one of the fastest growing areas in the whole country.

#### Maynooth

Our hopes for 1997 include - no parking on the footpaths, no litter, a better train service, less traffic, less crime, a cinema, and a Development Plan acceptable to the whole community.

#### Sport

What odds on Kildare winning the Leinster Championship and Ireland qualifying for the World Cup Finals? Kildare have made a promising start to the League campaign and Mick O'Dwyer has put a spring back in the step of some players whose days seemed numbered. In 1997 we hope that at last, they deliver on their potential and at least win a Leinster. Mick McCarthy's team stumbled badly against Iceland but we expect them to come good in '97. Every publican in the country will be praying that they qualify for the finals in France in the summer of '98.

#### The Newsletter

That Rupert Murdoch makes a multi-million pound bid for the Newsletter and after protracted negotiations held in the Roost his offer is accepted by the Editorial Board who promptly emigrate to somewhere hot and sunny.

Happy New Year to all our readers.

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## Community Council Notes

### LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear Editor,  
Maynooth currently is suffering from chronic traffic congestion and a lack of amenity space. I would like to propose the following which will address both those concerns and also improve our general well being and environment. Develop the northern bank of the Royal Canal as a foot/cycle path. The advantages of such a development would be to:

1. Provide a safe alternative means of transport in Maynooth.
2. Reduce the no. of cars and bicycles on the roads as more people are encouraged to use the foot/cycle path.
3. Provide a welcome amenity area in the village and surrounding area.
4. Encourage people to exercise more where it is safe and pleasant to do so.

If such a cycle path were to be extended to include Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip it would be of immense benefit to the three villages as well as the new industries along the route. It would provide an alternative, safe and healthy means of transport to those residents living in the three villages and commuting to the Intels and Hewlett Packards on the way. Further extension to Dublin and the Midlands would create an amenity which could be marketed as a major tourist attraction to cycle and walking groups all over the world.

To provide funding for such a project businesses along the route who would benefit would be encouraged to support as well as FAS, Bord Failte, OPW, KCC, and Europe.

*Yours sincerely,  
Padraig O Murchu*

### Thank You Maynooth

Dear Editor,  
I take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you, my friends in Maynooth, for your exceedingly great generosity to me on Tuesday last 26th November.

My life with the children, my work with them, was a pleasure and I thank you for entrusting them to my care. Your appreciation and tokens of gratitude touched me deeply. I am indeed very humbled. I loved Maynooth and you will always have a special place in my heart. It was lovely seeing you all again. Your welcome and appreciation meant so much to me and will carry me through the initial "getting-to-know-time" in Kildare! At least we are still in the same County!

Once again I thank you all sincerely. I wish you all health and happiness and God's choicest blessings. May the peace and love of the Christ Child fill your hearts and homes this New Year and always.

*Míle, míle buíochas,  
Sister Aquinas.*

### COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

#### Meeting with Hewlett Packard.

Hewlett Packard met with the Community Council Executive to outline details of the plans for their modern facility currently being completed near Leixlip. Mr. Dave Younge, Managing Director, led the Hewlett Packard delegation and was accompanied by Ms. Una Halligan, Public Relations Executive with Mr. Maurice Fitzgerald, Facilities Manager and Mr. Kevin McNamara, Personnel Manager. The Community Council welcomed Hewlett Packard to Maynooth and a discussion followed on matters of mutual interest.

Community Council Chairman, Mr. Tom McMullon together with Ms. Liz Stoll, Vice-Chairperson, Mr. Dominic Nyland, Treasurer and Mr. Paul Croghan, PRO represented the Community Council. Mr. Peter Connell from the Maynooth Newsletter also attended the meeting and Ms. Breda Gormally on behalf of the Community Council staff.

#### Thanks to Maynooth Chamber of Commerce

On behalf of Maynooth Community Council and the people of the town we congratulate Maynooth Chamber of Commerce on the fine display of Christmas Lights in the Main Street during the recent festive season.

#### January Community Council Meeting

The third meeting of the Council since the election will take place on Monday 20th January, 1997. Members should note that under the Constitution of the Council any member that misses three consecutive meetings is considered to have resigned their seat and the Council will accept nominations for replacement members from the electoral area concerned. It is important that groups and residents' associations ensure that their representatives attend the Community Council bi-monthly meetings.

#### Maynooth Directory 1997

Just a short reminder that the final closing date for accepting advertisements for the 1997 Maynooth Directory is the end of January. The Directory when completed, will be delivered free to every house in the town. For residents it is an invaluable source of useful local information and for the advertisers it is an opportunity to make their business known to everyone in the town.

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# Community Council Notes

## MAYNOOTH PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

### Heritage Town Project

We have written to a number of local groups whose input we feel is essential to the success of this project. This is the first step towards the completion of a plan which will be pursued with these interested groups.

The following is a general summary of some of the criteria by which Bord Failte assessed the applications of towns who achieved heritage status under their last programme.

- A number of conserved buildings would be open to visitors.
- An integrated signage system within and approaching the town.
- Good range of quality accommodation, restaurants and pubs.
- A visitors centre introducing the towns heritage theme, with evening entertainment linked to the towns historic and heritage theme.
- An integrated traffic management plan incorporating parking.

Following designation as a Heritage Town a limited company was formed usually including representatives from groups such as the following:

- The Local Authority
- The Regional Tourism Board
- The Chamber of Commerce
- The Tidy Towns Committee
- Local Historical Society

So far we have approached a number of local groups, but this number can be increased in consultation with the existing members. Statutory Bodies and Regional Groups will be approached when we feel that we have proposals to put to them.

### Kildare County Council produce Strategic Plan

Following the request from the Minister for the Environment Mr. Brendan Howlin, Kildare County Council has completed a Strategic Plan for the development of the entire County.

The Plan takes into account a number of other Regional Reports including the Dublin Transport Initiative (DTI) Report, the Dublin Regional Report (Dublin Strategic Development Report) and the Mid-East Regional Report (Regional Development Report for Counties Meath, Wicklow and Kildare). It is clear from the proposals in the plan that the development of the County will continue to be impacted by it's proximity to the Dublin Region. However the planners believe that Kildare should be developed in a balanced manner. It is clear that further large levels of rezoning for Residential use in the north-eastern part of the County would be contrary to these aims.

Towns like Maynooth and Celbridge together with Leixlip and Kilcock have considerable landbanks still unbuilt from the 1985 Plan. Therefore it may well be the case that the creation of a larger landbank would not serve any useful

purpose. The decisions will be taken at the end of the day by the elected members of Kildare County Council.

### Aspirations for 1997

If we were to be granted three wishes for the new year they would have to be (1) that we finally see the implementation of Traffic by-laws in Maynooth and (2) that we see the work commence on the renewal of the main street area which includes the paving of the footpaths and (3) the restoration of Maynooth Castle. In 1996 we saw the completion of the Straffan Road works including the new Town Square. Another important development was the opening of the Glenroyal Leisure Centre. These are things that will make us all proud to say we live in Maynooth.

*Paul Croghan*  
*Chairman*

*Planning & Development Committee*

### MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Our Teenage Disco will take place on Thursday 2nd January at 8.30 - 11 p.m. in the Glenroyal Hotel. We look forward to seeing you and all your friends at this event.

We would like to thank the V.E.C. for the grant we have been allocated for the Summer Project in the coming year. This money goes towards subsidising the outings and trips for all the girls and boys who register for the Project and also helps to defray the cost of insurance.

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all children and their parents a happy and peaceful New Year.

*Claire O'Rourke*  
*P.R.O.*

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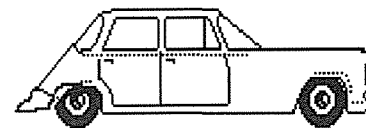
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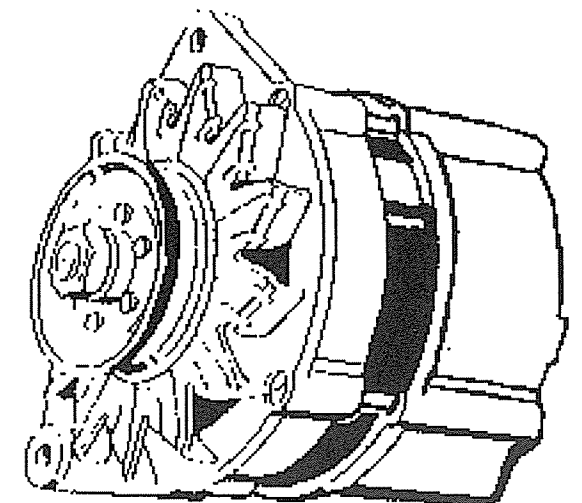
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## MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

**A.G.M. 28th November 1996**

A very well attended and lively A.G.M. in Maynooth P.P.S. on the 28th November heard chairman Robert O' Reilly pay tribute to one of the First Members of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee, Ted Kelly who died during the year, and offered his sympathy to the Kelly Family.

Some other points from the chairmans report.... He thanked Fr. Supple, Cllrs., Griffin, McGinley and Murphy for their attendance and apologised for Ministers Durkan, Stagg and Senator Dardis for non attendance.

He commended the Community Employment FAS Team under the supervision of Martin Sherry who was at the A.G.M. He also thanked Mary Boyle, FAS, for her advice and support and Maria Bendorf for her expertise. He thanked local engineer Ailish Murray and Kildare County Council engineer Charlie Talbot and Ger Coll for their continued support and encouragement. He thanked Maynooth Community Council and also the Businesses who made an effort. He personally was very disappointed at the number of marks that Maynooth received in the 1996 Tidy Towns Competition. The number of green areas that had been enhanced, flower beds planted, the magnificent work in Carton Avenue, he felt we were deserving of more marks. Litter is our big problem. He thanked the committee for all the hard work, in particular, Secretary Brigid Corkery who was not seeking re-election. He also thanked all involved in the Sunday morning clean-up.

### Other Points

It was suggested that the full report be circulated to every house in Maynooth early in 1997. The incoming committee would look at this suggestion.

### Education

Get the children involved by way of competition. Maynooth Post Primary School were commended for their weekly clean-up outside the school down to the church.

### FAS 1997 Project

It was explained to the meeting that a very full and comprehensive programme has been submitted to FAS for consideration for the 1997-1999 time frame.

### The following were elected

Chairman: Robert O' Reilly, Secretary Patricia Condron, Treasurer Mary Farrell, P.R.O. Richard Farrell.

Other members of the committee, Bridget Corkery, Maria Bendorf, Kathleen Cafferty, Paul Croghan, Mattie Callaghan, John Gillick and Jim Fox.

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## Tidy Towns Competition:

**The Tidiest Estates and Best Shop Front Competition** have been reinstated in Maynooth. It is a great way of giving recognition to local effort. The competition was judged by people involved in Tidy Towns outside Maynooth. Presentations were made by Chairperson Bob O' Reilly. The results were as follows:



Rockfield residents (left to right) Liam Hayes, Lorraine O'Dwyer and Kay Duffy accepting their award from Tidy Towns Chairman Bob O'Reilly



Kevin McGovern accepting the award on behalf of Old Greenfield Estate.



Des Matthews accepts the award on behalf of Woodlands Estate.

<b>Best Large Estate:</b>	1st place	Rockfield
	2nd place	Old Greenfield
	3rd place	Woodlands
<b>Best Small Estate:</b>	1st place	Parson Lodge
	2nd place	Castle Bridge
	3rd place	Manor Court
<b>Best Overall Estate:</b>		Rockfield
<b>Best Shopfront:</b>	1st place	Hula Bou
	2nd place	Elite Coffee Shop
	3rd place	Just Gifts



Mary Houlihan Hula-Bou accepting the award for best Shopfront



Angela Bright 'The Elite' 2nd Place Shopfront Awards.



Terry Rogers 'Just Gifts' 3rd Place



# Community Council Notes

## C.I.C. NOTES

### Know Your Rights

#### Question:

What are the new rules on working and getting Unemployment Assistance?

#### Answer:

From the end of November (as announced in the Budget) there will be a new way of assessing income from insurable employment and receipt of Unemployment Assistance, which allows you to keep more Unemployment Assistance.

(1) You will only get Unemployment Assistance if you are available for employment on 3 days in any 6 consecutive days (as at present).

(2) If you are single on Long-Term Unemployment Assistance of £64.50 and get e.g. 2 days work at £30 a day

a) £10 per day will be disregarded  
£60 - £20 = £40

b) 60% of the remainder (£40) = £24 is then deducted from your weekly rate £64.50 leaving £40.50 which is your Unemployment Assistance for the week.

