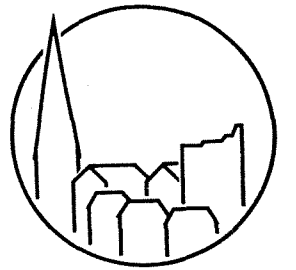


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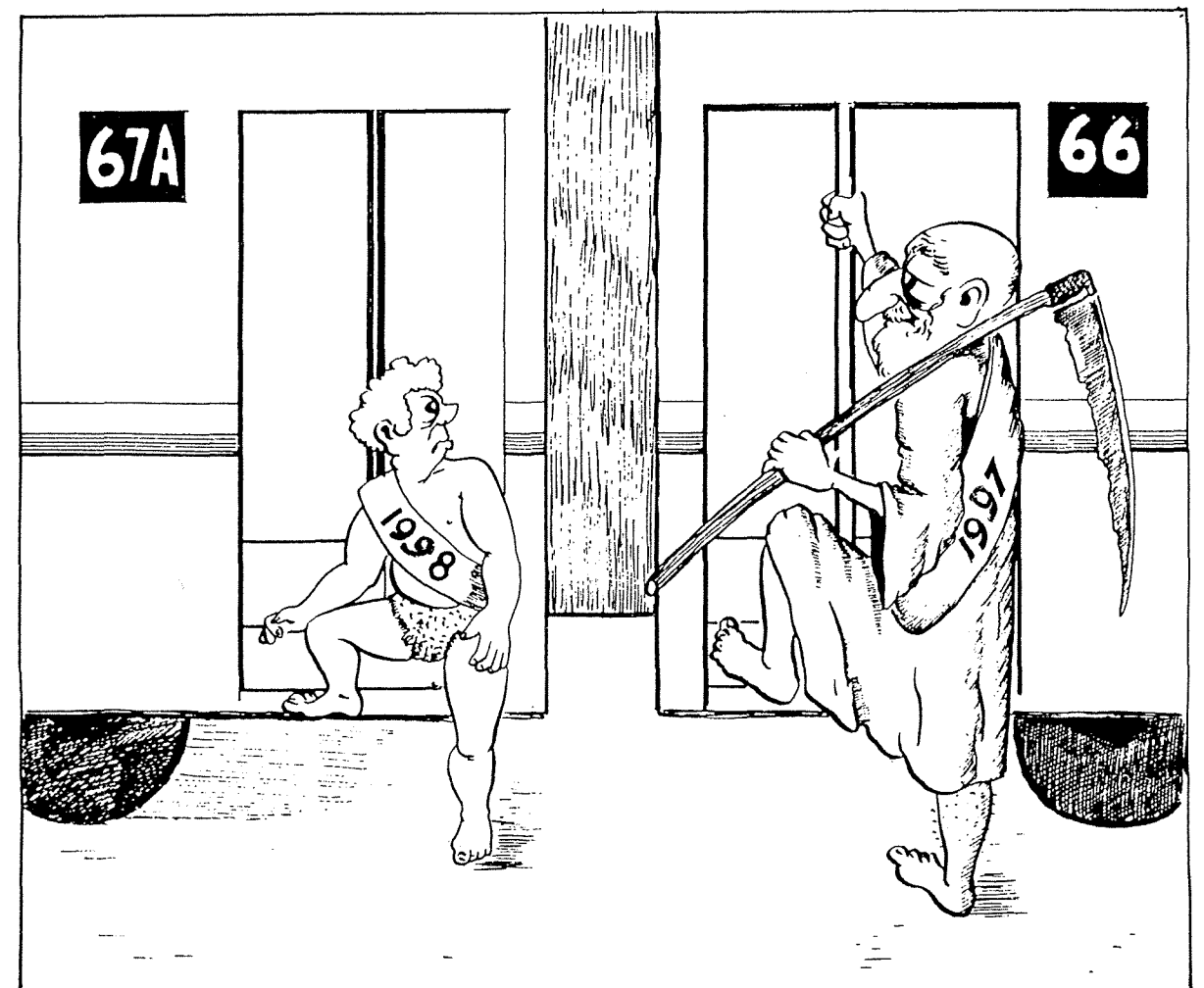
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DIARY DATES

Thurs Jan 8th: I.C.A. Guild Meeting 8pm.

Sun Jan 11th: I.C.A. Crafts Resume.

Sun Jan 11th: Maynooth Senior Citizens Annual Dinner 5pm.

Tues Jan 13th: I.C.A. Sport/Badminton in the Parish Hall 10.30am.

Tues Jan 13th: Maynooth Senior Citizens Club Re-opens.

Mon Jan 19th: Copydate for February Newsletter.

Tues Feb 3rd: Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee, A.G.M. 8pm in the Health Centre.

Tues Mar 17th: St. Patricks Day Parade, Maynooth.

EDITORIAL

As the 1997 model totters on his walking stick into history the bouncing baby that is 1998 comes into view. So what will the New Year bring? If the last few years are anything to go by then Maynooth is set to become a more populous, more prosperous and busier place. What was once a quiet, semi - rural village has been transformed in thirty years into one of the fastest growing towns in the country. There are more houses, more shops, more cars but it is not that obvious that the quality of life for people living in Maynooth has improved at the same rate. Many residents commute into Dublin every day which, whether going by private car or public transport, is something of an ordeal. An overcrowded and unreliable train service means that many people chose to drive thereby contributing to traffic gridlock in the city centre. So, No. 1 on the wish list for 98 is a revamp of the train service. 1998 will see the transformation of our Main St. with new paving, lighting and the undergrounding of cables. No. 2 on the wish list is that this scheme might be extended to other area of the town, some of which have been neglected for many years. Areas such as the back lanes, Pound Park, the Avenue, Leinster St and Parsons St. all have attractive features that would benefit from investment along the lines of the scheme being implemented in Main St. Maynooths schools and sporting clubs deserve a break. The schools, Maynooth GAA and Maynooth Soccer Club all do great work with the young people of the town with scarce resources. Wish No. 3 is that the powers that be recognise the value of sport in the community and allocate resources so that adequate sporting facilities be made available in the town.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to all our readers.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Chara,

I would be grateful if you would allow me, through your Newsletter, to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all who have wished me well on the occasion of my retirement. Myself and my family are overwhelmed at the many sincere expressions of goodwill, the very many cards and gifts received.

It was my pleasure to serve the people of Maynooth over the twenty six years of my stewardship and I carry with me many, many happy memories. My "Farewell Party" gave me the utmost pleasure and was an occasion I will never forget. For it and all of the very many other pleasant memories, I thank you one and all.

Tom Ashe.

Dear Editor,

In last months *Newsletter*, Councillor Murphy voiced concern that Maynooth Planning Alliance misrepresented her position in their comments regarding the Amended Draft Development Plan. The Amended Draft Development Plan is of course a proposal of Kildare County Council. This proposal was carried by a majority on Kildare Co. Council and represented the decision of County Councillors on the future development of Maynooth. It was to this fact we referred in the context of councillors proposals rather than to the individual proposals, or reservations regarding these by any individual councillor.

At present, the necessary decisions required to implement the County Strategy which Councillor Murphy refers to, have not been taken. When this is done, population targets based on the 1996 Census for individual towns such as Maynooth must be proposed in a new plan for the town. The Newly Amended Draft Plan for Maynooth, or the New Draft Plan, or the Amended Amended Draft Plan for Maynooth (or whatever it will be called!) will determine the future development of the town. Maynooth Planning Alliance has at present no knowledge of either the collective or individual proposals for Maynooth that councillors wish to put forward. We would therefore like to invite all our area councillors, and indeed their colleagues on Kildare Co. Council, to share their proposals with the *Newsletters* readers as soon as they are available. In this way it will be abundantly clear to the residents of Maynooth who is proposing what for their town.

Liz Stoll,
Secretary: Maynooth Planning Alliance

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

At this time of the year in Tidy Towns Committees it is time to reflect and plan for the next year. Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee welcome comments and support. From time to time we are asked what can the people do to help.

We advise as follows:

Recycle: -

Beverage cans, soft drink cans, bottles. In Maynooth in each of the shopping centres there are recycling facilities, covering clothing, bottles, can recycling.

We also hope to try and get a newspaper / boxes recycling skip in the near future sited in Maynooth. This was discontinued due to over supply of paper for recycling in the market.

Please check out the Shopping Centre near you to see what you can do. Also the local schools have commenced recycling projects.

Getting Involved:-

The committee are always looking for people to help us plan for the future. Over the next few months we have to submit a 5 year plan to the Tidy Towns Section. If the Committee system does not appeal to you how about helping for an hour or two at the weekend.

The Sunday morning clean up crew would welcome your support not only would you be helping tidy up your community area but you would also get some exercise for yourself. We meet at the Geraldine Hall every Sunday at 9 a.m. If you are involved in other organisations please place "litter clean up" or "prevention" on your agenda at your meetings.

Every person in Maynooth can help. Finally we thank the following who have helped us over the past year. Gerald Mulcahy Butcher, Greenfield Shopping Centre sponsors of the Tidy Towns float St. Patricks Day Parade, Super Valu National sponsors of the National Tidy Towns Competition, Co- Sponsor of Maynooth Tidy Towns open night in April together with Maynooth Chamber of Commerce and Glenroyal Hotel. Coonan Auctioneers Sponsors of the Best Shop Front, Best Estate Competition. Mary Boyle FAS Employment Officer. S.I.P.T.U. Branch Committee Athy, Community Council Executive and Staff, Kildare County Council Officer and Staff. Johnny Thompson electrician, Security First, Convent Lane, our hard working FÁS Project Group and the people of Maynooth.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Since we are again in January, our thoughts turn to thoughts of a New Year. For Community Games, this means organising the teams and competitions at local, county, provincial and national levels.

At local level we have now to begin with what is called "indoor games".

Project, Quiz and Culture Corner

Mary O'Gorman is already at work. The themes for this year are:-

- (a) Under 11 years. "Litter at Home, at School, in my Community".
- (b) Under 13 years. "Pollution - its effects on our Health and our Environment.
- (c) Under 15 years. "Recycling - a solution to Pollution".

Mary has already been to the schools but if you have not heard about it already and would like to be involved you can contact Mary at 41 Maynooth Park or contact me (B. Breslin) at the Community Council offices, Phone 6285922.

Basketball

Squads are already practising and training under the leadership of Jim Flemming and thanks to the Post Primary School and the V.E.C. for the use of the Gym. If you are not already involved contact Jim on Friday nights at the P.P. School.

Badminton

Is being organised by the Junior Badminton Club.

Variety

Fiona O'Connor hopes to organise the variety for this year, but she needs the talents of young boys and girls between 10 years and under 16 years (31st July, 1998) who can sing, dance, act and particularly those who can play an instrument. Look out for the notices or again contact me at the

Community Council offices.

Draughts and Chess

We have a lady who "might" be able to help with the Draughts Team so if you are a player and are under 16 years (31st July, 1998) we would love to hear from you. Also Chess players and mentors.

Table Tennis

Again we have an organiser for this event, but are dependent on the Maynooth Post Primary School for the use of their facilities. If you feel you can play and would like to join in the fun, contact me at 6285922.

Art and Modelling

Will be held in possibly February. The response in latter years has been poor. The age groups range from Under 8 to under 16.



Attending Kildare Community Games 25th Anniversary Dance were L-R: Mattie Callaghan, Norah McDermott, George O'Toole, Athy National President, Philip McDermot and Liz Callaghan.

Maynooth have had great success in this event in the past and it is hoped to rejuvenate the interest especially at the u./14 and u./16 levels. So get your skates on and get involved. Don't say "There is nothing to do in Maynooth". There is. Just contact Community Games and you will never be bored.

The Table Quiz held in September was a great success and we thank all those who supported it. Thanks also to the following who provided prizes for the raffle. The Caddy Shack, Gerry Mulcahy, Jims Shoe Repair, Maynooth Photo Centre, The Beehive Hair Salon, House Pride, Sean Donovan (Londis), Coca-Cola. Also, the Baxter family, the Callaghan family, the Cullinane family and the Cahill O'Grady family.

We wish all our supporters and our potential competitors a very Happy and Enjoyable New Year.

B. Breslin,

Secretary/P.R.O.

Cont.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES Cont.

COMMUNITY GAMES SPECIAL ACTIVITIES WEEKEND.

16th, 17th, 18th May 1998.

Programme of Activities

Under 14 Table Quiz

Two teams of 4 (Panels of 6) from each county (Area Teams).

The competition will be held in two sessions. Ten rounds per session, ten questions per round, eight on general knowledge and two on Community Games. Accumulated score of the two hundred questions to decide winner.

Substitutions may be made between sessions, but must be from the submitted panel and the co-ordinator informed of any changes.

Spectators and team managers cannot approach their teams during the sessions and are asked to refrain from answering the questions audibly, any such infringements could result in the disqualification of their teams. Queries re. scores etc., will be entertained by the officials but only from a spokesperson who must be a member of the seated team.

Under 13 Cross Country

1,200 mt (Approx.)

(No spikes allowed).

County Team:- Mixed, five boys and five girls.

Team Event, the score of the first four boys and the first four girls per team past the post to count. There will be two heats and a final, in the event of a qualifying team not been able to take part in the final, the next in their heat will qualify.

There will be Individual placing i.e. 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th, in the FINAL ONLY, their teams MUST have qualified for the final.

Cross Country Mixed Distance Race

(No Spikes Allowed)

Boys U.12 (over 10 and under 12)

600 mt., 400 mt., 600 mt., 400 mt.

Girls U.12 (over 10 and under 12)

600 mt., 400 mt., 600 mt., 400 mt.

Girls U.14 (over 12 and under 14)

800 mt., 600 mt., 800 mt., 600 mt.

County Teams: Team of 4, Panel of 6.

A boys team and a girls team per county from each age group. The race will be run over the existing Cross Country Course. A runner can only run one leg of the race and can only be on one relay team. A member of a relay team cannot be a member of the under 13 cross country team.

U.12 and U.14 races will be arranged for the subs. Teams will be mixed i.e. made up of the two boys and the two girls who are subs on the U.12 and U.14 panels respectively.

Sports Introduction

Boys and Girls, between the ages of ten and twelve, will be introduced to the Activities in either of the following sections:-

Section 1

Tug of War - Quick Cricket - Cycling - Snooker - Olympic Handball.

Section 2

Bowls - Archery - Rope Jumping (Skipping) - Uni Hockey - Basketball.

The numbers will be limited to about 750, preferably children who are not already actively involved in sport.

Set Dancing

Panel of 10, (all boys, all girls or mixed), 8 to compete. Area Team: One team per county.

Each group to dance any two figures of their own selected set. Each group will dance twice at different times over the weekend, same or different set. Combined score to decide winning teams.

Groups to provide their own music, taped or live (max. two musicians per group).

There will be five adjudicators, the highest and lowest score to be eliminated and the average of the remaining scores to count.

Coaching and Judging Courses. For over 18 year old's.

Gymnastics - for those interested in judging or coaching the Community Games routine.

Project Competition

4 categories as per project leaflet.

Culture Corner

Culture Corner, Live Stage Presentation as per Culture Corner Leaflet.

Conal Duffy, National Games Director.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The December Guild Meeting was held on 4th December in the I.C.A. Hall with Marion Souhan presiding. Marion wished all members and friends a very Happy Christmas & New Year.

Guild Activities:

Sport - Badminton will resume on January 13th 1998 after the Christmas break, as usual in the Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m.

Craft will resume on January 11th at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall with lots of bright new ideas for the New Year.

Congratulations to Mary O' Gorman who passed her "Demonstrators Bar" examination. Well Done Mary.

The winner of the Guild competition "Holly Berries" was Marion Souhan. 2nd was Rosemary Hanley. The January Guild competition is, "A Slice of Christmas Cake".

A lovely demonstration "Christmas Table Decorations" was given by one of our members Jo O' Connell. The lucky winners of the "Turkey & Ham Raffle" were Irene Matthews, Dorothy Dolan and Jo O' Connell. The evening concluded with entertainment from some very special guests from the world of sport, politics and showbiz who joined us in their version of "Play the Game".

The Christmas night out is on December 16th in the Red House where we will join with Guild members from Kildare Federation.

The next meeting will be held on January 8th at 8.00 p.m.

*May Haren,
P.R.O.*

MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

I would like to thank all the people who helped us during the year. St. Patrick's College and the N.U.I. Maynooth, the Students Union, Bartons Transport, L.S. Autos Maynooth, The Sports Locker, T.S.B. Maynooth and all the other companies who assisted us. I would like to say a special thanks to all the committee members and all the helpers who worked with us so hard during the year. I would like to welcome the new ones and hope that more might come. I say a special thanks to Maynooth Newsletter for their assistance during the year.

On behalf of the committee of the Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club we wish all our patrons, sponsors and helpers a very Peaceful New Year.

Martin Caine

ACHIEVEMENTS OF MAYNOOTH KILCOCK LIONS CLUB

- 15 houses built for the elderly in our area, Day Care Centre, Maynooth.
- 2 coaches, one to Dunfirth House, one to St. Raphaels, Celbridge.
- Substantial contributions on an ongoing basis to Stewarts Hospital, The National Childrens Hospital, The National Maternity Hospital, St. Raphaels and the Kildare Hospice.
- Funds collected have helped to restore Maynooth Castle and the Royal Canal amenity.
- Donations, annually to the Lions Clubs International Projects - Sight First, Youth Exchange, Tacade (Drug Awareness).
- We run yearly competitions for a Peace Poster and Youth Award competitions.

100% of all proceeds raised go directly to the charities, all administration costs are borne by our members. Funds from our Christmas Party will be of great benefit to the Autistic Society. Your support can make this happen.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

NAPPER TANDY

In our notes on the October and November Newsletters we asked if readers could name the two ballads, which made reference to this well-known United Irishman and an original shareholder in the Royal Canal Company. The ballads were "The Wearing of the Green" and "The Spanish Lady."

THE COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

The good news to report is that FAS has approved the extension of the scheme for a further year. Such extensions are not granted automatically, and a convincing case has to be made to FAS whenever an extension is sought.

"VOX POP" IN THE 'LIFFEY CHAMPION.'

This was conducted under the heading "Would you go to Maynooth on holidays" in the issue at the end of November. We were pleased to see that the canal featured prominently in the considerations of most of the interviewees.

THE MAYNOOTH CALENDAR.....1998.

2,000 copies have been distributed free to householders in the Maynooth area, and we ask that you consult it, and support our advertisers throughout 1998.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Regrettably it's now over, but the party for the scheme staff was a tremendously enjoyable evening and night. Thanks to the many talented musicians and singers. Slan go foill and Best Wishes for 1998.

FOOT BRIDGE CLOSURE

The footbridge, which is owned by C.I.E. was closed because of its dangerous state. We will keep you informed to its development.

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MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION INITIATIVE

The organising group which was established at the Public Lecture in the Glenroyal Hotel last September entitled, "Understanding the 1798 Rebellion in County Kildare and Maynooth", has held its first meeting to consider a programme of events to celebrate the bi-centenary in Maynooth and surrounding areas.

Consideration was given to a wide range of events including:

A Civic/Ecumenical Ceremony:

This could be held in the Square or at the grave of Richard Turner, in Ladychapel graveyard. Richard Turner was killed at the battle of Ovidstown in 1798.

A 1798 Poetry and Music Night:

Our poetry and music traditions are full of '98: *The Rising of the Moon*; *Who Fears to Speak of '98* and the more recent poem by Seamus Heaney *A Requiem for the Croppies*, are but a few examples. The band could be requested to play some relevant pieces, e.g. *Roddy McCorley*.

Exhibition Week in the Library and Maynooth Book Shop:

Local items of '98 interest, including old newspaper articles could be presented and the range of books and pamphlets, both new and established titles, could be made readily available.

Essay and Poster Competition for Schools:

Pupils at local Primary and 2nd level schools could be invited to enter. Ba mhaith linn cuideadh a thabhairt le daltaí i Scoil Uí Riada agus Scoil Uí Fhiaich freisean.

Lectures or Talks on Wolfe Tone and "Citizen" Lord Edward Fitzgerald:

These could be hosted in Carton House, with the kind permission of the owners.

Erecting a Bronze Plaque and Tree Planting:

Either or both could be done, with sufficient local agreement and funding.

We are keen to select the most suitable and practical events and accordingly we wish to invite suggestions and help from more people in Maynooth. **Please phone Michael Quinn at 6285258.** We have already received £100 pounds from Kildare Co. Council's Special Committee to celebrate the Rebellion in County Kildare!

To finish, may we wish the people of Maynooth a happy and successful bi-centenary year and as a tribute to the brave Kildare men and women of 1798 we republish below Seamus Heaney's above mentioned poem.

Requiem for the Croppies

The pockets of our greatcoats full of barley -
No kitchens on the run, no striking camp -
We moved quick and sudden in our own country.
The priest lay behind ditches with the tramp.
A people, hardly marching - on the hike -
We found new tactics happening each day:
We'd cut through reins and rider with the pike
And stampede cattle into infantry,
Then retreat through hedges where cavalry must be thrown.
Until, on Vinegar Hill, the fatal conclave.
Terraced thousands died, shaking scythes at cannon.
The hillside blushed, soaked in our broken wave.
They buried us without shroud or coffin
And in August the barley grew up out of the grave.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

First I want to say 'thank you' to all who supported our recent Flower Festival in Carton House. It was the first visit for many people from Maynooth to see this beautiful and historic house. They really saw Carton at its best with the magnificent and beautiful flower arrangements throughout the house. The support is much appreciated and the funds raised over the weekend were given to St. Brigid's Hospice and Home-care Services for Kildare and West-Wicklow.

A major event like this could not happen without the help and support of many people. I want to say a special thank you to Pauline Burke of Maynooth Friends of Hospice, and Dr Ena Hanlon, Leixlip Friends of Hospice for their support in selling tickets and getting names of people to help in Carton, to members of the Church of Ireland and I.C.A. for their baking and help. It was much appreciated. Our own club members and finally our sponsors without them this festival could not have happened. I hope you have a very Happy New year, and that 1998 will bring you health and success.

Moirá Baxter.

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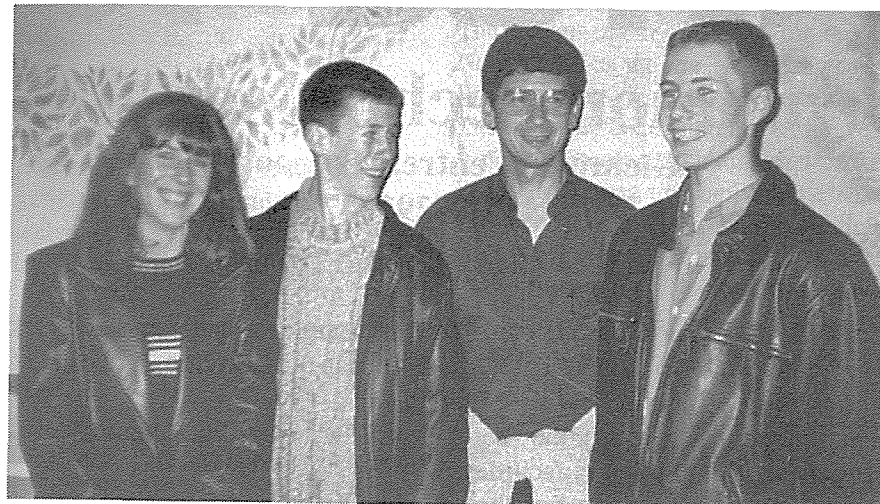
Over the cross country season there has been a good turnout for training every Wednesday night at the G.A.A. field at 7pm.

Thanks to all who turned up and hopefully attendances will increase further in the new year. New people are always welcome to come up and join in. We cater for all ages from juvenile through to veterans.

Our results in the cross country season were most encouraging.

Muire Ennis won the County and Leinster under 11 titles and her sister Ciana got a bronze medal in a great Leinster title race in Dunboyne.

Both girls also won County team medals to round off a brilliant year.



On the right David Campbell who won the Special Award for the Athlete of the Year, with his parents and brother.

Philip Campbell produced his best ever run to get a bronze in the All Ireland Cross-country championships under 13 at Moynalvey.

David Jolley won a Silver vet team medal, as Kildare proved strong enough to take 2nd place in the Leinster vets championship at Newtown. David Campbell continued his

good form by winning the All Ireland under 15 Cross Country Championship.

Other great performances during the season were produced by Awut Ni Murchu, Kevin Comerford and Conor Diggins, who all can look forward to a good track season thanks to their Winter efforts. Niamh Molloy, Edel and Claire Barry, Daryl and Ronan O'Connell all Maynooth singlets to be returned to Marie Gleeson by Wednesday next.

At the Annual National Congress the Association honoured David Campbell by presenting him with the "Athlete of the Year Special Award" for setting a National Record over 1,000 Metres earlier this year.

BAND BULLETIN

Welcome to the first Bulletin of 1998 but alas, due to the early copy date, most of the December news is written in a "yet to happen" vein but we hope to confirm most of these events next month.

Race Night

We would like to extend a sincere thanks to all who sponsored Races and Horses and those who took advertisements in our extended Race Programme. A special word of thanks to our M.C., Eamon Flood, Ramon from Gerry Brady Co. who got the pulses throbbing during the Auction Race and the G.A.A. Club for the use of the clubrooms for the functions. It was our most successful race night ever and will add some welcome funds to our American visits.

Engagements

Talk about the change of seasons and the Global Warming, December has never been as busy before. Quite apart from our Traditional Carol recitals, we also had the All Ireland Juvenile Cross Country Races in Moynalvey on 7th December, Blanchardstown Shopping Centre and our own St. Mary's Church Carol Service on 14th December,

Maynooth University Dinner on 19th and the Church of Ireland Carol Service on 21st. What a programme to wind up the year!

USA

We would like to thank once again all who have contributed to our USA visit in the past few weeks, especially the Community Council who are making a special donation to us. As the big day draws nearer, we find many people wish to contribute to our fund and we are extremely appreciative of your generosity.

We hope to list all of our benefactors in the March Bulletin. We will certainly pass your best wishes on to the people of Kansas City and we intend putting Maynooth on the map in no uncertain manner.

AGM

We have decided to hold our AGM one month earlier than usual this year in order to give our new committee a clear run at preparations for the USA visit but we have just been beaten by the editorial deadline so the new committee will not be available until the February Bulletin.

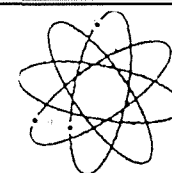
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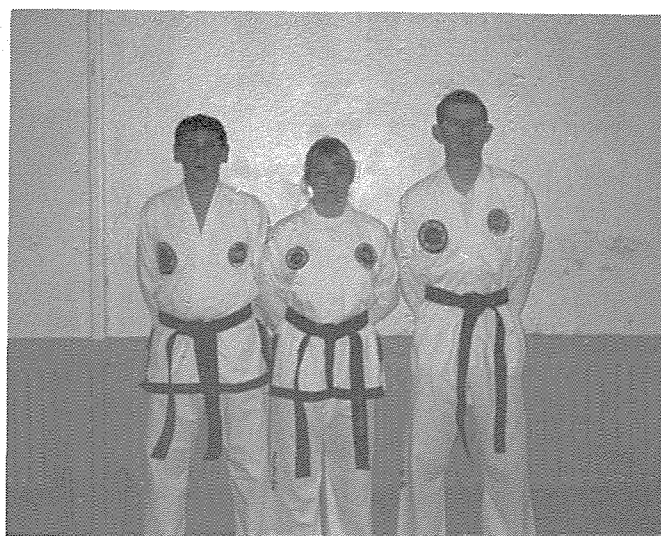
The past few months have been busy ones for Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School.

Three Maynooth students, Stephen Hallinan, Eloise Mac An Airchinnigh and Cian Lennon have been promoted to first degree black belt after their recent grading in the SPA Hotel, Lucan. Among their examiners was one of the founders of Tae-Kwon Do in Ireland, seventh degree black belt, Master Howard. Sixteen students from all over the country attended the grading and there was an excellent standard from all participants. The grading involved a selection of patterns, representing the history of Tae-Kwon Do, breaking techniques using the hand and foot, along with the one-step self defence and some light sparring.

Our three black belts were given great support by other members of the club, who came to watch the grading. There are now seven black belts in the club, and hopefully there will be more in the near future.

There was also a colour-belt grading at the school recently, in which fifteen of our members participated. The grading was examined by fourth degree black belt, Mr. Mc Clelland, who is also the head instructor of Maynooth Tae-Kwon Do. It was a nerve-wracking experience for our white belt members, who were participating in their first grading.

The National Championships, a tournament for both black



Cian Lennon, Eloise Mhac an Airchinnigh, Stephen Hallinan

and colour belts, were held in Coolock at the beginning of the month. Competitors from all over the country attended, including Galway and Waterford. Two out of our seven competing students returned home triumphantly. Aileen O'Brien sported a gold medal for yellow belt junior patterns and Therese Mac An Airchinnigh won a trophy for third place in blue belt junior sparring. Ten year-old Aileen is an example of the great potential of the junior members of our club. In the past two tournaments she has won two gold medals, and will hopefully continue to do as well in the future. Aileen will now be eligible to spar in the next tournament as she duly received her green belt in the recent grading. It is clear that she has the potential to do just as well in this section as she has previously done in her patterns.

The next major event on line is March 1998, when the International Tournament between Ireland and the U.S.A. will be held in the National Basketball Arena,

Tallaght. In the past we have had International Tournaments with competitors coming all the way from India, Russia and Norway, with Irish students triumphing amongst them. In fact, one of Maynooth's black belts, second degree Mr. Mc Ginley, was one of the members on the Irish Team at last year's International. Ireland won the overall trophy, proving that the intensive training the team members underwent to prepare for the tournament was well worth it.

Last year a competition was held in which students wrote a composition under the title, "What Tae-Kwon Do means to me". The two winning entries were included in the program for last year's International. One of those entries was written by a Maynooth student, Eloise Mac An Airchinnigh. Her composition has now been printed in the world wide I.T.F. (International Tae Kwon-Do Federation) magazine as a result. There was also a special two hour class on Monday last, held by seventh degree

black belt, Master Phelan. The attendance for the class was excellent, which benefited junior and senior members alike. Classes are held every Monday and Friday from 7 p.m. sharp until 8p.m., in the Parish Hall, Maynooth. Beginners are always welcome.

The next event our students can look forward to is the annual Christmas Party which will be held in the Leinster Arms, before we break for the holidays. At this event students will receive prizes for "Student of the Year" and "Best Progress of the Year".

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

As another successful year draws to a close we, like the snow drops, are only beginning and what better way to start than with a very profitable "Sale of Work" as a catalyst for 1998. The amount raised has reached £7,106.94. This phenomenal figure is all down to the co-operation between a very hard working committee, helpers and a responsive, generous and caring community. Many thanks to all who contributed physically or fiscally to this event. We are grateful to Quinnsworth and the Glenroyal centre who allowed us to invade their premises to sell our tickets before the event, and of course to Donovans of whose generosity I always manage to take advantage. Congratulations to all who won prizes on the day, especially Patricia Cahill who won our 'Monster Hamper'. (see opposite page for details of draw). Rest assure all money will be spent wisely on security and safety, social activities, fuel, etc, for our older citizens within our community.

Speaking of fuel, I would like to thank Seán Ashe, our New Principal in the Post Primary School, for the contribution of turf which they no longer needed. Removing and distributing this turf was another matter. There are a lot of people to which I owe a great deal of gratitude for what I now call "operation turf".

Kavanagh's Mill who provided the bags and shovels. The transition year students who spent the whole day with me filling those bags. Mícheál Dunne for his tractor and trailer and storage space. David Geoghegan for the loan of his truck. Vincent Mulready who took a day off work to drive the truck and Dermot Moore, Cian Lennon and Michael Quinn who helped deliver. As you can see "operation turf" once again showed the great community spirit we enjoy in Maynooth. Many thanks and well done to all concerned.

Our Christmas party took place on the 14th of December. We were joined on the day by our friends from the Friday Club in Dunboyne, who incidentally had a most enjoyable party of their own on November 30th to which we were invited. The interaction between all the clubs in the area is a great boost to the morale of our senior citizens. Long may it continue. I wish to thank Fr. John Sinnott for coming along to say our mass and the "Folk Group" who enhanced the 'reverence of the occasion'.

Our thanks to "Old Greenfield Residents Association" who contributed a voucher for our draw on the day, which was won by one of their older residents Ms Ellie Leavy. Many thanks to all who helped make our final party for '97 such a success.

The next event was our shopping night at Super Valu. This is their second year providing such a service which is very much appreciated. Many thanks to Brian, Derek and Ann

and indeed all their staff for their courtesy and kindness to our Senior Citizens. In fact courtesy and friendliness seems to be their hallmark.

Our Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday, January 11th at 5pm. If you have not got your name in, do it now.

Remember all senior citizens in the area are welcome along to all our events.

Our Club re-opens on Tuesday January 13th. Our Annual General meeting will take place on February 3rd at 8pm in the Health Centre. This is an open meeting to which all are welcome.

Finally may I wish each and everyone of you a fruitful and peaceful 1998.

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Sophia Weir, (6290377)

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- 3rd Prize £25 - Josephine Kennedy,
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Draw 2

- 1st Prize Christmas Cake - Patricia Dunne, Pebble Hill,
Maynooth.
- 2nd Prize Bottle whiskey - Alan Filbert, Cluain Aoibhinn,
Maynooth.
- 3rd Prize Basket Fruit - Margaret O'Mahony,
11 Greenfield Close,
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Draw 3

- 1st Prize C.D. Cassette Player - P.J. Mooney, 2 Coats Lane,
Maynooth.
- 2nd Prize Presentation Basket - Phyl Lee,
Maynooth Park.
- 3rd Prize Bottle of Brandy - Padraig Lee,
Maynooth Park.

Special Draw - Portable T.V.

Winner - Mary Mangan, Kilcock.

Residents Association

BEAUFIELD AREA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

There were more answers than questions at the Beaufield Fun Quiz - that most of the answers were wrong is irrelevant!

The quiz saw a get-together of 50 or so residents on a late November evening at Maynooth GAA Club. The winning team-who knew when Bond Bridge was built but didn't know when it will be rebuilt - came from Beaufield Drive with members Collate and Cathal Murphy, Anne Moloney and Patricia Kavanagh.

Special thanks to compere Paula from the Gardens, question setter Pat from the Green, as well as all who donated prizes including Carmel (the Grove), Grainne, (the Green), Gerry (the Gardens) and Collate (the Drive). Special thanks to Colin and all at the GAA Club for the use of facilities and the spot prizes.

The state of the estate following recent roadworks on the Rathcoffey Road has caused concern among residents, particularly those at Beaufield Lawns where a section of hedge-row was destroyed.

Following correspondence between our Residents

Association and Kildare County Council, we now have an undertaking that the contractors concerned will make good any damage on completion of roadworks.

Thank you to all who took part in the pre-Christmas estate clean-up - the fresh air relieved many hangovers!

Beaufield Area Residents Association were delighted to be associated with the North Kildare South Meath Anti Dump Race Night in early December. The cry from many Beaufield residents is "dump the dump"!

The New Year is looking good for Beaufield... A Neighbourhood Watch re-launch, a spruced up sportsday and a few more social get-togethers.

On behalf of all on the Residents Association Committee we wish all residents a happy, peaceful and prosperous New Year.

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POST PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN OF NOVEMBER 1987

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First Year Mass:

So many people worked so hard to make it a memorable event, it was impossible to name any individual for praise, however Fr. Michael Cleary who kept the congregation enthralled for over an hour and a half was given a special thank you.

Theatre:

Teachers and pupils alike enjoyed a nights entertainment at the Abbey Theatre to see Hugh Leonard's play 'Madigan's Lock'. Their second trip to the Abbey was to see 'Sarcophagus'.

Basketball:

Their first success was in Leixlip when both 1st and 2nd year teams won both their matches against Colaiste Chiarain. Then on November 24th they played Confey, the score being Maynooth 30, Confey 6. A special thanks was given to all the girls who took part.

Football:

Maynooth travelled to Caragh on the 17th November in search of their fourth County Title. Unfortunately Prosperous had victory on the day.

Final score: Maynooth 1-7; Prosperous 1-8.

Maynooth team who put up a great fight: J. Gilligan, D. Healy, D. Mee, D. Cryan, P. Ennis, J. Curtin, S. Molloy, P. Stynes, P. McNulty, F. Barton, D. McKeon, M. Regan, J. Nevin, D. Clerkin, J. O'Riordan. Subs: G. Toman, F. O'Shea, L. Doherty, P. Reilly, S. Sheerin, F. Ashe.

Cross Country:

A good performance was shown by the girls and boys at the Inter School Cross-Country Championships in Prosperous.

Results: Under 14 Girls - 3rd Team, Under 15 Girls - 2nd Team.

Individual prize winners: Lisa McCloskey 2nd and Carmel Noonan 3rd. Under 16 Girls - 1st Team. Senior Girls - 1st Team and Under 16 Boys - 3rd Team.

Debating:

Congratulations was given to Mary Heanue (5th year) who took the award for Best Speaker in the first round of the Bank of Ireland Debating Competition. Clare Enright also performed well. In the Mental Health Public Speaking Competition, Alvean Duffy, Paul Daly and Garrett Dockery showed great promise. In the Concern Debate a most exciting evening was given by the junior debaters Deirdre Byrne, Christine Nugent, Anita Hogan and Donnachadh O'Brien.

Further Events:

A special word of thanks was given to all who helped out in collecting food and toys for the Sale of Work. Also the carol singers who kindly entertained on Thursday night 17th December 1987.

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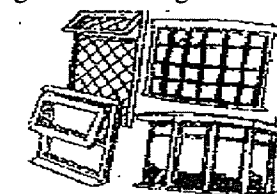
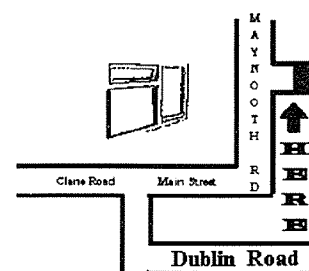
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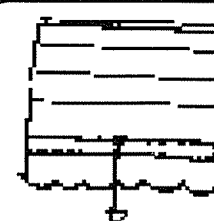
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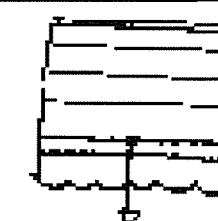
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SOME READING FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

1597:

William Shakespeare -

In sooth I know not why I am so sad,
It wearies me: you say it wearies you;
But how I caught it, found it, or came by it,
What stuff 'tis made of, whereof it is born,
I am to learn: and such a want-wit sadness makes of me,
That I have much ado to know myself. (The Merchant of Venice)

How sweet the moonlight sleeps upon this bank,
Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music
Creep in our ears; Soft stillness and the night
become the touches of sweet harmony.
(The Merchant of Venice)

1697:

Turlough Carolan the well remembered blind harper was composing his pieces in honour of his friends and patrons as he wandered from big house to big house in Connaught. His music is still a joy to listen to.

Jonathon Swift: For if we take an examination of what is generally understood by happiness, as it has respect either to the understanding or the senses, we shall find all its properties and adjuncts will herd under this short definition, that it is a perpetual possession of being well deceived.
(A tale of a tub)

1797:

William Wordsworth

Once again I see
These little hedgerows, hardly hedgerows, little lines
Of sportive woods run wild; these pastoral farms,
green to the very door; and wreaths of smoke sent up in
silence, from among the trees!

But oft, in lonely rooms, and 'mid the din
Of towns and cities, I have owed to them,
In hours of weariness, sensations sweet,
Felt in the blood, and felt along the heart,
And passing even into my purer mind,
With tranquil restoration:- feelings too
Of unremembered pleasure: such, perhaps,
As have no slight or trivial influence
On that best portion of a good man's life,
His little, nameless, unremembered, acts
Of kindness and of love (Tintern Abbey)

1897:

Abraham (Bram) Stoker's Dracula was published.

1997:

Maynooth Newsletter has been published monthly by Maynooth Community Council for the past 12 years and numerous years before that by a voluntary group. Let it be your New Year resolution to keep up to date with local events during 1998 through the Newsletter.

A Tall Story

1797:

The top hat was worn in public for the first time, by James Hetherington in London, drawing a huge disorderly crowd. Hetherington was arrested and charged with causing a breach of the peace by appearing "on the public highway wearing a tall structure of shining lustre and calculated to disturb timid people"

The Frenchman Andre Garnerin leapt from a hot air balloon and demonstrated a parachute.
The two events were not connected.

Maeve Moloney

NEED A REFERENCE?

Maynooth Graduate Damian Dowds has been responsible for updating, revising and expanding the 1997 Almanac book which has been dubbed as the Ultimate Irish Reference Book.

The book contains population figures for Maynooth and other towns in this county as well as a historical account of the founding of St. Patrick's College Maynooth. The six T.D.s in Kildare are listed as are their phone numbers and addresses.

The book also deals with short biographies on Domhnall O'Buachalla, Silken Thomas, John Devoy and Minister Charlie McCreevy, T.D. along with publishing the results of the 1997 General Election in the Kildare constituencies.

The book is on sale not only in Ireland but in North America and Britain as well and early in the New Year the book will be launched on CD-Rom.
Damian who graduated from the National University of Ireland Maynooth in 1995 with a degree in English and History has the perfect background for writing with knowledge on the area and its history.

So, for any of you historically orientated people or general knowledge seekers why not treat yourself by buying the new Irish Almanac and Book of Facts 1998.

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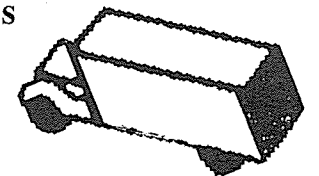
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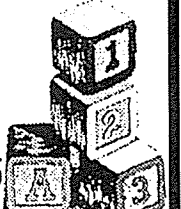
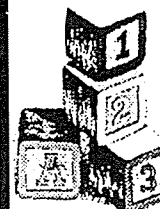
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MASS TO GRIEVE FOR LOST INFANTS

A special service was held in St. Coca's Church in Kilcock to remember all of the children who died before their time, be it before birth, during birth or after. Parents and families of lost children attended the service.

A lot of emotion and heartache was felt by all as they were allowed to say a final farewell to the little ones they loved so dearly. Many tears were shed as songs such as Eric Clapton's "Tears in Heaven" and "Wonder Child" were sung.

The service was provided for families in Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip. It was a chance to give each child a dignified ceremony in their honour and to allow all to grieve openly.

Fr. Paul Boyle, C.C. of Kilcock said the Mass and he said "being the last day of November it is a very appropriate time to remember with gratitude all of our loved ones, particularly infants and children who died before their time."

Fr. Boyle also said "We remember them with gratitude and remember their names", "The children's memories are here with us today and we pray to entrust them into the hands of a loving and giving God".

Parents were encouraged to approach the altar and light candles in memory of all the babies.

Roma Maloney of the Irish Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society told the congregation that the ceremony was very important as it was a wonderful way to remember the children who died.

"Many years ago there was no opportunity to grieve and remember babies; you were told to put it behind you and get on with things".

"But the reality is that no one can forget a baby or child who dies."

A special quilt carrying names of 680 children was hung over the altar. It is hoped that the service of remembrance for babies will be continued annually, as there is now an organisation committee in place.

O'SHEA TRAVEL

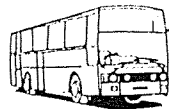
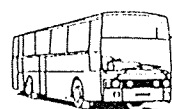
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VIDEO REVIEW

Batman and Robin (12's)

This is yet another Hollywood exercise in throwing 'big names' at a very poor, weak script. Fresh from his triumph (?) in television's ER, George Clooney is completely miscast as Batman, and Chris O'Donnell is just as bad as Robin. This movie makes the t.v. series of the 'sixties (come back Adam West and Burt Ward!) actually look good. The story is the usual tried and tested one. Two villains, Mr. Freeze and, wait for it, Poison Ivy, join forces to take over the world. It's up to our super heroes (super turkeys would be closer to the mark) to stop them. Along the way they pick up an ally in the form of Batgirl, played by Alicia Silverstone. The rest is business as usual. Clooney and O'Donnell are vastly under utilised in the two title roles, as is Uma Thurman as Poison Ivy. But the real laurels for sheer awfulness go to Arnold Schwarzenegger as Mr. Freeze. He is absolutely dreadful! Honestly, the guy should carry a government health warning to the effect that 'Arnie can seriously damage your brain'.

Verdict To be avoided at all costs.

Scream (18's)

Drew Barrymore is alone in the house. The phone rings and what she thinks is a crank call is anything but. She realises that the caller is watching her. When she can't answer a question from the caller, her boyfriend is murdered and left tied to a chair on her patio and then the really nasty stuff starts. This movie makes fun of the horror film genre, and concerns a group of teenagers swapping jokes about the various serial killer type movies they have seen, unaware that there's one running amok in the town. Courtney Cox (who plays Monica in Friends) is a reporter who smells a good story when the kids start turning up in a serious state of dead. Pretty soon she's up to her neck in corpses, and you don't know the identity of the killer right up to the very end, and the jokes and frights will keep you white-knuckled and on the edge of your seat right up to the last minute. It's a funny and very, very scary movie that's bound to be a huge hit with anyone who thinks they have the nerve to sit through it. This is a must-see film, but be warned: don't watch it on your own or late at night. After all, you never know

Verdict Don't look now!

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IT'S NOT PERKY TO HAVE NO TURKEY

I had a great Christmas dinner
And I really felt quite a winner.
I couldn't wait to run to the pub
And tell the lads about this fabulous grub,
But I had to wait until the next day,
As my tongue swam in it's drooling bay.
The turkey meat was sumptuous and dry,
Delightful chewing, munching low and high.
I ate so much my stomach near cracked.
The sprouts in my neck were like silage bales stacked.
I felt like a king upon his throne,
My staff was a giant drumstick bone.

The lads too, had stories to tell
Betwixt various versions of 'Jungle Bells!'
One fellas mother was the greatest cook he had ever seen,
He could never marry a lesser being.
Another had us all in great shock
For it was not turkey that he got.
But the man who didn't know what he ate
Was the saddest one that we had met.
You see some folks try to be different
Even with the simple Christmas dinner they'll experiment.
In the end it was turkey this and turkey that
And I have turkey in my hat!

There was invitations and deliberations,
Rounds of drink and celebrations.
"Shur lads come home with me
I've got turkey spare and plenty".
But the man who caused the greatest concern,
Said his meat tasted like fried fern.
Perhaps it was feathers, did someone suggest,
They can be crinkley and hard to digest.
"Well I had a tickly feeling deep down inside
It was either feathers or a hairy hide".
Drink plenty of stout we said without doubt
That'll flush the feathers out.

"My meat tasted like reindeer's hoof",
Was said in a joking spoof.
"Shur if its not turkey you haven't a hope
Some meat is as tough as strands of rope".
A man said, "I woke up in the middle of the night
And shur I got a terrible fright.
I had fallen asleep at the kitchen table,
For to got to bed shur, I wasn't able.
And all I could see was the skeleton of the turkey,
Glistening in the lights from the Christmas tree
And through the ribs I could see the crib.

So, the lads who had turkey felt most assured
And tried to restore hope to the demured.
Christmas means turkey we all agreed
No other alternative will very succeed.
Later, turkey was being smuggled in;

Shur, I felt like some kind of prehistoric kid".
"You can have some of mine shur, I'll get you again".
Then all the men said the women are great,
Theres no drink in the word that with them would rate.
The Dustin came on the telly and sang a few songs
And then we knew that beneath our laughs were hidden
wrongs.
We faded out as the crowd grew thicker
And girded for home in the street-light flicker.

Willie Healy.

PROPOSED CARTON DEVELOPMENT

Detailed plans for the £25 million development of Carton House and Demesne as a luxury hotel with two championship golf courses have been revealed for the first time by the Minister for Tourism, Dr. Jim McDaid.

The development will comprise of a five star 140 bed hotel including 12 suites, 76 residential conference lodges in 13 units, conference and executive meeting facilities; a Gleneagles Golf and County Club comprising two 18 hole championship golf courses and a leisure centre.

A new entrance will be opened from the Dunboyne Road to the car park. A boat house and shell cottage on the premises will be used as a bar and dining area.

Minister McDaid said the proposed Carton House development involves the provision of an international destination resort at the Carton Demesne. He said full planning permission was granted by Kildare County Council following the completion of a comprehensive impact study. Its overall aim is to create Ireland's foremost luxury resort with global recognition.

The project is expected to generate more than 300 direct jobs and over 150 indirect jobs, hopefully reducing the number on the live register in Maynooth.

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CHRISTMAS IN AN IRISH STATELY HOME

The sun cast long shadows as I drove up the avenue to Carton House. A fine crisp December afternoon - over the 5 arched bridge that spans the river and around the corner stood the Castelli designed house from the eighteenth century. Christmas in an Irish stately home was the theme of the flower festival.

I was welcomed by the Chairperson of Maynooth Flower and Garden Club Noeleen O'Brien. Noeleen had crafted the wreath and bay tree decoration at the entrance. In the inner hall stood the very tall Christmas tree, understated in blue and white with white bows, the work of Alan O'Braoin. Simple, elegant and a charming introduction to the grandeur that lay ahead.

The vibrant reds of the specially painted cones, the gold sprayed poppies contrasting with the hollies, ivies and ribbons and wreathed candles were of another time. The library table was covered in 'snow'. A church and snowman, with the carol singers under the arch, set the mood for quiet in the peaceful surroundings. The library spiral stairs and gallery were garlanded. A partridge in the pear tree - it was all so peaceful. A little girl named Hannah, in her fairisle jumper and fair hair tied back in pink, overcame by it all called out 'Santa'.

Still more peaceful were the subtle creams in the drawing room decor. The artistry of Eve Kennedy in the arrangement with harp and french horn were special. In the dining room was the result of the Maynooth Club members' worknight when they prepared the Victorian floral chairbacks from silk and dried flowers. The



dining table with its pedestal arrangements of poinsettias, Singapore orchids, euphorbia elegans, lotus seed heads and red roses was wonderful. The fire mantles in each room were swathed with flowers and greenery.

One felt that the Duke could round a corner at any minute especially as slippers were warming beside a log fire in the music room. This was a happy occasion, in a house which had seen happy times, as when Queen Victoria had visited. I wondered if the floral arrangements could have been as spectacular for her visit. Sad times came too, as when the occupants were in shock 200 years ago, as word reached them

that one of their members was in a Dublin jail and under sentence of death for his part in the 1798 rising.

The flower festival had taken a year to organise. The Maynooth members were joined by members from other clubs. The end result was a feast for the eyes. The plant stalls had

fresh, silk and dried flower arrangements for sale.

After the tour of the house over to the servants quarters for a delicious tea. It must be the first time that the quarters saw such floral grandeur. The kitchen range the shelves, the bell room and corridors were a delight to behold.

It was all in aid of the Kildare hospice movement.

Those taking part were Noeleen O'Brien (Chairperson, Maynooth), Margaret Howe (Vice Chairperson), Sarah Angel (Secretary), Imelda Desmond (Treasurer), Moira Baxter P.R.O., Pam Acton, Carol Bone, Phyllis

Byrne, Peggy Campbell, Marcella Campbell, Annette Carroll, Kathleen Cleary, Mary Cleary, Irene Cole, Phyllis Colton, Kitty Core, Mary Costelloe, Pat Dalton, Marian Daly, Bridie Dowling, Mary Doyle, Hilda Dunne, Teresa Ellis, Maureen Fagan, Betty Farrell, Celia Farrell, Catherine Fields, Jean Fletcher-Jones, Joan Gibson, Letty Graham, Jean Hamilton, Amanda Harris, Adrienne Hatch, Nuala Hegarty, Nora Hickey, Patricia Hill, Catherine Hodge, Aileen Howard, Ann Jansen, Carmen Kealy, Joan Keating, Brid Kelleher, Eve Kennedy, Teresa Ledwith, Valerie Lille, Mary Lyskey, Claire McBrierty, Jeanette McCann, Maureen McCormack, Mary McHugh, Mary McNerney, Nancy McKeever, Marie McKeown, Jane McNulty, Eithne McPhillips, Margaret Martin, Barbara Meyers, Mary Minnock, Sarah Molloy, Mary Moore, Liz Morris, Susan Mulvihill, Maura Murphy, Alan O'Braoin, Hilary O'Carroll, Jo O'Connell, Lise O'Farrell, Kathleen O'Kane, Carmel O'Leary, Dolores O'Leary, Maura O'Neill, Carmel Owens, Harriet Phelan, Phyllis Read, Toni Read, Joan Reynolds, Maureen Roche, Deirdre Ryan, Mary Ryan, Felicity Satchwell, Barbara Savage, Mary Sinclair, Beatrice Stewart, Mary Strickland, Mary Temple, Dinah Seery, Rosemary Smyth, Audrey Tector, Phil Webster. Florists - Moira, Dunshaughlin; The Bower, Dunboyne; Country Blossoms; Clane, Katie's Flowers; Maynooth.

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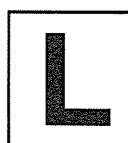
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SEARCHING FOR UPDRAUGHTS

Evaluation by Mary O'Donnell

Patrick Devaney was born in Croghan, Co. Roscommon. He has published two novels for teenagers, *Rua the Red Grouse* and *The Stranger and the Pooka*. He lives in Maynooth and teaches in the local Post Primary School.

"Many poets in their work explore the solitary moment of revelation within the context of their lives. Patrick Devaney is no exception and the poems in *Searching for Updraughts* are the product of a sensibility fully alert to epiphanies within human experience. The poems inhabit the narrow divide that separates pain and joy, hurt and healing, reminding the reader that nature and its landscapes - fierce, cruel, but beautiful - inform every moment of human activity. That the poet's response succeeds is obvious, that his poetry speaks with such insight, patience and quiet persistence is all the more admirable. The tremulous beauty of these poems mark a very welcome debut from an already accomplished writer."

Mary O'Donnell, poet, short-story writer, novelist, critic and presenter of *The Darkness Echoing* on RTE Radio 1.

Some of Patrick's Poems:

BY THE ROYAL CANAL

The patient, ordered mind
Of Pre-industrial man
Shows in this watery road,
Abandoned now to reeds and swans.
It parallels the iron track
That beat it in the race with Time
And on its tranquil face
The cloud-boats sail in silence.
Trains thundering by at breakneck speed
Do not disturb the Mute Swan or her brood,
While children fishing from the bank
Are unaware that once behind their backs
The pathway rang with horses' hooves
Towing the cargoes of a day
When pick and shovel, staff and plummet,
Set the boundaries for consenting water:
Men did not conquer Nature then
But wooed her as her peers
And now, no doubt in gratitude,
She takes their undefiling handiwork
And makes it hers.

THE HEDGE CUTTER

With concentration
He guides along the hawthorn hedge
His tractor's blade,
Cutting cropping shearing
Buds leaves branches boles,
Reshaping filigree.
How many nests and webs
Are in an instant ruined?
No time to think!
The blade makes birdsong
And bones of saplings
Confirm that he is being creative.

THE BRANCH GATHERER

Slow, stopped, solitary as a heron,
He daily leaves the new estate
With its production - belt array
Of matching houses, matching gardens,
Matching couples with pre-teenage children
And climbs into the pasture field
That still holds out
Against the systematic spread of concrete.

Here he seems at home following
A hoof-scored path, lingering by a thorn hedge,
Examining the sky for signs of rain;
He must be someone's father
Brought from a rushy farm in Connacht
To spend his closing years in comfort.

He gropes among a pile of cuttings,
Selects a gnarled branch,
Then patiently drags it back
Across the threatened pasture field,
Across the strip of seeded green,
Dragging the memories of rural Ireland
Into his Esso-heated exile.

MAYFLIES

Surely despite our adult wisdom
Children know best.....
Their joys are not made sharp by memory,
Nor do they sense how anguish-fraught
To adult minds
The Mayflies' buoyant dance
Above the shining, rushing river.....



Mona Lisa



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Parklands:

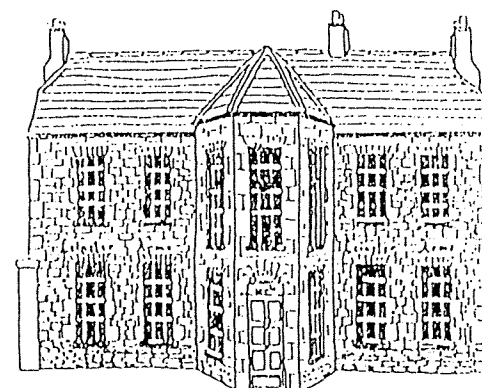
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SUMMARY OF THE 1997 TOP STORIES

Jan: "Farewell Sister Aquinas"

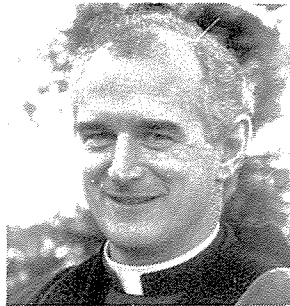
Sister Aquinas left Maynooth after 25 years service in at the Presentation Convent. She has taken the post of "Teaching Principal" in Kildare Town.

"Opening of M.A.B.S. in Maynooth"

M.A.B.S. — Money Advice and Budgeting Service opened its doors at "Deroon House" on January 17th. This is a free service helping and advising people with their finances, be it debt problems, money management, mortgages etc.

Feb: New President, St. Patricks College, Maynooth.

Very Reverend Dermot P. Farrell, B.Sc., D.D. was appointed President of St. Patricks College. He succeeded Monsignor Matthew O' Donnell who died suddenly on 27th September '96. Dr. Farrell is the 27th President of the College.



Mar: Adidas award for the Sportslocker.

The Sportslocker, Quinnswoth Shopping Centre, Maynooth, was one of three sports shops in Ireland to receive the Adidas Athletic Shoe Specialist Award, from Adidas U.K.



Apr: Non National Roads Funding.

For Maynooth, the following monies were agreed for 1997.

Dublin Road, Maynooth - £80,000 For Drainage.
Convent Lane, Maynooth - £20,000 For Surfacing.
Barberstown, Maynooth - £120,000 For Improvements.

Crinstown, Maynooth - £12,000 for Surface Reconstruction.
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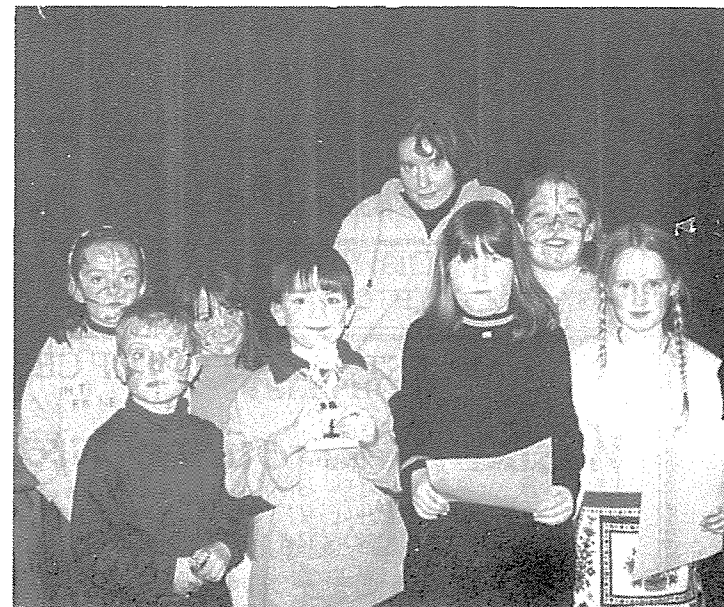
May: M'Lady Kildare '97.

The Glenroyal was the venue for "M'Lady Kildare '97" contest. The contestants are all members of voluntary work organisations such as old peoples committees, I.C.A., Community Games etc. The winner for 1997 was Margaret Delaney, Sallins.



June: Maynooth Speech and Drama go from strength to strength.

1997 has been a golden year for the Maynooth School of Speech and Drama. In January, students taking the prestigious Guildhall Speech and Drama exams all succeeded in passing.



Features

SUMMARY OF 1997 TOP STORIES Cont.

July: Launch of the Kildare Internet Web Site.

A Web Site for Kildare was created by the Cyber-X-Cafe. This will allow information on Maynooth to be accessed by any of the 200 million internet users world wide.

Maynooth Says Farewell to Father Denis Cogan.

Fr. Cogan has been a curate in Maynooth for the last 14 years. He became the new Parish Priest of Porterstown/Clonsilla on the 14th June.

Maynooth Community Festival.

Maynooth Community Festival 1997 was sponsored again this year by Guinness. The launch was held on the 4th July in the Glenroyal Hotel and an array of events followed beginning on 11th July and ending on 20th July.

Aug: Royal Canal Amenity Group.

Congratulations to Michelle Lynam, representing Quinnswoth in Maynooth, who was the winner of Miss Royal Canal 1997. This was the 8th contest of this type to date.



Sep: The Maze in the Maize.

This was an opportunity to have the time of your life in a field of maize. The maize is just 4.4 miles outside Maynooth on the Moyglare Road.

Tom Ashe Retires.

After 26 years being the Principal of Maynooth Post Primary, Thomas Ashe took the town by surprise with the announcement of his retirement.

The New Curate.

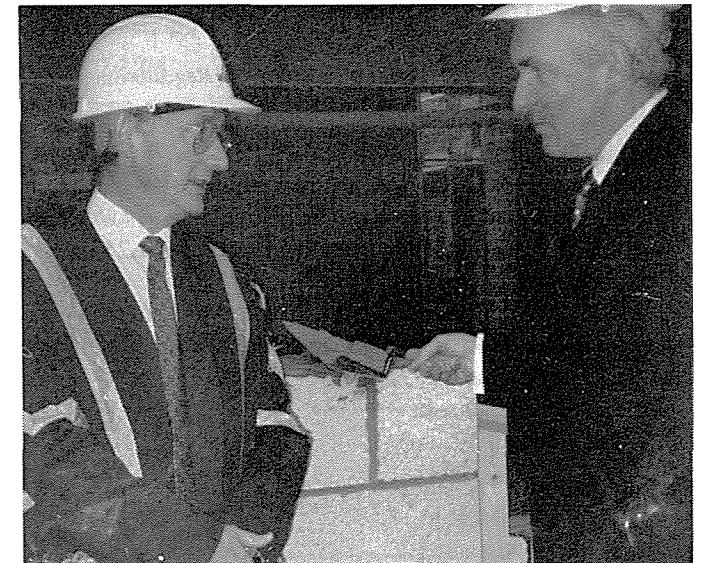
The new curate to Maynooth Parish, Fr. John Sinnott received a great welcome from the town of Maynooth. Father Sinnott was Chaplain for the last six years in U.C.D. previous to taking up his new position in Maynooth.

Oct: Farewell to Fr. Boylan.

A gathering of over 250 friends, colleagues and parishioners bade a fond farewell to Fr. David Boylan at a function in the Glenroyal Hotel. After 6 years in Maynooth Fr. Boylan has left to undertake a 2 year study programme in Rome.

Nov: New Status for University.