Your total income will be as follows:

Income from employment	£60
+ Unemployment Assistance	<u>£40.50</u>
=	£100.50

(3) If you are married with 2 children on Long-term Unemployment Assistance £129.40 and you get work for 2 days at £30 a day the means assessed against your UA is 60% of £60 or £36 (no £10 disregard)

£129.40 minus £36 = £93.40

So your total income would be £93.40 + £60 = £153.40

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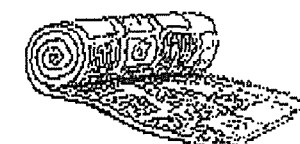
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1. LEVIES IMPOSED TO DATE.....	£353,000.
2. LEVIES SPENT TO DATE.....	£120,000
3. BALANCE AVAILABLE.....	£233,000
4. FUNDING REQUIRED.....	£517,000

There are almost 30 acres of land, in the area, awaiting development under the 1985 Development Plan. The Area Committee agree to increase the Special Development Levies for Bond Bridge to £22,000 per acre. £22,000 x 30 = £660,000, enough to do the job and an extra few bob for the lads to have a couple of lunches while they are planning and designing our lovely new bridge. Alas this is County Kildare, five days after the local County Councillors agree the new levies, the County Council officials give a revised estimate of the cost, £1,500,000. Yes, an increase of **£600,000** in a few days. A trip overseas to see how they build bridges in distant exotic lands perhaps? No, not this time. The extra cost is to build the link road between Meadowbrook Estate to the Straffan Road. As chairperson of this group I have seen and heard some strange things in local government but if they get away with this one we may all stop wasting our time voting (if ever we do get the chance again) to elect local councillors. The ball is now back in the hands of the residents of the Newtown area. The committee of the Bond Bridge Action Group have tried every avenue to make the County Council see reason. Never did we expect them to spend general taxpayer's money on this project. Through special levies, they were given means to provide the infrastructure, to enable residents of this area to go about their daily lives in safety. There must be many County Councils throughout Ireland that would jump at such a chance, not in Kildare. This Committee will continue to put the case to the powers that be. We still have a few irons in the fire and the support from our local County Councillors and T.D.'s is still strong

in most cases. Ultimately it's pressure from individual residents and residents' associations that will see the job done. Early in the new year, we would hope to arrange another Public Meeting to consider **what further action we can take** to have this matter resolved **before someone is killed**. In the meantime we would wish one and all a Happy and Safe New Year and please, driving or walking, TAKE EXTRA CARE CROSSING BOND BRIDGE.

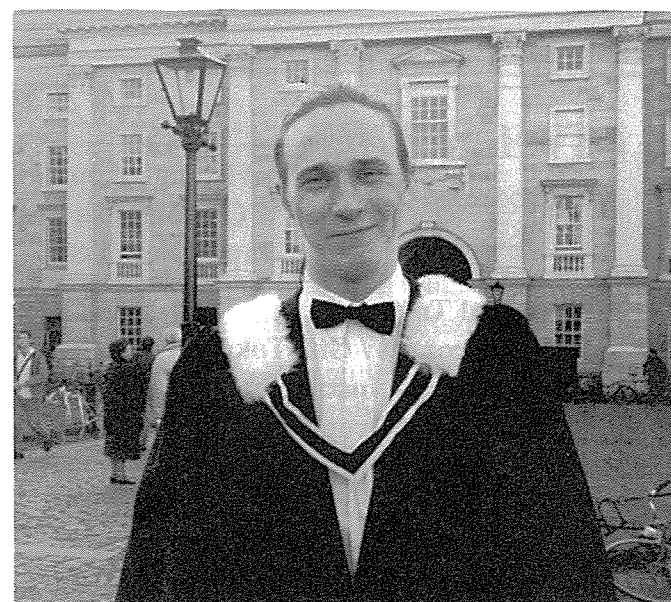
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## MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our Sale of Work took place as planned on Sunday November 24th. Weatherwise it was one of the worst days of the year, moneywise it was our best to date. Our net profit for all our efforts was £5,055.15, at going to print. To just say thank you seems so inadequate. Not only are you hospitable and gracious to our callers, but you come along and spend so generously on the day. Whether you canvassed door to door, sold or bought tickets for our draw or came along on the day to help or spend, you are a vital link in the chain that binds this community together. For playing your part we thank you most sincerely. Rest assured all monies collected will be spent prudently and we will play our part in spending this money in the community from which it came.

A special word of thanks to Seamus Grant who saved the day. He kept us all dry on one of the wettest days of the year. "May his tyres never wear out".

Congratulations to all who won prizes in our various draws.

Draw 1. 1st Prize. Monster Hamper:  
Louisa Donnelly, 521 Newtown, Maynooth.

2nd Prize £50: Joseph Weldon, Laragh,

3rd Prize £25: Marie McAuliffe, 562 O' Neill Park, Maynooth.

Draw 2. 1st Prize Portable C.D. System  
Mona Byrne, 2 The Green, Maynooth.

2nd Prize: Presentation Basket.  
Elizabeth Nolan, Newtown, Maynooth.

3rd Prize: Carolans Cream.  
Vincent Mulready, 752 Greenfield, Maynooth.

Draw 3: 1st Prize Christmas Cake.  
Tara Brennan, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth.

2nd Prize: Bottle of Whiskey  
Fr. Brendan Casey, S.V.D., Maynooth.

3rd Prize: Basket of Fruit.  
M. Durkan, 13 Castlebridge, Maynooth.

Our Annual dinner takes place on Sunday January 5th in the Post Primary School at 5p.m. courtesy O'Brien Catering. Music by "Bourbon St."

Finally may I draw your attention to the name of our organisation, as this may be the last time you see it written this way. We are in the process of changing our name as the term "Old People" is considered "politically incorrect". However it is only the name we are changing, everything else will remain the same. So, watch this space.

## MAYNOOTH ICA NOTES

The December Guild meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday 5th December in the I.C.A. Hall. Our President, Marion, welcomed some new members and thanked us all for coming out on such a cold night.

### Guild Activities

Badminton: Badminton finishes on 12th December and returns on Tuesday 7th January at 10.30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Crafts: Crafts finishes on 16th December and returns on 13th January at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall.

Calligraphy: Calligraphy finishes on Friday 6th December and returns on Friday 10th January at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall.

### Guild Competition

The winners of our December competition "Smallest Christmas Tree":

1st Rosemary Hanley  
2nd Connie Harpur  
3rd Margaret Houlihan

### Christmas Night Out

36 Guild members headed off to the Glenroyal Hotel for our Christmas night out. This was the Christmas Party Night with Brush Shiels. Many thanks to Quinnsword, Bord Gais and Badminton for the great spot prizes.

### Prestige Christmas Cake Competition

Marion our President congratulated Jo O'Connell who represented Kildare in the National Final of the Prestige Christmas Cake Decoration Competition held on 28th November in Dublin. Jo did very well and as a result was interviewed for the Consumer Programme 12 to 1 hosted by Ciana Campbell and Marty Whelan. This is to go out at a later date. Well done Jo.

### Christmas Guild Raffle

1st Turkey: Mary O'Gorman  
2nd Turkey: Anne O'Malley  
3rd Ham: Mary Halton  
4th Chocolates: Connie Harpur  
5th Wine: Ursula Forde

Our next guild meeting will be held on Thursday 9th January 1997. The competition on the night is "Slice Christmas Cake". Finally I would like to wish all our members and friends a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

*Irene Matthews*  
P.R.O.

# Clubs, Organisations, Societies

## BAND BULLETIN

This month's bulletin has been 'put to bed' earlier than usual due to the Christmas Holidays so our notes are written with the help of a crystal ball, hopefully the predictions will all come true!

### Race Night

Our annual Race Night in the GAA Centre on 22nd November was once again a great success. A lot of hard work went into getting the horses to the starting gates and making sure every runner had a fair chance and for this we thank all our stable hands in the Band. We extend a special word of thanks also to the following who so generously sponsored our races: E.A. Coonan & Sons, Caulfield's Lounge, The Clock House, The Roost, Ulster Bank, Derrinstown Stud, Maynooth College, Emmet Stagg, Moyglare Stud, Noone Motors, Barton's Transport, Edward Kavanagh & Son and Maynooth Office Supplies. We would also like to thank all who sponsored horses and in particular our genial Master of Ceremonies Paddy Desmond who really does his homework on the races and would be a most suitable successor to Peter O'Sullivan when he retires next year. A final thank you to the G.A.A. for their continued support of our Race Night which is the Fund Raising event of the year.

### Switched On

Prompted by our own suggestion, we joined with Maynooth Chamber of Commerce to play some suitable Christmas Music for the official switch-on of the magnificent Christmas Lights on the Main Street and in the Square on an appropriately frosty Friday 6th December night. The town was lit with the flick of a switch and a small crowd gathered appreciatively around us warming their hands on the strains of Silent Night, Jingle Bells and other melodious melodies. Hopefully, 1997 will see a larger turnout and maybe a higher profile switch-on.

### Christmas Programme

The aforementioned crystal ball tell's me that our Carol Service in St. Mary's Church of Ireland on Sunday 15th December, went exceptionally well, as did our Carol recitals in the town and supermarkets, the Christmas Staff Dinner in the College, our Christmas Morning Parade and the New Year's Eve Celebrations in the Square.

### New Classes

Due to many requests we are starting a further recorder class in January and those interested should enrol on Tuesday 7th January at 8 p.m. sharp in the Band Hall. The minimum age is 9 years. For those who may be more advanced we may have a vacancy depending on numbers, in our Brass or Clarinet classes. So, please do come and meet us on Tuesday 7th January as we have said before if you are an experienced musician please drop in and see us.

### Annual General Meeting

It's that time of year again when we examine our performance over the past year and plan ahead for the new. The date and time is Thursday 9th January at 8 p.m. and our February Bulletin will have news of our new crew for 1997 who will steer the ship towards the next millenium.

### Assistant Conductor

Our A.G.M. should also see the confirmation of the appointment of our new Assistant Conductor to help our Bandmaster, Cliff Murphy. During the past year Cliff's workload has increased dramatically to the extent that he is no longer in a position to attend rehearsals as often as he would wish. He has given a tremendous amount of time to the Band over the past 25 years and we hope that this new appointment will help to take some pressure from him and allow him, in his capacity as a Director of Music to plan ahead with our new conductor so that we can improve the band in many ways over the next couple of years. We thank Cliff for his contribution to the Band in the past and are confident that we can look forward to great things in the future.

## MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

At our AGM on 15th October the following members were elected on the Committee, and nominated to the following positions for '97.

Chairperson: Noeleen O'Brien.  
Vice-Chairperson: Margaret Howe.  
Secretary: Sarah Angel.  
Assist. Sec.: Mary Doyle (Kilclone).  
Treasurer: Imelda Desmond.  
Assistant Treasurer: Mary Cleary.  
P.R.O. and Raffle: Moira Baxter.  
A.O.I.F.E Rep. and Raffle: Annette Carroll.  
Sales Table: {Felicity Satchwell  
                  { Mary Doyle  
Charity Table: Betty Farrell.  
Librarian: Toni Read.  
Hostess: {Carmel O'Leary  
              {Teresa Ellis  
Competition Sec.: Jo O'Connell

The Club have organised a very exciting programme for the year ahead and look forward to meeting old and new members at our monthly meetings held every 3rd Tuesday in 'The Loftus Hall', St. Patrick's, College, Maynooth.

## MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

We hope all our members had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to a very successful 1997.

Again we are looking for experienced swimmers for next term commencing in February. Please contact a member of the committee. We would like to extend our congratulations to all members who completed the necessary tests and have received their Certificates and Badges for the 96/97 year.

Mary Molloy,  
P.R.O.



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## Clubs, Organisations, Societies

### CELBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB

**Snaps up the Celtic  
Trophy in Banbridge Co.  
Down**

#### Banbridge:

The top Club in the 1996 Irish Photographic Federation (IPF) National League Finals and the winners of the Northern Irish Photographic Association (NIPA) equivalent met to vie for the Best Club in Ireland award. The prize in this annual competition - The Celtic Trophy. Celbridge Camera Club which won the League Finals in May this year represented the IPF and Banbridge Camera Club represented NIPA.

#### Section Winners

In a tough competition judged by Les McClean FIPF, FRPS, a renowned photographer from Scotland, Celbridge Camera Club won both the Colour Slide and Black and White sections while losing only by a small margin on the Colour Print panel. However, it was enough to win the Competition outright and make history as the first Club from the South of Ireland ever to beat a NIPA Club in the twenty one year history of this Competition. Representatives of Banbridge District Council congratulated Celbridge Camera Club on a magnificent win and presented the Celtic Trophy and a specially designed commemorative plaque to Chairman Mark Sedgwick. Commenting on the magnificent performance and the truly international standard of photography

from Celbridge, Les McClean made the point that "not only had Celbridge Camera club triumphed over their counterparts in Northern Ireland but that they could rightly claim to be the best Camera Club in the British Isles" as Banbridge Camera Club took the Top Club honours earlier this year in the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain Competition.

#### Celtic Trophy

Banbridge have won the Celtic Trophy in each of the last 8 years so it was with a great deal of pride that Celbridge wrested the Trophy from such a prestigious Club. Congratulations to the 9 photographers from Celbridge Camera Club who represented the Club which displayed more than 30 images in the course of the Competition. For the record these were: Michael Davitt, Ann Flanagan, Joe Geraty, Cliff Hutchinson, Colm Kavanagh, Podge Kelly, Peter McCormack, Liam O'Reilly and Mark Sedgwick.

Sean Casey FIPF - President of the Irish Photographic Federation - praised Celbridge Camera Club for their excellent win and hoped that it would mark the beginning of a new era in Irish amateur photography.

#### Mullingar:

The Irish Photographic Federation National Shield Championships were held over the weekend of 16/17 November, in Mullingar, Co. Westmeath. Mullingar Photographic Society Club hosted on behalf of the Irish Photographic Federation. This event is the premier

event of Irish amateur photography for non-advanced club members. As luck or excellence, or a bit of both, would have it Celbridge Camera Club were delighted as they took Third Place Overall in the competition being narrowly beaten for second place by Dublin Camera Club. The event was won by Celbridge Camera Club's sister club and protege Listowel Camera Club. Honours went to Mary Mellot from Maynooth who took an IPF silver medal for the second placed colour print of the competition and to Noel O'Mahony who also took the silver medal for the second placed colour slide of the competition. This is an excellent result for the novice and intermediate members of Celbridge Camera Club.

The Club was presented with their trophies and IPF silver medals by Sean Casey FIPF, Present of the IPF.

#### Liffey Descent

Congratulations to Joe Geraty from Lucan who took 1st place in the Irish Distillers amateur photography competition for the best shot of the Annual Canoe event of Ireland - The Liffey Descent. Joe received a crystal decanter brimful of one of Irish Distillers leading alcoholic products for his efforts.

#### New Members

As always CCC are looking for new members and with a hectic schedule of events lined up till the end of June next year now is the right time to join up. Phone us now on 6288904 or 6273476 for further details.

### Community Games A.G.M.

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## GARDA NEWS

Crime Prevention — General Guidelines Security.

### A. When Shopping

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3. When travelling in your car, do not leave bags lying on the seat.
4. Be careful regarding your cheque books, cheque cards and pin numbers etc.
5. When paying for goods, try not to expose large amounts of cash in your possession.
6. Do not carry wallets, purses, etc. in easily accessible pockets and be aware of pick-pockets in crowded shopping areas.
7. When in restaurants, be careful with regard to your bags and purchases.
8. Prior to leaving your vehicle, ensure you have locked all the doors and windows are rolled up tight.  
Make sure the steering lock, if fitted, is engaged and if you have an alarm, ensure you have it on.
9. Never leave any possessions/purchases on view inside the car. If you have to leave them, discreetly lock them in the boot.
10. Do not hide spare keys within the vehicle.
11. Be vigilant when returning to your car with your purchases.

### B. Security of your Homes

12. Be security conscious with regard to your home, in particular, when you will be absent, try and make it appear as if your home is occupied and have someone look after it. Contact the local Gardai and let them know when your home will be vacant and be vigilant with regard to your neighbour's security, also the elderly and those living alone.
13. Check out callers to your home fully and ask for identification. Do not admit strangers to your home.
14. Be alert and report any suspicious activity, persons or vehicles to your local Gardai immediately.

A Very Happy New Year to everyone.

## MAYNOOTH JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

Congratulations to Holly Murray, Louise Ball, Maria Kinsella, Ronan Phelan, Morgan Mc Inerney, Barry Coughlin and Gerard Mc Carthy winners in our Junior Tournament. The advanced Group met Kilcock and now look forward to return matches.

Badminton resumes this month on Tuesdays and Saturdays in the Parish Hall.

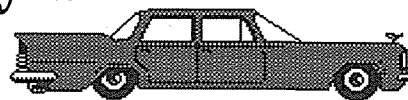
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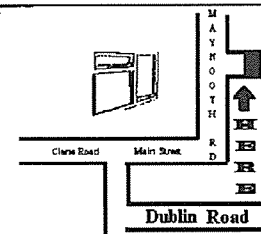
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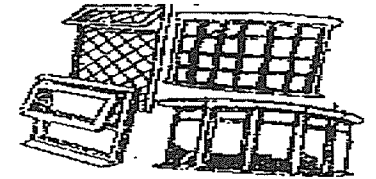
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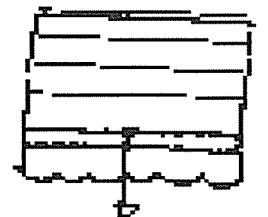
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## MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

When Minister Howlin suspended the ability of Kildare County to pass further town Development Plans on September 23rd, it signalled a rejection to the piecemeal town-by-town approach being operated by Kildare County Council. In his letter the Minister ordered that instead of this approach the Council provides, as a matter of urgency, a Strategic County Development Plan which would govern the decisions to be made at local level and ensure that the commitment of land resources and infrastructure at local level was only that which was necessary to fulfill a demonstrable need at the regional scale. A 'top down' approach which first established the overall growth in population which was likely to occur in the county, and a hierarchical allocation of lands to meet this, and only this, need was envisaged.

This Strategic County Plan was forwarded to councillors on 20th November last and may well by now have been approved by the Minister, thus setting the stalled development planning process in action again throughout County Kildare.

### The Fastest Growing County

The Plan itself reveals that Co. Kildare is now the fastest growing county in Ireland, with the highest rates of immigration and a rate of natural increase in population twice the national average. It states that 15,000 journeys are made from Kildare into Dublin each day, 75% of them by car, and most of them from the north Kildare towns of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip. It highlights the contrast between an overdeveloped and congested northern part of the county, and an underdeveloped southern part where population is still in decline. It emphasises the unsustainable nature of many urban and rural developments due to limitations of water supplies and waste treatment systems, pressure on roads, and urban encroachment on rural and amenity areas. The Plan also highlighted the risk of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip joining to form a huge conurbation in the absence of strict development controls. These are all issues which have occupied Maynooth Planning Alliance over the past year, and it is extremely satisfying to see their explicit recognition in this Plan.

To address these issues, the County Council planners propose a significant geographical shift for future development. Instead of allowing market forces i.e. the building industry to continue to target North Kildare alone for further urban development, it is proposed to redirect such pressures southwards to the central part of the county towards the Naas-Newbridge/Kilcullen triangle. Such a strategy, if successful, would ease the pressures on Maynooth in particular and would be welcomed by the Maynooth Planning Alliance. A pause in the breakneck growth of Maynooth would enable schools, roads, amenities etc to catch up with the excessive growth in population

foisted on the town in recent years by the over generous provision of building land in the last town Development Plan. In addition, the spreading of development would enable those parts of the south of the county which presently need urban development to benefit.

### Next Five Years

The population projections for Celbridge Rural District, which encompasses Maynooth and most of the North Kildare towns imply a total need for residential land for just over 4,000 people more during the next five years. This would be equivalent to rezoning approximately 125 acres in total between Leixlip, Maynooth and Celbridge. Accordingly, as the Plan itself emphasises, any substantial zoning of lands in Maynooth and Celbridge would be actions which would run against the objectives adopted by the councillors themselves.

Maynooth Planning Alliance is happy to report this shift in policy and now calls on the elected representatives of this community to act to implement these objectives in a real and transparent manner. Stances taken last summer are no longer appropriate to these changed circumstances. Development-led planning is out and planning-led development is in for Kildare. A radical new direction is apparent in Kildare planning strategy and Maynooth Planning Alliance calls for an imaginative and radical response from its local representatives.

## R.C.A.G NOTES - CHOMHAIRLE

### AISINTEACHTA AN CHÁNAIL

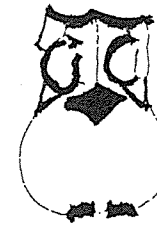
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# Residents Association

## MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

### Moyglare - A Brighter Place

The association are pleased to note that Kildare County Council has agreed to provide additional lighting along the Moyglare Road near the Post-Primary School. The ESB should also be asked to repair a number of existing lights which are not working in this area.

### Moyglare Residents support Maynooth Planning Alliance

At the recent meeting the committee confirmed their support for the work of the Maynooth Planning Alliance in representing the views of the residents in the town. A donation of £25 will be sent to them as a contribution towards their costs.

### Big welcome for the return of "Moyglare News"

The first edition of the relaunched local newsletter for the Moyglare area was widely welcomed by the residents who received their free copy in late November. Distribution was limited to Moyglare Village and to members of the association living on Moyglare Road. However the possibility of delivering future editions to all residents of the Moyglare area, including the Moyglare Road, Moyglare Meadows and Moyglare Abbey will be considered by the committee.

Meanwhile, for anybody who did not receive the last edition, you can see it on display at Jean's Foodstore in Moyglare Village. If you live in the Moyglare area and you have any news you would like included in it, please contact any member of the committee.

**Paul Croghan**  
Chairman  
Moyglare Residents Association

## PARKLANDS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Parklands Residents Association would like to congratulate Tony O' Connor on the formation of "Parklands United"(5 a side).

Introducing the Team: Tony O' Connor, Simon Williams, Kieran Glynn, Sean Sinclair, Paul Broghan, Declan Forde, Peadar Haren, Aidan Critchley.

This team is taking part in the Winter League organized by Leixlip Amenity Centre. We sincerely hope that those residents who were disappointed to find they had not been registered in time to vote in the Bail Referendum have now rectified the situation for future elections. Parklands Residents Association would like to wish all Residents and readers and the Staff of the Newsletter a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

**Liz Stoll**  
Parklands Residents Association

## GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

**Please note.....** Any items for discussion by the above Committee should be forwarded to the secretary, Mary McGinley, 50 Greenfield Drive, by the last Friday of the month.

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**Richard Farrell**  
P.R.O.

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### POTATO-CELERIAC PANCAKES WITH CREAM AND CELERY

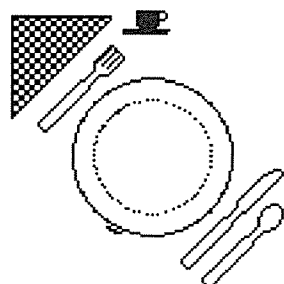
(A pancake made of grated potatoes)

Preparation: 15 minutes  
Cooking time: 30 minutes  
Serves 4

2 large potatoes  
1 small celeriac (about 3 1/2 oz/100g)  
Salt  
2oz/60g butter  
1 tbsp peanut oil  
1 medium onion, preferably white  
The pale heart of a head of celery  
a few celery leaves  
2 tbsp creme fraiche  
or whipped double cream  
A pinch of freshly grated nutmeg

Peel the potatoes and celeriac and wipe clean. Grate finely. Mix & season with salt. With your hands divide the vegetables into 8 balls, and flatten each into a pancake about 5/8 in / 1 1/2 cm thick. Heat the butter and oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the pancakes and cook until lightly browned on one side, turn over. Press with spatula to hold together. Cook for 15 to 20 minutes, turning occasionally. Peel the onion and cut into thin slices. Salt lightly and place in a strainer to let the salt draw out the onion's flavour.

Thinly slice and set aside the stalks from the celery leaves. When the pancakes are cooked arrange them around the edge of an oven proof platter. Spread some creme fraiche or whipped cream on each pancake, sprinkle with nutmeg and top with thinly-sliced onion. Put the platter under the grill or in a very hot oven for a couple of minutes. Before serving, put the sliced celery heart and leaves in the centre of the platter. Serve immediately.



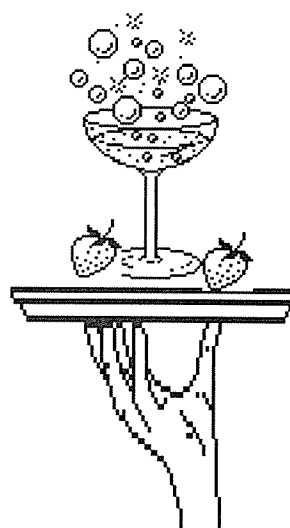
### SHALLOTS IN RED WINE

Use an intense wine such as a Cotes du-Rhone for the sauce, and serve with roast tenderloin of beef or grilled steak.

Preparation time: 15 minutes  
Cooking time: 20 - 30 minutes  
Serves 4

14oz/420g medium shallots, all the same size  
3oz/90g butter,  
1 tsp sugar  
5fl oz/150ml chicken stock  
Salt & freshly ground black pepper  
A sprig of thyme  
8fl oz/250ml red wine

Peel and trim shallots. Heat half the butter in a heavy saucepan and add shallots. Cook until lightly golden, then add the chicken stock, sugar, a pinch of salt, and the sprig of thyme. Over high heat, reduce cooking liquid completely, then add wine and boil down until only 1 or 2 tbsp of sauce remain. The shallots should be very tender. Remove the pan from the heat and add the rest of the butter, stir to melt into the sauce and coat the shallots. Check seasoning and serve.



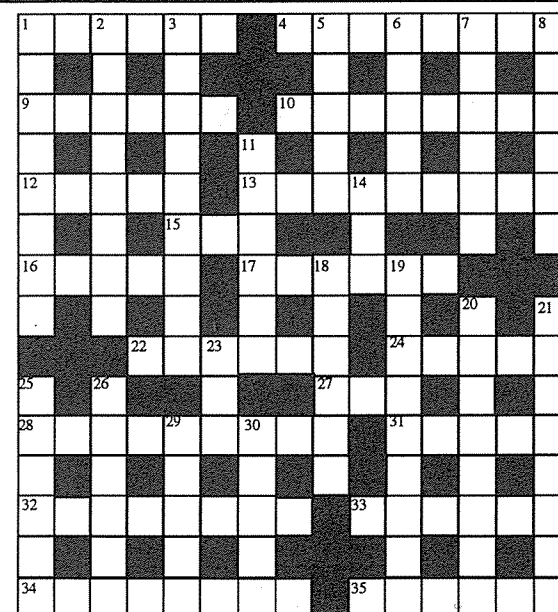
### BAY-SCENTED ROASTED POTATOES

Preparation time: 15 minutes  
Cooking time: 40 - 50 minutes.  
400F/220C/Gas 6  
Serves 4

8 medium, red skinned potatoes salt  
12 large fresh bay leaves  
6fl oz/175ml chicken stock  
4fl oz/125ml olive oil

Peel wash & dry potatoes. Cut slits into each potato every 3/8 in/1cm; cut nearly all the way through, but be careful to keep potatoes in one piece. Cut the bay leaves into 1/2 in/1 1/4 cm strips. Oil a baking dish; put potatoes into pan and slip a piece of bay leaf into each slit. Sprinkle with salt (very little if your chicken stock is salted). Bring stock to the boil and pour it over the potatoes; drizzle with the olive oil. Bake, uncovered, for about 40 minutes. The potatoes should be very tender and nicely browned; no cooking liquid should remain. Serve in the baking dish.