Maynooth College receives University Status. For a town of its size Maynooth is probably unique in Western Europe in having a fully fledged university in its midst, now known as the National University of Ireland.



December: New Principal for Maynooth Post Primary

Sean Ashe the previous vice-principal of Maynooth Post primary has now been appointed principal after 5 years in his former position.

Sean graduated from Maynooth College with a science degree and then went on to teach in 1973 and has held a position as a teacher in Maynooth since 1976. Sean has stayed in Maynooth because he feels the "school is excellent to work in" and there is "an excellent team of teachers and a very supportive parents association in Maynooth".

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MAYNOOTH RAIL SERVICE - IS MONEY THE ONLY SOLUTION?

Traffic density on the provincial national primary roads is increasing by five per cent a year, but on the outskirts of Dublin an increase of twenty-one per cent has occurred. However, the volume of traffic recorded on the N4 which serves Maynooth, shows an increase of 150pc in the nine years between 1986 and 1995.

Population Growth

This growth in vehicle numbers from 18,000 a day to 45,000 results from a number of factors which have taken place in the North Kildare region over the period. The biggest single factor to impact on these figures is the huge growth in population experienced by the villages of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip as well as the continuing expansion of the Lucan area. In Maynooth alone 800 new homes were completed between 1993 and 1995. In fact, over 1,250 new homes were completed in the town during the nine years of the traffic survey. The second factor which has not yet been fully reflected in the figures is the growth in employment in the region following the expansion of Intel and the arrival of Hewlett Packard.

Maynooth Railway Station was re-opened in 1981 to serve the ever increasing numbers who were travelling to the city centre to work as well as providing a strategic stop on the Sligo line outside Dublin and facilitating the increasing number of students travelling to the town. There has been a major increase in passenger numbers using the commuter service over the past five years with the increase estimated

at over 25% in the last three years alone, along the line. Growth in numbers in Maynooth dramatically exceed these figures where the estimated increase in passenger numbers is between 15%-20% annually for the last five years.

Councillor Catherine Murphy, who chairs the Western

Suburban Rail Upgrade Group, whose membership represents commuter groups from Kilcock, Maynooth, Leixlip and Dublin 15, believes that the western suburban service is not being given the priority it deserves. Mr Michael Murphy, Manager DART/Suburban Rail acknowledges that the service has shown phenomenal

growth in the last three years. Iarnrod Eireann has responded with providing the maximum capacity available to them.

It's two way traffic - single line not the only problem.

Passengers acknowledge that the cross-city services like the 8am service from Maynooth and the evening service from Pearse as well as the extension of night services are all evidence of Iarnrod Eireann responding to the increased demands from its customers, however, many complain that particularly

during the winter they feel it is necessary to leave Maynooth at 7am in order to guarantee that they will be in the city centre for the 9am meeting.

At a recent meeting with the Minister for Public Enterprise, Dublin 15, Community Council accompanied by

representatives of both Intel and Hewlett Packard put forward the benefits for employment opportunities as well as the positive impact on traffic congestion that would accrue from the provision of a second line between Maynooth and Clonsilla. Iarnrod Eireann's Mr Michael Murphy believes that the doubling of the line alone is not the only answer. The completion of a south city station at Barrow Street together with work at the Ossary Road junction will help improve the service on the Maynooth line, the automation of signalling and the purchase of additional

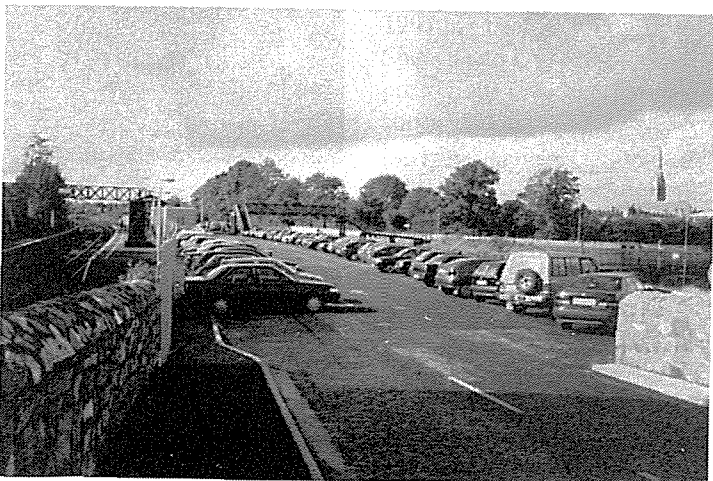
rolling stock are all essential for the service.

Political support necessary - but it's all down to money.

One daily commuter believes that if Irish Rail is privatised to-morrow, that there would be fierce competition for the



Regular Scene at Maynooth Train Station



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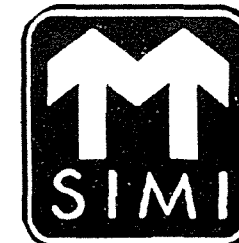
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Maynooth Line franchise. What other service has the same potential of an increasing population base along the line, passengers travelling both directions with a large industrial base along the line as well as a University town at one end.

The real answer to the overcrowding on the trains as well as the restraint of the single line is money. Finance Minister Mr. Charlie McCreevy recently confirmed his support and a promise to talk to Minister O'Rourke. Meanwhile, Iarnrod Eireann have engaged consultants to advise them on their proposals for European funding for the project. Deputies Mr. Emmet Stagg and Mr. Bernard Durkan have both confirmed their support and have promised to make representations to Minister O'Rourke as has Dublin West deputies particularly Mr. Brian Lenihan.

Murphy Project Team essential

Councillor Catherine Murphy who is also vice-chair of the consultative panel of the Dublin Transportation Initiative intends to raise the deficiencies of the Maynooth service at their January meeting. The upgrade of existing infrastructure especially the Maynooth line was part of the original proposals to the European Commission commented Councillor Murphy. She believes that the failure of the Dublin Transportation initiative (DTI) to appoint a project team has meant that the Maynooth Line has lost out to other projects such as LUAS and Quality Bus Corridors. In Maynooth people have voted with their feet and as a result, many of the services are virtually full leaving for Dublin resulting with only standing room from other stations along the line.

Road Rage fear for Train Passengers.

The first recorded case of road rage occurred in 1897 in New York when two men fought over a parking space. In Maynooth, where the Railway Station carpark designed for less than sixty cars can daily have as many as eighty cars, leading to the blocking of the turning area and parking on the slope into the carpark may well witness a similar event in the near future. It can now take up to fifteen minutes to leave the carpark as a result of the heavy traffic on the Straffan Road. There must be a viable business for an enterprising Taxi person to provide a local service from the residential areas to the station and reduce the need for people to leave their cars in the station carpark all day.

Dublin Bus will shortly visit Maynooth to review its services in the area. It is important that the integration of both Bus and Rail services would be considered. Presently, if a problem occurs with the trains, the next Bus could be thirty minutes away.

All Aboard the 8am Virgin Express

With the N4/M4 fast approaching its capacity, the only viable option for travelling between Maynooth and Dublin City is the expansion of public transport. While the upgrade of Maynooth rail service is at the top of many political agendas, all parties have been in Government and yet failed to deliver. 1998 is yet another year where the chance to grab hold of a viable business exists for the government and the service provider. Maybe I should just call Richard Branson.

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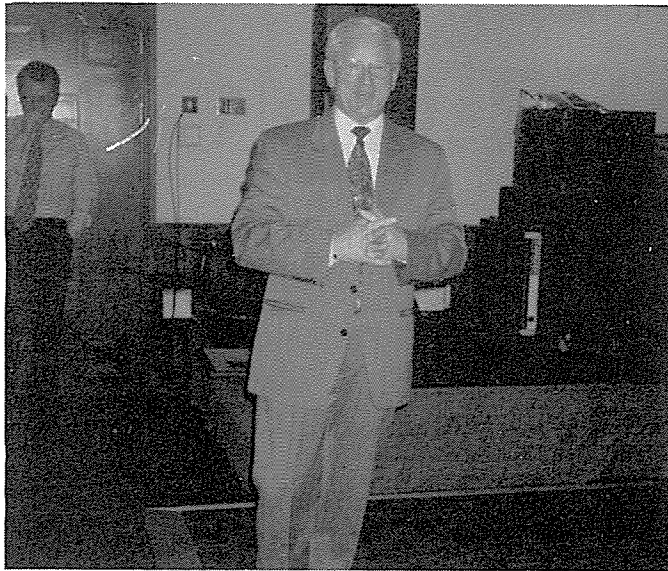
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PRESENTATION TO TOM ASHE

250 Students from 5th and 6th year in Maynooths Post Primary gathered together along with a number of their teachers to say a final farewell to their one time Principal Mr. Thomas Ashe.

The function was held in the gymnasium of the school and a great night was had by all.

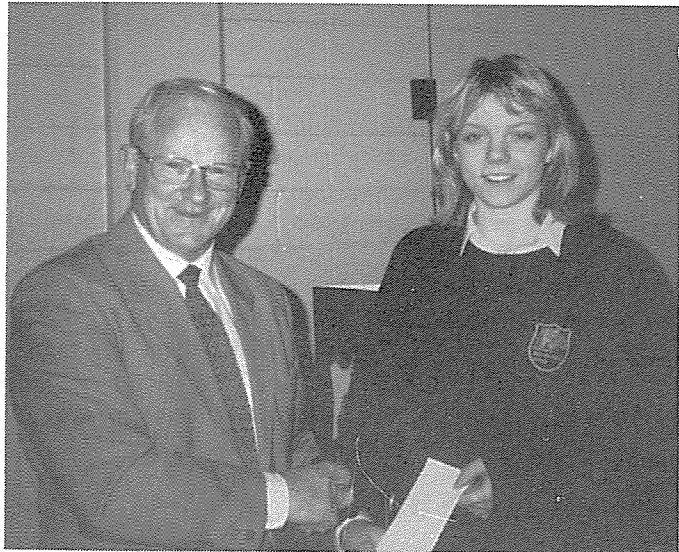
Mr. Ashe donated £500 to the students council out of



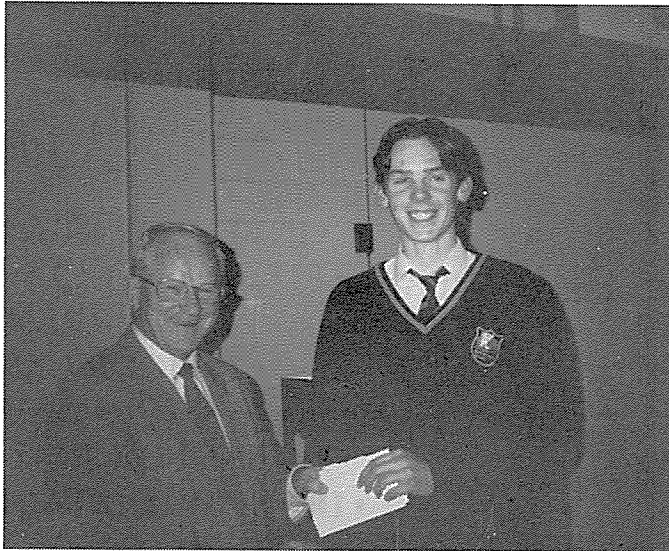
the many presents he had received on retiring.

This was a great surprise to the students as they were the ones who had arranged the night in order to show their appreciation of Mr. Ashe by giving him some tokens to remember them by.

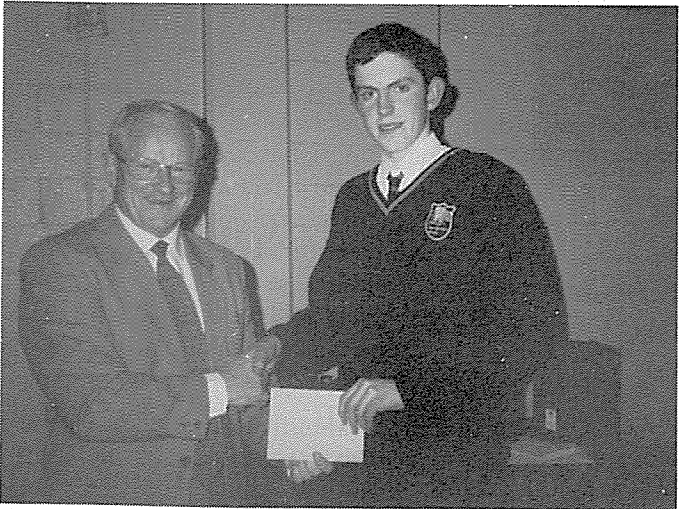
A party was then held in the school assembly area to finish the night off.



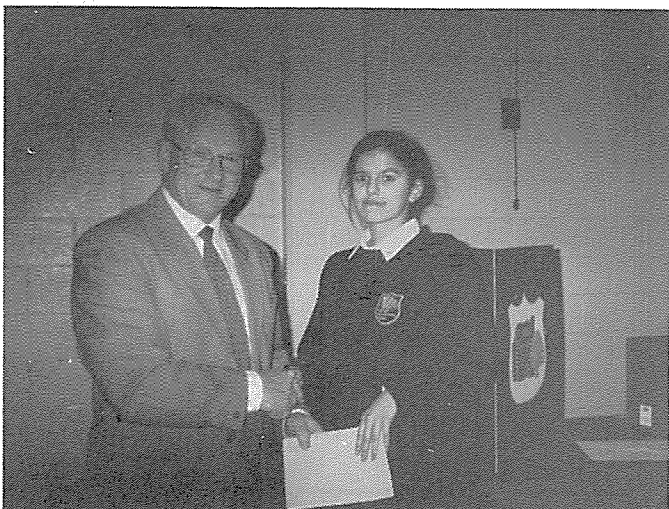
Eloise Mac AnAircinnigh Junior Cert of the Year 1996 and Mr Tom Ashe.



Stephen McKeon Junior Cert of the Year 1996 and Mr Tom Ashe.



John Cunningham Junior Cert of the year 1997 and Mr Tom Ashe.



Shaunta Guha Junior Cert of the Year 1997 and Mr Tom Ashe.

THE COLD WIND DOTTH BLOW

As the days get cooler now is a good time to look and see what can be done to make our homes more comfortable. The first thing to look at is the lay out of the house. In some older houses a lobby was inside the hall door. This served a very useful purpose in keeping the cold where it belonged and not allowing it to enter the house. A hall door curtain will do the same.

Heat escapes from a house in four main ways - through the roof, walls, floor and through badly fitting doors and windows. Nowadays most houses have fairly good loft insulation. About 25% of heat escapes through single glazed windows. Double glazing would reduce this by half. A much cheaper alternative is to get seals supplied in strip form to fill the gap between the fixed and moving edges of doors and windows. If you do fit draught seals make sure you leave space for a small amount of air to get through or you may get condensation. Heat loss can also be considerably reduced by hanging heavy curtains both lined and interlined. Up to 50% of heat may be lost through the walls. Rolls of insulation can be applied to the walls inside the wallpaper. Kitchen foil behind the radiators will reduce heat loss through the walls.

Some very simple ideas can reduce our energy bill. A door snake will stop that cold breeze from creeping in and a door spring will close the room door after you. A door snake is a three foot long tube made from material and filled with whatever e.g. tights. Set the central heating timer to suit the weather. A saving of half an hour or one degree can be substantial. Switch off or reduce the heat in rooms not being used. Is the boiler regularly serviced? Have you got a lagging jacket on the hot press cylinder? An electric casserole or fry pan or microwave uses very little energy. Showers are more economical than baths. Never leave an open fire unguarded and never use the fire guard for drying clothes. We want to keep warm but not so warm that we need to call the fire brigade. By the way did you check your smoke alarm this week?

Freds Fashions in the Greenfield Shopping Centre on Straffan Road has lots of bargains to help us keep warm.

We should pay particular attention to the heat needs of less mobile people. A woollen knee rug, a cape, cap and bed socks will make the person comfortable. As much as possible should be done to increase blood flow. Simple exercises will help the body to withstand the cold.

All these suggestions should help us to look forward to warmer times ahead.

CAROL SERVICE AT ST. MARY'S

The parishioners of Maynooth and Ladychapel participated in a beautiful and moving Carol Service in St. Mary's Parish Church on Sunday 14th December. Everyone was in good voice, and all agreed that it was a very fitting preparation for the holy season of Christmas.

Leading the Service were St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, the Parish Folk Group and the Parish choir. A small childrens' choir from the parish also took part.

The Parish Priest, Fr. Brendan Supple, and the curate, Fr. John Sinnott, were joined by the Rev. Adrian Wilkinson, Rector of the Church of Ireland.

Following an Opening Prayer by Fr. Supple and a candle ceremony, the congregation joined in the singing of many traditional hymns: "O Come, Emmanuel", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "Adeste Fideles" and "Hark, the Herald Angles Sing". These were interspersed with readings from Isaiah and Luke.

The children sang such moving hymns as "How far is it to Bethlehem?" and "Such a Tiny Child", as well as joining in the well-known "Away in a Manger". "Rorate Caeli" was performed by the parish choir, and the folk group sang "Save Us O Lord" and "The People that walk in Darkness".

Throughout, the Band played beautifully. Their renditions of "Christmas Festival" and "The Coventry Carol" were very well received.

Rev. Wilkinson read from the Gospel of St. Luke, and the closing Prayer and Advent Blessing were given by Fr. Sinnott and Fr. Supple.

A very moving Carol - "O Little One Sweet" - was performed by the parish choir towards the end, and the service concluded with the traditional "Silent Night".

Thanks were expressed to all who participated and to all those who helped to make the service a success. Particular thanks went to Niall O' Connor, Eithne Bean and Bernie Harkness, Directors of the band, Folk Group and Parish Choir respectively, and to the parish organist, Mr. Patrick Devine.

All who attended were loud in their praise and appreciation, and many expressed the hope that the Christmas Carol Service would become an annual event.

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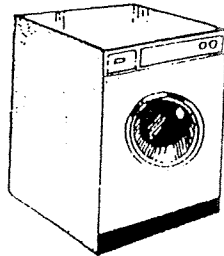
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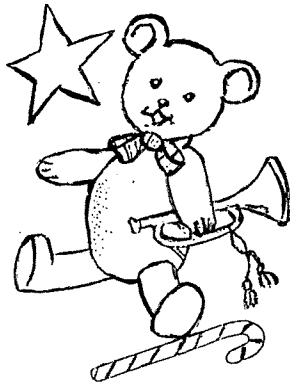


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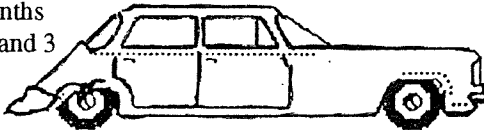
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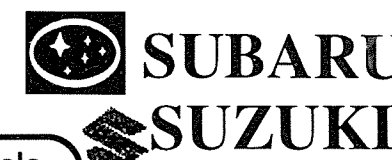


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MAYNOOTH BOOKSHOP

The Maynooth Newsletter wishes to sincerely thank the Maynooth Bookshop for their very generous sponsorship of the crossword prizes throughout the year.
The Bookshop owned by John Byrne, is situated in Maynooth Square. So anyone who has made a New Year's Resolution to expand their minds by reading, perhaps you should pay the shop a visit, open Mon-Sat from 9.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

All of the local schools, Book lists can be catered for. For those of you with younger children there is a wide variety of books for the small child, all of which are beautifully designed and in bright vivid colours.

Childrens tapes and wall charts are also available which can help to teach numbers, colours, animals, etc., to children. If the shop does not stock a particular book you are looking for, it can be ordered for you at no extra cost and with the greatest of ease.

If you are looking for the perfect present for yourself or a loved one why not give them a book or a book token from The Maynooth Bookshop which could result in hours of pleasureable reading and relaxation.

Take your mind off your troubles and allow yourself to be lost in a book for a few hours out of a busy week.

Go on - treat yourself!

GET MOVING NOW

After all the fuss it is over for another year. We won't have half the fuss next year - how many of you said that? But it was worth it or was it?

Have you made all your New Year resolutions? In those few days before life gets back to normal, many of us will decide to slot more exercise into our daily routine. Exercise will improve strength and muscle tone. Of course you know all that: - but there is a good programme on the telly -so tomorrow first thing - don't kid yourself, tomorrow may never come!!

It is very hard to get up and go. 30 minutes of brisk walking 2 - 3 times a week will make all the difference - walk to the shops and do your shopping. Ask if the local supermarkets will deliver home for you. Come to think of it not only will we get fitter but the local community will also benefit from your custom.

Diet is also important. As we get older foods containing calcium are essential. Milk, butter, cheese and yoghurt all are rich in calcium. Calcium helps to prevent bones breaking. With those slippery road surfaces, take care not to

end up in hospital with a broken limb. Bone breaking can be lessened by exercise. Use it or lose it.

Here are some ways in which physical activity improves health:-

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Reduces feelings of depression and anxiety
Helps control weight
Helps build and maintain healthy bones, muscles and joints
Helps older adults to become stronger and move without falling.

So on with your walking shoes.
Have a day out. You don't have walking shoes. Go to the sales. Feed the ducks down by the canal. Visit some one who can't get out. Maybe they need to have some messages done. One good turn deserves another.

GET MOVING NOW. HAPPY NEW YEAR

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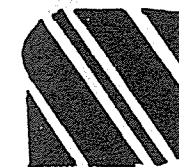
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BEWARE OF UNWANTED FAT

Facts you may not know!

1. One egg yolk contains a whole days allowance of cholesterol.
2. Any exercise burns calories but the more intense the exercise the more calories you will burn off.
3. Swimming burns 9 calories per minute.
4. Skimmed milk is virtually fat free, yet it contains more calcium than full fat milk.
5. Meringue is virtually fat free.
6. Toning exercises will never burn off fat, they will only tone up the muscles you are working on. Aerobic exercises will increase circulation and pulse rate and burn off fat all over the body.

Do you realise just how much fat you are consuming?

Food Type	Fat Content
• Olive Oil	• 100%
• Salted Peanuts	• 50%
• Prawn Cocktail	• 40.4%
• Ritz Crackers	• 27.6%
• Mince Pies	• 14.4%
• After Eight Mints	• 13.3%
• Basted Turkey with Skin	• 10.9%
• Luxury Christmas Pudding	• 9.8%
• Christmas Cake	• 9%
• Roast Ham	• 7.1%
• Roast Potatoes	• 5.2%
• Gravy	• 2.4%
• Brussels Sprouts	• 1.3%
• Paxo Stuffing	• 2.2%
• Bread Sauce	• 1.8%
• Carrots	• 0.4%
• Cranberry Sauce	• 0.4%
• Turkish Delight	• 0.01%

ESAT MAST FOR MAYNOOTH!

The proposed erection of ESAT digifone masts at Garda Stations in North Kildare towns such as Kilcock, Maynooth, Celbridge and Clane could be avoided if the Minister for Public Enterprise and Employment introduces the relevant E.U. directive according to Deputy Emmet Stagg.

Each of the proposed masts would be 30 metres high and triangular in shape. These structures could have serious repercussions for the environment. Deputy Stagg has said that "the present position where two separate telecommunication infrastructures are developing is unacceptable in view of the adverse environmental impact of such masts".

If the Minister for Public Enterprise were to introduce regulations under the E.U. Directive 97/33/EC telecommunication stations such as Eircell and Esat would have to share facilities and properties in relation to masts and other telecommunications infrastructure.

The Directive would provide co-location or facility sharing between the two stations. If the new regulations were implemented numerous applications for planning permission for masts at Garda Stations in North Kildare could be avoided.

IS YOUR NAME BEAN

I am looking for some family information on an Irish Dominican Sister - Mother Bean. She was in Cape Town, South Africa for many years. I have her Golden Jubilee card 1880 - 1930. She is possibly from the Celbridge/Maynooth area. Another person, Charlotte Mary Magdalen Bean, born at Celbridge 20 September 1853 and died at Bruxelles 3 July 1907, was possibly a relative. Any information can be left, Mary, c/o Maeve Moloney at the Community Council offices.

Features

MAYNOOTH OFF-LICENCE - A WINNER!

The Mill Wine Cellar in Maynooth is the Leinster Regional winner of the Gilbey's National Off-Licence of the Year Award.



The Mill Wine Cellar, Mill Street, Maynooth.

The Mill Wine Cellar was the only off-licence in Kildare to be included in the top 26 finalists. The Leinster region did not include Dublin.

The Mill Wine Cellar Proprietor Berna Hatton was presented with a specially commissioned hanging sign for outside her shop.



Berna with her winning award.

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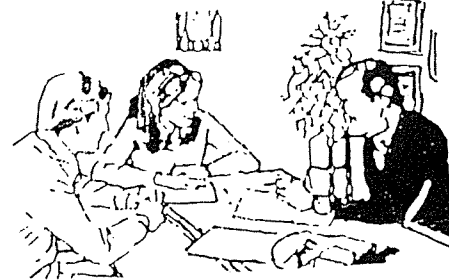
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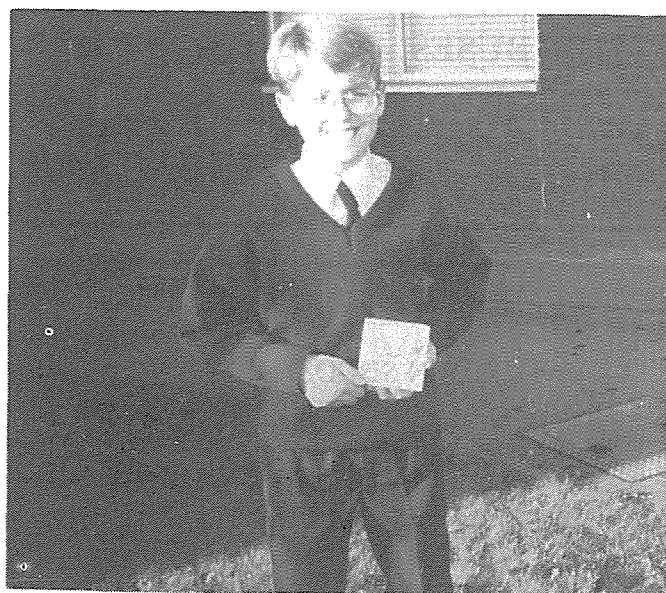
LUNCH TIME BASKETBALL LEAGUE IN MAYNOOTH

For the past five weeks the boys of St. Mary's B.N.S., Maynooth, have been enjoying a Lunchtime Basketball League which concluded on Thursday 27th November.



John Kelleher, Teacher Mr. Grundy, Patrick Byrne, Captain Barry Keenan, Alan Sweeney and Stephen Broderick.

The league of 16 teams was organised by a committee of boys elected by the classes. All games were refereed by Richard Bruton and Daniel Murphy and supervised by Mr.



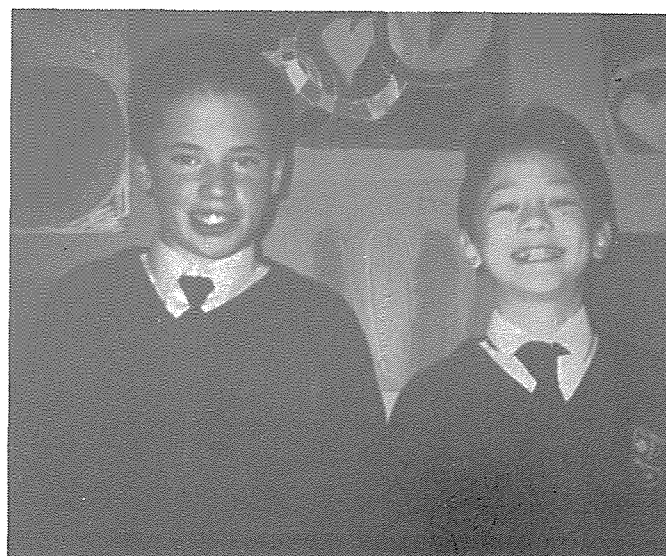
"Most Valuable Player" Andrew Robinson Grundy.

Thursday's final was attended by the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th classes and a large group of parents and teachers all enjoyed the sporting game from two very eager teams. In the end the winners were Team 1 under captain Barry Keenan.

At Friday's assembly, trophies and medals were presented by the Principal Mr. Peter Mullan to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places and a trophy for "Most Valuable Player" to Andrew Robinson.

A similar league for 3rd and 4th classes in January will be organised by the senior pupils.

BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL



Brian Dunk won £20, Keith Wong won £25

Two young boys from St. Mary's Boys National School won prizes for their work on the Credit Union Poster Competition. The winners were Keith Wong who received £25.00 and a Certificate and Brian Dunk who received £20.00 and a Certificate at the A.G.M. on Tuesday 2nd December.

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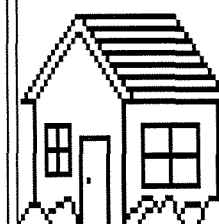
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SCOIL UÍ RIADA NEWS

Scoil Uí Riada end year on a winning streak

Scoil Uí Riada go forward to the Leinster Finals of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann's Ceol an Gheimhridh competition having won the Kildare Heat in the Banna Cheoil and Musical Quartet categories on November 29th. All-Ireland story telling champion, Tomás Ó Báille, also won through to the Leinster Scéalaíocht Finals with his fine storytelling abilities as gaeilge. The following week, pupils from Ranganna I agus II, who make up the school's Junior Choir, took part in the area finals of Slógadh 1998 in the Cór Aonghutha section.

Performing a repertoire of traditional Irish songs they succeeded in reaching the second round of the competition. Under the watchful eye of múinteoir Máire Ní Riathnaigh the pupils performed exceedingly well and acquitted themselves handsomely. It

was hard to believe that this was the first occasion that many of the choir had performed in public.

On stage that day also, performing in the Agallamh Beirte category were Ruth Ó hEarcáin and Seán Ó Muirí from Rang II together with Cormac Ó Mórán and Tomás Ó Báille from

Rang V. All concerned did the school proud and we are delighted to report that both groups progressed to the next round of the competition. Special thanks to Múinteoir Seosamh Ó hEarcáin and parent Peig Bácaoir Ó Báille for preparing the pupils so well.

Web site for Scoil Uí Riada

Scoil Uí Riada are now contactable by e-mail at Scoiluiiriada@tinet.ie. It is hoped to continue to make information about the school, the school calendar of events, past issues of the newsletter, features about the school and the pupils work accessible through the Internet. To this end the school is endeavouring to establish a Home Page in the New Year. This will be built upon in time and updated by the pupils so that the Web site will allow the browser to access current information on the school. Since this is really

a new departure for the school, any help, advice or assistance in this area would be gratefully appreciated. If you can offer some assistance please telephone the school at 01-6287906 or e-mail the school at Scoiluiiriada@tinet.ie.