## Crossword No. 110



Entries before 17th January 1997

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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### Across:

1. Cover. (6)
4. Widespread. (8)
9. Resonance. (6)
10. Defrauds. (8)
12. Drink..... (5)
13. ....Server. (9)
15. Impair. (3)
16. Nimble. (5)
17. Embellished. (6)
22. Workroom. (6)
24. Devoid. (5)
27. Diameter. (3)
28. Seasonal. (9)
31. South American dance. (5)
32. Drooled. (8)
33. Small restaurant. (6)
34. Determined. (8)
35. Awry. (6)

### Down:

1. Throw. (8)
2. Propose. (8)
3. Writing paper. (9)
5. Force. (5)
6. Frolic. (5)
7. Affliction. (6)
8. Dictator. (6)
11. At large. (6)
14. Beverage. (3)

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18. Strip of pasta. (6)
19. Dramatics. (9)
20. Unmarried woman. (8)
21. Classification by sort. (8)
23. Vessel. (3)
25. Insect. (6)
26. Characteristics. (6)
29. Inventor of dynamite. (5)
30. Lifeless. (5)

### Solution to Crossword No. 109.

Across: 1. Merino; 4. Abundant; 9. Poplin; 10. Restorer; 12. Imbue; 13. Pamphlets; 15. Lei; 16. Trice; 17. Reject; 22. Ostler; 24. Rouge; 27. Son; 28. Amplitude; 31. Incur; 32. Banality; 33. Former; 34. Residual; 35. Hearse.

Down: 1. Mephisto; 2. Republic; 3. Noiseless; 5. Bream; 6. Notch; 7. Airier; 8. Thrush; 11. Spiral; 14. Pie; 18. Jersey; 19. Carnivore; 20. Dulcimer; 21. Peartree; 23. Tat; 25. Camber; 26. Upends; 29. Idled; 30. Ultra.

Winner of Crossword No. 109:  
Liam Kavanagh, 29 Moyglare Village, Maynooth.

# Gardening Hints

HELPFUL HINTS FOR THE  
ESTABLISHED GARDEN  
PLANTS IN MID TO LATE  
WINTER

**Lawns** Turf new lawns. Treat established lawns with mosskiller.  
**Trees and Shrubs** If the soil is not frozen, plant deciduous species. Prune deciduous summer-flowering shrubs such as clematis, buddleia, potentilla and hardy fuchsia. Prune winter-flowering shrubs once blooms are over; mulch and apply a general fertilizer. Cut suckers growing from the bases of trees.

**Roses** Continue planting roses in suitable weather. Prune in mild or sheltered gardens.

**Perennials** Lift and divide lupins, Michaelmas daisies, delphiniums, and any other hardy border plants that have been left for three years.. Apply general fertilizer to other hardy perennials. Firm plants lifted by frost. Fork over soil between the plants. Examine stored chrysanthemum stools for signs of rotting and withering. Ventilate on dry days.

**Annuals** In suitable weather dig and manure sites for sowing. Lightly fork over ground dug in autumn and work in a general fertilizer if it wasn't manured. Sow half hardy annuals in a cold frame or greenhouse late in the winter.

**Biennials** Dress with a general fertiliser. Lightly fork soil around them. Firm any plants that have been lifted by frost.

**Bulbs** Deter birds from eating crocus buds by stretching dark cotton, supported on sticks across the area occupied by the bulbs. Spray stored dahlia tubers showing signs of mould. Pot lily bulbs for early display indoors or under glass.

**Fruit** Plant fruit trees and bushes in mild spells. Feed all fruit trees with fertilizer. Every third year, paint tar oil wash on apple and pear trees.

Prune raspberries, gooseberries and red and white currants. Prepare beds for rhubarb crowns and plant.

**Vegetables** Place cloches in position to warm soil for seeds sown in early spring. Outdoors, plant shallots. Transplant autumn sown onions. Feed winter brassicas with general fertilizer.

**Herbs** Plant or divide chives, thyme, sage, and mint. Cut back frost damaged sage.

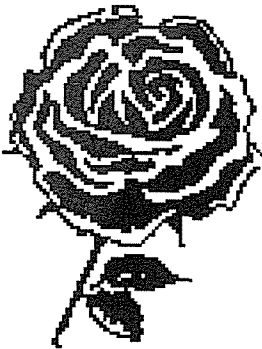
1997 GARDENING  
PLANNER

**January**  
Sow lettuce and other salad vegetables. Begin sowing in the propagator of summer-autumn flowering pot plants and plants requiring long growing periods, such as F1 hybrid geraniums. Some bulbs already in the plunge may be ready to bring in. Propagate chrysanthemums and carnations from cuttings. Sow freesias, seven seeds to each 130mm(5in) pot. Rhubarb can be brought in for forcing under staging. Pot-on actively growing pot plants such as primulas, calceolarias and cinnerarias. Be cautious with watering and ventilate freely if there is a mild spell. Keep the greenhouse glass clean.

WHEN TO PRUNE

Major pruning is done during the dormant period, from late autumn to early spring. Despite the increasing availability of container grown roses, which can be planted at any time of the year, the main planting season is still from autumn to spring. This is also the time when bare-rooted roses are put in. All newly planted stock should be pruned in late winter or early spring. Normally it doesn't matter what time established roses are pruned during the dormant season.

Very harsh winter weather may damage those that have been pruned in the autumn, so they may need additional trimming in the spring. It's advantageous to trim and tie in long stems before they are lashed about by winds. In mild areas where new growth starts early, prune sooner rather than later.



**Three Basic Steps:**  
There are three pruning steps that apply to all roses, whether established or newly planted. Treat them as routine whenever you are planting or pruning. Many roses will need very little further attention.

- 1) Remove all dead, damaged or diseased stems. Cut back to just above a bud on healthy wood or take out the stem completely, cutting back to a junction with a healthy stem or even the rootstock itself.
- 2) Remove weak or thin stems. These are unlikely to produce flowers, yet they will take strength that the plant could put into other, better growth. Cut back to join with a healthy strong-growing stem or to the rootstock.
- 3) Take out the least vigorous of stems that cross or rub. Either cut the overcrowding stem right out or prune back to a growth bud below where the two stems cross. With ramblers and climbers, cut out some overcrowding stems but remember that training and tying will be needed to avoid rubbing.



## Children's Corner



## Animal Signs!

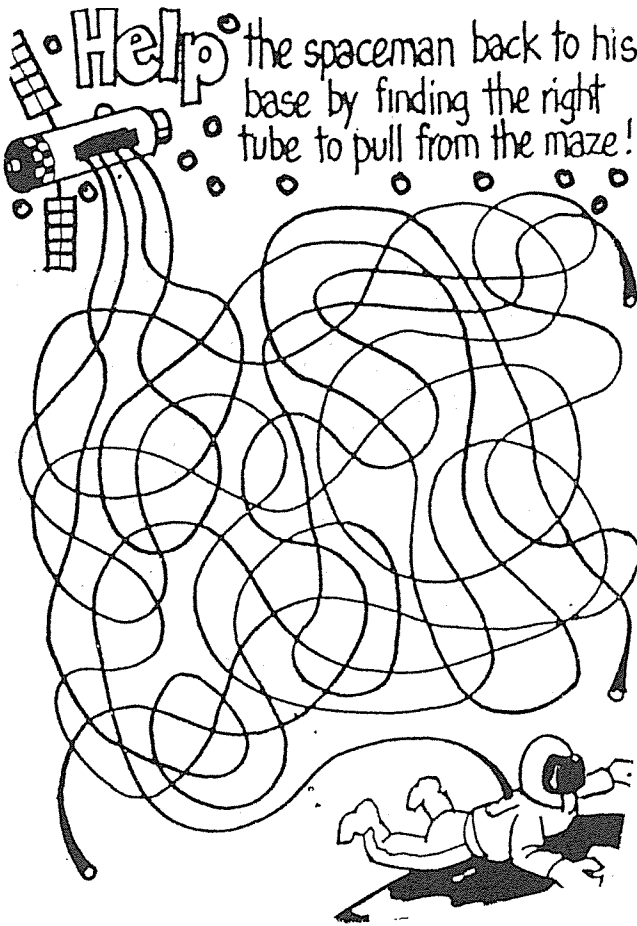
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3rd. PRIZE	3rd. PRIZE
Aimee Sherlock 80 Kingsbry Maynooth	Kenneth Corbally 26 Cluain Roibhinn Maynooth



## Features

### STREET SOUNDS!

Pictured across is the CKR Outside Broadcast Unit bringing some cheerful sounds to a wintry Maynooth afternoon. DJ Tom Brown was the man with the music, moving his 1 till 4 show out on the streets, in conjunction with Bank of Ireland, Maynooth who sponsored all the spot prizes that the CKR crew were giving away.

To ensure a perfect sound quality the station's sound engineers travelled to Maynooth two days previously to do a 'dry-run' - the school children who gathered round the van on Friday seemed to think they had done a good job.

If you are in business in the Maynooth area and you're looking for a novel advertising idea, why not bring in the CKR crew to liven up the afternoon? And if you're the sort of person who just likes to win spot prizes - then make sure you have your CKR car sticker displayed the next time they come to town, and keep tuning in to your local station - CKR



### MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION

#### Fund Raising Social Evening

The committee of the Maynooth Post Primary PTA is holding a fund-raising Social Evening and Dance in the Glenroyal Hotel on Saturday 18th January from 9 p.m. 'til midnight. Music will be by Bourbon Street and their selection should help shake off any Christmas excesses gained over the period.

Please, please support our fund-raising efforts! Tickets are available from any committee member or via the school. As admission to the event is by ticket only and tickets are limited, it is important that you get your tickets early.

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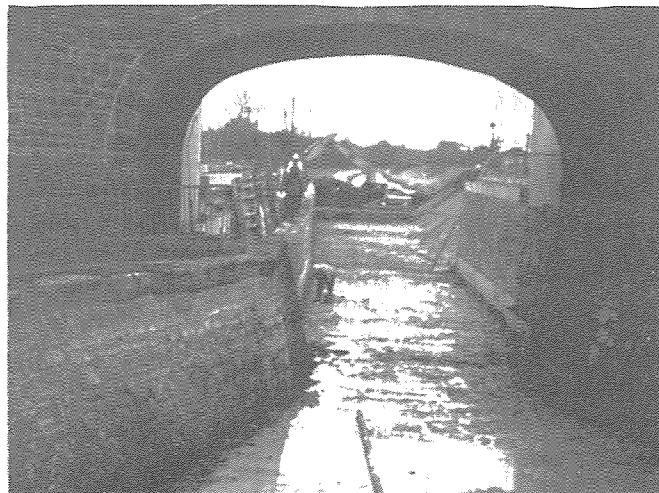
# Maynooth in 1996 -



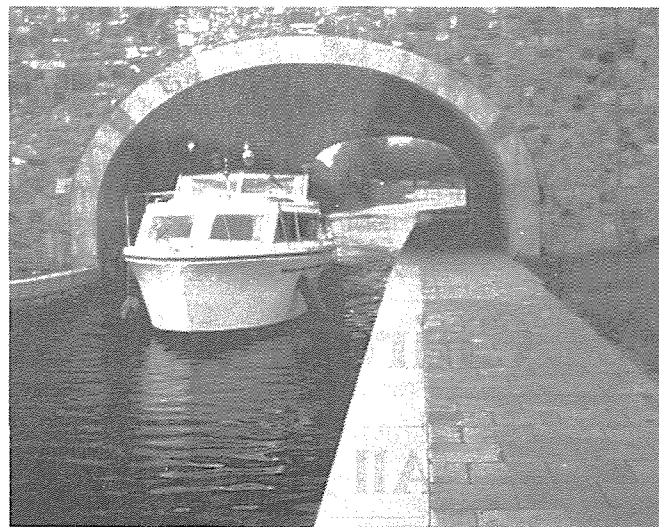
*The Thing is dead!  
Long live anything but the Thing!*



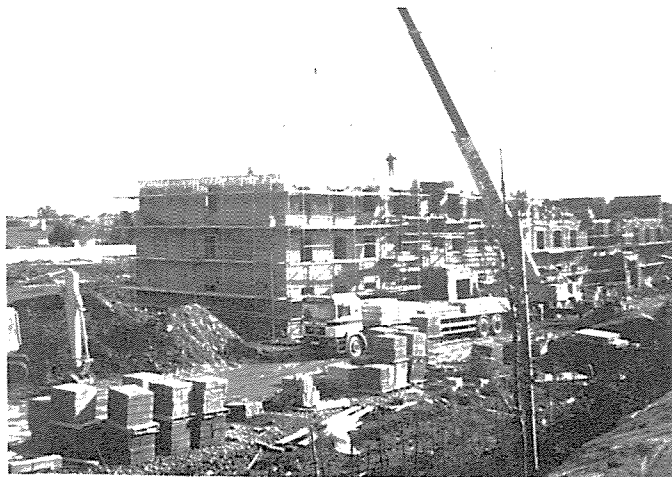
*And here it is! The new Square,  
clean, bright and only a decade overdue.*



*And the old jackhammer, goes  
clatter clatter, all along the  
banks of the Royal Canal!*



*November sees the first cruiser along the new  
improved Royal Canal. Bon Voyage.*



*Rumour has it that out of this muck,  
a new hotel and shopping centre will rise.*



*Et voila! The Glenroyal Complex, a welcome  
addition to Maynooth's business community.*

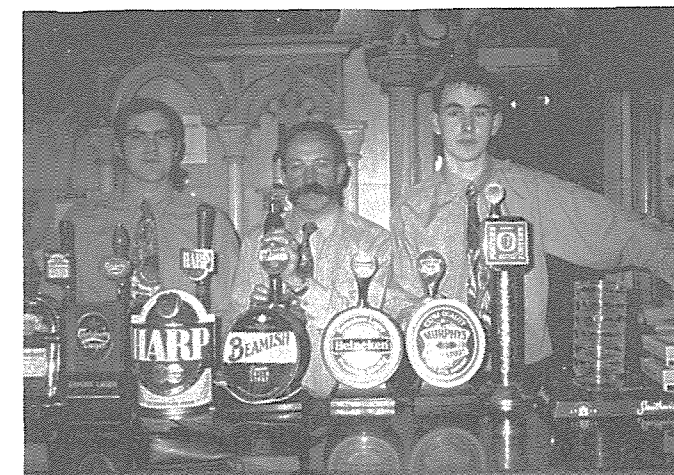
# A Changing Town



*Who will ever forget the year  
we all spent living on a building site?*



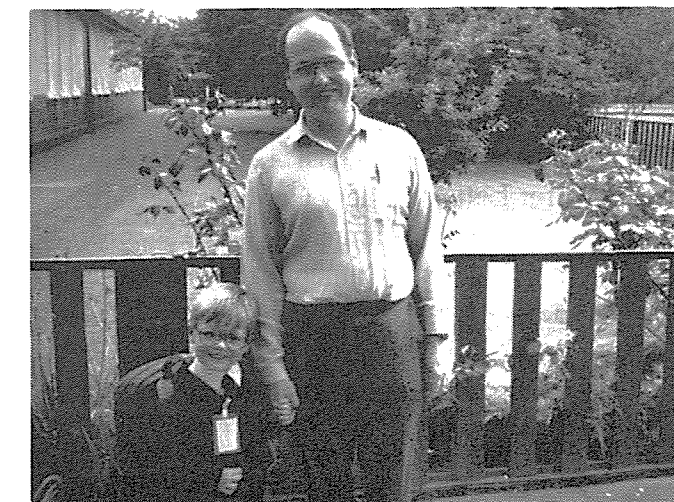
*The new Straffan Road, wider, safer and pothole free.  
(Now if we could just get rid of the traffic!)*



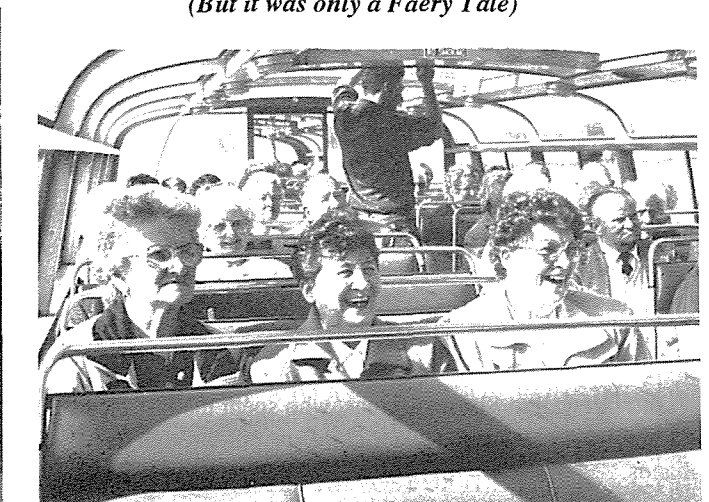
*New faces in the Roost. And the word on the street is  
that its a much nicer place to drink.*



*Once upon a time it was told that a motorway  
would put an end to Maynooth's traffic problems.  
(But it was only a Faery Tale)*



*September every year brings its own changes -  
this one at least seems tantrum-free.*



*This one isn't about changing anything -  
we just liked the photo.  
Happy New Year!*



## Features

### FAREWELL SISTER AQUINAS

Sister Aquinas will be sadly missed from the town of Maynooth. She is being transferred to Kildare town to take up the position of Teaching Principal. A mass was held for her on Tuesday 26th November and was celebrated by Reverend Fr. Brendan Supple. Concelebrants were Monsignor Patrick Corish, Reverend Fr. Liam Ryan and Reverend Fr. Oliver Brennan (all from the college), Reverend Fr. Pat Joe O' Connor, Salesian College and Reverend Fr. David Boylan from the Post-Primary School.

The church was filled to capacity with parents, friends and pupils from Maynooth Post Primary, St. Wolstans, Celbridge and Scoil Dara in Kilcock to say their last farewell to Sister Aquinas. "She has a very big heart and there is room in it for each and every child", said Father Supple. He also said that the town will miss the sweet sound of her music at Sunday Mass.

The beautiful hymns on the day were sung by the School choir. A number of children also brought their own personal gifts to the altar, such as calligraphy, flowers, music and crochet. The children also said their own prayers on the altar.

The main hymn was one of Sister Aquinas' favourites "Come Follow Me". The mass was very beautiful and moving. There was a very emotional scene after the mass when everyone in the Church rose to their feet clapping and cheering as Sister Aquinas walked down the aisle and out of the church in tears.

After the mass a reception followed in the Parish Hall. A group of women got together and set up a committee to supply tea, coffee, sandwiches and cakes.

#### Committee members:

Noleen McTernan, Marian Brennan, Lilla Flynn, Josephine Fay, Catherine Fay, Bridget Cummins, Marie Baxter, Caroline O' Hurley, Geraldine Tobin, Catherine Heslin, Jean Kennedy.

Thank you ladies, it was lovely. A cake in the shape of a prayer book summarised just what the people of Maynooth wanted to say to Sister Aquinas, the woman who had made such a mark on our lives. The inscription on the cake read, "Thank you so much, your thoughtfulness to all meant more than words can say".

A sad farewell to Sister Aquinas who spent the last 25 years of her life dearly loving every child she put through her hands.



*Sr. Aquinas saying her farewells.*



*The Farewell Cake.*

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## Features

### M.A.B.S. IN MAYNOOTH!

#### North Kildare Money Advice and Budgeting Service opens at Derroon House.

The Glenroyal Hotel in Maynooth recently became the venue for an Information Evening hosted by the Money Advice and Budgeting Service, which has made its service available for the North Kildare Region at Derroon House, Dublin Road, Maynooth.

The service helps families and individuals with debt problems. If a person is in difficulties with rent, mortgages, E.S.B., banks, etc., then the service can help them.



*L-R Shane O'Neill, Jim Walsh, Margaret Quinn-M.A.O. Nth. Kildare, Veronica Tobin M.A.O. Sth. Kildare at M.A.B.S. open night in the Glenroyal Hotel*

In attendance at the evening were Shane O'Neill and Jim Walsh from the Department of Social Welfare, Veronica Tobin of the South Kildare M.A.B.S. in Newbridge, Margaret Quinn, Money Advice Officer for North Kildare and her staff Kelly Meaghan and Fiona O'Brien.

Mr. Walsh who opened the proceedings by welcoming everybody there, explained that M.A.B.S. had organised the evening so that co-ordinators could meet with local groups to explain to them what the service is about and also to get the support and assistance of other community groups.

According to Shane O'Neill, who recently co-ordinated the Dublin South M.A.B.S., the service originated from a 'changing focus' within the Department for Social Welfare. As a result of a report by the Combat Poverty Agency and a changing role within the Department, five M.A.B.S. projects were set up in 1992 to assist people in debt and to prevent indebtedness.

The service is funded by the Department of Social Welfare and since 1995 as a result of a request by the Minister for Social Welfare, Proinsias de Rossa, the service is independent of the Department and rooted within the local community where it is available.

#### Structure of the M.A.B.S.

Margaret Quinn the new M.A.O. in describing and explaining the structure of the service, re-iterated this point that the service is independent of the Department. If organising groups within a locality find that they are interested in supporting a M.A.B.S., they must form a committee and submit a proposal to the Department of Social Welfare. A Management Committee is formed to run the service, selecting suitable persons to administrate, locate offices and staff, monitor the service and submit reports. The committee also looks after training and policy issues. When a proposal is accepted by the Department of Social Welfare, interim funding is granted for one year. After that year, if the service proves to be managed well, the Department will enter into a three year funding contract.

#### Free, Independent and Confidential Service

The service is free, independent and confidential. Trained advisers will listen to problems without judging and help a person to make their own decisions by giving the information and advice needed to bring the situation under control. It is not important why or how a person got into difficulties - what is important is to deal with the situation as it is now.

Many clients are referred to the M.A.B.S. by a Community Welfare Officer. An interview with the M.A.O. takes place, going through all the elements of the financial difficulties to assess the situation. The aim of the service is to enable the person to pay off debts at a rate that they decide whilst ensuring that all their essential requirements (food, housing, fuel, etc.) are protected. This is done through Budgeting.

If wished the service will negotiate on a persons behalf with creditors, to help renegotiate repayments at a rate that can be afforded. When large problems occur, a C.W.O. is called upon for extra support to help tackle the issue. Basically all channels of support are investigated to help the individual.

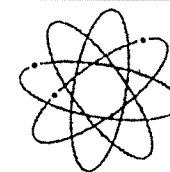
#### Special Accounts Scheme

A key feature of the service is a Special Accounts Scheme provided in partnership with local Credit Unions. A person availing of the service can open one of these accounts even if they don't have a history with the Credit Union. A specified repayment amount is put into the Special Account every week. At the end of the month this is taken out and given to the creditors.

#### Loan Guaranteed Fund

Another feature of the service is the Loan Guaranteed Fund. This is a designated sum of money, provided by the Department of Social Welfare to guarantee loans (in co-operation with the Credit Union) to people who wouldn't have regular savings, but who are trying hard to overcome their debts.

These are the essential approaches being employed by the



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**Happy New Year to All Our Students and Parents**

## Features

M.A.B.S. to help individuals overcome indebtedness.

### Community Education Programme

Another approach which Margaret Quinn is promoting is the Community Education Programme, a 'pro-active approach' where certain groups in the community are targeted and taught money management, i.e., young people are encouraged to save regularly and build up a credit base.

There are now forty such projects established and running successfully throughout the country. They have assisted over 10,000 families with multiple debt problems. Many have been able to overcome their debts over a period of time.

The North Kildare M.A.B.S., at Derroon House, Dublin Road, Maynooth will be officially launched on January 17th. The opening hours for the service are: Mon - Fri 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. & 2 - 5 p.m. Any special requirements and enquiries can also be made at night.

For further information: Ph: 629 1660/Fax: 629 1662.



*Fiona O'Brien and Margaret Quinn M.A.B.S.  
Administration Staff*

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# Features

## MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

### Publication of New Novel

The staff at Maynooth Post Primary School wish to congratulate Mr. Patrick Devaney on the publication of his second book. This book is entitled "The Stranger and the Pooka" It was launched on Wednesday 4th December by Don Conroy in the Maynooth Library and is published by Mentor Press. By all accounts this book is very suitable for thirteen year old children and we wish Mr. Devenay every success with it.

### Debating and Public Speaking

Debating and Public Speaking teams have been busy in competition this term with some success. We have been involved with three Debating competitions, with twelve participating students.

Transition Year students Stephen McKeon, Roisin Farrelly, Cormac Eddery and Eamonn Hodge ably represented the school in the Concern Debate.

Fifth Year students Geraldine Fahy, Declan O'Rourke, Nigel Heather and Shane Casey competed in the E.S.B. Leinster Debating Competition and we look forward to seeing Nigel and Declan also winning their next round. A mixed team of T.Y., 5th year and L.C. debaters are participating in the Rigby-Jones Memorial Shield. The team James Mulligan, Meadhbh Flood, Robert Hayes and Maeve Lynch were narrowly defeated in their first competition but went on to win the second of their three debates. We hope they repeat the performance in the New Year.

The Mental Health Public Speaking Project first round was held in the school on November 20th. The Maynooth team of Lorraine Downey, Eimear McKeith and Claire Duke were victorious against St. Wolstan's, Celbridge and Scoil Iosa, Kilcock.

The Kildare final was then held in Naas on December 10th and the Maynooth girls again emerged victorious. Congratulations to the team and to their tireless coach, English teacher Laurine Barry.