Visit to Trinity College Dublin

As part of their course curriculum Ranganna III and IV have been studying the phenomena of earthquakes, volcanoes and plate tectonics. This study has developed into a project with

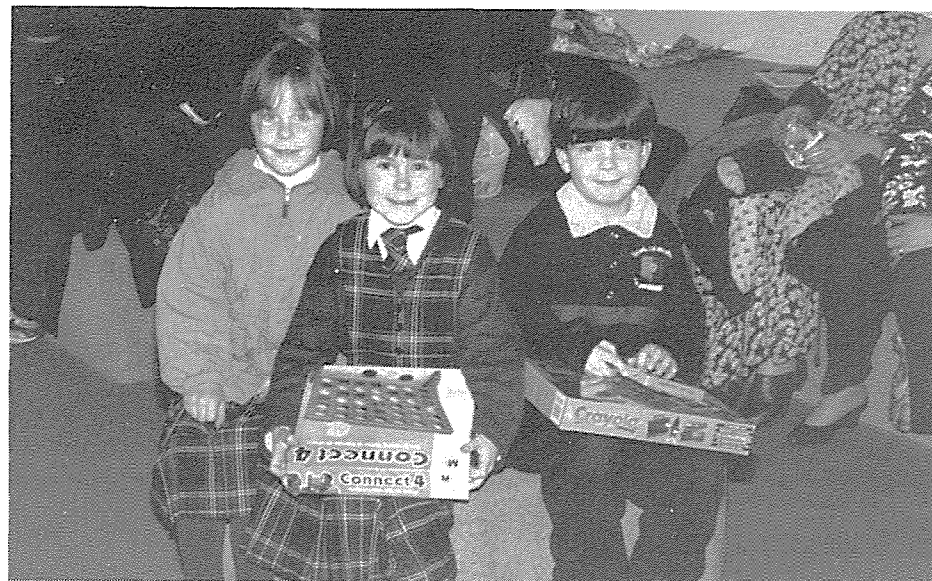
the students building scale models and painting wall murals augmented by information which they had downloaded from the Internet. This information included animated models of the mechanisms involved in the generation of earthquakes and a real-time download of data and pictures from

active volcano sites. No journey to the centre of the earth would have been complete without a trip to the Geology Department of Trinity College where the students, accompanied by their Múinteoir Colm Ó h-Anluáin, were treated to an interesting and informative lecture given, kindly, by Prof. Patrick Wise-Jackson. Prof. Wise-Jackson was able to show the pupils samples of lava and vitreous rock which helped to practically re-inforce the material which the students had covered in class. Prof. Wise-Jackson praised the children highly and said he looked forward to seeing some of them completing their third level studies in Trinity College.

The school would like to thank Prof. Wise-Jackson and the staff of the Geology Department TCD for their help in organising this visit.

The Board of Management would like to wish the staff, parents and pupils a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Miriam Ahern, PRO



L-R: Alison Ní Bhraóin, Emma Ní Bhraóin and Dónal Mac Giolla with their prizes won at the Maynooth Library Colouring Competition.

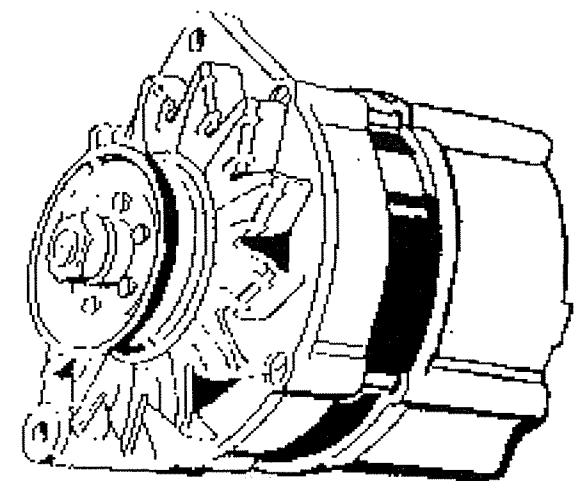
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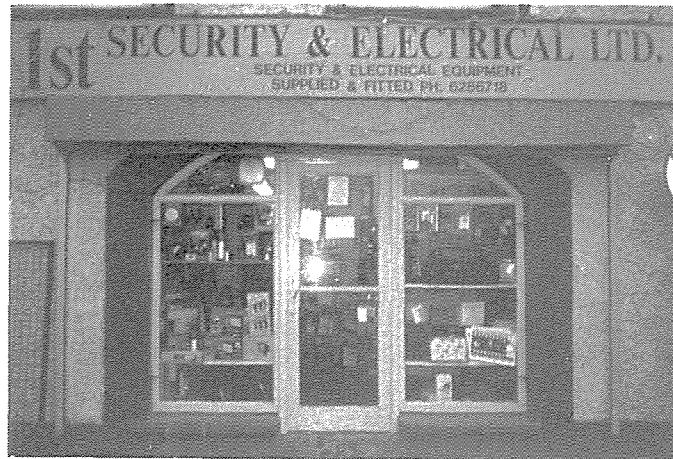
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Anne Doohan in her new shop

Anne caters for all wedding needs. Later on she intends to extend her business to include a hat hire service for all occasions.

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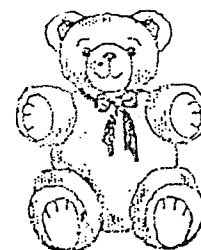
For Valentines Day, remember in order to avoid disappointment, it would be wise to order your flowers approximately 2 weeks in advance.

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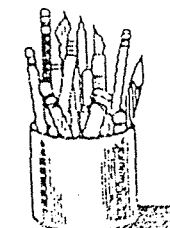
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Serves 6

1 lb sausages
2 tbsp oil
1 large onion, sliced
1 lb/1.4 kg potatoes, cut into large chunks.
2 tbs paprika
1 tsp chilli powder
1 tsp caraway seeds
1 oz/397 g. can chopped tomatoes
p./600 ml beef stock
1./450 green cabbage, shredded
paprika to garnish.

Method

Halve sausages, prick and grill until brown but not thoroughly cooked. Set aside.

Heat oil in a flameproof casserole dish, add onion and fry until softened. Add potatoes and fry for 5 mins, stirring occasionally.

Sprinkle paprika and chilli over and cook for 1 min. Add caraway seeds, tomatoes, stock and plenty of seasoning. Bring to the boil, stirring.

Add sausages, cover and cook at Mark 4/350°F/180°C for 1 hour. Stir in cabbage and cook for 30 mins or until potatoes are tender. Sprinkle extra paprika over and serve in soup bowls.

CHEESY POTATO ROSTI

Serves 4

1 lbs (900g) potatoes, grated
1 red-skinned onion, grated
1 packet fresh chives, chopped
1 oz (100g) emmenthal, grated
2 tbsp (60ml) corn oil
4 cherry tomatoes
4 shiitake mushrooms
4 eggs, size 3.

Preparation time: 10 min.
Cooking time: 40 mins.
Calories per portion: 390

Method

Mix together grated potato with onion, chives and cheese. Season with

freshly ground black pepper. Divide mixture into 4.

2. Heat 2 tbsp (30 ml) oil in a small nonstick frying pan. Spoon 1 quantity of rosti into pan and press down with the back of a spoon. Fry for 3-5 mins, turn and cook for 5 min. more. Remove from pan and keep hot.

3. Repeat with remaining rosti mixture. Meanwhile, cut crosses in bases of tomatoes and put in a grill pan with mushrooms, drizzle over remaining oil and grill for 5 min. Fry eggs and serve rostis each topped with an egg. Serve with grilled tomatoes, mushrooms and crusty french bread.

BAKED PRAWN COURGETTES

Serves 4

4 thick courgettes
3 tbsp olive oil
1 onion, peeled and chopped
1 garlic clove, peeled and crushed
225 g./8 oz field mushrooms, wiped clean and chopped.
225 g/8 oz peeled prawns, (thawed if frozen)
Grated rind of 1 lemon
3 tomatoes, sliced
Crusty bread to serve

Preparation time: 15 min.
Cooking time: 30 - 35 min.

Method

1. Preheat oven to 190°C/ 375°F /Gas Mark 5. Cut the courgettes in half lengthwise and, using a teaspoon,

2. Heat 2 tbsp of the oil in a large frying pan and cook the onion and garlic for 3 - 5 mins. until soft. Add the mushrooms to the pan. Cook for a further 5 mins.

3. Remove from the heat and stir in the prawns and lemon rind. Season with salt and black pepper. Spoon prawn mixture into the courgette shells and place in an ovenproof dish, piling the courgettes in 2 layers if necessary. Spoon any remaining prawn mixture around the courgettes.

4. Randomly arrange the tomato slices

on top. Drizzle remaining oil over the top and bake for 20 - 25 mins. until the courgettes are tender. Sprinkle with freshly ground black pepper and serve immediately with crusty bread.

UPSIDE DOWN PEAR CAKE

Serves 8

1 oz (25 g) demerara sugar
822 g can pear halves in syrup
3 oz (75 g) glacé cherries, halved
8 oz (225 g) butter, softened
8 oz (225 g) caster sugar
4 eggs, size 3
8 oz (225 g) self-raising flour, sifted
4 oz (100 g) walnuts, chopped
2 tbsp (30 ml) milk
3 tbsp (45 ml) maple syrup

Method

1. Grease and line an 8in (20.5 cm) deep loose-bottomed cake tin. Sprinkle demerara sugar over base. Drain pears, reserving syrup, and pat pears dry on kitchen paper. Put a cherry half in hollowed core of 8 pear halves. Arrange, rounded side up, in base of tin.

2. Cream together butter and caster sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs one by one. Toss remaining cherry halves in flour and fold into creamed mixture with the flour, chopped walnuts and milk.

3. Spoon mixture into cake tin. Level surface and cook on the top shelf at 350°F, 180°C, Gas 4 for 1 1/4 hours, or until a skewer inserted into centre comes out clean. Cover top with foil if over-browning during cooking.

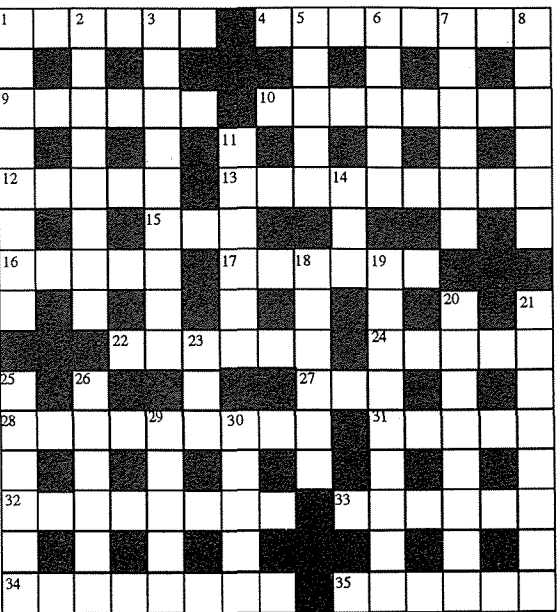
4. Leave cake to cool in tin for 10 mins. Meanwhile, put 8 fl oz (227 ml) reserved pear syrup and maple syrup in a saucepan. Bring to the boil and simmer for 10 min or until liquid is reduced by half.

5. Turn cake on to plate and drizzle over hot syrup. Serve hot or cold with cream.

Calories per portion: 650.

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- 4. Set in motion (8)
- 9. Scarcity (6)
- 10. Doughball (8)
- 12. Supply (5)
- 13. Lack of proportion (9)
- 15. Paste (3)
- 16. Progeny (5)
- 17. Irish bay (6)
- 22. Gapes (6)
- 24. Sponge (5)
- 27. Annoy (3)
- 28. Sorrow (9)
- 31. Choose (5)
- 32. Spice (8)
- 33. Vilify (6)
- 34. Goal-scorers (8)
- 35. Cuts back (6)

Down:

- 1. Pedantic (8)
- 2. Punish (8)
- 3. Cleaning agent (9)
- 5. Morsel (5)
- 6. Motivate (5)

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- 7. Arranges (6)
- 8. Birds of prey (6)
- 11. Agile (6)
- 14. Craft (3)
- 18. More inquisitive (6)
- 19. Gangster (9)
- 20. Stickiness (8)
- 21. Agitated (8)
- 23. Ms. Gardner? (3)
- 25. Young birds (6)
- 26. Pennant (6)
- 29. Course (5)
- 30. Singing group (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 121.

Across: 1. Poplin ; 4. Scheming ; 9. Sprite ; 10. Bachelor ; 12. Tenon ; 13. Intersect ; 15. Tod ; 16. Okapi ; 17. Direct ; 22. Ingest ; 24. Virgo ; 27. Toe ; 28. Potentate ; 31. Ravel ; 32. Operetta ; 33. Borneo ; 34. Entrench ; 35. Assert.

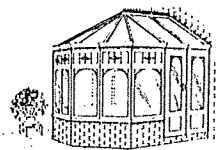
Down: 1. Position ; 2. Parental ; 3. Intention ; 5. Chart ; 6. Ether ; 7. Inlieu ; 8. Gyrate ; 11. Fiddle ; 14. Ere ; 18. Ratted ; 19. Cavernous ; 20. Provence ; 21. Goalpost ; 23. Gut ; 25. Oppose ; 26. Street ; 29. Niece ; 30. Attic.
Winner of Crossword No. 121:
Connie Harpur, 11 Woodlands, Maynooth.



1998 Gardening Planner

JANUARY

- 1) Sow salad vegetables and lettuce.
- 2) Rhubarb can be brought in for forcing under staging.
- 3) Summer-autumn flowering pot plants and plants that require long growing periods, such as F1 hybrid geraniums, can be sown in a propagator.
- 4) Some bulbs already in the plunge may be ready to bring in.
- 5) Propagate chrysanthemums and carnations from cuttings.
- 6) Pot on actively growing pot plants such as primulas. Keep greenhouse glass clean. Be careful with watering. Ventilate freely if there is a mild spell.



CONSERVATORIES

Not since Victorian times has the conservatory enjoyed so much popularity. Some conservatories are used for stylish extra living space, but for the plant enthusiast these light and airy structures usually become a valuable extension of the garden.

Apart from offering year-round gardening opportunities, a conservatory appeals because it allows a wider range of plants to be grown. Exotic species spotted on holiday probably won't prosper if planted outside in many parts of Ireland but they will flourish under glass. Plants that need protection from the frosts and chills of winter will also do well in a conservatory.

Being able to enjoy unusual and attractive plants up close and in a controlled environment is becoming more popular with more and more gardeners.

Choose an east or west-facing conservatory which gets a more measured dose of sun. A south facing structure that captures the most sunshine may seem ideal, but it can become unbearably hot. A north-facing site is better suited to plants such as ferns and ivies.

Watching the seasons changing is one of the great pleasures of gardening - except when the weather is bad. If you add a conservatory to your home, gardening can be carried on all year round, sheltered from the elements.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR THE ESTABLISHED GARDEN

Lawns:

Treat established lawns with mosskiller. Turf new lawns.

Shrubs and Trees:

If the soil is not frozen now is a good time to plant deciduous trees and shrubs. Prune deciduous summer-flowering shrubs, e.g., clematis, buddleia and hardy fuchsia. Once blooms are over, prune winter-flowering shrubs, mulch, and then apply a general fertilizer. Cut any suckers growing from the base of trees.

Fruit:

Plant fruit trees and bushes during mild spells. Feed all fruit trees with fertilizer. Paint tar oil on apple and pear trees every third year. Prune raspberry, gooseberry and red and white currant bushes. Prepare beds for rhubarb crowns and plant.

Vegetables:

Place cloches in position to warm soil for seeds sown in early spring. Plant shallots outdoors and transplant autumn sown onions.

Herbs:

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

Bulbs:

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

Roses:

Prune rose bushes in sheltered gardens. Continue planting roses in suitable weather.

Annuals:

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

Biennials:

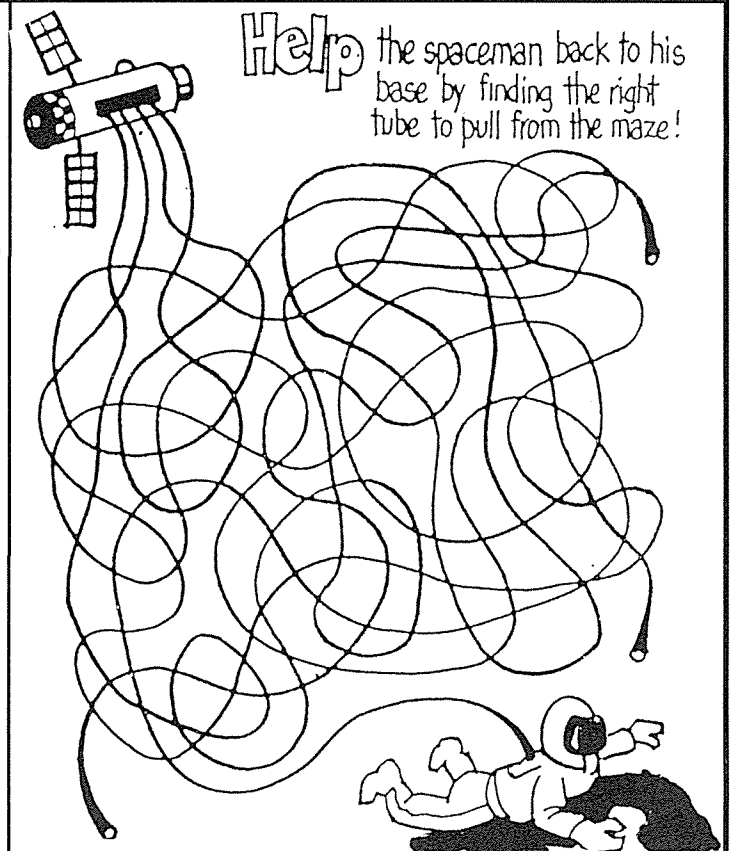
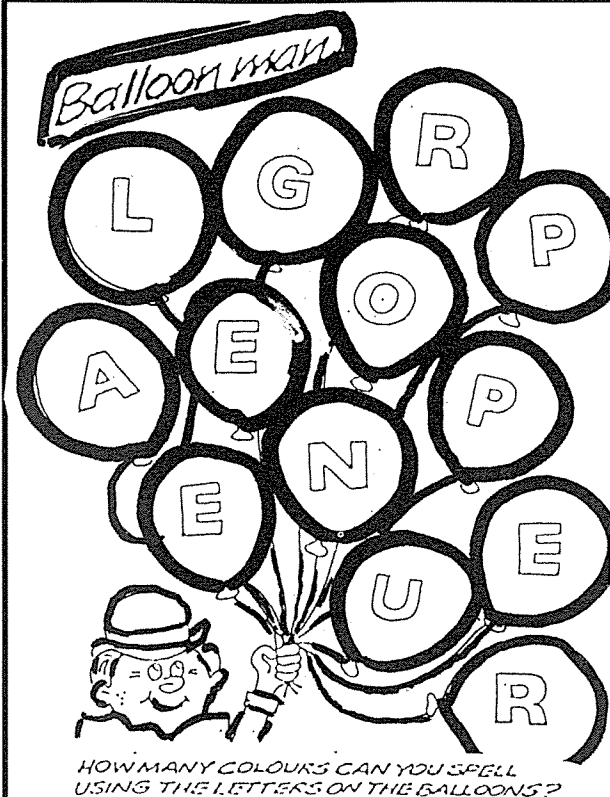
Lightly fork soil around biennials. Firm any plants that have been lifted by frost. Dress with a general fertiliser.

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 any plants lifted by frost. Fork over soil between the plants.



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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

The Minister for the Environment has approved the Planning strategy for the County and has granted Kildare Co. Council an extension of time to the end of March 1998 to complete the County Development Plan. It is likely that the Maynooth Plan will be agreed in January or February. As stated in the last issue of the **Newsletter** this will mean that the present proposals to rezone 279 acres residential will have to be reduced to between 50 and 80 acres.

Footpath and lights - Dunboyne Road

As stated in the June issue of the **Newsletter** Cllr. John McGinley submitted a motion to Kildare Co. Council asking that developers be asked to carry out certain works themselves instead of imposing development levies. The provision of a footpath from the new houses at Lyreen Park to the existing footpath at Dillons Row as well as public lighting is one such case. The Council have finally agreed to this proposal and the developer will be asked to carry out the works instead of paying over levies to Kildare Co. Council. This work should be completed shortly.

New Pedestrian Lights on Straffan Road

The Council agreed to provide these new lights as a result of Cllr. John McGinley's motion. However the Council advised the Area Committee on 5th December that the new lights would be located close to the entrance to the Glenroyal Centre. Cllr. John McGinley stated that this location was totally unsuitable and that the lights should be located between the Silken Vale entrance and the Bridge. This was agreed to by the Councillors present at the meeting.

Meadowbrook Lawns

Sherwood Homes have applied for planning permission for eight four bedroomed houses behind the Eastern Health Board houses. Cllr. John McGinley objected to this application at the area meeting on the 5th December as the developer has not yet completed the estate at Brookfield. Also these houses are premature as Bond Bridge would have to be completed before they are built.

Mona Lisa Restaurant

Cllr. John McGinley has objected to this premises as built for two reasons:

1. The roof of the rear extension projects above the front building. Cllr. John McGinley has demanded that the owner be requested to rebuild the roof as it ruins the street scape.
2. The lit up sign is not in accordance with the planning permission granted.

Romayo's Take Away

Cllr. John McGinley has again asked the Council to demand the removal of the neon sign on this premises. Its removal should be pursued through the Courts if necessary. It is

unfortunate that this new entrant to the business community of Maynooth ignores the wishes of public and the Community Council.

New Public Lights

Following Cllr. John McGinley's motion the new lights at Backlane, Old Greenfield and Pound Park are now in place. Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to provide two further lights in Pound Park as the E.S.B. believe that the three new lights will not be enough.

Extension of 30 MPH speed limit on Dunboyne Road

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare Co. Council to extend the 30 MPH speed limit on the Dunboyne Road to beyond Lyreen Park. The entrance to Lyreen Park is presently outside of the speed limit area.

Footpath to Pitch and Putt

Arising from a number of requests Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare Co. Council to provide a footpath from the 1998 Discretionary Grants on the Dunboyne Road as far as the entrance to the Pitch and Putt Course.

Thornton Refused Planning Permission

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed the decision by Meath Co. Council to refuse planning permission for a waste recovery facility on Thorntons land. Ideally such a facility should be located on industrial land in Co. Meath.

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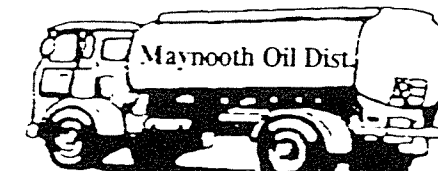
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DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Rezoning Threat to Maynooth Recedes

At its October meeting, Kildare County Council agreed to adopt a planning strategy which would provide for an overall population increase of 12,000 in the county over the next five years. Of this, only 4,000 would be located in the north of the county, embracing Maynooth, Celbridge, Leixlip, Kilcock and Straffan. This decision was made after strong interventions, in the interests of proper planning, by both the Minister for the Environment and the County Manager.

The finer detail of what this strategy entails at local level has still to be worked out. While some rezoning in Maynooth is still likely, it clearly will be nothing on the scale originally proposed by the Council's Rezoning Majority, which could have seen Maynooth's population alone being increased by up to 10,000. At the moment, council officials are working on updating the audit of rezoned land in the county, originally prepared earlier this year on the proposal of Councillor Catherine Murphy. The main function of this updating is to identify rezoned land which is already serviced, and therefore best placed for early development.

It is likely that every attempt will be made by developers and builders, in conjunction with their friends on the county council, to whittle away at the new planning strategy in order to have additional land rezoned. Catherine Murphy will continue to spearhead the campaign for planning in the community interest, not in the interests of private profit.

Main Street Improvement Work

By the time this appears in print, the long-awaited improvement works in Maynooth Main Street should be well under way. The first phase of this work involves placing overhead cables underground. The second phase will include the long overdue repaving of footpaths and better facilities for pedestrian crossings, especially at the Main Street, Mill Street and Parson Street junction. Maynooth, mainly because of its status as a University town, experiences very high levels of pedestrian flow on its streets, and these improvements will provide welcome recognition of this fact. The work is being jointly funded by the National Roads Authority, Kildare County Council and the Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) and has been welcomed by Councillor Catherine Murphy, who is Vice-Chair of the DTO's Consultative Council.

Pedestrian Safety on Straffan Road

Councillor Catherine Murphy has welcomed Kildare County Council's plan to install a signal-controller pedestrian crossing on the Straffan Road between the entrance to the railway station and Silkenvale. Earlier this year, Councillor Murphy had put down a motion seeking improved pedestrian crossing facilities on the road. In the absence of such facilities, pedestrians were regularly taking their lives into their hands in trying to cross a road where high (and illegal) traffic speeds are the norm. Catherine Murphy will continue to press for the installation of illuminated pedestrian islands at the entrances to the Glenroyal Centre and Rail Park.

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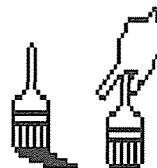
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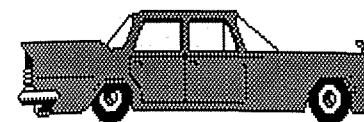
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City Speed

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Co. Development Plan

The Co. Development plan of 1985 has been granted an extension until March 1998, this information was conveyed by the Co. Secretary on Dec. 5th to the Celbridge area committee. The contents of the Ministers letter is not to hand at this time but should be available by the time this Newsletter is printed.

Bond Bridge

Dep. Bernard Durkan recently asked the Minister for the Environment whether his Department has received from KCC, communication seeking funding for the realignment of BOND BRIDGE. The Minister replied as follows. KCC, applied to my Department in 1996 for special funding of £500,000 for the reconstruction of this bridge. The council were informed that additional funds were not then available from which a special grant could be allocated.

More recently KCC have submitted for funding under the EU co-financed scheme. These amounted to £2.45 million in total and included funding for Bond Bridge. The Minister informed KCC that the funding requested exceeded the council's expenditure guide-lines and was therefore returned to KCC. It is to the disbelief of Dep. Bernard Durkan that KCC have now made a new application to the Minister for the required finance and that Bond Bridge is not included in this new request. Dep. Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin are adamant that KCC will have to make a new request which will include finance for Bond Bridge.

Footpath at the Dunboyne Road

Following a motion submitted by Cllr. Senan Griffin KCC, are to lay a new footpath at the Dunboyne Rd. This footpath will be of help to the old folks and the new residents at Pebble Hill and Lyreen Park.

Doctors Lane

KCC informed the area committee that bollards will be erected at the top of Doctors Lane when the work on the Main Street is completed.

Barberstown Road

The Co Manager has sought finance of £100,000 from the

EU co-financing scheme and this finance is expected in 1998, to upgrade the Barberstown Road.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

Cllr. Senan Griffin has been successful in obtaining £5000 by way of a special grant for the improvement of the cemetery and a further grant of £1500 will be forthcoming for the erection of a barrier.

Pedestrian Traffic Signals on Straffan Road

The proposed location for the traffic signals beside the Glenroyal Hotel was deemed unacceptable to the area committee and a point closer to the Railway station and Silken Vale was decided as the better option.

Happy New Year

Dep. Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin wish all the people of Maynooth and its environs a Happy, Peaceful and Prosperous 1998.



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THRILLING VICTORY FOR MAYNOOTH MINORS

Maynooth 1-8

The Crom ABU spirit is alive and well in Maynooth after the minor hurling team secured an impressive victory over a gallant Celbridge side in the Division 2 League final played at Leixlip on 6/12/97.

Maynooth had the advantage of a strong breeze in the first half, but found the going tough for the first ten minutes and were held scoreless by the Celbridge boys. Finally in the 12th minute Lorcan O'Brien opened their account with a fine point from a 65. The best score of the game was scored by Conor Diggins when he secured position on the half way line, beat three players on a dazzling solo run and struck the sliotar over the bar from 30 yards out. Indiscipline in the Celbridge defence led to two quick frees which were duly pointed by ace marksman Mikey Gleeson. The Celbridge defence were put under severe pressure for the remainder of the first half and conceded two 65's within 3 minutes from which Lorcan O'Brien pointed superbly. The losers secured their only score in this half with a pointed free in the 25th minute. Maynooth continued to dominate and a massive 80 yard free from Lorcan O'Brien went all the way to the Celbridge net to leave the halftime score:

Maynooth 1-6

In the second half, Maynooth were under sustained pressure from Celbridge and gradually whittled away Maynooths'

Celbridge 0-7

lead with 4 points inside the first fifteen minutes. Lorcan O'Brien settled his team's nerves with another point from a 65. Celbridge added a further two points before Mikey Gleeson pointed a free after a foul on Chris Arthurs to leave 4 points between the sides with 5 minutes remaining. Celbridge needed a goal to win the match, but superlative defensive play by Eoin Nevin in particular at centre back and Tommy Masterson at corner back kept the forwards at bay to ensure a hard earned but well deserved victory for Maynooth.

1997 has certainly been a very good year for the hurlers with the minors doing the double in winning the league and Championship. A lot of credit must be given to Team Manager Pat Nevin who has prepared this team so well and instilled in them the confidence to believe in their own ability. Best for Maynooth were Karl Ennis who was soundness personified in goal, Matt Callaghan, Tommy Masterson, Conor Minogue and Eoin Nevin in defence, a man of the match performance by Lorcan O'Brien at midfield ably assisted by Alan Nugent and in attack Conor Diggins Mikey Gleeson and John O Shea were most impressive.

Teams and Scores

Karl Ennis, Mark Mc Carron, Matt Callaghan, Tommy Masterson, Conor Minogue, Eoin Nevin, Rory Kelly, Lorcan O'Brien (1-4), Alan Nugent, Mikey Gleeson (0-3), Ken Dooley, Conor Diggins (0-1), Chris Arthurs, Seamus Cummins, John O Shea.

Subs: Sean Lennon for Chris Arthurs, Chris Arthurs for Seamus Cummins.

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7-Dec-97	8,13,29	£450

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Happy Birthday to Noelle McTernan, Moyglare Village, Maynooth on December 10th, from Raymond, Aoife, Aileen, Sean, Mammie, Gearoid, Ita and all your family and friends. Birthday wishes to Catherina Crow, from Mammy and Daddy.

Birthday wishes to Michael Lennon, from Killmacredock, Maynooth, who is celebrating his 43rd Birthday, from his loving family.

Birthday wishes to Rebecca Sullivan from Mammy, Daddy and brother Stephen.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Helena Redmond and her sister Jackie in Celbridge on the birth of their babies, from all your family.

Congratulations to Pat O'Connor, who is celebrating 25years as a Chef in Maynooth College, from all your work mates.

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With deepest sympathy to the son, daughter-in-law, brothers, sisters, sisters-in-law, brother-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Thomas Richardson, Mariaville, Maynooth.

With deepest sympathy to the sisters, brother, sister-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Albert Phoenix, Maynooth formerly Pheopoistown, Kilcock.

With deepest sympathy to the nephews, nieces, grandnephews, grandnieces, Dominican brothers and colleagues of St. Patricks College former pupils and friends of Rev Fr Michael T. Casey O.P. M. Sc. Ph. D. F.I.C.I. Emeritus, Professor of Chemistry St. Patricks College, Maynooth.

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With deepest sympathy to the wife, sons, brother, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Bernard (Benny) Martin, Maynooth late of Stradone Street, Ballyjamesduff.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Birthday wishes to Linda Conway, Greenfield who celebrated her 21st Birthday on January 2nd. A party for the happy day was attended by her family and friends in the River Forest Hotel, Leixlip and a joyful time was had by all.

Birthday wishes to John Sauls, Laurence Ave, who celebrated his birthday on January 10th. A surprise party by family and friends for John was held in The Roost, and what fun was enjoyed by all.

Birthday wishes to Mrs Ita McTernan, Parson Street, (January 11th), her sons Gerard, Greenfield (February 25th), Larry, Kilcock (February 27th), Larrys wife Marie (February 1st), their daughter Gillian age 16 (January 24th) and son Paul (February 4th).

Birthday wishes to Phil Brady who celebrated his 91st birthday on 19th of January, from friends and family.

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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Birthday wishes to Sean Durack, Kingsbry, age 7, who celebrates his birthday in February, love Mammy, Daddy, Grandad, Aunties, Cousin Connor and Pal Rikki.

Birthday wishes to Maeve McTernan, Silken Vale who celebrates her 21st birthday on January 24th, also good luck and God bless to Maeve as she leaves home for New York, January 16th from Daddy, Mammy, sister Deirdre, Granny, Grandad and her many friends.

Birthday wishes to Anne-Marie Burke, Newtown who celebrates her 17th birthday on February 21st, best wishes Daddy, Mammy, brother Shane and Granny.