Congratulations also to Declan O'Rourke who is through to the Quarter Finals of the ESB Leinster Debating Competition. Watch this space for further progress reports.

### Under 16 Gaelic Football

#### Maynooth Post Primary V Drimnagh Castle

Maynooth Post Primary School defeated Drimnagh Castle by 3-7 to 2-6. This was a very tough match in freezing conditions and strong winds. Maynooth came to grips with the conditions but only after falling five points behind. Maynooth put on a great performance in the second half with K. Ennis, T. Naughton and C. Arthurs getting a goal each. W. Farrelly and L. O'Brien excelled with superb free taking and Maynooth won this very close match.

Our congratulations to this very successful Maynooth team which was as follows: C. McCarthy, A. Geoghan, A.

Dalton, D. McCarthy, C. Higgins, D. Carr, T. Dalton, G. Beirne, D. O'Sullivan, J. Joyce, K. Ennis, G. Higgins, C. Arthurs, W. Farrelly.  
Subs: T. Naughton for G. Higgins.

#### Maynooth Post Primary V Moyle Park

Maynooth won the match but not without a fight from Moyle Park. Maynooth led by 0-6 to 0-4 at half time. In the second half, the Maynooth side had to cope with a strong breeze. However, with excellent playing, particularly from Chris Arthurs, the Maynooth side won with a final score of 1-9 to 0-8.

The successful Maynooth team were as follows:  
J. Fagan, J. O'Brien, A. Dalton, D. McCarthy, D. Carr, T. Dalton, G. Beirne, L. O'Brien, P. O'Sullivan, C. Arthurs, C. Diggins, J. Joyce, S. Lennon, W. Farrelly  
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# Features

## STREET TALKING

### The Pottery Barn

In our Christmas edition we visited some shops in Maynooth in an effort to see just what was on offer for the local consumer. We discovered to our delight that Maynooth is a thriving shopping town with a great selection of shops to choose from.

Maynooth shoppers now have yet another shop to entice them from the city and stay in the town, since the opening last month of "The Pottery Barn" in the Square.

### Vast Selection of Stock

As its name suggests, the premises is stocked with a vast array of pottery. The collection of Bandon Pottery and Farmhouse Country Pottery are testament to the wonderful Irish craftsmanship and design being produced here at the moment. However, pottery is only one of the many items on sale in "The Pottery Barn".

There is an extensive range of copperware for the kitchen and fireplace, glassware in the form of containers and kitchen utensils (all Irishmade) and also a beautiful collection of wrought-iron lamps and vase stands.

### Locally Made

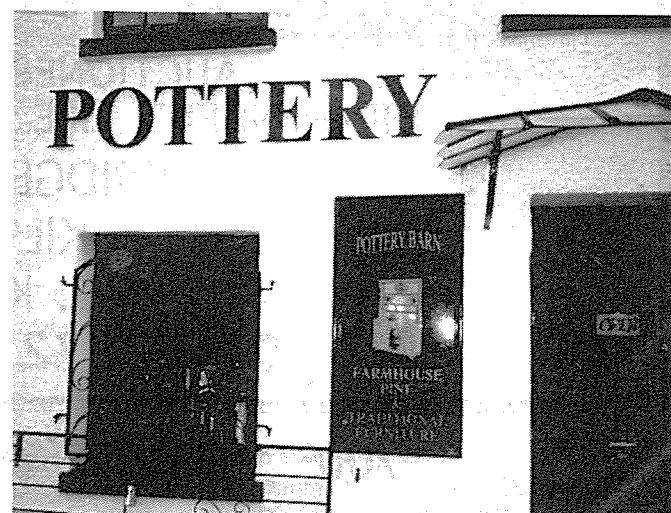
Much of the stock is not just Irish made, but locally made. "The Pottery Barn" aims at marketing local crafts, especially handcrafts. These are plentiful; from dried flower arrangements to wooden lamps. There is also a collection of printed pictures - although these are a limited edition only.

The proprietor Brian Kehoe who originates from Prosperous saw an opening in the market and decided Maynooth was in the right sort of upcoming town for his shop. This wasn't Brian's only reason for coming to Maynooth. Brian's mother's family the Dunne's, lived on a farm at Mullinbridge. A cabinet maker by trade, Sean has always loved furniture and has always wanted to open a craftwork shop.

This love of wood has manifested itself all around "The Pottery Barn". There is a great range of antique reproduction furniture, hallstands, bureaux, farmhouse tables and chairs and beds. Everything here is for sale, including an original selection of antique Chinese furniture, comprising of linen chests and chairs. "The Pottery Barn" also provides a 'made to order' service for any off-set pieces of furniture.

### Exclusively Designed

One of the most outstanding collections in the Barn has to be the exclusive collection of handcrafted mirrors, especially designed for "The Pottery Barn" by Michelle O'Donnell of the Liffey Trust in Dublin. Each mirror is a unique piece of craftsmanship by this highly acclaimed artist.



*New Pottery shop in the Square.*

So whether you're searching for a pottery gift set, a classical Tiffany lamp or exquisitely handcrafted cutlery, look no further, "The Pottery Barn" has something for everybody.

### Opening Hours

Since its opening on December 1st, "The Pottery Barn" has been doing business 7 days a week.

Opening Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9.30 a.m.-6 p.m. Sun 2-6p.m.

Brian Kehoe would like to thank all the businesses in the community who have given him their support. He has received great reaction from the people of Maynooth and he has been overwhelmed by all those who called in to wish him well.

So why not start off '97 the right way and pay a visit into the beautiful Pottery Barn.

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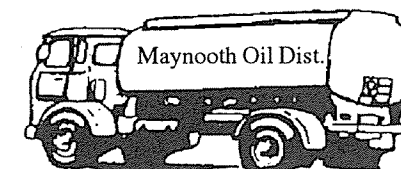
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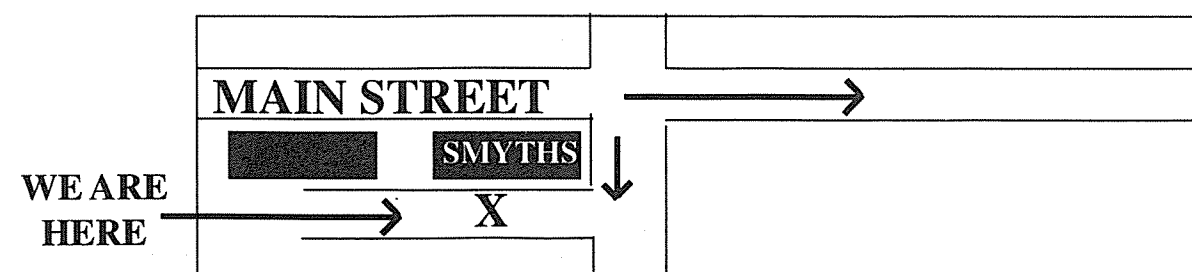
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# Features

## SCOIL UI RIADA

The fund-raising table quiz held in the Maynooth G.A.A. club on Friday 29th November proved to be a great success, with over 20 teams of 4 participating. Organised by the Cárde committee with their usual panache, the fear a' tigh and quiz-master for the night was an Priomh-oide, Séamus O Muirthe. The "dá-theanganach" questions, set by Scoil Uí Riada parent Paul Garvey, provided the teams with a stiff challenge. The toughest question of the night was deemed to be "What's the name of the next bridge over the Royal Canal, to the west of Kilcock?".

Santa hats, in aid of St. Raphael's of Celbridge, were also on sale.

The Cárde committee are now planning a "monster" table quiz to be held in the Glenroyal Hotel in early Spring.

### Successes for Scoil Uí Riada at Ceol an Geimhridh, Chill Dara

We are proud to report that our Banna Céili were the winners of their section of the annual competition, organised by Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann and held in Barnhall, Leixlip on Sunday 1st December. They now go forward to the Leinster Finals to be held in Enniscorthy during this month. Tomás O Baille also won through to the Leinster "Sceallíocht" finals.

### Slogadh agus Cor na nOg, 1997

A group of 40 pupils will take part in the area finals of Slogadh 97, in both the Dramíocht & Cor sections. The drama entry is based on the theme of Cu Chulainn.

A number of pupils from rang a cuig agus rang a sé will be part of the 4000 child ensemble from 56 schools drawn from the greater Dublin area, organised by the National Children's Choir. This ensemble will perform songs based on a Celtic and American theme, including an Irish melody "Fir a Bhata", "Rhythm Of Life" by Woody Guthrie and songs from the "New World Symphony" by Dvorjak. Further details of the concert to be announced.

No doubt that Seán O' Riada, the modern master of traditional Irish music and after whom our school is named, would be proud of our pupils' involvement in these endeavours!

### Ranganna Gaeilge

This year's participants of over 20 parents and adults in a beginners and a more advanced class, are well into their series. Ta súil againn go bhfuil siad go léir ag teacht ar aghaidh. An bhfuil na páistí ag ceabhru leo?

### Enrolments for September 1997

We are now accepting enrolments for junior infants and other classes for this coming school year. As the official Gaelscoil for Maynooth and Kilcock, a free school bus service is provided to the school, located in The Square, Kilcock. We cater for all children in the area wishing to attend an All Irish, co-educational Primary school. To ensure your child's place, please enrol at the school, as soon



*Members of the band pictured  
Back Row L-R Síbhán Ní Dhuarcáin, Ciarán Mac Duarcáin,  
T. Ní Lonnáin, Tomás Ó Báille  
Front Row L-R Aisling Ní Shíothcháin, Ciarán O  
Cuilín, Breandán Mac Gabhann.*

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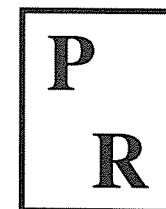
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We would like to wish all the staff and boys and their parents a very Happy New Year and hope that you have all enjoyed a Happy Christmas.

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*Claire O'Rourke  
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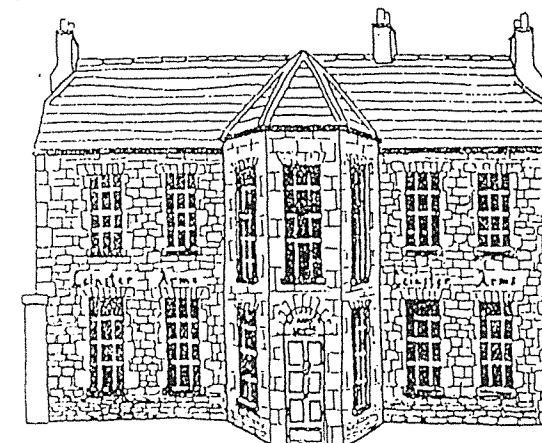
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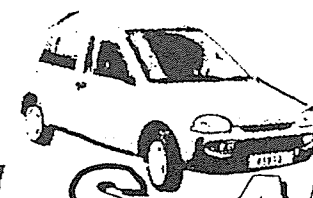


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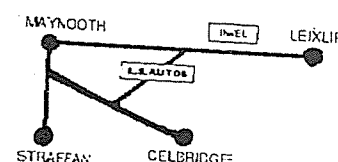
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**Beetle Drive** will be held in the Parish Hall in Dunboyne on Friday 3rd January 1997 at 8p.m. This will be a fun evening for children and adults.

**Welcome.** We are delighted to announce that the Reverend Adrian Wilkinson, currently in Douglas, County Cork, has been nominated as Rector to Dunboyne, Dunshaughlin and Maynooth. He will be moving here at the end of January 1997 with his wife Jacqui and their young son Gary.

### **Bishop of Meath and Kildare Diocese.**

Most Reverend Dr. Richard Clarke and his wife and family moved from Cork to this Diocese in early September of this year. We wish them well and hope that they are well settled into their new home in Moyglare, Maynooth.

### **Maynooth Restoration.**

Abbey Stained Glass have completed the installation of the new windows in St. Mary's Maynooth. Thanks is also due to Robert Alcorn and Frank Allen for the time they have spent in restoring and painting the woodwork of the historic East Window. It is a credit to all concerned that the restoration work has preserved the architectural integrity of the building. Work will continue over the next few months-please contact us if you would like to help.

### **Table Quiz.**

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11.00am - 1.00pm All the craic, music and fun with Christy Walsh.  
1.00pm - 3.00pm Tom Browne's **Afternoon Cruise** bringing you lunchtime music, fun and competition.  
3.00pm - 5.30pm Sean Ferguson with the greatest and latest hits taking you right through the afternoon.  
5.30pm - 6.00pm **Inside Leinster** with Jarlath Judge. Bringing you the latest regional news, sports, farm and community news.  
6.00pm - 8.30pm **CKR Country** with Brendan Bambrick. Ireland's premier country music show.  
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### SATURDAY PROGRAMME SCHEDULE



7.00am - 10.00am **Saturday Showtime** with Christy Walsh.  
10.00am - 11.00am **Review of the Week** with Tom Dowling.  
11.00am - 2.00pm **The Irish Top 30** with Vincent O'Sullivan.  
2.00pm - 6.00pm **Saturday Sportsbeat** with Clem Ryan.  
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### SUNDAY PROGRAMME SCHEDULE



7.00am - 9.00am Tommy McCabe on Sunday.  
9.00am - 10.00am **Country Forum** with Jim Norton and Monica Carr.  
10.00am - 10.20am **Heartlight** from the Kairos Studios, Maynooth.  
10.20am - 11.00am Tommy McCabe on Sunday.  
11.00am - 2.00pm **Moroney on Sunday** with Declan Moroney and your chance to dial-a-dedication.  
2.00pm - 3.30pm **The Purple Heather** with Clem Ryan. A bi-lingual programme of traditional Irish/folk music.  
3.30pm - 7.00pm **Sunday Sportsbeat** with Clem Ryan bringing you commentaries and reports from all the sporting events at home and abroad.  
7.00pm - 9.00pm Brendan Bambrick's **Ballads & More**.  
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2.00am - 6.00am **Overnight Across Leinster** with Alan Byrne.





# Features

## VIDEO REVIEW

### Broken Arrow (15's)

John Travolta and Christian Slater star as Vic Deakins and Riley Hale, two military pilots who must test the new top secret B-3 stealth bomber with two nuclear warheads on board.

What starts off as a routine mission soon becomes anything but, when Travolta steals the plane's cargo and holds the government to ransom. Needless to say Slater gets the job of retrieving the bombs and bringing Travolta to justice.

This is a fine adventure movie with good performances from both Travolta and Slater as the two protagonists, and excellent special effects and tight direction from John Woo ensures that it bowls along at a cracking pace.

**Verdict: Definitely one to see!**

### Kingpin (15's)

Woody Harrelson plays Roy Munson, a born loser whose only claim to fame is that he's Iowa's champion bowler. His arch rival is 'Big ERN' Mc Cracken played by Bill Murray who sets him up with a bowling hustle in which Harrelson literally loses his hand. Seventeen years later he meets a bowling genius played by Randy Quaid, and sees his chance for revenge and to make a bit of money as well.

This is a great comedy from the directors of Dumb and Dumber, brothers Peter and Bobby Farrelly. But whereas that film relied heavily on the over-the-top performance of Jim Carrey, this film is far more restrained and a lot funnier because of it. Even though it could sometimes be accused of bad taste, it is nonetheless an absolutely hilarious movie!!

**Verdict: A Riot!!!!**

### Copycat (18's)

Stars Sigourney Weaver and Harry Connick Jr. as a criminal psychologist and a serial killer respectively. While still recovering from having been viciously attacked by Connick who has been caught and imprisoned, she finds she is being stalked by yet another nut case who's copying his hero's (Connick's) style. He commits a series of murders while he makes his way towards killing Weaver.

If this film sounds a bit like Silence of the Lambs it's because it is a shameless rip-off of that far superior movie. It's very stylish but it lacks the original's atmosphere of menace and gets quite convoluted in parts.

**Verdict: For fans of the genre only.**

## THE COSY CORNER

If you're tucked up now in winter woolies, drinking cocoa, reading your Newsletter by a roaring fire and reminiscing about last year's sublime sunshine - then here's something to take away that January chill and bring on the summer holidays.

Travel Options in Maynooth have just informed us on the hot spots for 1997: Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Canaries and Greece are THE places to go. For all you Greek and Roman lovers ..... there are also summer charters to Athens and Nice.

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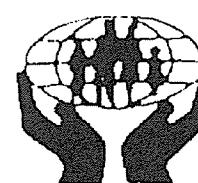
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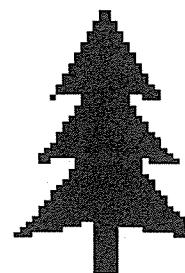
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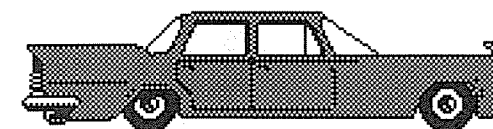
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# Party Political

## FINE GAEL NOTES

### Bond Bridge

Minister Bernard Durkan has called on Kildare Co. Council to place Bond Bridge, Maynooth on top of its priority list for funding in the current estimates. He said "the re-alignment of Bond Bridge needs to take place as a matter of strict urgency". Minister Durkan is working alongside Cllr. Senan Griffin in ensuring that this issue is progressed as a matter of strict urgency. Minister Durkan is also concerned that the traffic management measures undertaken in the town are not having their intended effect. He said that the back up of traffic is contributing even further to the problems in Parson Street and at Bond Bridge. Minister Durkan said that the combination of the dangerous bridge and the traffic jams particularly in the mornings are creating a potentially hazardous situation. He stressed that it is high time that the Council took a serious look at Maynooth saying that the current situation cannot be allowed to continue.

### Meadowbrook

Minister Bernard Durkan has been contacted by residents in Meadowbrook who are anxious that a number of areas in the estate have not yet been properly finished. Minister Durkan said that the developer has an obligation to properly landscape areas which have not been built on and to ensure that roads and footpaths are completed and maintained to an acceptable standard. Minister Durkan has contacted the developers and the planning department

of Kildare Co. Council who he said are responsible for ensuring that all the conditions imposed on foot of a planning permission are properly complied with. Minister Durkan said he would keep the residents up to date with progress reports.

### Maynooth Train Service

A number of residents of Maynooth have contacted Bernard Durkan regarding the train service to and from Maynooth. They are particularly concerned about the morning services which have been delayed recently and which have not arrived at all on some occasions. Minister Durkan has contacted Iarnrod Eireann with a view to improving the services.

### Main Street

Minister Durkan has contacted the Co. Engineer and asked him to carry out repairs to the footpaths in the Main Street. Minister Durkan said that the footpaths which were widened as part of the traffic management measures for the town have extremely poor surfaces. The footpaths have now become flooded after rain and they are quite unlevel and dangerous to walk on. Minister Durkan said that the matter needs to be addressed before somebody falls or gets injured.

### Feeder Road For Motorway

Minister Bernard Durkan has asked the Co. Engineer to consider placing the proposed feeder road parallel to the motorway and not through Meadowbrook as suggested by Kildare Co. Council. This would

eliminate the danger to children and residents of the Meadowbrook area. It would also direct traffic away from the centre of town and the larger residential areas.

## VISIT OF JUSTICE MINISTER NORA OWEN

The Minister for Justice, Nora Owen, T.D., visited Maynooth last month as part of a visit organised by Minister of State Bernard Durkan T.D. The visit was part of a Fine Gael constituency visit which gave Minister Owen the opportunity to address a public meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel to promote the Bail Referendum. Almost 200 people turned out to greet the Minister who had come directly from RTE where she had appeared on Questions and Answers. Minister Owen stressed that people should take the opportunity afforded to them by the Bail Referendum to ensure that Judges could refuse bail in the case of criminals who were likely to commit

serious crime while out on bail.. She went on to say that a NO vote would only satisfy criminals. Minister Durkan stressed that the rights of the victims of serious crime were more important than the rights of criminals and that the Bail Referendum was one way of ensuring that this was indeed the case. He said that the Crime Package being implemented by the Government in tandem with the Bail Referendum was having a very positive effect and that the Bail Referendum was an integral part of Minister Owen's measures to fight crime.

Minister Owen went on to list the measures she had taken since coming into office in order to combat crime including:

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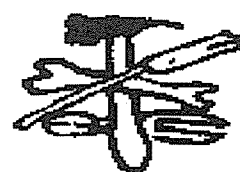
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# Party Political

## MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

### Bond Bridge Update

The proposal by Cllr. John McGinley, to increase the Special Development Levies in respect of New Housing Developments in the Newtown area to finance the realignment of Bond Bridge, has been accepted by the County Manager.

A total of 28.9 acres of zoned land remains undeveloped in the Newtown area. Planning Permission issued in respect of 20.685 acres on November 26th. A Special Development Levy of £22,000 per acre was included as a condition of the permission. **The Developers have the right to appeal this condition to An Bord Pleanála.** If this occurs Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D., and Cllr. John McGinley will continue their campaign at that level. Should the condition stand it will raise £455,070 towards the realignment of the bridge. An application in respect of the remaining 8.25 acres is currently before Kildare County Council. Should the same condition be imposed a further £181,566 will be raised towards the realignment of the bridge. A previous permission on this site imposed a contribution of only £82,000 towards improvements in public lighting on Rathcoffey Road and improvements to Bond Bridge.

Taken with the amount now on hand and due to the Council, which amounts to £233,000, the total sum available for the cost of the realignment of the bridge could amount to £869,636. This depends fully on the acceptance of the condition imposed of £22,000 per acre.

The cost of realignment is now estimated at £900,000. Because no traffic could use the bridge during realignment the Council attempted to increase the cost by £600,000 to build the link from Meadowbrook out to the Straffan Road. This was to facilitate traffic during construction. This new added cost was firmly rejected by Cllr. John McGinley who stated that the alternative traffic routes during construction can be agreed to by the Area Committee. The most likely route is via Bryanstown/Ladychapel/Taghadoe.

As the project is now self-financing Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D., along with Cllr. John McGinley will restart their campaign to convince the Council to raise the loan required to build the New Bridge now.

Finally we would like to congratulate the Bond Bridge Action Group on their work in securing this positive movement at Council level.

### Celbridge Road, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised that the resurfacing from the Straffan Road to the Motorway Bridge will take place before Christmas.

### County Development Plan

Minister Brendan Howlin instructed Kildare County Council to produce a County Development Plan, incorporating a

County strategy, before the Council could proceed any further with the individual Town Plans.

The proposed Draft County Development Plan was produced by the officials of Kildare County Council on 20/11/96. While in many ways it is defective its statement on Maynooth and Celbridge is very welcome, i.e. "It is the policy of the Council to promote the southward move of development within the County to re-direct pressures from the north-east. The substantial zoning of lands in Maynooth and the additional zoning of lands in Celbridge would be contrary to the advancement of the aim of this policy".

The Councillors will meet on the 9th December to discuss the Draft and it is likely to take three to four meetings before agreement is reached unless the larger parties vote it through without proper debate.

### Footpath at Leinster Street

At the request of Minister Emmet Stagg, T.D., Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to include costs for a footpath on The Roost side of Leinster Street in the 1997 Discretionary Grants.

### New Public Lights for Maynooth

At its meeting on the 29th November the Celbridge area Committee agreed on new lights for the following areas.  
2 at Old Greenfield, Back Lane.  
1 at Moyglare Road between the Post Primary School and the S.M.A. Hostel.  
3 at Leinster Street.  
1 at Phil Burke's, Pound Lane.

### Floodlight at New Car Park

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to repair the floodlight that has never worked.

### A Happy and 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 Happy and Peaceful New Year.




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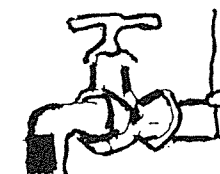
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# Party Political

## DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

### Traffic Problems

Councillor Catherine Murphy has called on Kildare County Council to prepare measures to tackle the severe problems being experienced by traffic trying to get onto the Main Street from Parson's Street, especially during rush hour. At the moment, traffic can be backed up from this junction to beyond Bond Bridge. While a long-term solution requires a direct link between the Newtown area and the Straffan Road, this is still a long way off, and short-term measures are needed to deal with the current situation. Such measures must take into account the large volumes of pedestrian traffic at this junction, and the need for appropriate safety measures to cater for this traffic.

Catherine Murphy has also requested the County Council to construct additional traffic islands to allow pedestrians to cross the Straffan Road at appropriate points. At the moment, pedestrians have no protection when trying to cross this road to get to the Glenroyal Centre, Parklands or Railpark/Rockfield. Additional traffic calming measures are needed on this road to encourage vehicles to stay within the 30 mph speed limit.

### Additional Street Lighting For Maynooth

The Celbridge Area committee of Kildare County Council has recently allocated a total of £2,400 to improve street lighting in Old Greenfield, Back Lane, Leinster Street and Moyglare Road.

### High Court Challenge to Rezoning

The Clane Committee Against Excessive Rezoning has been granted leave to seek a judicial review in the High Court of the rezonings recently agreed for that area by Kildare County Council. We congratulate them and wish them well in their action. However, the fact is that this group has been forced to seek to have the plan overturned on legal technicalities. It would have been much preferable if the elected councillors had taken cognisance of the very deep level of local community dissatisfaction with the rezonings and had refused to sanction them in the first place. If the Clane action succeeds, previous rezonings in Kill and Leixlip could also be rendered invalid.

### Commission on the Family

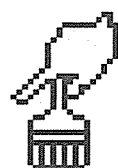
We welcome publication of the interim report of the Commission on the Family, of which Councillor Catherine Murphy is a member. The Commission considered no less than 525 submissions in arriving at its report, which represents an excellent exercise in public consultation. Set up by the Minister for Social Welfare, Proinsias De Rossa, the Commission seeks to strengthen the institution of the family (in its broadest meaning) in a modern context. Among the key recommendations of the interim report are the need to make adequate provision for Education for Life (e.g. parenting, interpersonal relationships) among the population and the need for a National Mediation Service to cater for situations where relationships between partners break down. In Ireland at the moment, the legal approach to such situations tends to be adversarial and very stressful. Research shows clearly that children emerge much better from such situations where a less conflictual mediation service is provided.

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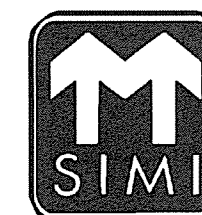


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MAYNOOTH LADIES G.A.A. NOTES.