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Tues Feb 10th: Maynooth Community Festival Meeting 8.30pm.
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Wed Feb 18th: Summer Project AGM - ICA Hall 8.30 pm.
Fri March 6th: Boys National School Fund Raising Night, G.A.A. Club 8.30pm.
Fri March 20th: Irish Night, Glenroyal Hotel.
Fri 24th April: Telethon 1998 RTE.
Fri 15th May: Golf Classic.- Knockanally Golf Club.

EDITORIAL

Apartheid Maynooth Style

Nelson Mandela is a hero in most people's eyes. He has devoted his life to fighting apartheid and spent over twenty years in jail for leading opposition to a system of blatant discrimination in his country. Many black and coloured people in South Africa may still be poor but at least they don't have to carry the hated 'pass cards' and they can look any white person in the eye and know they are equal under the law. So what has all this to do with Maynooth? Unfortunately it seems that a form of apartheid operates in Maynooth. Over the Christmas period, the season of goodwill to all men, residents from our local halting site were refused service at a number of business premises in the town. To be more specific, they were refused service in some of our public houses. A number of witnesses have confirmed that the only possible reason for the refusal was that they were travellers. They were sober, quiet and reasonably dressed and yet were asked to leave. Customers were embarrassed and the travellers themselves were deeply hurt. The residents of Maynooth who happen to live in the halting site have as much right to drink in one of the town's public houses as you or I. The **Newsletter** asks Maynooth's publicans to reconsider this policy of discrimination.

Main Street Standards

The last meeting of the Community Council had a useful discussion on the condition of the Main Street and the fact that a number of premises are in breach of the planning laws in displaying neon signs. Over the next few months we're all likely to suffer as the Co. Council get down to work beautifying the street. It would seem a pity if at the end of all that work illegal signage is allowed spoil the overall effect. So traders, get them down!

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I was appalled on reading the feature on the proposed Carton Development which appeared on the January edition of the newsletter. To begin with the article was neither signed or acknowledged and the pro development bias contained in the article is totally at odds with what is needed in the North Kildare area. Carton Estate is one of the few remaining 18th century landscaped parklands remaining in Ireland., created on the backs of toiling Irish peasants, and the proposal now to hand it over to a commercial developer to create not one, but two additional golf courses, a luxury hotel, a conference centre and 78 houses to be built as "Ireland's foremost luxury resort with global recognition" is scandalous and utterly short-sighted. The estate is an integral part of our heritage and should be preserved intact for future generations of Irish people to enjoy and reflect on this period of our history. In the year of '98 what better way to honour the memory of Lord Edward Fitzgerald than for the people (read Government) to acquire his birthplace for the nation.

Yours sincerely,

Padraig O Murchu

Dear Editor,

The Legion of Mary would like to thank most sincerely Fr. Supple P.P. for facilitating them with use of the church for Fr. Aiden McGrath's excellent talk.

We would like to thank also Fr. Sinnott for co-ordinating procedures. The Legion are indebted to both of them. The Parish of Maynooth is indeed fortunate in having two such excellent pastors. We encourage all to keep them in your prayers, so that God will grant them health and grace to continue in their ministry.

In the talk itself Fr. McGrath gave a glimpse of the untold story of China. In the words of the Pope, China experienced "the greatest Martyrdom in history" under Mao Tse Tung.

He related his own miraculous survival in China.

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Today at 92 he is a man of amazing energy. He travels the length and breath of the Phillipines promoting the Legion of Mary.

Yours sincerely

John Tighe

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you, the members of Maynooth Community Council to inform you of my necessary decision to resign from representing the Main Street area on your Council.

I unfortunately have had to leave the wonderful town of Maynooth, to take up a doctorate position here in the University of Limerick.

Thanks to my involvement in Maynooth Community Council I feel I have learnt quite a lot about the power of community spirit and co-operation. I hope I can bring these valuable gifts to where ever I settle in the future.

I hope in the future that the Council will encourage more students to sit on its membership, as it is only through co-operation will the balance be struck between locals and students (as opposed to the term 'scrubber') so that Maynooth can continue to grow and prosper. Mutual respect as opposed to hard-hand tactics is the way forward. I hope that the current tradition of the Chairperson of the Young Fine Gael Branch within the University will always make the effort to gain a seat on your Community Council and work hard in this council role.

Thank you for the opportunity, and hopefully the problems I helped correct with some of the traders on Main Street and the students have been of some benefit.

Good luck with Maynooth and its future looks bright due in no small part to a great community spirit and to the work of your members.

Yours sincerely,

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council gives thumbs down to Neon Signs

At the January meeting the Council unanimously passed a motion condemning the use of neon signs by some businesses in the Main Street area. The proposal included that the Council clarify the position regarding the requirement for planning permission and the conditions required to make alterations or erect signage in the Main Street area.

Maynooth Community Festival 1998

The planning of this year's festival gets under way with the Festival Committee holding their first meeting on February 10th in the Community Council offices at 8.30pm.

The Railway Footbridge and Parking in the Harbour Area

Community Councillors expressed their annoyance at the inconvenience caused as a result of the closure of the footbridge over the Royal Canal to the Railway Station. It was a general opinion that the Council write to Iarnrod Eireann seeking that a new bridge be built. It was also agreed that the Council write to the Bord of Works seeking public use of the former temporary carpark in the Harbour area.

Community Council Co-options and resignations

The co-options of Ms. Carol Courtney and Ms. Francena Kavanagh both to represent Silken Vale was agreed. Mr. Adrian O' Donovan remains on the Council as a student representative. As a result of relocation to Limerick, Mr. Shane Morris has resigned from the Council.

Community Councillors annoyed over the condition of the Rathcoffey Road.

Community Councillors are loosing patience with the Developer involved and Kildare County Council over the condition of the Rathcoffey Road. The poor state of the road surface and footpaths follows work to provide the services to new housing developments in the Newtown area.

Community Council AGM

The Community Council Annual General Meeting will take place during March. All Community Councillors will be notified of the details nearer the date.

Paul Croghan
PRO

CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

There is now no qualifying period required for holidays and all employees regardless of how long they are in the job are eligible for paid holidays. Holiday pay will be earned against time worked. Part-time workers previously had to work for 8 hours a week for 13 weeks to qualify; this is no longer the case. The Organisation of Working Time Act 1997 which came into effect from September '97 repeals the 1973 Holiday (Employees) Act and sets out the legally enforceable entitlements for all employees to holidays and public holidays. This Act also sets out statutory rights for employees in respect of rest periods and maximum working hours.

Under the Act the minimum holiday entitlement for employees will be increased on a phased basis up to the year 2,000. (Note: the legislation sets out minimum entitlements only; an employee by virtue of their contract of employment may have a greater entitlement to leave).

Part-time workers entitlement to annual leave will be improved on a pro rata basis. By 1999, part-time workers will be entitled to 8% of time worked, in holidays, for e.g. 8 hours per 100 hours worked. In the leave year 1997/1998 they are entitled to 6.4% of hours worked subject to a maximum of 16 days, the entitlement of full time employees. In 1998/1999 they will be entitled to 7.2% of hours worked in a leave year. The leave year for holiday entitlement is 1st April to 31st March.

Note: Whilst the requirement to work '8 hours per week, and 13 weeks' for part-time workers is no longer required for holiday entitlement or maternity leave it is still required for protection under other areas of employment legislation such as unfair dismissals or redundancy etc.

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BAND BULLETIN

The final count-down to USA ’98 is nigh and the excitement is really mounting. It will be so strange marching down the Main Boulevard in Kansas City on March 17th and wishing you could have been in Maynooth at the same time. It will be the first time in many many years for us to miss our own parade but we will be flying the flag for Maynooth in the USA.

Annual General Meeting
There was a full house for our AGM last December and a very successful meeting elected the following committee for the New Year.

Presidents:	Fr. B. Supple, Phil Brady
Chairman:	Paddy Boyd
Vice Chairman:	Michael Dempsey
Secretary:	John Curran
Asst. Secretary:	Michael Dempsey
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Committee:	Cliff Murphy, Niall O’Connor Tara Boyd, Helena Healy, Colm Carroll, Mick Murphy, Peter Brazil, Rachel Alcorn, Seamus Nevin, Paddy Maher.

All correspondence in connection with the Band should be addressed to our Secretary John Curran, 34 Beechdale, Dunboyne, Co. Meath.

On the Right Track
In an unexpected ‘departure’ for the Band, we were invited to play some seasonal music at Pearse Station Westland Row by Iarnród Eireann in December to wish a merry Christmas to travellers on their way home for the festive season. The feedback was extremely positive and we hope to receive further invitations over the coming year.

Pre-Valentine’s Disco
We hope you will keep “Friday 13th” February free for our pre-Valentine’s Disco in the Glenroyal Hotel. The Resident D.J. provides the music and there is a bar extension to see you right into St. Valentine’s Day. The usual admission charges apply. Hope to see you there.

USA Fund
Once again we would extend a huge thank you to all who have supported our fund. It is indeed a wonderful boost for Maynooth and we will do everything to put the town (and County and Country) on the map during our visit. Thanks again.

Good Luck Niall
Finally our best wishes to our conductor who has been extremely busy of late between Band rehearsals and doing his pre-marriage courses in Waterford. We are sure he will apply himself in his usual efficient way to the theory part of the nuptials and will have absolutely no problem with the practical side of things when he does his “Finals” next Easter.
See you all here next month for the final send-off.

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MAYNOOTH HANDBALL

Sean Donovan, the chairman of the Maynooth GAA Handball Club, expressed satisfaction with the years work just completed by him and his committee. The alley got finished, several players participated in the County Championships, a start was made at coaching juveniles and the year ended with club tournaments at both adult and juvenile level, while he complemented the full committee, he singled out Declan Quigley as the one who really kept the show on the road.

Appropriately enough, the prizes for the tournament in December were turkeys. The runners up got a drop of the hard stuff. There were twenty eight entries for the competition. The draw was made in such a way that each pair was made up of a strong and a weak player, Des Fitzgerald and Pat Carroll were the first to enter the fray against Mick and Patrick Duffy. The strength and experience of Fitzgerald proved too much for the Duffys and they were resigned to playing in the plate. Francis Conway and Joe Walsh, my tip to win the turkeys, defeated Daragh Kelly and Larry Cummerford 21-19 21-13, Declan Quigley lost his partner

before the competition even started. He was out of the country. In stepped Joe Nevin. The new partnership were a bit slow to get going and lost their first game to Anthony Fingelton and Joe Gorey. However they picked up the pace and won the second game by one ace. They also won the tie breaker 11-7. Des Lyons and Kevin McGuinness looked like title winners when they brushed aside the challenge of Mick Galvin and Eamon Toomey. Nicky Cunningham and Simon Laurence defeated Niall Leavy and Matt Carroll by the narrowest of margins 21-20, 11-21, 11-10. Leavy sustained an injury which may well have cost him the game.

The experienced Paul Hand ably assisted by Michael Barry outclassed Christy Stokes and Seamus Boylan but Stokes showed good class for the future. Sean Molloy and John O'Shea, my outside bet to go all the way, proved too strong for Des Fitzgerald and Pat Carroll in the quarter final. This was a keenly contested and close encounter. Paul Hand and Mick Barry also bowed out at the quarter final stage to Martin Brambrick and Pat

Nevin. With Declan Quigley and Joe Nevin in one semi-final and Martin Brambrick and Pat Nevin in the other there was always the chance that the Nevin brothers would meet in the final. However, Des Lyons and Kevin Mc Guinness had other ideas and they progressed to the final at the expense of Brambrick and Pat Nevin. Joe with partner Quigley made it to the final after a dour struggle against Sean Molloy and John O'Shea.

The Final had everything. Quigley and Nevin got off to a slow start and lost the first game 21 - 16. Lyons and McGuinness faded slightly in the second game and lost it on a score of 21 - 18. The stage was now set for a grand finale but some strong words passed during the interval which had seemed to take the edge off Lyons and partner. Quigley and Nevin took advantage of this and ran out easy winners. I expect both pairs had much to ponder over while eating their hard earned Christmas dinner. Does this make Joe Nevin a super sub?

*Joe Rossiter
Sec and PRO*

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

The Annual Dinner on 20th January was in Moyglare Manor Hotel. Sixty members and friends enjoyed a beautiful meal. After dinner Toni Read had organised a quiz - most enjoyable and the evening ended with everyone receiving a small gift from "The Surprise Basket".

After all the festivities its back to work now that Spring is here. Our first meeting of '98 will be on Tuesday February 17th at 8 p.m.

The venue as usual, Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College. Everyone welcome to see Mary Glynn on her first visit to our club. Springtime is such a special time in the garden. I'm sure their work will reflect this in the beautiful arrangements.

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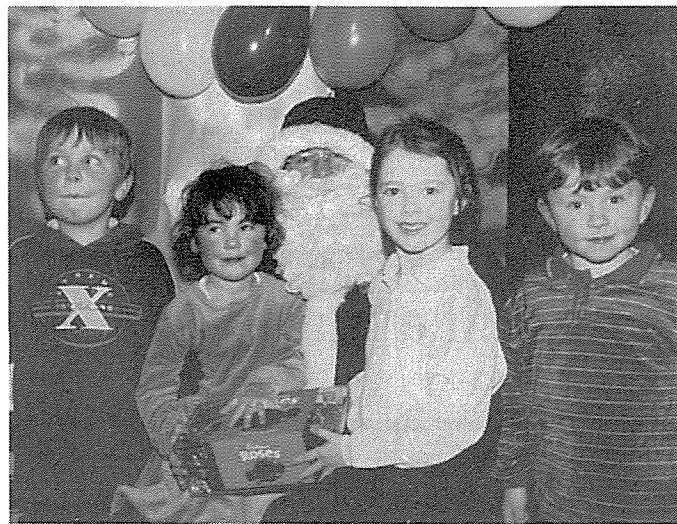
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Scoil Uí Riada News

A word from our Cairde Committee

Many thanks to all who attended the Scoil Uí Riada Christmas Party held on Sunday 20th December in the North Kildare Club. It turned out to be a very successful event with over 160 children "passing through" Santa's Grotto. Santa Arrived on his Harley Davidson motorbike much to the delight of many of the children who had gathered outside singing Christmas Carols while awaiting his arrival. Drinks, popcorn, goodie bags and a disco and raffle kept the children (and adults!) amused while they waited for their turn to see the man himself.



L-R: Curtís Mac Treinfhir, Ciara Ní Raghallaigh, Clár Nic Chonmara agus Eoin Ó Báille ag tabhairt bronntanas do Daidí na Nollag.

Many thanks to the following (my apologies if I forget anyone!). Daidí na Nollag and his co-driver - thanks for taking the time out to help us!; Cairde Committee - round of applause for a job well done; Eimer Crehan & Robert Mc Donald - two overgrown elves on loan from the North Pole for the day!; Séan O'Callaghan & his father for a brilliant disco Highly recommended; North Kildare Club for the use of the facilities; Pat Hendrick for his help with the shopping and advice on the day; John Fox for the popcorn machine; thank you to all those who helped to wrap presents, Courtown Residents Association; Pepsi and Mc Donald's for

sponsoring some of the drinks; All the Mammies, Daddies and children for supporting the day!

Upcoming Events

Friday 7th February Table Quiz GAA Hall, Maynooth

Friday 20th March Irish Night Glenroyal Hotel No excuses for not attending will be accepted, book the baby-sitter now! Further information re tickets, etc, will be sent out shortly via "schoolbag post". Guaranteed night of ceol agus craic.

Friday 15th May Golf Classic Knockanally Golf & Country Club.

If anyone has any ideas or would like to join the committee please do not hesitate to contact any of the following representatives:

Kilcock Area:	Peig Bailey and Karen Crehan Reilly.
Co. Meath:	Mary Jo & Michael Mc Gowan,
Maynooth Area:	Paul Broughan, Áine Traynor, Emer Sherwin, Michael O'Corcora and Máire Ní Linn.

Enrolments for 1998

Scoil Uí Riada is now enrolling pupils for September 1998. enrollment forms are available from the school or by telephoning 01-6287906

Karen Crehan Reilly, Cairde Committee.

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BOND BRIDGE ACTION GROUP

The Bond Bridge Action Group continue to press for the realignment of Bond Bridge, Maynooth. The motion from the Celbridge Area Committee to raise a loan to proceed with the project is still on the agenda at full Council level. Due to pressure of business the item has not yet been reached but it has now reached the top of the motions listings and is expected to be discussed at the January meeting. The decision reached at this meeting will decide where our campaign will go from here.

Replies have been received from Mr. Harry Lyons (County Secretary K.C.C.) and Noel Dempsey T.D. (Minister for Local Government) to representations made on our behalf, of our three local T.D.s. Although both letters are far from adequate responses we would like to express our thanks to our Dail representatives for their efforts and hope they will continue to press our case until we have reached a satisfactory conclusion. An update is published elsewhere in the Newsletter.

SCOUTS NEWS

Happy New Year!!!! It's 1998 and Maynooth Cubs and Scouts are still rocking the mountains.

Our last outing was a joint "effort" with Confey Scouts i.e. we had an overnight stay in the Den finishing with a hike along the Canal Banks finishing at Louisa Bridge - with all our fit leaders bringing up the rear - hence the effort. No stretcher was needed for our Tony although some thought oxygen would be required. He managed quite well for an elder lemon!

Also, our investiture was a great success with many thanks to Fr. Sinnott, who is now an honorary scout, (God help him.) But on the day all the Cubs and Scouts showed up without a hair out of place and it was great to see how many parents are interested in what their children are involved in and effort they put in to it.

Names of Scouts Invested

Sinéad Brady	Cathal Fitzgerald
Jessica O'Connell	Niamh Higgins
Justin O'Connell	Jessica Penny
Alice Cunningham	Brian O'Rourke
Laura Cunningham	Patrick Byrne
Sarah Fitzgerald	

Our next expedition is hopefully a weekend in Larch Hill with our intrepid leader Dervla.

More news soon and all the best for 1998.

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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Tapaigh an deis / Seize the opportunity.

La Féile Bhríde heralds the start of Spring and the end of winter. It is now time to consider the Educational options for your children. We, in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich, are pleased to announce that there is a choice of primary education now available in Maynooth. Our school, which was established two years ago, is now accepting enrollments for 1998 and subsequent years. The children who enter Junior infants this year, like their predecessors, do not need to have Irish as a prerequisite for entry. The children are gradually introduced to the language and over time gain a natural proficiency in the language. An enrollment form is attached for your convenience and an early application is desirable. We strongly recommend that you come up and visit our school in Beaufield in the afternoons between 2.30 and 3.30. You will have an opportunity to meet the Principal, staff, and parents who will be happy to answer any queries you may have regarding the Gaelscoil.

Aifreann na Bhliana.

The annual school mass was celebrated in the Gaelscoil before the Christmas holidays. The celebration was broadcasted live on Radio na Gaeltachta. We wish to thank the celebrant An tAth. Oirm Padraig O Conchúir for making the event a unique occasion and for his genuine interest in the children and the school, gurbh fada buan tú. The

children played an active part and the contribution of the local musicians did us and Maynooth proud in a national forum. The pièce de résistance came from our own Laura Ní Dhuibh, múinteoir to the Junior Infants, when she sang the Psalm.

Dramaí na Nollag

We are all amazed how Máirín and Laura managed to co-ordinate the children to produce a magnificent nativity play. We have some budding actors and actresses in our scoil.

Míle buíochas do Lucht Mhúchta Tine Mhaigh Nuad.

A belated thanks to Maynooth Fire Brigade who transported Daidí na Nollag to the Gaelscoil. The excitement was palpable as the children heard the siren heralding the man from the North Pole. Chief Fire Officer Lenny Murphy explained how his sleigh was too big for Beaufield, so the wise man landed in the Harbour field and was transported to scoil by the Maynooth Fire Brigade team. All in the school are very appreciate to the Fire Brigade.

Ranganna Oíche

There have been a number of applications for the adult conversational classes in Irish. There are some places left, so get your name in as quickly as possible. Slán go Féill.

Colm ó Cearúil

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

After the Christmas break all teams are now back in training. Under 8's, 9's and 10's are training in the North Kildare Club at 7pm on Thursday nights. All other team members should contact their manager's for time and venue. At the half way point two of the schoolboys teams are in pole position at the top of their leagues and all other teams are holding their own. Good luck to them all and here's hoping the success will continue through to the end of the season. Below are the weekly results to date. Thank you for your continued support.

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28 - 12 - 97	NO DRAW				
4 - 1 - 98	14, 19, 29	£350	Kay Flynn Frances Nolan	Don Foley Thomas Nealon	O.Naughton
11 - 1 - 98	5, 6, 24	£375	A. Naughton Ma. Dempsey	Sean O'Neill M. Gannon	W.Healy
18 - 1 - 98	2, 3, 10	£400	J. Thompson Alan Dolan	John Saults K. Connolly	P. Corraway

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

We would like to thank all those who supported us on our recent Flag Days. The money will go towards our day trips during the month of July.

We would also like to hear from any persons who are free during July and would like to give us some of their time voluntarily to helping us out on these trips.

A.G.M. will take place on Wednesday 18th February at 8.30pm in the I.C.A. Hall. Please contact: Norah McDermott, Community Council Office or any Committee member. Phone: 6285922

All help is very much appreciated.

Claire O' Rourke
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB NOTES

David Campbell continued his winning series on the track, at Nenagh on Saturday 10th Feb.

Leading from the gun, he won the Junior N.A.C.A.I. 800 metres title in 2.00.88., which was an amazing 11 seconds ahead of a good field. It will be interesting to see if he can maintain this form in the National Junior 1,500 metres in a few weeks time.

Also expected to be in contention for honours in Nenagh will be Muireann Ennis, Elaine Mac Namara, Kevin Comerford, Awut O'Murchu and Phil Campbell, who finished just out of the medals in the 600 metres under 15 at Nenagh last Saturday.

Training continues every Weds. evening at 7.00 at the G.A.A. field on the Moyglare Road.

New people are welcome from juveniles through to veterans. Please come along.

David Jolley
P.R.O. Phone 6286187.

ST. MARY'S BOY'S SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION MAYNOOTH

We are holding our Annual Fundraising evening on Friday 6th March at 8.30 p.m. in the G.A.A. Club, Moyglare Road, Maynooth.

There will be Music, Dancing and Spot prizes. We hope all parents and friends will support us generously. Tickets £3 each or 2 for £5.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

Maynooth I.C.A. Guild held it's first Meeting of 1998 in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 8th January. Mrs. Marion Souhan, President welcomed the ladies and wished all "A Very Happy New Year."

There was a minute's silence for Patsy Lawlor who had died over the Christmas period. She was a former National President and a former Federation President and also a member of Kill Guild. May she Rest in Peace.

A very interesting article was read out by our Secretary Rosemary Hanley.

The heading of the article was "Change of Name for I.C.A.?"

Eva Coyle became President of the I.C.A. in May, and the Donegal woman predicts a busy three years.

"I want the I.C.A. to be meaningful for the younger people. Life has changed, people are out working now." She says pointing out that formerly the I.C.A. gave women an opportunity to get out of the house, but that now it must offer more. And she points out that this may even involve a change of name. The organisation will consider this.

Eva has encouraged county federations to apply for leader funds for training courses and her immediate New Year priority will be to keep an eye on the eleven further such courses which are in the pipeline.

Some of the courses have focused on public relations and communication, an area which Eva feels must be embraced fully by the organisation if it is to succeed with it's big aim for 1998: Recruitment.

Also coming up is the I.C.A.'s new Tip Top Variety Show, which is to be run along the lines of Tops of the Towns. This is intended both to give the organisation a higher profile, and as a means of getting more people to join.

The January competition was a "Slice of Christmas Cake" which was won by Rosemary Hanley. 2nd was Irene Matthews and 3rd was Maryse Killian.

Our contest Secretary Margaret Houlihan told us about the upcoming competitions.

"An applique wall hanging." All the entries have to be in by March 6th 1998.

A.I.B. Guild Competition which has four categories:

- (a) Floral Exhibit
- (b) Humorous Sketch
- (c) Wall Hanging
- (d) Enterprize

The ladies are working on these at present.

The Competition for February is "A Word Search."

Activities:

Badminton resumed on Tuesday 13th January in the Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m.

Crafts resumed on January 12th in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 p.m.

On a happy note we would like to send our congratulations to our fellow member Catherine Rossney on the birth of a baby girl.

The raffle winners for January were:

- (1) Rosemary Hanley
- (2) Connie Harpur
- (3) Teresa Brennan

The meeting for February will be on February 5th at 8.00 p.m.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

January is always a month we Senior Citizens look forward to, because it draws together a greater number of our age group than at any other time of year, apart from our summer outing.

I am referring to our Christmas dinner which was held on Sunday 11th January in the Post Primary School.

For the past 15 years this event has been provided by Peter O'Brien, catering. He served an excellent 4 course meal with a drink of ones choice. We had about 150 present, including members from Kilcloon, Mulhussey and Pagestown. I feel sure every one enjoyed their meal.

Afterwards our Chairperson spoke highly of Peter's generosity, thanking both him and his staff, and on his behalf Thomas Lawler accepted a token of our Committees gratitude.

Grateful thanks was extended to Mr. Ashe and his school staff for the use of the school for all our parties, to Pat Barton for his continuous generosity, supplying transport for our outing each year, to Eugene O'Reilly for his help every year with our Financial records, Kevin M^c Govern, Vinnie Mulready and Owen Byrne who are always there for us, and the committee for their support and work throughout the year.

The Clergy and other guests including Dr. Finola Grogan, Nurse Nora Campbell E.H.B., Mr and Mrs Doyle, Moyglare Nursing Home and Mr. and Mrs Tom Ashe.

After all that, the floor was cleared for dancing. Excellent music by "Bourbon Street". The highlight of this part of the



L-R: Pat Collins, Dick Kearns, Leo McGlynn.

evening was the "Old time waltz competition" and Surprise Surprise !! A new senior citizen is on the floor in the form of Norah M^c Dermott.

Norah came to report and take photographs of the party, she was asked to dance, takes the floor and then takes 1st prize, partner Mary O'Reilly. 2nd prize, Angela Caffrey and Ita M^c Ternan, and 3rd prize went to Matt and Peg Smith, well done to all.

Our A.G.M. takes place Tuesday 3rd Feb 8 p.m. in the Health Centre.

We wish to extend sympathy to Nan Fleming on the death of her sister Mollie. The family and friends of Tom Richardson. To the wife and family of Benny Martin.

May they Rest in Peace.



L-R: Kitty Thompson, Rita Thompson, Janet Hayes and Mary Murtagh

Valentine party takes place Sunday 15th February, usual Mass at 3.30, followed by party.

Competition best Valentine verse or card.

Finally I wish to thank the staff of the Newsletter for bearing with me for the past year, and for all the functions they attend with camera and notebook.

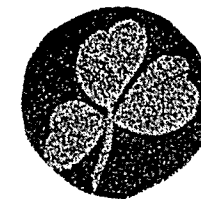
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*Betty Farrell
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MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION NOTES

Maynooth Credit Union held its Annual General Meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on Tuesday 2nd of December. A new Board of Directors was elected for the forth-coming year and included three new members to the board.

Those elected were Betty Costigan, Matt Doran, Pat Dunne (new), Pat Harney, Ann Higgins, Pat Holmes, Liam Farrell (new), Ken Loane, Michael Mooney, John Read and Michael O'Reilly (new)

The three retiring Directors, Mary McInerney, Sheila Kevitt and Michael O'Riordan were thanked for their services to Maynooth Credit Union.



Winner of Bike - David Greally being presented with his Prize by Ken Loane.

very high, indeed making it difficult for our independent and unbiased judge to pick the winners, presentations were made to the winners and runners-up at A.G.M. The overall winning entries were forwarded to represent us at the next stage of the competition Chapter, hopefully we may have a winner there too.

Pat Arthurs, John Butler and John McQuaid were re-elected to the supervisory committee.

The Board of Directors reported to the Membership of another successful year with the growth of new members, more savings, more borrowing and a new service i.e. Death Benefit Insurance.

We also introduced a School Credit Union within both Maynooth Primary Schools, and gratefully appreciate the co-operation and enthusiasm of the teachers and principals who helped us implement this scheme for the children of Maynooth.

During the year we held a poster competition for our members in different age categories and the standard was

This year during our A.G.M. we held a special draw for our Junior Members and the winners were, first prize of a Mountain Bike and helmet to David Greally, second prize of a Ghetto Blaster to Sarah Flatley and third prize of a Walkman to Sharon McLoughlin. The presentations were made at our offices.

We thank all those who attended the A.G.M. and indeed turned it into a social evening.

New members are always welcome, why not call in to our offices any day Monday to Saturday. We are beside the Garda Station.

Note: At the time of going to press we are preparing for our yearly Primary Schools Table Quiz on Friday 23rd January and we look forward to an enjoyable evening.

MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club A.G.M. on the 16th February 1998 at 8.30 p.m. in the Arts Buildings in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Please note our next night out for a Disco is the 31st January 1998 followed by a bumper Valentine Disco on the 14th February 1998.

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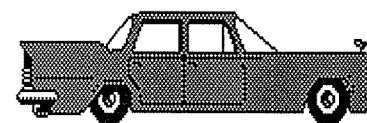
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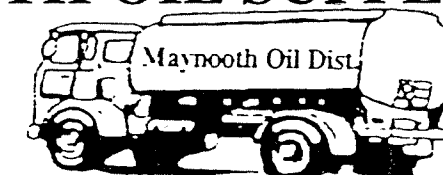
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General Meeting

Please note that a general meeting of the association will be held this month to bring residents up to-date on the various issues, particularly the boundary with the Moyglare Road. It has been the policy of the committee this year only to hold the minimum number of general meetings, so it would be appreciated if we could have a large attendance. Residents will be notified when the date is agreed.

Moyglare News

The next issue will be issued to paid up members during February.

North Kildare/South Meath Environmental Protection Group

Congratulations to the North Kildare/South Meath Environmental Group on their success in opposing the recycling facility close to Moyglare. The proposal was rejected by Meath County Council and the applicant did not appeal the decision to An Bord Pleanála within the one month period allowed.

Fees 1997

A number of residents have not paid their fees for last year and this puts an extra burden on those who are making their contribution as the fee will have to be increased. At this stage it would be appreciated if people could pay the £20 for residents of Moyglare Village directly to the Treasurer at 26 Moyglare Village.

Paul Croghan
Chairman

Moyglare Residents Association

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It's that time of year again when subscriptions are due, this year's fee is £20. A good response is very important as this fee pays for necessary maintenance of the estate which includes grass cutting, flower and tree replacement, insurance, sports-days etc.

As you know there's a great deal of work in just collecting the subscriptions, it would be of great assistance if you could have the money ready for collection by your road representative during the coming month or two.

Many thanks to all of you who supported the upkeep of the estate last year.

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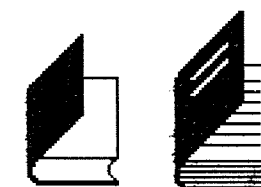
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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

Over the past three years some 800 new houses have been built in Maynooth, making the town one of the fastest growing urban centres in Ireland. In 1971 Maynooth was a village of 1,300 people, currently it is a large town of over 10,000. But who are its new residents? What do they work at? Where do they send their children, if they have any as yet, to school? Answers to these questions are essential to assess what future provision needs to be made in terms of schools, sports facilities, roads, health services, churches, fire services, ambulance services, gardai etc., indeed all of the things which make for a properly functioning town. Appropriate planning policies are required to cater for Maynooths present residents as they live and grow up in the town and it is to be hoped that the forthcoming revised Plan for the town will address these needs in a realistic way.

As part of an extensive investigation carried out over the past several months, Maynooth Planning Alliance has been conducting a survey among the residents of the town on an estate by estate basis. This has been a daunting and time consuming task and Maynooth Planning Alliance expresses its appreciation to its members and to the many individuals who gave so generously of their time to assist with it. In this issue of the Newsletter we propose presenting some initial findings of relevance to one of the largest and newest estates: Parklands. In later issues other estates will be similarly discussed.

A Profile of the New Maynooth: Parklands

Parklands is a large estate of detached and semi-detached three and four-bedroom houses laid out in a well designed series of circular roads leading off a spinal through road. Over 250 houses exist in this private housing estate, of which questionnaire returns were received from 112. This represents a sample of approximately 45% and gives a relatively good basis on which a number of conclusions can be drawn.

1. *A more diverse population than in older estates*

The housing stock in Parklands is predominantly occupied by new migrants to Maynooth. The survey revealed that 83% of residents have lived for less than three years in the town, with 77% of households having no adult born in Maynooth. It is quite likely that a very high proportion would have been similarly identified as originating outside of Co. Kildare. New housing in Maynooth, as elsewhere in north Kildare, is especially attractive for commuters working in Dublin city or in the new high technology industries close by. Parklands thus epitomises Kildare as a whole where the majority of its inhabitants were born outside the county.

2. *Many families are in the pre children stage*

Less than half of the households in Parklands have children, a very low proportion by comparison with more mature estates in Maynooth. Indeed 21% of households have one child only, with a similar number having two children. Not surprisingly, the average age of children is very low. Half of Parklands children are below the age of 4. Only about one in five children is of primary school age, and a similar proportion is of secondary school age. This is highly significant and means that it is likely that considerably more children can be expected over the next few years in the estate. Certainly the nature of the housing types would suggest that many couples purchased houses with the intention of eventually starting a family, and much of the population growth of Parklands over the next few years will consist of young children. A potential for up to 400 children exists in this estate. Again this is probably similar to the situation in many of the new estates and implies that the school going population will increase sharply over the next few years, even allowing for a decline in numbers from the more mature older estates.

3. *Many schoolchildren are driven to school, probably more than in older estates*

A high percentage of children do not walk or cycle to school from Parklands. For those who go to school in Maynooth, only one in three manage to walk to school. About half appear to be driven the half mile or so every morning by obliging parents, while a further 18% get the school bus. It is perhaps understandable that safety concerns would be the main factor here, particularly with very young children. It may be that older children are more likely to walk to school. However, the survey did not detect a single household in Parklands where any children cycled to school - a relatively safe procedure with the introduction of the new cycle paths on the Straffan road and soon on the Main Street also. Surely there must be at least one child cycling to school from this large estate?

Although figures are small, it would appear that a greater percentage of Parklands' children attend school outside of Maynooth than in most other estates. About 20% of school children travel beyond the town for their schooling, their mode of transport roughly equally divided between the parental car and the school bus. This may in part reflect the unfamiliarity with the local school situation of relatively new residents, but may also be related to their mobility and employment characteristics.

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4. *Car ownership levels in new estates in Maynooth are very high.*

96% of households in Parklands have a car. Half the households have 2 cars. About one in twenty houses have 3 cars or more! These are very high car ownership figures and contrast markedly with some Maynooth estates where almost 2 households in every five have no car. The survey suggests that Parklands alone can muster approximately 400 cars, quite a convoy on the Straffan Road! Clearly any further new estates in Maynooth will contribute over 1.5 cars per household to the roads of the town and this impact must be considered very carefully before any new residential lands are proposed. Perhaps not unconnected to these traffic generating conclusions, the survey revealed that one in six adults and children in Parklands suffers from asthma.

5. *New estates have a high proportion of two income families.*

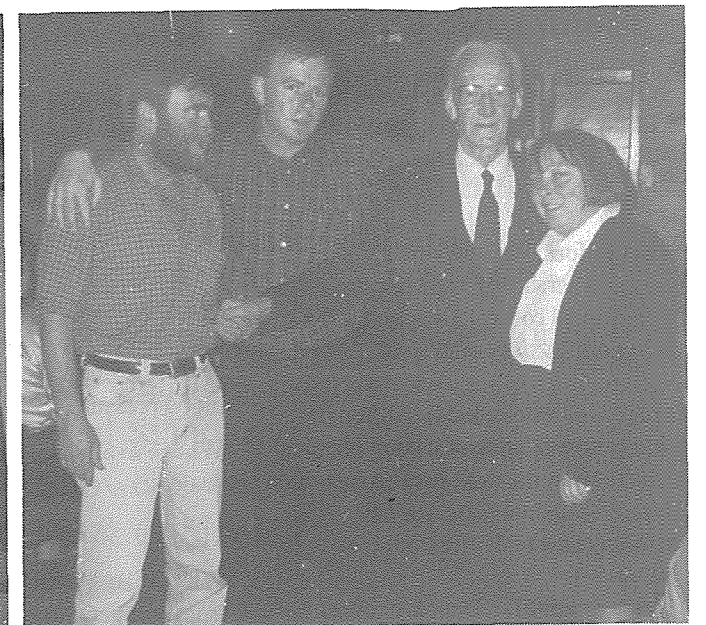
The average number of earners per household in Parklands is 1.65, indicating that approximately two thirds of households have presently both partners working. 60% of these individuals work in Dublin. This is approximately double the comparable figure for other, more mature estates in Maynooth. Indeed only one earner in six in Parklands earns their living in Maynooth, indicating a lower level of integration into the town and a higher level of commuting than the average Maynooth resident. A similar percentage to that working in Maynooth, works in Leixlip, presumably mainly in Intel or Hewlett Packard.

This Parklands profile is not a surprising one for anyone familiar with the recent growth of Maynooth, and is probably very representative of most new estates throughout Maynooth. A young, mobile, well educated population is now putting down roots in the town. Parklands is a vibrant estate with already a good internal community spirit and perhaps the most dynamic residents' association in the town. With the arrival of children and the inevitable greater integration into the wider Maynooth community which this will bring, such new residents will be an enriching and rejuvenating influence on Maynooth.

From a planning perspective, on the basis of this first investigation, clearly future population growth in the new estates of Maynooth will be considerable. Such natural growth will also clearly have major implications, particularly for educational, infrastructural and amenity provision which require the urgent attention of our planners and councillors. Maynooth Planning Alliance emphasises, however, that on the basis of the Parklands results, none of this population growth will need to be accommodated in new residential areas until well into the second decade of the next century.



*Congratulations to Darren McDermott who recently married Suzanne Kinahan, Palmerstown.
Also in the picture L-R: Anna Marie (sister), Norah (Mother), Tanya (sister) who recently returned from London to celebrate her 21st Birthday and Philip (father).*



*John Sauls 40th Birthday.
L-R: W. Sauls, J. Sauls, G. McTernan and C. Sauls*

Features

DRUGS

In recent years there has been considerable repudiation of the once prevalent, 'dope fiend' myth - which depicted the drug addict as a degenerate and vicious criminal, much given to violent crimes and sex orgies. More and more people are coming to understand the nature of opiate drugs and the meaning of addiction. What is addiction? Addiction to us is somewhat of a mystery.

Its exact causes no-one really knows - but, - nearly all of us fall victim to it in some form or another throughout our lives. Addiction itself is now recognised officially as one of the worlds greatest social problems - estimated as possibly affecting as many people as the common cold. Although we find no problem in admitting to having a cold, very few people are as quick in admitting to being an addict.

Apart from addiction all these drugs can have serious side-effects.

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L.S.D.

What it is: An hallucinogenic drug called Lysergic Acid, diethylamide and known as Acid.

What it does: Causes restlessness, dizziness, terrifying hallucinations, loss of emotional control, overwhelming feelings of anxiety or despair.

Dangerous side effects: Although there is no evidence of lasting physical damage from the drug itself it increases the risk of mental disturbances including severe depression.

Where available: Dance Venues.

Cost: From £2 to £4.

AMPHETAMINES

What it is: A stimulant known as speed or uppers which increases mental alertness and physical energy.

What it does: Breathing, heart rate speed up, pupils dilate. Dryness of the mouth is common. High doses may cause tremor, sweating, anxiety.

Where available: Raves to street dealers.

AMYL NITRITE

What it is: Known as poppers or liquid gold they widen blood vessels by relaxing muscles surrounding them and improve blood flow.

What it does: Increase heart rate, cause intense flushing, dizziness, pounding headache, nausea, coughing.

Where available: Legally sold new age sex shops.

CANNABIS

What is it: Marijuana, usually referred to as cannabis, grass, hash or pot. It is the most widely used illegal drug in the world.

What it does: It promotes a feeling of relaxation and well-being and is claimed to improve hearing and eyesight.

Where available: Anywhere from pubs/clubs.

COCAINE

What it is: Known as coke or crack, it is a central nervous system stimulant.

What it does: Moderate doses overcome fatigue, produce feelings of elation. It increases heart rate and blood pressure.

Where available: At raves, clubs, dealers.

ECSTASY

What it is: A designer drug derived from amphetamines.

What it does: Works in the same way as amphetamines.

Where available: Dance venues.

HEROIN

What it is: Known as horse, junk, or

smack it is the strongest of the opiates which includes morphine and codeine.

What it does: Slows down the body functions of physical and emotional pain. Breathing and heart rate are slowed.

Where available: Street dealers.

Costs: One gram up to £80.

BARBITURATES

What it is: Known as barbs, or downers, they work by depressing the central nervous system and are extremely addictive.

What it does: Effect is similar to alcohol and a low dose produces relaxation while large amounts make the user more intoxicated and drowsy.

Where available: Prescription/dealers.

Costs: 20 mg. .50p to £6.

P.C.Ps.

What is it: Known as angel dust. Hallucinogenic drug which has some similarities to L.S.D. but also has anaesthetic properties.

What it does: Increases blood pressure and heart rate. High doses can lead to coma or stupor. Heavy users may also develop brain damage.

Where available: Rarely used.

Costs: Unknown.

SOLVENTS

What it is: Includes sniffing of glue, gas, and aerosols.

What it does: Acts as a central nervous system depressant. Nausea, vomiting, headaches may occur, breathing and heart rate is lowered.

Where available: High Street stores.

Costs: Varies.

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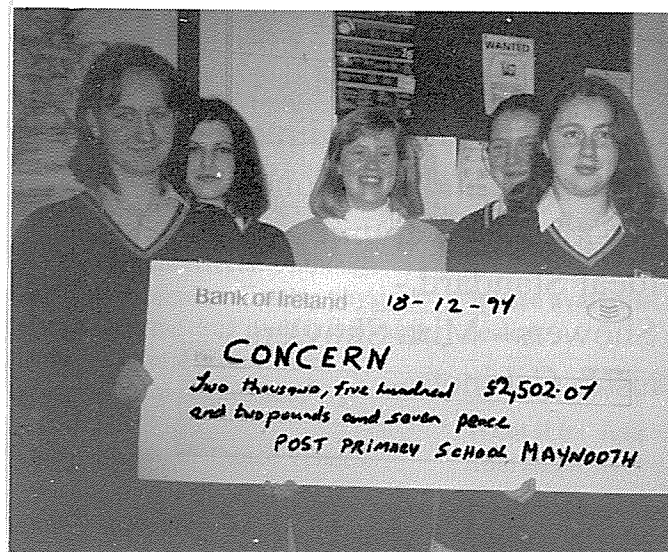
PEOPLE IN NEED

TELETHON 1998 - CO. KILDARE.

People in need Telethon celebrate their 10th Anniversary this year when fund-raising efforts throughout Ireland will culminate on Friday 24th April with a marathon television presentation hosted by Gay Byrne. The "Telethon effort" in County Kildare has been hugely successful. This year it is planned to surpass the magnificent achievement in 1996 when £143,000 was raised. The unique characteristic of the event is that the money raised in our county is reallocated to Kildare in the form of grants. To put a human face on it, one of the many grant aids made in Kildare was to The Multiple Sclerosis Society in the county who were in urgent need of a specialist bed in order to alleviate the distress to one of their members. Telethon Kildare were able to respond. This kind of end result makes the great efforts of everyone from school children to company executives so worthwhile. This year the Telethon is being co-ordinated by Jim Cahill. Jim has his office in John's Lane, Naas (Opposite Superquinn overflow car park). The office has been kindly sponsored by John Dunne Insurances.

So its time to kick-start the Kildare effort once more. Telethon Kildare is urgently looking for activists in Maynooth, Kilcock, Celbridge and Leixlip to form the nucleus of the North Kildare Telethon Sub-Committee. Jim also wants a Maynooth "Think tank" to come up with crazy, unusual and fun ways of raising funds. Please remember all funds raisers must be registered with Jim in the Naas Office.

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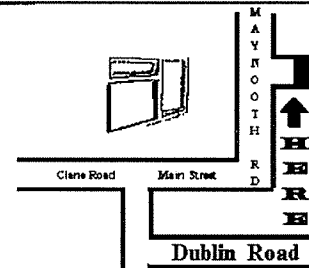
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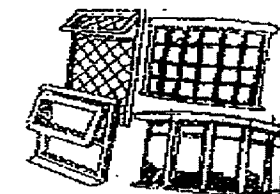
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A Tribute to Breda Brady R.I.P. (As requested by some locals)

*That Breda Brady was a lady,
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And the trees stand in guard of honour,
For someone so spirited, your memory to endure.
Your smile like the sun sparkled on the river of the mind,
In few was such strength with gentleness combined,
A life of duty is missed the most
The one who stood by her post.*

*You shone upon the deck like stars at mid-night high,
As Noel he manned the helm you slowly drifted by.
Your life with Phil the kind and great warrior
Bore you so many joys to savour.
Your children know the value of independence and
education,
Long before these words were used in political oration.
Though your loss their hearts do taint
Now you love them free from earthly constraint.*

*How gracefully you strode among,
They whose mirth was spoke and sang.
Of Clarkstown and Maynooth your memories were full,
Such interlacing dreams made reality so dull.
When all is accomplished how the long days do annoy,
Genius and vision needs blurring or else it will destroy.
You were always surrounded by our joys, sorrow and pain,
As ever swirls in the populace domain.*

*Your love was like the ocean store
It washed upon every shore
Years spent listening and helping everyone,
In hard times their needs you didn't shun.
If words were petals and thoughts were roses;
Your final oration the angels helped compose.
May you ever rest in sweet repose
Among the people and place you chose.*



Phil and Breda Brady

BOND BRIDGE - AN UPDATE

Bond Bridge continues to exercise all three of our local T.D's in North Kildare. The Bond Bridge Action Group has been successful at pursuing the matter at the highest levels but, it has to be admitted, there is still no sign of light at the end of the tunnel. Both Charlie McCreevey and Emmet Stagg have received virtually identical replies from the County Secretary, Harry Lyons. In summary the Council's position as stated is:

- * The costs prepared in 1987 in relation to the realignment of Bond Bridge are out of date. A consultant, hired in 1997 to prepare new estimates for the work, has come up with a figure of £1.5 million. According to the Council this figure should be regarded as a minimum and advised the Celbridge Area Committee along these lines last June.
- * Of the development levies collected in the area £250,000 remain for the bridge realignment. Outstanding levies and levies raised from future planned development in the area will bring this figure up to £800,000. This leaves a shortfall of at least £700,000 which might be made up in three ways - loan from the Department of the Environment, grant from the Department of the Environment or some other source and, finally, levies from further, as yet unplanned, developments in the area.
- * The link road through Meadowbrook is considered necessary to provide for proper traffic movement and management. An origin and destination count is being conducted by consultants and Councillors are to be advised of the results.
- * The Council is to consider a motion from the Celbridge Electoral Area to the effect that a loan be raised to finance the cost of the Bond Bridge project over and above levies which may be collected.

Last December Bernard Durkan received a written reply from the Minister for the Environment and Local Government to a parliamentary question seeking to find out why funding had not been made available to Kildare Co. Council in relation to Bond Bridge. The Minister replied that in 1996 Kildare Co. Council had applied for special funding of £500,000 for Bond Bridge but had been turned down. More recently the Council had applied for £250,000 for Bond Bridge as part of a request for £2.45 million for the county from the EU co-financed scheme of non-national roads grants. The Council were asked to revise their submission and the new request does not include an application for Bond Bridge.

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ROBERT O'REILLY - INTERVIEWED

Robert O'Reilly best known in Maynooth as Chairman of Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee talks to Paul Croghan about his personal feelings on the town and about some of the issues that have consumed his attention over the years.

Unlike former U.S. President, Woodrow Wilson, who when speaking at a peace conference once said "Tell me what's right and I'll fight for it", Robert O'Reilly is a man with many opinions of his own. Born in Maynooth, more years ago than he cares to remember, he has watched the town change dramatically in the last two decades.

Robert remembers with fondness the interests of his youth, particularly St. Mary's Choir and the choirmaster and school principal Mr. Frank Walsh. Somehow I formed the opinion that they were mixed feelings. The C.Y.M.S. was also an important social outlet as well as the Kilcock and District Anglers. A failed attempt in the 1950's to form a Maynooth branch of Muintir Na Tire sticks out in his memory as a major disappointment.

His resignation as a member of Fine Gael in 1981 ended a twenty eight year involvements with the party. The reason for his departure, which was the failure of the Fine Gael led coalition government to honour an election promise to provide stay-at-home mothers with their own income, signifies that he is a man of strong principles.

Views of the development of Maynooth

Robert welcomes the on-going development of the town. However, in his opinion, the rate of growth has been too rapid. Since the 1970's Maynooth, has had a significant increase in population without altering the infrastructure to meet the increased needs. Between 1993 and 1995 alone, nearly 800 new houses have been built in the town. The biggest single problem according to Robert, has been the lack of local input into the development plans which, in hindsight, showed a lack of practical foresight. It seems to Robert that more notice may have been taken of the needs of homeowners and developers than those of the residents in delivering the aspirations outlined in these plans.

Another disappointment commented on by him was the continuing practice of private houses in the Main Street being turned into unattractive business premises. Judging by the local reaction to some individual premises Robert is not alone. As the renowned economist J.K. Galbraith said "with increasing well being all people become aware, sooner or later, that they have something to protect".

Maynooth - the University town

The increase in student numbers attending college in Maynooth to the current level of 4,500, of which approximately half seek accommodation locally, has created a ready market for speculators which have contributed to the

increase in house prices in the town. Robert believes that many of the people who own these houses (most of whom live locally) do not maintain them to an appropriate standard for students. On top of that, in any one year a small number of students cause nuisance to their neighbours. Originally in the 1960's when the College took in lay students for the first time, the majority of them lived with families. This meant an additional source of income for the family and more comfortable accommodation for the students. In Robert's view, St. Patrick's College have lost out over the years in not providing more "on campus" accommodation which would have been a valuable source of income. In the future he suggests perhaps there may be some potential for using some of the beautiful historic buildings presently under-utilised.



Bob Reilly, 2nd from right, doing what he does best at the Tidy Towns Prizegiving.

Future of the River Liffey

When asked about the biggest single issue that concerns him, Robert immediately identifies the future of the River Liffey. In his opinion the Liffey is an important source of water to the area as well as a resource for electricity generation. However, a number of serious threats exist, such as more intensive farming, water abstraction and effluent discharges. In the case of the latter, the use of the river for waste water and treated sewage discharges from the Osberstown and Leixlip treatment works mean that the ability of the river to provide drinking water is limited.

Robert welcomes the proposal from some members of Kildare County Council to designate the River Liffey as a salmonid quality river. This would mean more careful control of the use of the river and will help the river's value as an angling and tourism amenity.

Regional Concerns

Robert welcomed the recent report from the National Economic and Social Council on population distribution and economic policy, which proposed the encouragement of a

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ROBERT O'REILLY - INTERVIEWED Cont.

number of new growth centres throughout the country and a more even population distribution. Robert suggests that we must appreciate that the current combined population of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip is comparable to the population of Co. Carlow. In this context Robert can understand the strong public reaction to proposals last year from some Kildare County Councillors which could have resulted in the equivalent of the entire population of County Mayo being accommodated in County Kildare in the next five years.

Robert believes that the people of Maynooth should play an active part in shaping the future of the town. While acknowledging the good work of others, he welcomes the interest of the newer residents in the future of the town. Maynooth Planning Alliance is one group he feels allows the people of the town an opportunity to voice their concerns. He compares Castlebar, Co. Mayo with a population of 8,500 and Maynooth with a population in excess of 9,000. The former developed gradually over a long period while Maynooth's growth has been telescoped into a decade.

The Traffic Problem in Maynooth

Robert had several observations to make on the traffic problems. Firstly, he pointed out that in Maynooth the benefits of the motorway have been eroded by the increase in local traffic. Secondly, he suggested that many people maintain two cars in order to have flexibility because of inadequate public transport. In fact in a traffic survey carried out last summer, an average of 20 vehicles a minute were recorded passing through the Main Street between 8 and 11 am daily. Any further development that would involve an increase in traffic in the Main Street would not be appropriate pending a more radical approach, he suggested. The most urgent traffic problems could be solved by investment in the provision of a road parallel to the motorway, similar to the one in Clonee, Co. Meath near Kepak and linking with the motorway at the Straffan Road. This road should take the traffic from the Newtown area and be extended to Laraghbryan on the Kilcock road to cater for traffic from Kilcock and before any further development takes place in the north of the town.

Features of the Town worthy of preservation

Robert has a keen sense of local history and pointed out that Anne's Bridge on the Moyglare Road is two hundred years old this year. Together with Kildare Bridge on the Dunboyne Road, both are of historical and heritage importance. Over the years Robert has fought a battle to preserve rights of way for the future generations who will live in the town. He believes that the Railway footbridge which dates back to the coming of the railway should be repaired and restored. The centre of the landlord town is also very important and should be maintained. As regards

Carton Demesne he regrets that the state did not purchase it in the 1970's when they could have got it for a reasonable price. The Harbour Field, he feels, should be maintained as a green area, possibly developed as a peoples' park and maybe a football pitch. With so few green spaces in the centre of the town it would be a mistake, he feels, to permit any building on it, as it provides a beautiful open space feeling.

Chairman of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee

Robert acknowledges the value of the new residential areas in gaining points for Maynooth in the annual Tidy Towns competition. He would like more residents to take an active part in the Tidy Towns committee. When asked about the people he most admired for their work in the town, he included people such as Mrs. Bridie O'Brien Mr. Richard Farrell and Mr. Paddy Nolan. Others who are no longer with us include Mr. Ted Kelly and Mr. Eugene O'Reilly. Robert himself will continue as an inspiration to the people of Maynooth to take a keen interest in the future of their town. Perhaps he would quote the great Irish writer Samuel Beckett, "I have my faults, but changing my tune is not one of them".

Paul Croghan

Every Month

A Roman Festival of purification was held on February 15th, and so giving this month its name. It comes from the Latin word meaning 'to cleanse' 'februare'. Associated with this festival was a sort of ancient dating game, where men would chase the women hoping to catch them and so begin a long-term relationship.

Over the centuries there has been a melting together of various festivals and celebrations. Valentine's day February 14th was at first understood by the ancients as the beginning of the mating season, the beginning of spring. The Roman goddess Juno was linked with this day, for she was the special guardian of women and marriage. Young girls wrote their names on slips of paper which were placed in a drum from which the boys would draw them out.

St Valentine was a priest of the 3rd century, when the Roman emperor, it is said, tried to abolish the institution of marriage. Husbands made poor soldiers! St. Valentine was against this and would marry secretly young lovers. He was later arrested and murdered on the 14th February 269 Ad. As you can see down through the years many different attempts, games lotteries have tried to bring out the best and the blessed for human relationships and marriage. But maybe the ancient sayings are still the best wisdom. Success in love and marriage is more than finding the right person, it is more a matter of being the right person. (Rabbi Brickner)

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or

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It should be noted that in all cases the person exchanging their entitlement should continue to sign for credits.

Note:

Breaks of the Live Register up to a maximum of 30 days in the 12 months prior to application are allowed in assessing eligibility for the Integration Option.

Time spent on Community Employment, a recognised training course or in prison may count as part of the qualifying period. In the case of Travellers under 18 years of age, a minimum of 12 months spent in a Travellers' Training Centre will suffice for eligibility.

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- or
- 35 years or over and referred by the National Rehabilitation Board
- or
- All adult dependants (as defined by the Department of Social Welfare for purposes of calculating Social Welfare payments) of eligible participants from the Live Register. This involves the person and their adult dependent exchanging places, the dependent inheriting the age/entitlements of the person, and ensuring that no losses are incurred in their relative entitlements as a result of this exchange.

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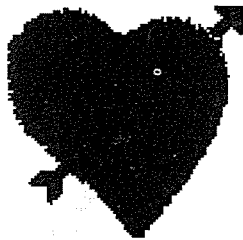
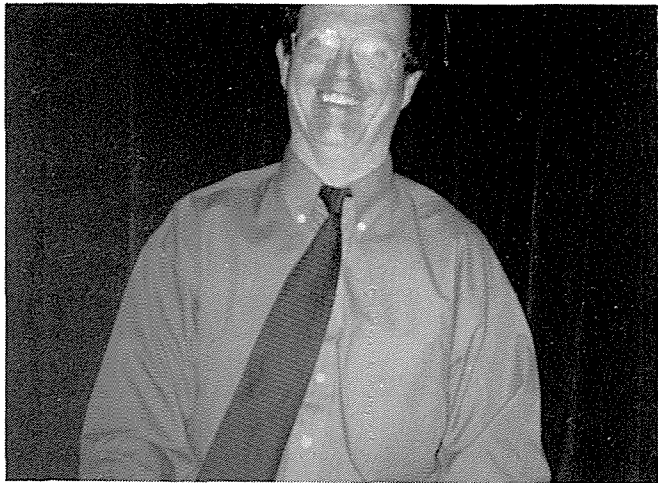
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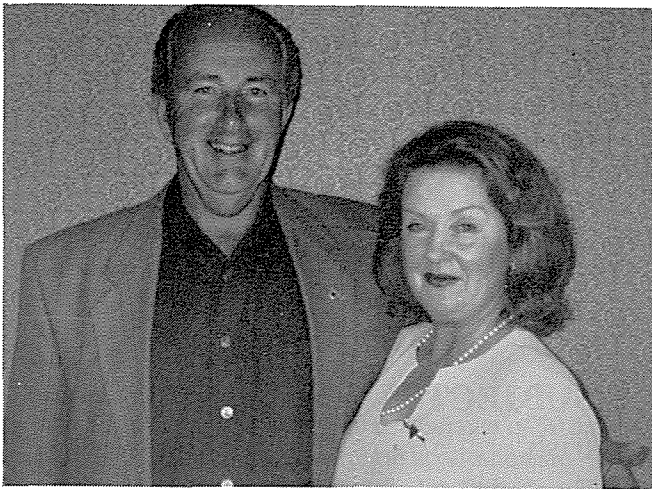
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VALENTINE'S DAY

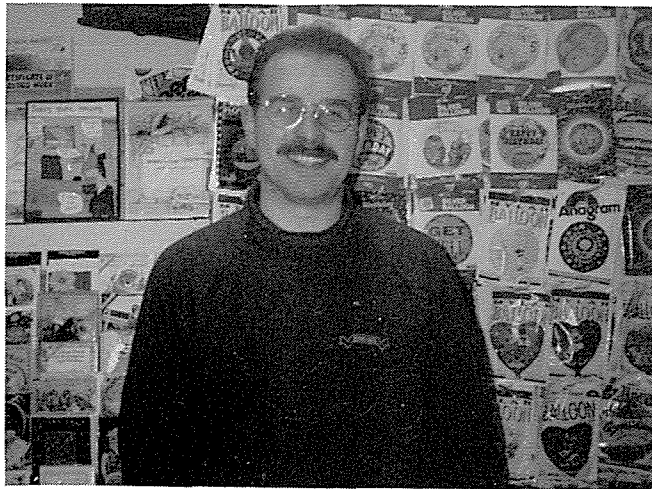
1. **Henry Carty** from the Roost met his wife Trish at a dance in Screen, Co. Meath. Henry and Trish have four children. For Valentines Henry is giving his wife 18 roses, one for every year of their marriage.



2. **Valerie Boylan**, owner of Nuzstop, married to Frank for twenty-eight years, had their first date at a dance in Dublin. Valerie is looking forward to her flowers on Valentine's Day which still, after 28 years, Frank never forgets.



3. **Bernie Hatton** owner, of the Wine Cellar, unfortunately will be working on Valentine's night, but herself and husband Jimmy will celebrate later on that night with an expensive bottle of champagne.



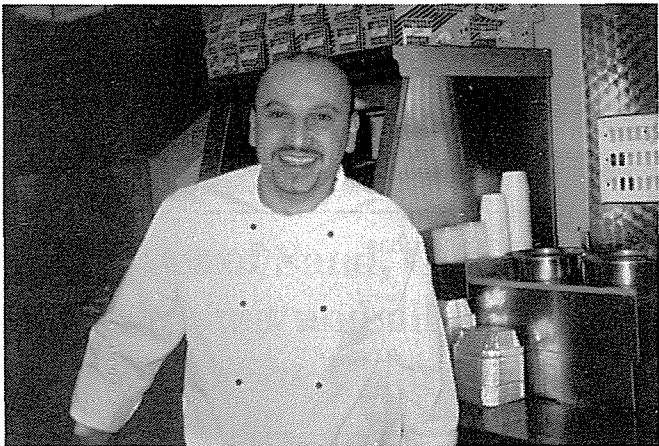
4. **Owen**, the owner of Donovan's Newsagents, met his wife Marion at a bank in Maynooth ten years ago. Owen and Marion have two lovely boys and hope to go out Valentine's night depending on what the babysitter is doing, either way Owen will be buying Marion a bunch of roses



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VALENTINE'S DAY Cont.

5. Manager of Romayo's, **Celeste Macari**, met his girlfriend Tracey while at work. Tracey, a customer put him on hold for about two months, then finally agreed to go on a date. Head over heels in love, Celeste has planned a surprise for Tracey on Valentine's night.



6. Owner of the Tender Touch, **Fiona Powell**, who recently got married in Rome on the 29th Dec to Anthony Thorpe, have planned a romantic meal out for Valentine's night. Fiona met Anthony 8 years ago at Parks Hotel in Stillorgan. Congratulations to you Both.



VALENTINE LOVE QUOTES

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart".
Helen Keller 1880 - 1968

Life has taught us that love does not consist in gazing at each other, but in looking outward together in the same direction.
Antoine De Saint - Exupery 1900 - 1944 From "Airman's Odyssey".

"Love is Love's reward"
John Dryden 1631 - 1700

"You've been in love;
you know what it's like,
it's a sense of delight, not just in the person you love, but in all people, in yourself, in life.

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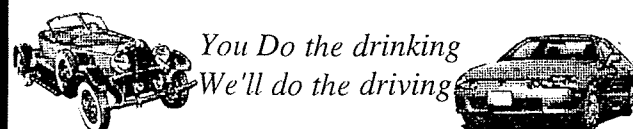
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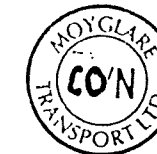
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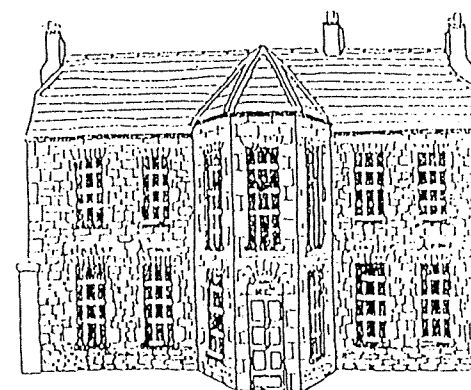
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Maynooth Branch Library will be holding a series of three lectures in February '98. The series is about Reading Development in children who range from Pre-school to Teens. The first will be held on Monday, February 9th, and the title is 'Sowing the Seed'. Alice Quinn an Educational Consultant will give a talk on good practises for early reading.