Saturday November 30th and Sunday December 1st 1996 were busy days for the members of Maynooth Ladies G.A.A. Club.

On the Saturday night, the Winners Medals in the Kildare Ladies League were presented to a fine group of Maynooth players who had beaten Eadestown earlier in the autumn.

This was a great achievement, considering that this is their FIRST year in existence.

The presentation took place at a dinner hosted by Maynooth G.A.A. Club, and was attended by Michael Gillick, Chairman of Maynooth G.A.A. and Mrs Gillick, Michael Delaney and Pat Delaney representing Kildare county Board of Kildare Ladies G.A.A.. Also present were Mr Noel Brady and Mr Eoin Donovan, without whose sponsorship the team would not have survived.

Sunday was A.G.M. Day.

Club Chairman and Team Manager Míceál Kelly reviewed the year and said that despite the League success a lot of hard work was now needed to consolidate the strong foundation set this year.

Officers elected:

Chairman: Míceál Kelly.

Secretary: Catherine Fitzpatrick.

Ass. Sec: Josephine Byrne.

Treasurer: Tony Mooney.

P.R.O.: Bríghidín Breslin.

Committee: Shelly Breslin, Antoinette Mooney, Marie Grehan, Anna Kelly, Bernie O'Shea, Aisling Kelly and Francis Kearney.

Míceál Kelly will retain the position of Trainer/Manager and will be assisted by Rob Stelling as Trainer.

Training for the coming season will begin in early February. New Members are urgently required and will be welcomed with open arms. As the adverts say NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY AS FULL TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED.

For further information contact any member of the aforementioned Committee.

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B. Breslin.  
P.R.O.

GAA NOTES

North Kildare U.13 Football League  
Maynooth 4-9 Kilcock 1-7

Maynooth finished their league campaign with a hard earned but well deserved home win over a strong Kilcock side. This win puts them level with Balyna at the top of the table and ensures both are joint winners. Kilcock started off in whirlwind style and twice in the first ten minutes, with the game still scoreless, the ball was cleared off the Maynooth goal line. However, once full forward Pierre Ennis put Maynooth in front with a well taken point they never looked back. The same player added a goal shortly afterwards and at this stage he was proving a handful for the Kilcock full back. Killian Carr and Patrick O'Rourke were starting to get a grip at midfield despite the presence of two of Kilcock's best players. Both of them ran themselves to a standstill in search of possession. Morgan Sweeney at corner forward was another player who tormented the Kilcock backs with some penetrating runs and he scored two brilliant goals in the second half. Maynooth led 1-6 to 0-3 at half time, but it wasn't until Pierre Ennis scored his second goal ten minutes from the end that they could feel safe. Goalkeeper Aidan Molloy had a quiet afternoon but still made a couple of vital saves. The defence as a unit played well with Peter Sheehan and Joseph Brennan particularly prominent. Alan Baxter and Paul Broughan also had their moments in the forward line.

**Team and Scorers:** Aidan Molloy, Peter Sheehan, Graham Quinn, Stephen Curran, Tadgh O'Corcora, Joseph Brennan, Fergus Deveraux, Killian Carr, (0-1), Patrick O'Rourke, Paul Broughan, (0-1) Alan Baxter, Dermot Canning, Joseph McLoughlin, Pierre Ennis, (2-3), Morgan Sweeney (2-2).  
**Subs:** Colin O'Neill, (0-1), Sean Kennedy, Finbar O'Gorman (0-1), Enda Diggins, Fergal Molloy, David Comerford.

Minor Football Championship Final Replay  
Maynooth 1-14 v Rheban 4-9 (after extra time).

After the first match, the replay of the Minor Football Championship 'B' final always promised to be a close and exciting match, and it was.

Midway through the second half Maynooth led by six points and it looked like the game was theirs. They squandered a few chances, Rheban equalised and went on to win the game in extra time.

The first half was very evenly contested. Rheban started well with a goal and a point. Maynooth found their feet quickly though and knocked over a string of points.

A goal from Eoin Nevin put Maynooth two points up at half time.

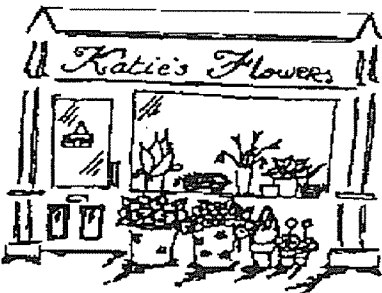
Marty Byrne had a great game in the half back line adding

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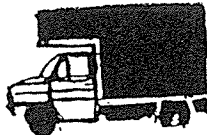
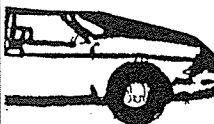
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strength at midfield. Maynooth dominated most of the second half and stretched their lead to six points. They continued to get most of the possession but squandered some easy point opportunities by going for goals.

Rheban capitalised on this with a goal and a point ten minutes from time. They continued to push forward and managed to equalise just before full time. Maynooth 1-8, Rheban 2-5.

Maynooth pulled ahead again in extra time with two points but Rheban responded with a goal.

It was tit for tat after that with Darren Naughton doing very well for Maynooth. In the last few minutes Rheban had the extra strength and knocked over points to secure victory.

**Maynooth:** Packie Carroll, James Gallagher, Eamon Gallagher (0-1), Niall Byrne, Ted Robinson (0-1), David Coughlan, Marty Byrne, Robert Casey, Niall Naughton (0-1), Stephen Brennan (0-1), Michael Bennett, Darren Naughton (0-6), Declan Buckley (0-1), Gavin Lyons (0-1), Eoin Nevin (1-2).

**Subs.** Donacha McCarrick for James Gallagher, Adrian Boylan for Eoin Nevin.

## Winter League Final

### Maynooth 1-4 Balyna 0-3

Maynooth under-15 footballers won the North Kildare winter league beating Balyna in Johnstownbridge on Sunday. This match was the league decider with the winner taking first place and the loser having to settle for second. It was a well contested game but a strong cross wind made scoring difficult. Daragh Carr had a brilliant game in the half back line. Sean Fagan did very well in goals while Barry Doyle and Carl Ennis also played well.

**Maynooth:** Sean Fagan, Alan Geoghegan, Thomas Halton, Barry Doyle, Conor Diggins, Daragh Carr, Shane Devereux, Carl Ennis, Peter Kinsella (0-2), Trevor Naughton, Paudie Sullivan, Aidan McCarron (0-1), Sean Brady, Tommy Masterson, Peter Finnan.

**Subs.** Liam Farrelly (1-1) for Trevor Naughton, Trevor Cassidy for Peter Finnan, Michael Gleeson for Sean Brady.

## North Kildare Autumn Hurling League Under 13

In their two matches played so far Maynooth had emphatic victories over Clane and Naas. In both games Maynooth asserted their superiority early on and by half time they had built up a substantial lead which was never threatened in the second half.

While a win is a win, one-sided matches such as those against Clane and Naas are not of any long-term benefit to the players and it would be more beneficial if Maynooth were graded at a higher level where the matches would be much more competitive.

**Result of Games:** Maynooth 12-5 Clane 0-0  
Maynooth 10-10 Naas 2-0

**Panel:** James Horace, Padraic Nevin, Joe Brennan, Alan Sweeney, Brendan Coffey, Peter Sheehan, Enda Diggins, Morgan Sweeney, Aidan Molloy, Fergal Molloy, Kevin Gannon, David Comerford, Mark Cummins, Robert Hammond, James Mullarkey, Jason Murtagh, D.J. Canning, Neil English, Jamie O'Neill.

**Annual General Meeting** due to be held on Sunday 8th December was postponed until Monday 13th January 1997 at 8 p.m. in Club House. All members and intending members welcome to attend.

We wish all our members and supporters a Very Happy New Year.

Inter Football Championship Draw for 1997 1st Round - Maynooth v Rathcoffey. 2nd Round - winners v Grange.



*The Maynooth U/14 Hurling Team*

## Highlights of the Sporting Year 1996

### GAA

The new Handball Alley was opened. The Minor 'B' Team reached the Championship Final. The Under 12 Team lost their final to Celbridge. The Under 14 Team lost their final to Celbridge. Maynooth Post Primary Under 14 Team reached the inaugural Kildare Hurling Final. Maynooth won the Kildare 'Féile' Hurling Championship held on a 'blitz' basis, 11/12 May. (Beating Celbridge in the Semi-Final).

### Basketball

The Girls Team won Gold medals in the 'B' section of Kildare Community Games.

### Badminton

The 2nd Team won the 'Jubilee Trophy' in their section of the Dublin & District League. (This was their first year together).

### Chess

Maynooth lost out at the Semi-Final stage of the Community Games to Straffan, the team that also beat them in the '95 Final.

## MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

The bad weather wreaked havoc with our fixtures list throughout December and now leaves us with a long list of games to be cleared off. Teams at all levels have been affected with the first team losing in the Dalton and Sheeran cups. It now looks as if it will be later this month before these games will be rescheduled.

With no games to report on, our column is very curtailed but one item of interest involves the Ladies section of the club. They travel to see Liverpool and Aston Villa in the Premiership in mid-January in the first of the Clubs' New Year cross-channel trips. With both sides in strong positions it makes for a most exciting encounter.

We would like to wish everyone a prosperous New Year in which we ourselves hope to bring some silverware to the club.



*Willie Coonan and Gerry Folan display the new under 15 Jersey.*

## Maynooth Town score with Coonans!

1996 was a good year for Maynooth on the pitch, and hopes for 1997 are as high as ever. Backing up the team's good form is the Club's success in gaining sponsorship, an all-important consideration in these financially demanding times.

Secretary of the Club, Gerry Folan, met with Managing Partner Willie Coonan of Coonan Financial Services to announce a new deal that involves the supplying of full strips for the U-15 team, plus a unique arrangement that should benefit both partners.

Under the deal, members of the Football Club are encouraged to recommend Coonans to anyone seeking to do business in the property/investment/insurance line. For every successful recommendation (i.e. that involves the signing of a contract) Coonans will donate the sum of £100 to the Football Club.

This appears to be an excellent way of generating new business for Coonans and of ensuring continuing support for Maynooth Town Football Club. Congratulations all round.

## The Soccer Year 1996

The end of 1996 sees Maynooth Town AFC in top form. Not only have they recently announced new sponsorship deals with the TSB, Coonans, Tony Kelly Heating and Plumbing and Fuscicardis, their Senior Team has also spent time perched on top of the Leinster League's Premier Division! The October victory over Cashel Celtic meant their 2 draws and 3 wins was the best start to the new season, but sadly the same month also saw the departure of striker Adolar Acacio back to Brazil. (See Nov.'s Newsletter for a very moving write-up of Adolar's time with the Club). At the time of going to press (mid-Dec), the Senior Team are just one point off the top spot, with games in hand.

All the other teams, from the second Senior team, down to the Under-8's, and including a Ladies side, have performed with admirable commitment, enthusiasm and not a little skill over the past year. The number of under-age teams and the dedication of their trainers augurs well for the future.

The Ladies Team, although disappointed with their final standing in the League, did well in the FAI Cup, reaching the quarter-finals where they were beaten 3-2 by Lusk.

Congratulations also to the girls of Maynooth Post Primary who won the Leinster Schools Senior Final.

Soccer also played an important part in the Community Festival, the Guinness 7-a-side Tournament proving a big hit with players and spectators alike.

The winners were; Mens - Derrinstown Stud, Ladies - Simply The Best.

So for soccer in Maynooth there was much to celebrate in 1996, here's looking forward to 1997.

Keep kicking!



# Birthday/Sympathy/Classified

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Thomas Fay, O'Neill Park, formerly of Parson Street who has been awarded the National Diploma in Science in Toxicology from Athlone R.T.C. This comes from all your friends old and young in Parson Street, where you spent many happy days. Well done Thomas.

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Happy Birthday to Noelle Mc Ternan, Moyglare Village, Maynooth on December 10th, from Raymond, Aoife, Aileen, Sean, Mammie, Gearoid, Ita and all your family and friends.

## SYMPATHY

Daughter, Sons, Sister, Son-in-law, Daughters-in-law, Brother-in-law, Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends of Joseph (Joe Boy) Moore, Beechpark Avenue, Castleknock, Dublin formerly McCurtin Street, Gorey and Main Street, Maynooth.

## BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

**Birthday Remembrance** of our Auntie Ciss O'Neill who died 17th April 1996 and would have been 93 years on the 3rd December.

From Lil, Maureen and all the Family and her brother Joe and Family.



They say there is a reason,  
They say that time will heal,  
But neither time or reason,  
Will change the way we feel.

For no one knows the heartache,  
That lies behind our smiles,  
No one knows how many times  
We have broken down and cried.

We want to tell you something  
So there won't be any doubt,  
You're so wonderful to think of,  
But so hard to do without.

## CLASSIFIED

**Easi-Slim Classes** every Wednesday night 7.30 - 8.30pm. No joining fee, just £2.70 per class in the Leinster Arms, Maynooth.

**Lost:** 3 Pieces of Jewellery. 1 Gold watch, 1 T Bar & Chain 1 Links Bracelet {3 items together}. 21st Birthday Gift, great sentimental value. Substantial Reward. Tel: 628 5263

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