'Reaping the Benefits' is the second lecture, and it will be held on Monday, February 16th. Joan Boland, a Remedial Teacher will talk on the development of reading from 1st to 4th class and the difficulties that can arise.

The third and final lecture will be on Monday, February 23rd, and it is called 'Moving On' John Treacy, Director of I.E.S., will talk about books for the Young Adult. All these three February Monday lectures will start at 8p.m in Maynooth Branch Library on the Main Street of Maynooth. All are welcome to attend, admission is free. If you have any queries please contact Fiona at Maynooth Branch Library, at 01-6285530. This Lecture series was organised by Kildare Schools Library in conjunction with Maynooth Branch Library, who are part of the Kildare County Library and Arts Service. It was also kindly sponsored by Intel Ireland, Leixlip.

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VIDEO REVIEW

The Fifth Element (15's)

This is an absolute roller coaster ride of a movie. From the opening frames right up to the very end, the action never stops. It will have you knackered trying to keep up with it! The story is quite simple. The innocent bystander Corbin Dallas (Bruce Willis) is caught up in a plot by aliens to destroy the world, and it's up to him to save mankind. Of course, the aliens have a contact man here on earth, in the person of Gary Oldman, who turns in a very good performance as the evil Zorg. Along the way Dallas enlists the help of a priest, Father Cornelius (Ian Holm). Holm as usual is a joy to watch as he hams up the role of the dithering cleric, who's the only one who knows what's going on and how to defeat the enemy. Willis complained recently of being typecast as an action hero actor. This observation is probably true, but when you realise that the late John Wayne made a very good living from being 'typecast' there are worse things that could happen to your career. Take a look at your missus, Brucie baby, and thank your lucky stars!

Verdict: Excellent

Dante's Peak (12's)

Pierce Brosnan plays a volcano expert who loses his 'one true love' during an eruption. Four years later, he's still living at the bottom of a bottle, when he's called in to investigate some strange rumblings around Dante's Peak, a cute little town just waiting to be turned into matchwood. He's convinced that the volcano is about to blow, but his bosses reckon he's being over-pessimistic and order him to stop alarming the townsfolk with his predictions of doom and gloom. The only one who believes him is Linda Hamilton, the town Mayor and I'm quite sure you can guess the rest. This is really what used to be termed a 'B' movie and falls into the category of 'so bad it's good'. It's chock full of the usual disaster movie cliches, even down to the lovable little dog that, of course, runs right into the path of certain destruction.

It takes almost an hour of your valuable time for the lava to flow and for the action to begin, but the special effects are hardly worth the wait.

Verdict: A bit of a 'disaster' movie!

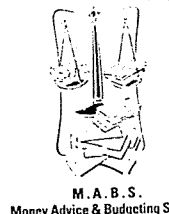
The Devil's Own (15's)

Brad Pitt plays IRA man, Frankie 'The Angel' in all too predictable, cliché-ridden movie. He's in New York on a mission to buy stinger missiles for the 'lads', and Harrison Ford is the cop who unwittingly gives him lodgings while he's staying in the Big Apple. After plenty of buddy buddy and male bonding, it finally comes to show-down time for the two protagonists. This film was massacred by the critics (some would say rightly so) but it's the sheer predictability of the piece that really lets it down. It could have been so much better if the Hollywood moguls, in an effort to be seen to be politically correct, hadn't insisted on calling the shots regarding the characters and the story line.

All in all, a very disappointing effort.

Verdict: Only just alright

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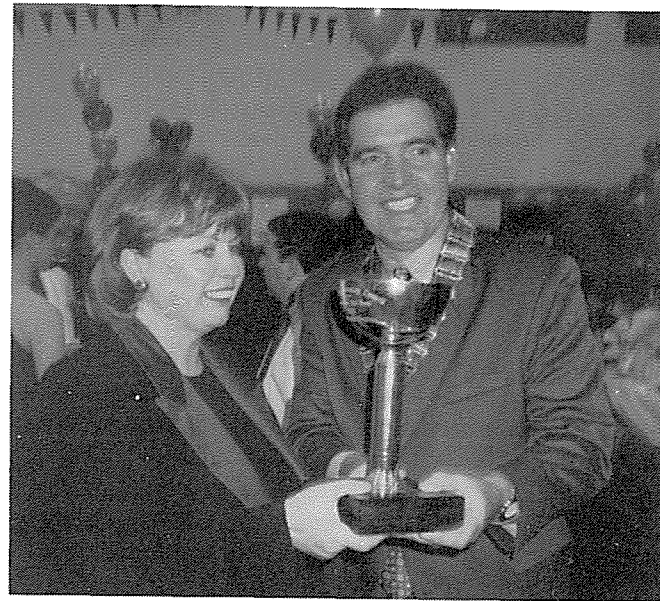
MAYNOOTH MAN IS TALLAGHT PERSON OF THE YEAR 1997

Community Garda Jim Fleming has been named 1997 Tallaght Person of the Year. Garda Fleming has been a Garda in Tallaght for 17 years and a community Garda for two and a half years.

A native of Killarney, Co. Kerry, Garda Fleming has lived in Maynooth for the past 16 years and is married with two daughters. He is very involved with the young people of Maynooth and over the years he has devoted much of his spare time helping organise and run various sporting events.

Acknowledgement of this work was evident by the amount of letters received by the judging committee from the various committees, clubs and schools in Maynooth. The people of Tallaght nominated Garda Fleming for this award because of all his hard work and dedication to the young people, the elderly and the disabled.

An Tánaiste, Mary Harney T.D. presented Jim with this prestigious award at a gala function held in Dublin on 21st November. Jim appeared on PM Live and was interviewed by Mary Kennedy about his work on Monday 8th December.



An Tánaiste Mary Harney, T.D. & Garda Jim Fleming at the award ceremony

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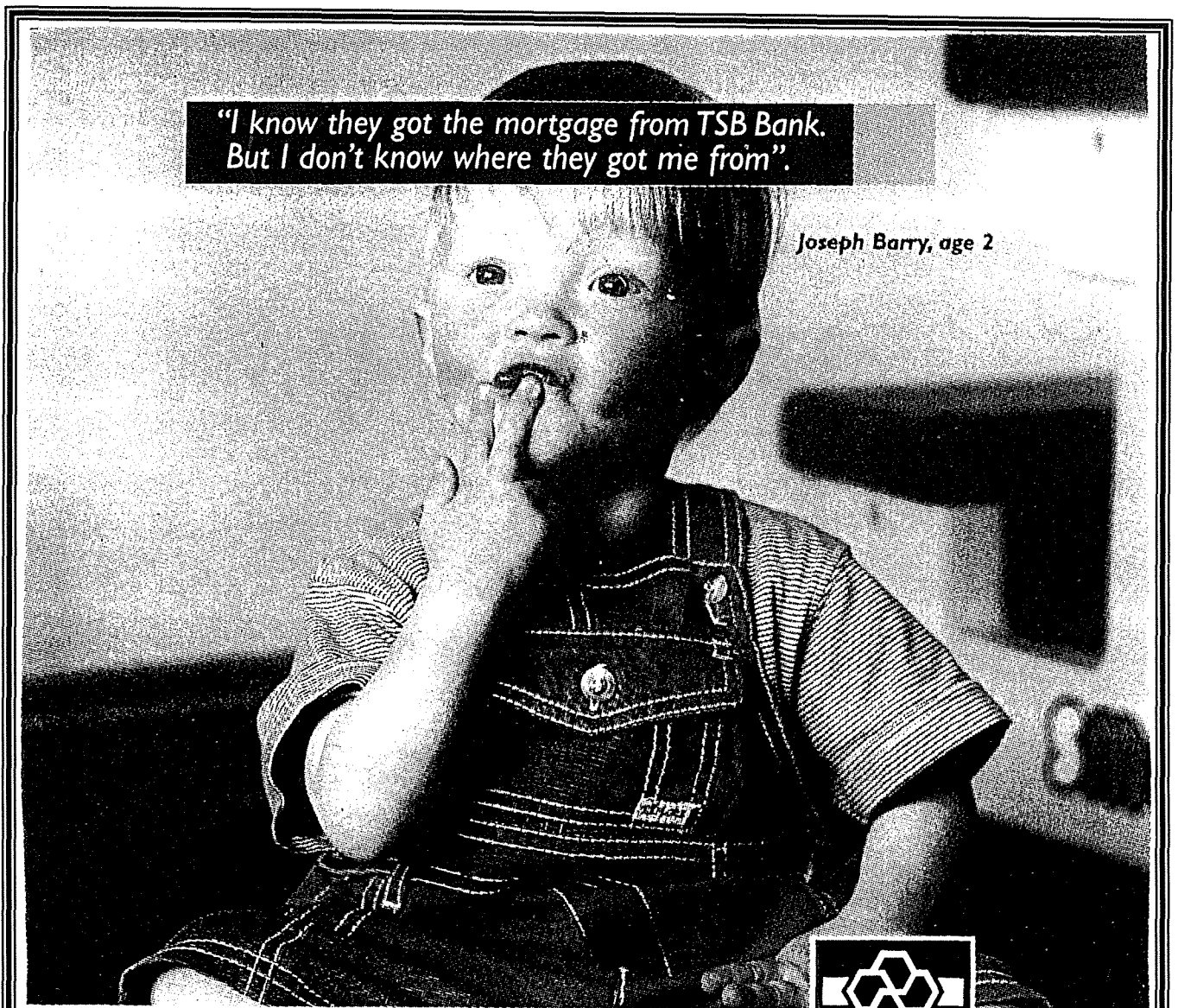
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EDUCATIONAL SOFTWARE

Gerry Kerr, CDSOFT, Celbridge, Co. Kildare

With more households now owning computers, this month we are going to look at educational software.

Basically, educational software falls into 3 categories:

- Reference - Encyclopaediae for example
- Teach Yourself - Typing tutors, various How-To titles.
- Edutainment - These include titles such as Microsoft's Magic School Bus series which aim to entertain children while they learn.

What Good Educational Software Does

Obviously, the educational goals and means of getting to those goals are going to differ widely from product to product. Good educational software must do the following things:

Encourage Learning. In early childhood, the youngest learners begin to form a concept of themselves as competent or incompetent at learning. During this formative time, software can play a vital role. The thing that's very empowering about software is that it's so encouraging. This encouragement gives children the opportunity to learn by trial and error without getting the message that they are wrong. "Failure is also a learning opportunity. The ability to explore and experiment is extremely empowering for children."

Foster Independence. Good educational software lets children take responsibility for what they learn and how they learn it. Kids can make choices about whether they want to learn about letters or numbers or play with a character or paint. "Motivation is a critical element of learning. Any time children make self-directed decisions they have a much higher level of motivation".

Offer Many Levels. The best educational software caters to a range of abilities and age groups and encourages kids to expand their abilities. Providing multiple levels within a program is important because it means a longer shelf life.

Adjust to Educational Needs. While kids need encouragement in the early years to explore and experiment, during the early-school years, kids need requisite skills to advance. When kids have tried and failed a few times, the software should take a child to an appropriate help area to learn concepts before trying again.

Engage a Child Visually. As children learn to read, they associate graphics and colour with words; indeed, they notice graphics and colours before they notice words. For this reason, graphics and colour should accompany text in

reading CD-ROMs. The Learning Company's Interactive Reading Journey 2 is both a champion and a transgressor in this regard: Its CD-ROM-based stories are replete with colour illustrations supporting text, but its accompanying hard-copy books contain black-and-white line drawings (which, it should be added, kids may have fun colouring in).

Engage a Child Verbally. Parents already know that reading to children is important for their later development. Good educational software gives children the choice of hearing stories read aloud, hearing sections of a story, read or reread, or hearing an entire sentence read to them as it's highlighted. It also offers children the chance to go back and click on a single word if they want.

Even the most educationally sound program can't succeed in teaching if your child won't use it. For this reason, programs need an element of fun to help motivate kids. It's the difference between software kids may be using at school under close teacher supervision and the software they use at home where they can be doing so many other things. So along with humour and plentiful animated surprises to click on, familiar, friendly characters work best for younger kids.

Some Educational Software Reviewed

Software: The Oregon Trail II
Published: MECC, 1995

The interactive game takes you on a journey through the Oregon Trail. It tries to provide you with realistic obstacles, options, and outcomes as a result of your choices. The directions are sparse, but the program is interactive and we caught on quickly. Everywhere you clicked your mouse, you got instructions or choices as to what to do next. It's very self explanatory.

The CD is easy to install and the graphics are unbelievable. I read in 'Time' magazine that when the authors were developing this program, they went out on the trail and took actual photographs and videos. Everything is so realistic, even the voices.

Software: Thinkin' Things Collection 3
Published: 1995 Edmark Corporation

There are five sections to this program each highlighting a series of higher level thinking skills. They expose students to such experiences as: analyzing and synthesizing information, inductive and deductive reasoning, predicting, working backward to solve problems, and the list goes on. The children were having so much fun they didn't realize they were working hard.

The program is presented in such a colourful, animated, and exciting manner that it's appealing to the students. The sound and graphics are fascinating and eye catching. I liked

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the multi-levels. When you begin, it's best to start at the beginner level and the level gradually increases automatically. This way the students learn strategy involved at an easy stage, then can progress from there. The manual is easy to read and directions effortless to follow. There is an adult section where you can change the preferences and activity settings.

Software: Magic School Bus Explores the Human Body
Publisher: Microsoft Home, 1995

Scholastic's The Magic School Bus Explores the Human Body. This CD ROM based on the popular "The Magic School Bus" educational science book series provides a riveting way for children to explore the wonders of the human body. In it, you become a member of Ms. Frizzle's class and embark on an adventure that takes you and your classmates to a place never before explored by a school bus — Arnold's body. The bus travels through the boy's mouth and allows the user to discover various human organs, including the brain, skin, stomach, liver, etc. This is done through three-dimensional views of the organs' interiors, and various ways of retrieving facts about the parts.

Perhaps the most exciting thing about this software is its superb visuals. The panoramic views that come from the bus' windshield make the child believe that he or she is actually inside a human organ. The detail of the body parts and inside the bus show that this software is not only meant to educate, but also to amaze.

Educational software can teach your kids a subject they need or want to know about.

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From January 13th 1998 until further notice there will be no Community Welfare Clinics at Health Centres in the Kildare area.

Those in receipt of a weekly or monthly payment from the Health Board will receive same through the post.

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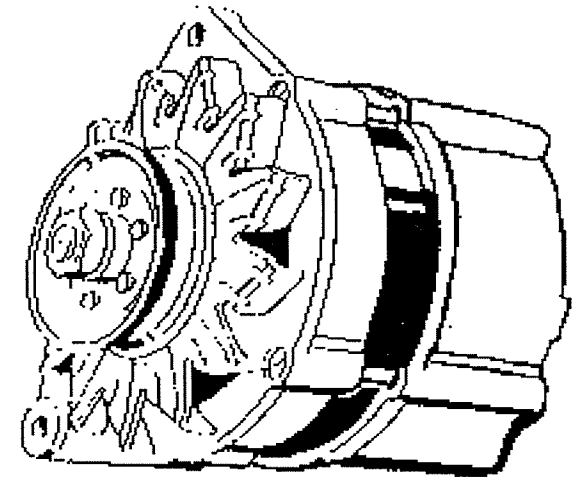
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ORGANIC FARMING: A SAFER OPTION?

Organic farming is an alternative farming movement which developed in opposition to intensive farming, or "factory farming". It has enjoyed an unprecedented increase in numbers and popularity during the 1990s. Its main aims are to produce safe and healthy food from a healthy soil and to work *with* rather than *against* nature by respecting the environment. Organic farming is not about going back to farming as it was pre-1939, as many techniques and practises are actually modern developments. These practises include the prohibition or great reduction of the use of chemical fertilizers, pesticides and other chemicals, as well as balanced rotation systems, the use of organic matter such as farmyard manure, composted waste and green manure to build up soil fertility. Wildlife and the environment benefit from organic farming, as the risk of nitrate and phosphates running off the field and contaminating water reserves is greatly reduced and as many animal species, especially birds are not exposed to pesticides.

Healthwise, organically grown vegetables are chemical residue-free, which makes them safer to eat, especially for children. They have higher vitamin and mineral content, and contain less water than conventionally grown vegetables, so they are better nutritionally and they store longer. On top of that, you don't have to peel most of the vegetables or fruits since there are no harmful residues, which cut off waste and enables you to get all the vitamins and fibre contained in the skin. Another difference is appearance. Since no synthetic pesticides are used, organic vegetables don't look as mass-produced as their conventional counterparts: you probably won't find organic produce that looks spotless, uniform and totally blemish-free. But the difference is in the taste!

Organic farming also includes rearing animals. Very high standards are applied as regards animal welfare. They are given plenty of space to provide for the fulfilment of their natural instincts and the use of antibiotics, growth hormones and other drugs is not allowed. The result is good quality produce which is safe to consume. However, the availability of organic eggs, meat and dairy products is fairly poor in Ireland so far, as production is mainly oriented towards vegetables and cereals.

To protect both the consumer and the producer, a certification system was set up. Every farmer that wants to begin or switch to organic production must go through a two-year conversion period to make sure that all traces of chemicals are gone and to improve soil fertility. Only then can he or she be certified as an organic producer. Strict controls are carried out regularly by inspectors to ensure organic standards are complied with. The two certification bodies in Ireland are: the Irish Organic Farmers and Growers Association (IOFGA) and the Organic Trust (OT). Each body has its own symbol which helps identification.

The marketing of organic produce is not easy. Although they are to be found increasingly in supermarkets, they still

represent a very small proportion of total sales. Mostly because they are quite expensive and sometimes not as fresh as they should be. One of the aspirations of organic farming movements is to bridge the gap between producer and consumer, to take the fastest route between the field and the plate. An emphasis is also put on locality, and on community ties. Indeed, the value of organic food is believed to rest on the fact that it is locally produced and consumed, that people know where it comes from and who raised it, and so can trust that it is good to eat. This is why alternative marketing is sought. A lot of organic fresh produce is sold through local open markets or in health shops on the continent, as well as organic vegetable box schemes. Both options make it fairer price-wise for the consumer and the producer too. The box system seems to be more adapted to Ireland, though the concept is just emerging. Getting veggie boxes saves you shopping time since all the vegetables are in the box and you should have for the week. You just have to pick up the box, usually only a few minutes driving from home. You're encouraged to comment on the vegetables and make suggestions for the following weeks: its interactive. (See details in the other part)

An important point has to be made: apparently, most of us underestimate chemical residues in food, not to mention additives. Unfortunately, it was shown that, however hard you scrub, you just CAN'T wash off agrichemicals. I quote Joanna Blythman, from her informative book "The Food We Eat" (1996):

'It is worth remembering that many agrichemicals are potential human carcinogens, and that there is no such thing as harmless levels of carcinogen. Others are teratogenic (affecting unborn children) or are mutagenic'.

I think it is essential that everyone should become conscious about the harmful effects of intensive farming both on our family's health and on the environment so as to be able to act according to our conscience.

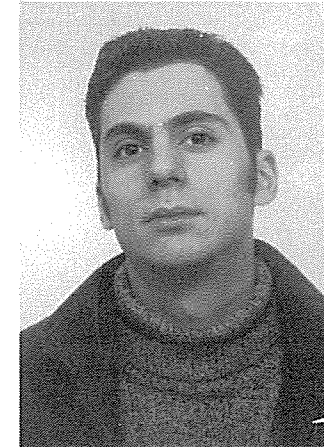
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A typical winter box contains:

Potatoes, a cabbage, a turnip (suede), a beetroot, onions, Brussels sprouts, and possibly cauliflowers.

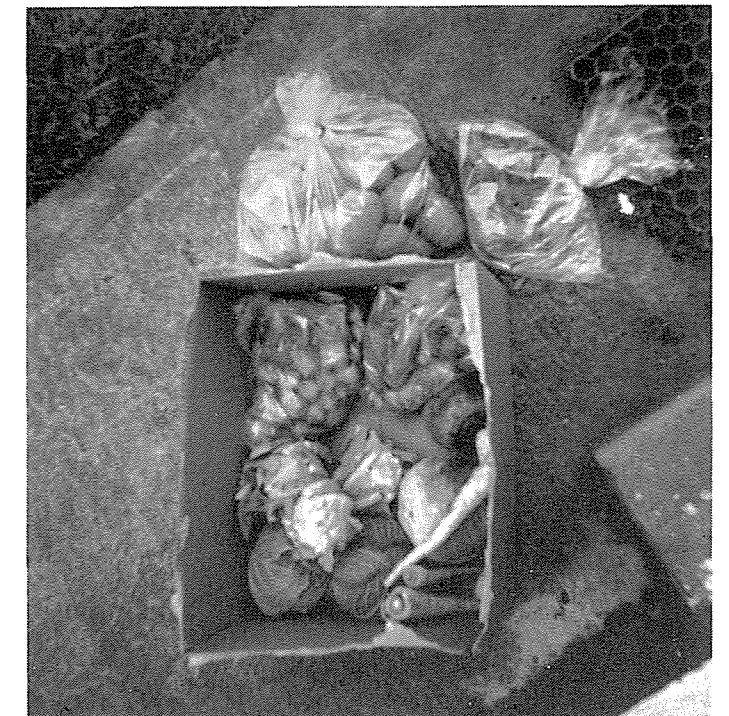
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Runners up in last years Maynooth Fantasy Formula 1 Competition, Bernie Walsh & Muireann Ni Bhrolchain, receive their awards from Emmet Stagg, T.D.

SUSTAINABLE EARTH FAIR AT MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY 28th FEB. - 1ST MARCH 1998



Aims and Objectives:

The objective is to promote co-operation between individuals, organisations, businesses and Government institutions concerned with sustainable development. This will be a forum whereby proposals and ideas can be shared, discussed and put into action. It is envisaged that all participants will profit from networking with other like minded individuals. On the basis of the conference last year it is expected that between two hundred and three hundred diverse groups and individuals will participate.

The event encompasses talks from two international speakers, one representing the Northern, the other the Southern hemisphere, and encourages representations by various local groups. The incorporation of two international speakers within a framework of local organisations, reflects the aim of the conference to place local issues into a global context, and vice versa.

HEALTH TIPS

Artificial respiration, applied in time, may often save life in cases of immersion, electrocution, and gassing. A very efficient and simple method, especially for an inexperienced person, is the mouth-to-mouth method, commonly known as the "Kiss of Life", which can be kept up for hours without undue fatigue.

1. Lay the patient on his back.
2. Clear the mouth of foreign matter.
3. Kneel at his side and tilt back the head fully. Place one hand under the chin, and the other on the crown, so as to achieve full extension of the neck backwards.

Experts will be invited to hold participatory workshops in their particular field of experience and guests may attend whichever workshop is most beneficial to them. This will allow an opportunity for networking and for those of common goals and interest to share ideas and plan for future projects. Around 20 workshops will be held over the two days on themes focusing on sustainable development. The workshops will be aimed at empowering and educating participants on more detailed aspects of sustainability.

There will be stalls where different NGO's, community groups and "green" businesses may exhibit their work. Educational events for children and installations promoting sustainable building, appropriate technology and alternative resources will take place in the grounds of the college. All this will be part of the local initiative. Everyone welcome and further information available at • Low Impact c/o The Students Union, Maynooth, University, Co. Kildare, Republic of Ireland. Tel: 01 7083669 Fax: 7083876 e-mail Ioimpact @ maths. may. ie or daviep@iol.ie

4. Pinch the patients nose.
5. Take a deep breath. Place your mouth over the slightly open mouth of the patient and seal it. Breathe into it. Repeat until you see his chest rise.
6. Remove your mouth in order to allow the patient to exhale. Listen for air returning from his lungs.
7. Repeat this process at the rate of ten breaths a minute.
8. Continue until the patient's normal breathing is restored.

Note:

Breathe forcefully when treating an adult, and delicately for infants and children.



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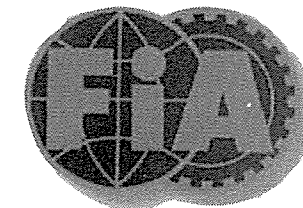
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1998 FIA F1 World Championship.

As the Calendar for 1998 has yet to be finalised, and with some Drivers still to be confirmed, details of this year's Fantasy Formula 1 Game will hopefully be announced early in February. However for the coming year the Game will be divided into two sections. Section 1 will be as previous years with participants drawing their teams and drivers by lot. Section 2 will be for those who wish to use their skill and knowledge. The Rules governing this section are too long to go into here but basically each participant will be given a Budget with which to put together his/her dream Team. The cost of participating will be £5.00 for each section. More detailed information will follow as soon as the Championship is finalised.

FIA Formula 1



WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 1998

Fan Clubs

Maynooth F1 can provide information on a number of Official F1 Fan Clubs including Jordan GP, Williams, Ferrari, McLaren, Benneton etc. We can also supply details on Driver Clubs including Hill, Villeneuve, the Schumachers and many others. Note. Membership of Club Jordan will be restricted this year as Jordan are expecting a huge demand from Damon Hill's Fans. Advice is also available on a number of related topics including where the best F1 Shops are, F1 Model collecting, Memorabilia and even F1 Restaurants in Dublin.

Other Activities 1998

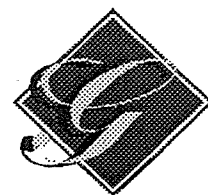
Maynooth F1 plans to run a number of ancillary events during the coming season including a Karting Night at Kylemore Park, a Motorsport Pub Quiz, (probably taking place during Community Week) and a visit to the Pheonix Park Motor Races in August complete with VIP passes.

Join Maynooth F1.

Membership of Maynooth F1 is open to all. Any person wishing to get more information on the Club and its activities should contact either Don Foley or Keith Walsh on 6285230, (after 7PM), most evenings. Refer also to Notice Board in Caulfields Bar for updates etc. A FREE Jordan Screen Saver is available to all Members of Maynooth F1.

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FEBRUARY IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Prepare, by double digging, new sites for hedges and evergreen trees and shrubs which are due to be planted in March.

Cut out any diseased, damaged or dead wood.

Continue to plant trees, shrubs and climbers or heel them in if planting is not yet possible.

Prune climbers such as large-flowered clematis, wisteria, honeysuckle etc.

Flowers:

In warm gardens, plant gladioli and anemone corms.

Clumps of snowdrops can be lifted and thinned out, after flowering, and replanted immediately.

Herbaceous plants, previously pruned in November or December, can be cut down now. Burn or compost any dead foliage. Lightly fork or hoe the soil, adding a general-purpose fertilizer. Remove all weeds.

Fork and prepare the ground for new herbaceous perennials.

If the soil is workable and an area is free of plants, fork now for setting out summer bedding plants later.

Water outdoor plants in containers in sheltered areas.

Look up catalogues and order stocks from Garden Centre.

Fruit:

Finish pruning and winter spraying of fruit trees and bushes. Complete the planting of fruit trees and bushes and stake them securely.

Protect early-flowering fruits from frost damage by covering them at night with a light material or plastic sheeting.

Cover some strawberry plants with cloches if you want some early strawberries. Remove the flowers from strawberries planted this month, in order to prevent them from producing fruit in the first year.

Apply fertilizer to the soil around fruit trees and bushes and hoe it in lightly. Then add a layer of mulching material.

Vegetables:

Sow hardy annual herbs at the end of the month.

Prepare any ground needed for planting next month.

Protect rhubarb in order to force early stems.

Bend broccoli leaves over the heads to protect from frost damage.

Continue to sow broad beans and peas and plant shallots.

Plant early potatoes and start sprouting maincrop seed potatoes in a light, frost-proof place.

Under Glass:

Begin sowing seeds of summer bedding plants and half-hardy annuals in heat - 10°- 15° C. (50°- 60°F.)

Start to grow chrysanthemums, dahlias and fuchsias and take cuttings when growths are long enough.

Sow lettuce seeds, broad beans, brussels sprouts, cabbages, cauliflowers, carrots, leeks, beetroot, cucumbers, melons, sweetcorn, onions, mustard and cress and another batch of tomatoes for greenhouse cropping.

Thin out seedlings when big enough to be handled.

Water and ventilate the greenhouse to ensure the humidity and temperature is correct and the greenhouse is free from draughts.

Ensure that plants are kept free of pests and diseases.

Bring inside the last of the forced bulbs that have been grown in containers. Gradually harden off those bulbs that have finished flowering and water with a liquid fertilizer to replenish food stocks.

General:

Don't forget to tread and firm soil around recently planted trees and shrubs which have been raised by frost.

Improve the draining in waterlogged areas of lawns by forking or spiking.

Rake lawns and give the first mowing when the grass is 5-7.5cm. (2-3in.) high. Brush off leaves and debris. Apply a wormkiller.

Continue to prepare sites for new lawns.

Remember to keep an air hole in the ice on garden ponds.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR SOIL

The type and condition of the soil is one of the most important contributory factors to successful gardening.

It is better to choose plants that are suitable for your soil than to try and change the soil to suit your plants.

Soil ranges from heavy clays to light sandy soils. Soils also vary in their degree of acidity or alkalinity. This is measured by what is known as the pH scale. The neutral point on this scale is pH7, which indicates that the soil is neither acid nor alkaline. Readings below pH7 indicate an acid soil while those from pH7 upwards indicate an alkaline one. The best soil conditions for the majority of garden plants is slightly acid, i.e., from pH6 to pH6.5.

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Salt and pepper
1/2 cucumber
25g/1oz Butter
150ml/1/4 pint Double whipping cream
4 sprigs mint

Cook the rice in boiling salted water, with half the turmeric and the food colouring if liked. Drain and keep warm. Meanwhile, grate the rind from one lemon and squeeze the juice. Reserve one teaspoon of lemon juice and use the remaining juice to poach the fish steaks, plus just sufficient water to cover and seasoning to taste, for about 10 minutes, until tender enough for the flesh to separate easily from the bone. Drain the fish and keep hot. Slice the cucumber thickly, cut each slice into four and toss in the melted butter until limp. Cut the second lemon into quarters. Whip the cream with the remaining turmeric, salt, pepper and a few drops of reserved lemon juice. Arrange the fish steaks on a warm serving dish and pipe rosettes of seasoned cream down the centres. Sprinkle with grated lemon rind and place the cooked cucumber in the centre. Use the lemon quarters as dividers. Divide the rice between 4 individual dishes, and garnish with the tops of the mint sprigs. Chop the leaves and sprinkle over the cucumber. Serve at once.

Pancakes

Pancake batter can be very simple, based on allowing 1 egg to each 100g/4oz plain flour, and sufficient milk and water combined to make a thin pouring consistency.

It can be enriched by using 2 eggs and all milk without the addition of any water as the liquid, and made lighter by stirring in 1 tablespoon or more of oil to the batter before cooking.

Keep beating the batter as you cook the pancakes, otherwise the flour will tend to sink to the bottom and make the last one or two pancakes stodgy.

Devil's Food Chocolate Cake

This is a rich dark cake with fluffy, crisp white frosting, decorated with melted chocolate.

100g/4oz plain chocolate, broken up
125g/5oz butter
100g/4oz dark brown sugar
1 tablespoon golden syrup
200g/7oz plain flour
25g/1oz cocoa
1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
2 eggs, beaten
100ml/4fl. oz milk

American Frosting:

450g/1lb granulated sugar
250ml/8fl.oz water
2 egg whites
1/4 tspn vanilla essence or
2 tspns coffee essence or
2 tspns lemon juice

To Finish:

450g/1lb American Frosting
50g/2oz plain chocolate
2 tspns water

Line the base and grease 2 straight-sided 20cm/8 inch cake tins. Heat the chocolate in a saucepan with the butter, sugar and syrup until just melted. Sift the flour, cocoa and bicarbonate of soda into a mixing bowl. Make a well in the centre and stir in the cooled melted ingredients. Stir in the eggs and beat well, then mix in the milk. Pour the mixture into the prepared tins and bake in a preheated moderate oven at 180°C/350°F, Gas Mark 4 for 30 minutes or until set. Allow to cool in the tins before turning out on to a wire tray to cool.

When cold sandwich together with some of the American Frosting and coat the top and sides with the rest, swirling it with a palette knife, working quickly before it sets.

When the frosting has set, melt the chocolate with the water in a bowl over a pan of hot water. Stir until smooth and trickle it across the top of the cake from the tip of a spoon in a lattice pattern.

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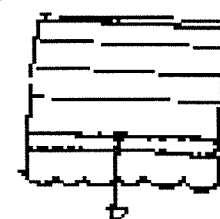
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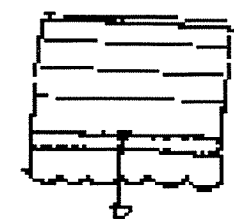
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Most shops do not cause too much of a problem. But "steps" are a problem. Keep the Wheelchair in mind.

All the Malls in Maynooth provide easy access for the needs of the Wheelchair Occupant.

Transport

"If you avail of a taxi more often than not you have to ask the driver for assistance because of the shortage of ramps in the Maynooth area. You couldn't even "contemplate using the train station as a means of Transport.



*Kathleen O'Leary,
Maynooth Post Primary*

The areas for wheelchair parking are: SuperValu, Glenroyal car park, Health Centre, Tesco's and Maynooth University College grounds.

Kathleen O'Leary says as a teacher in Maynooth Post Primary, I can honestly say, my day at school is spent in comfort due to the facilities supplied such as Two Wheelchair toilets, ramps, and the school is all on the one level..

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Many thanks to Kathleen O'Leary who kindly assisted us in this survey.

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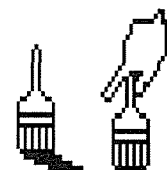
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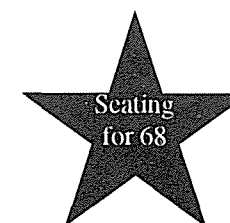
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DEPARTURE OF CLODAGH O'MALLEY

Clodagh worked on the Editorial Board of the *Newsletter* for the past year. She worked on stories and photography each month and had great journalistic skills. Clodagh spent a year on the Community Employment Project with Maynooth Community Council. She enhanced both her technical and personal skills while working with the *Newsletter* and also took part in the Participant Development Programme. Her training and work experience helped her to find full-time employment with a Security Company. We thank her for all her hard work with the Community Council and *Newsletter* and wish her the very best of luck in her new career.

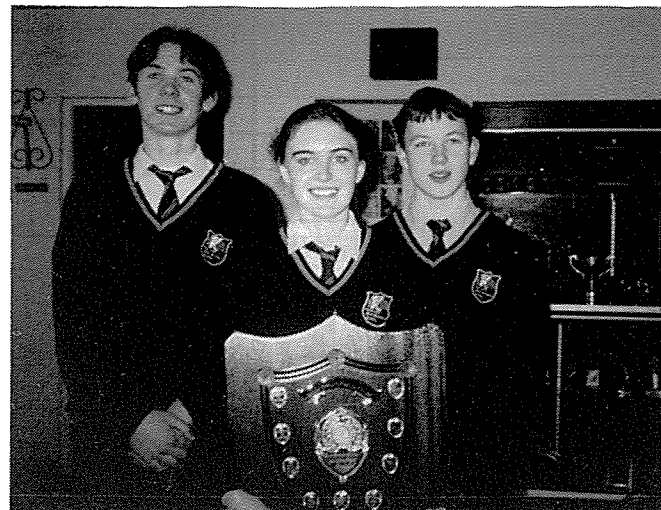


PUBLIC SPEAKING WINNERS PROJECT

Stephen McKeon, Sineád Keenan and Eamonn Hodge, Kildare Winners of the Mental Health Association of Ireland Public Speaking Project. This is a Kildare Competition held in Naas Library.

Congratulations to the team, who go forward on 15th February in St. John of God's, Stillorgan with three other schools.

This is the third time Maynooth Post Primary School have won the Kildare Final.



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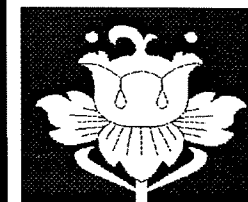
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It has all been brought to stage by the 5th year and transition year students from Maynooth Post Primary School. They have been busy with their lines, with costumes, props and sets. The producers, English teacher, Ms Noreen Barry, Religion teacher, Ms Claire Doherty and Science teacher, Ms Mary Murphy with Musical Director, Ms May Farrell, have brought out the cream of talent for what promises to be a most entertaining show. We can see all this talent and more in early February.

Students: Stephen McKeon, Kilcloon (Tevye); Erica O' Dea, Kingsbry (Golde); Amy Rubotham, Leixlip (Chava); Sinead Keenan, Rail Park (Tzeitel); James Mulligan (Motel); David Campbell, Kilcock Road (Lazar Wolf); Karen Hildebrand, Carton Court (Hodel); John Ashe (Perchick); Maeve Beirne, Kilcloon (Frauma Sarah); Rachel Alcorn, Kilcloon (Grandma); Shaunta Guha, Killeany (Biekle); Therese Nic an Aircinnigh, Poundhill (Yente); Bernadette Keigher (Sphrintze) with a cast of a hundred. The colour and spectacle will lighten the cold February evenings.

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DAYS OUT FROM MAYNOOTH

Kildare:

February the first is the feast day of Saint Brigid. She had associations with Kildare Town. Beside the tower at St. Brigid's Cathedral (Church of Ireland), the stained glass window shows St. Brigid, St. Patrick and St. Columba.

If you want to see the Midlands, well one of the best views is from the top of the round tower in Kildare town. To get there from Maynooth take the road out by Straffan and the Kildare Club to the N7. The tower is a very well preserved 11th century tower about 106 feet high. For a small charge you can climb the stairs to the top. Stretched out before you is one of the best views of the Midlands you are ever likely to get. The tower is open week-days in Summer from 10 a.m. and on Sundays after lunch.

Then take the road south to the Japanese Gardens at Tully. They were founded 90 years ago by a millionaire who also owned the stud farm near it. A Japanese gardener laid out the garden between 1906 and 1910 and they have been kept in perfect condition since. The gardens symbolise "mans' life". There is a tea room and a garden centre. Get a bonsai tree. The gardens are open from 9.30 a.m. daily except in Winter time. The Irish Horse Museum is there as well. Last admission at 5 p.m. There is an admission charge. The National Stud is the main centre for Ireland's racing industry. Horses are kept in the stables and in the fields.

From Kildare take the Rathangan road by Dunmurry Hill to Peat-land World in Lullymore. Lullymore was the place where turf was cut to supply the power station at Allenwood. Now it has a museum and natural history gallery which tells the story of turf and the story of Bord na Mona. Some of the things which were unearthed during turf production are on show.

There is a full size model of an Irish cottage with its turf fire and oil lamp. There are models of a peat briquette factory and a peat fuelled electricity generating station. Visit the very pleasant tea room and picnic area. It is open Monday to Friday from 9.30 a.m. There is an admission charge. The Lullymore Heritage Park is up the road from here. It tells the story of the development of Lullymore with buildings modelled on buildings which go right back to the coming of Christianity.

Come back by Prosperous and Donadea Forest Park.



THE COCKTAIL LEGEND

Mixed drinks, as we all know, have been made and consumed since man first sought escapism by brewing or distilling alcoholic drinks. Generally- speaking, a 'cocktail' is known world wide to us as a drink which contains three or more ingredients, frequently including spirits and bitters.

It is widely accepted but not always advised to have your ingredients in almost limitless quantities, indeed, even the three witches in Macbeth may have marketed their spiritual brew as a livener, in fact, I think many may have consumed it.

The name 'cocktail has been the cause of conjecture for bartenders throughout the modern, drinking world.

The most romantic story is probably the variation on the theme of the Mexican chieftain's daughter. The story tells of a group of Spanish Conquistadors who were captivated by the beauty of this particular young woman.

She further charmed them by preparing delicious alcoholic concoctions from a combination of pulque, an alcoholic drink made from the sap of the native agave plant, and fruit juices.

The Spaniards took away fond memories of the young lady and named the drinks after her, X-Coctel, known more familiarly as 'Cocktail'

Other explanations range from an American lady inn-keeper who served alcoholic drinks in glasses decorated with cock's tail feathers, during the American War of Independence.

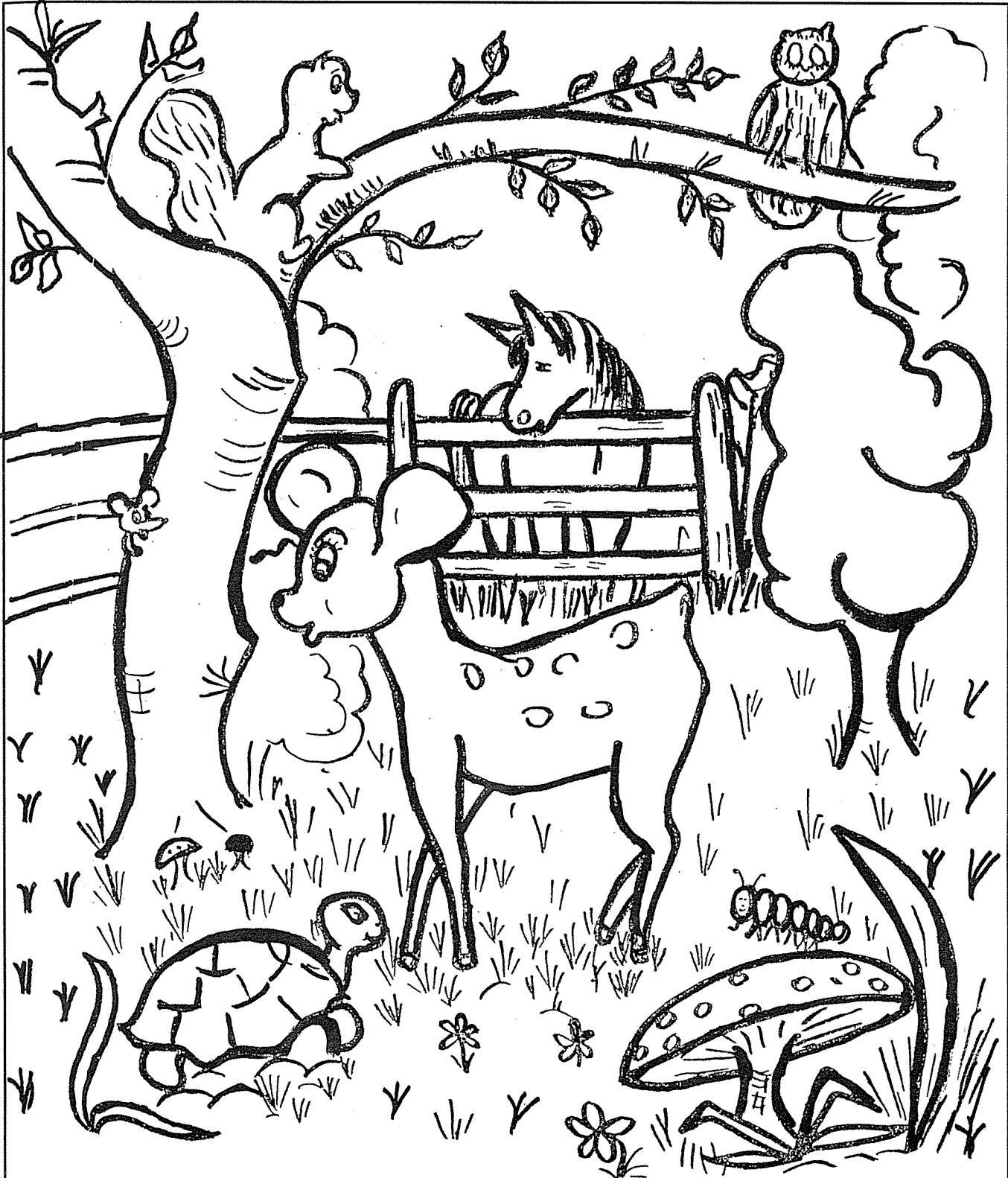
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THE GROWING TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN OUR CITIES AND TOWNS

For the past few years the motorists of Ireland have experienced very very trying driving conditions. Whilst roads have been improving, time taken to get from A to B has increased. As a result more time is being spent on the road which leaves less time for one to pursue ones business. It is said, 'time is money'. So if time is money why are we endangering a rare animal like the "Celtic Tiger"? Will the Celtic Tiger, as a result of traffic jams, be brought to its knees? Observing present traffic policies and attitudes to the motorists it would appear perhaps that we are endangering our economy and thus the quality of our lives.

Enhance the free flow of traffic

The object of road improvements is essentially to make a road safe and at the same time enhance the free flow of traffic, which is forever on the increase. Today it would appear that improving a stretch of road means only one thing - the slowing down of traffic by

- (a) placing as many sets of traffic lights as possible on the improved and often widened road
- (b) introducing roundabouts
- (c) introducing roundabouts and traffic lights combined
- (d) introducing zebra crossings
- (e) introducing road markings which prevent any motorist passing another vehicle, no matter how slow the vehicle in front is travelling.

The eternal roadworks

In Ireland today, for the sake of progress....."that Tiger again....!" we can hardly travel through a town or village that is not being torn up for some reason or other. If it is not the local Council doing some "improvements" on the road, it is the ESB, Telecom or a private company improving the water scheme or putting down pipes to cater for the massive increase in house building. Then there is nice Mr. Good Bear of Bord Gás also digging up the road. Finally, there is the large multi-nationals which must have easy access to their premises.

Road Rage

No sooner has any of the above organisations commenced work than up goes temporary traffic lights. It is of little wonder therefore why a recent phenomenon known as "Road Rage" is said to be on the increase. Why should we be so surprised. Add a list of bad driving manners, listed below, to the litany of problems stated above and we increase the possibility of this phenomenon. Some of the bad driving habits might include:

- (a) a "Sunday" driver doing about 20 mph on a wide open road
- (b) a driver hogging the road, at a speed of 30 mph on a dual

- carriage way and remaining on the fast lane
- (c) drivers cutting in without signalling
- (d) drivers not dipping their headlights when meeting you
- (e) drivers blinding you with their headlights at night when they are behind you.

No pleasure in driving anymore

Motorists are fed up to the teeth. There is no pleasure in driving any more. To go on a short journey at any time of day or night one must be prepared to sit at either permanent or temporary traffic lights for ages. You get held up by someone crawling at a snails pace or be almost pushed off the road by the odd mad driver. Finally there may be a Garda checkpoint at the end of a motorway where the speed limit suddenly becomes 40 mph with no houses on either side and the road is clear. (Surely the thousands of narrow winding roads in Ireland with houses on both sides with no speed limits create a far greater danger to life and limb than any motorway).

Drivers are being victimized

The driver today is being victimized. Why? Is it because they are an easy target? For almost half a century the motor industry was forever blaming the "nut behind the wheel" for the numerous fatal accidents and not the dangerous design of the vehicles being mass produced for just their elegance and high speed potential. Today, the "nut behind the wheel" is once again being blamed but this time by the Government, Town Planners and County engineers.

Haphazard approach to road planning exasperating drivers

It is the haphazard approach to the planning and development of our infra structure that is exasperating drivers all over the country. Drive through and between almost any town or village in Ireland today and there are temporary traffic lights up - some with a change over delay of more than five minutes - mainly due to the length of road the engineers decide to take on in the one go. A week later, a few hundred metres down the road more temporary traffic lights are erected and the road is being dug up. When this particular job is finished more temporary lights are up in the same area and workers are digging up the same road and sometimes in the same place. This continues on and on.

Lack of co-ordination

Is this the price of progress? Where is the planning to ensure work is done in such a way as to ensure minimum inconvenience to drivers and pedestrians - who are, at the end of the day, paying for all of this through road taxes etc? Co-ordinating the various works that presumably is of necessity, should be the hallmark of any good planning authority. Quite honestly to the man or woman 'on the street' there appears to be very little in the way of co-ordination at present.

Cont.

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THE GROWING TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN OUR CITIES AND TOWNS Cont.

A Solution to am/pm traffic jams in our cities

Finally, I should like to make a suggestion regarding am and pm traffic jams in and out of our cities. Would it be possible to take the nearest lane (the fast lane) from the outgoing traffic on a morning (since this is virtually not being used) and reverse the procedure in the evenings? Granted there would be certain alterations necessary but I am sure it would take very little in the way of lighting systems and road markings to achieve this. All those using this lane would be obliged to use their hazard lights. This could be operative from say 6 am to 10 am and from 4 pm to 7 pm and introduced on a pilot scheme first. It would help to maximise road space at its most crucial times. With the help of the Gardai and obviously the co-operation of a grateful and long suffering motorist I believe this idea could work.

*Leo Armstrong, BA, HDip (Hist).
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GLENROYAL HOTEL ANNUAL TALENT COMPETITION

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After the hugely successful Talent Competition last year with over 30 different acts ranging from solo singers to bands, the final night saw a capacity crowd to both support and enjoy all the 8 finalists.

The 1998 Competition commenced on Thursday 8th January.

The competition will have 9 heats in all, two semi finals and the Grand Final will be in April.

The competition is open to all entertainers and novelty acts including singers, comedians, bands etc. with two acts to go through from each heat.

There is no limit to the amount of heats you can enter, so should you be unsuccessful you can always try again the following Thursday.

Entrants must be over 18 years of age and be amateur entertainers. Backing and musical support will be available each week.

Last years winner Paul Kirwan earned himself a regular Friday night spot in the Glenroyal Hotel and appeared at several other venues throughout the year.

The prizes again this year are sponsored by Heineken and includes an overall prize fund of £1000.

As the talent in the area is of a very high standard, the next few months will see many entertaining Thursday evenings at the Glenroyal Hotel.

The heats are every Thursday night from 9 p.m., registration can be made either beforehand or on the night.

Further details can be obtained from either Shaun or Claire at the Hotel on 01-6290909

PRESS RELEASE

EDWARD WHITE/ COMEDY HYPNOTIST Friday 6th Feb

Edward White, Comedy Hypnotist is a complex individual who refuses to look in a mirror in case he does a job on himself.

Born by caesarean section, he maintains-has affected him to the present day. Every time he stops a car, he has this uncontrollable impulse to get out through the sun-roof.

"My family were always a bit strange," he says. "For example, our Grandmother has been walking five miles a day since she was sixty-two, she's seventy six next week and we haven't a clue where she is now"?

Edward White, makes no secret of the fact that he has difficulty with the type of work he does.

"As a hypnotist putting people to sleep was easy enough at first", he says, "but now I end up nodding off too which is a bit of a nuisance really when you think about it because I can't just ignore myself now can I?"

Edward firmly believes that whatever talent he has as a hypnotist he does not regard it as a gift handed down from above. "On the surface it may appear that way to the audience", he adds, "but to be honest I think certain people with a bit of training could do just as good a job".

Having said that, I would not encourage people having read up on the subject, to rush out in an attempt to zap their neighbours.

Meddling with peoples heads said Edward, like any form of interference is not recommended. Attempting to hypnotise someone and not knowing the consequences of doing so can be quite dangerous. Persons who suffer from epilepsy for example, are generally unsuitable as subjects and the possibility of inducing a fit is something a lot of stage hypnotists need to watch out for, but as a rule, being hypnotised is about as dangerous as flying through the air and banging your eye off a cloud.

Edward's show is a mixture of rip-roaring hypnotic sketches interspersed with his own unique brand of side splitting comedy.

Audiences who have seen his show to date, rate him one of the funniest performers currently on the circuit. The show has travelled the World to huge critical acclaim and Edward White is hailed by the pundits as the next comedy sensation. From men giving birth on stage to flying fairies attacking the volunteers this is one show you can afford to see but cannot afford to miss.

Regards

Edward White

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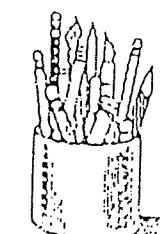
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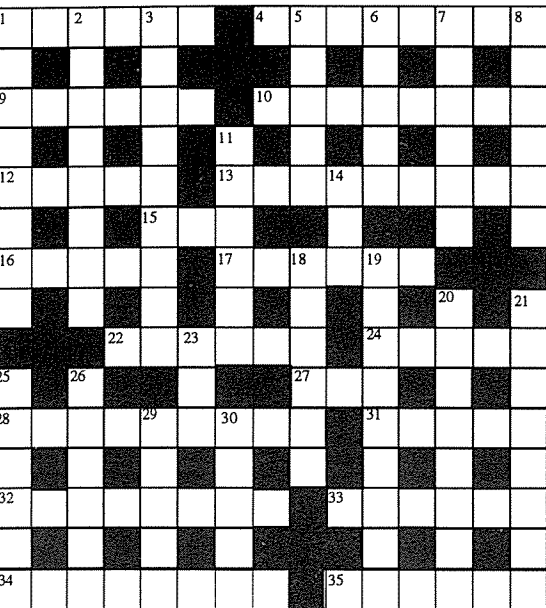
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 - 11. Mad Russian clergyman? (8)
 - 12. Main artery (5)
 - 13. Twilight (9)
 - 15. Heavyweight (3)
 - 16. Mark (5)
 - 17. Depart hastily (6)
 - 22. First course (6)
 - 24. Dance (5)
 - 27. The odd drink? (3)
 - 28. Mark Twain's boy (3,6)
 - 31. Revolving (5)
 - 32. Raised (8)
 - 33. Cheap leather worker? (6)
 - 34. Sunset (8)
 - 35. English river (6)
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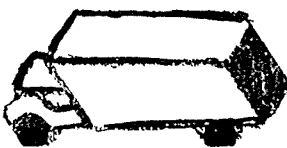
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FINE GAEL NOTES:

Parking Regulations Main Street, Maynooth

Councillor Senan Griffin has actively sought an assurance from the County Manager that the proposed bye-laws be put in place in Maynooth. These bye-laws will assist the Gardai in enforcing parking regulations along the Main Street and the side streets in Maynooth. It is essential that the bye-laws are in operation immediately on completion of the street works. Residents of Maynooth, will I am sure, welcome this development which will alleviate traffic congestion in the Main Street and environs.

Moyglare Road:

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin have requested the County Engineer to expedite the laying of a proper footpath from the entrance to Moyglare Village to the Nursing Home. The laying of this footpath will provide patients, their families and residents, an opportunity to walk down the Moyglare Road with a greater degree of safety.

Straffan Road:

Following continuous representations, Cllr. Sean Griffin has been given assurances, that the failed trees and shrubs which were planted on the green in Straffan Way will be replaced as a matter of urgency by the contractors. This is welcome news for the residents of Straffan Way who had always maintained this green to a very high standard prior to the construction of the wall.

Footbridge at the Canal:

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin recognise that the footbridge at the canal is of vital necessity for all those attending Maynooth College. It is therefore of the utmost importance that it be replaced as a matter of extreme urgency. In this regard, both Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin have proposed to Kildare County Council that a similar bridge be constructed linking Silken Vale to the Railway Station. It is accepted by the residents of Silken Vale that the finances allocated for this bridge be transferred to the provision of a proper footbridge across the canal. The closing of the footbridge provides an ideal opportunity to transfer these monies for the construction of a new bridge across the canal.

Mona Lisa - Main Street Maynooth

Kildare County Council planners are investigating the conditions breached by the aforementioned development and will report back to the Council. The serious breach of the ridge roof line will have to be addressed and the development will have to be corrected.

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

A special 'In Camera' meeting of Kildare Co. Council was held on the 19th January to agree what lands, if any, need to be rezoned in the towns, without a new Development Plan. At the time of writing we are unable to advise residents on the outcome of this meeting. We are not happy with the proposal for a private meeting and will await the handling of the meeting before deciding whether to participate in it. An up-to-date survey of residentially zoned lands, not yet developed, has been carried out by the Council. This shows that Maynooth has 86 acres of such land and not 50 acres as estimated last October. This means that in line with the strategy already adopted no more than a further 50 acres should be rezoned in Maynooth. This means a reduction of 229 acres in the residential rezoning of Maynooth and this will be the position that the Labour Party Councillors will adopt - Maynooth Planning Alliance please note.

Maynooth Parking Bye Laws

At the Celbridge Area Committee meeting of the Council held on 9th January, the Co. Secretary gave a solemn commitment to Cllr. John Mc Ginley that the Bye Laws would be put in place before the completion of the improvement works on Main Street, this May. With the commitment of the Gardai to strictly enforce the new laws, there should be an end to the traffic congestion that we have at present. Motorists should also co-operate by acting in a responsible law abiding manner.

Landscaping Straffan Road

As a result of Cllr. John Mc Ginley's motion the Council have agreed to do repair work to the appalling landscaping carried out by the Parks Department of Dublin County Council at Straffan Road. Residents Associations are invited to write to the Co. Secretary or Cllr. Mc Ginley outlining their specific requirements.

Crash Barrier - Dublin Road

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the Co. Engineer to reinstate the Crash Barrier at Dublin Road, near Carton Lodge. At present this area poses a considerable risk to pedestrians.

Moyglare Village Boundary

As a result of Cllr. John Mc Ginley's motion the Council Planners have agreed to contact the developer of Moyglare Village requesting him to plant a mature hedge, similar to the one he originally removed, at the boundary with the Moyglare Road.

Mona Lisa Restaurant

The Council are presently carrying out an inventory of the deviations from Planning Permission granted, with a view to pursuing the issue through the courts.

O'Neill Park - Public Lighting

Following representations from local residents, Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare Co. Council to provide additional lights in the square at O'Neill Park.

He has also requested again that the Council resurface the entrance to O'Neill Park and provide proper footpaths.

Flooding At Laurences Avenue

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has requested the Council to unblock the shores at house numbers 7, 8, 12 and 25 Laurences Avenue in order to stop further flooding in the area.

Meadowbrook Stream 'River' Flooding

Immediate action to prevent a recurrence of the Christmas period flooding at Meadowbrook has been demanded by Cllr. John Mc Ginley. As residents know the stream was 20 feet wide and 9 feet deep in places. Photographic evidence has been supplied to the County Engineer in order to highlight the problem.

Footpath - Leinster Street

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare Co. Council to include a condition in any grant of Planning Permission for renovations at the Roost for the provision of a footpath on Leinster Street from the Main Street to the rear entrance to the Town Centre Mall.

Pedestrian Walk Between Kingsbry and Greenfield Close

Cars are presently using this walkway. Cllr. John Mc Ginley has requested the Council to install bollards at this location in order to prevent this and make the area safer for pedestrians.

Back Road - Old Greenfield

Now that the new public lights are in place Cllr. John Mc Ginley has requested the Co. Engineer to carry out the long overdue resurfacing of this road. It is in a disgraceful condition at present and is practically impassable.

Road Deterioration At Band Hall

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the Co. Engineer to carry out urgent repairs to the road surface outside the School House and the Band Hall. The road has disintegrated here due presumably to utility works at this location.

Maynooth Park Flooding

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion for consideration at the next area committee meeting of the council.

'That the surface water channel outside house No. 53A Maynooth Park be connected to the main surface water gully in order to overcome the flooding in the area.'

Labour Advice Service

Deputy Emmet Stagg continues to be available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4-00 p.m. in Caulfields (Private Meeting Room). He can also be contacted at the following phone numbers: Home - 6272149 - Office - 6183797.

Cllr. John Mc Ginley continues to be available to the people of Maynooth every Thursday at 8-00 pm. in Caulfields (Private meeting Room). He can also be contacted at the following phone number - 6285293.

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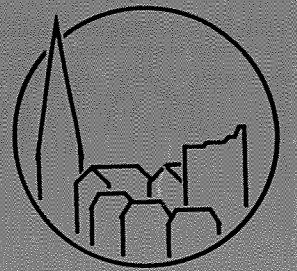
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DIARY DATES

27th Feb: Maynooth Community Games Table Quiz G.A.A. Club 8.30 p.m.

28th Feb to 1st March: Low Impact Society Seminar in Maynooth College.

4th March: Greenfield Res. Ass. A.G.M. in I.C.A. Hall 8.30 p.m.

5th March: Tidy Towns Ass. Meeting in Community Council Office 8.30 p.m.

5th March: Fianna Fail A.G.M. in Glenroyal Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

5th March: I.C.A. Meeting - I.C.A. Hall, 8.00 p.m.

6th March: Maynooth Mortality Soc. A.G.M. in I.C.A. Hall 8.30 p.m.

6th March: Girls School Irish Night in Glenroyal Hotel 9pm

6th March: "1798" Seminar in the Irish School Rathcoole at 8.00 p.m.

7th March: Maynooth Community Games Art & Modelmaking Competition in the Post Primary School 10.30 a.m.

8th March: Children's Céile - 3-5 p.m. Parish Hall. Children £1 and Adults free.

10th to 14th March: Kilcock Musical Soc. "Sound of Music" in St. Joseph's Hall 8 p.m. each night.

13th March: St. Mary's Band American Night - Glenroyal Hotel. From 10 till late, bar extension, Food, Music and Craic.

13th March: Scoil Uí Fhiaich 70's Night G.A.A. Club.

15th March: Bishop's Visit to St. Mary's Church of Ireland

17th March: Parade from Greenfield S.C. Start 11 a.m.

19th March: Confirmation in Parish Church, Maynooth.

21st March: Boy Scouts Teen Disco in St. Coca's Hall Kilcock 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Adm £3.

22nd March: Mother's Day.

24th March: Maynooth Flower & Garden Club Talk in Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, at 8.00 p.m.

30th March: Maynooth Task Force Information Meeting Glenroyal Hotel 8 p.m.

1st April: Telethon Table Quiz & Disco, Glenroyal Hotel 8pm.

3rd April: B.N.S. Fund Raising Night in the G.A.A. Club Moyglare Rd. 8.30p.m.

EDITORIAL

We just have to hope it's all worth while in the end! Maynooth's footpaths, or what's left of them, resemble a fairly stiff obstacle course as the Main Street Improvement Scheme takes its toll. For those of us who are reasonably agile the barriers, holes and mounds of earth represent an inconvenience. But for the elderly, the disabled or mothers with prams attempting to negotiate their way from one end of the street to the other is downright dangerous. Some of our correspondence this month makes this point and other pieces in this issue refer to the great difficulty disabled people have in Maynooth simply getting from A to B. The Newsletter's own survey of wheelchair access in the town suggests that local businesses and those managing public buildings have, in general, failed to address this issue. For most people it is something that they simply don't have to deal with. High steps and doors opening the wrong way don't affect the vast majority of residents and so wheelchair access remains a minority cause.

As the improvement works continue and the chaos around Main St. gets worse by the day we will just have to imagine how it will all turn out in the end. Paved footpaths - with no car parking, attractive lighting and no unsightly overhead wires is the vision of the future. Anyone any ideas on how to solve our traffic problems? A by-pass maybe?

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Re: Work in Progress in Maynooth

Residents of Maynooth, those shopping in Maynooth and other using the local facilities in the vicinity cannot have failed to notice that the footpaths in the town have been in the process of being dug up for months on end for various reasons.

Most people would reasonably acknowledge that various works have to be carried out and indeed people are campaigning to have better footpaths, and Kildare County Council have a duty to improve the footpaths. Many types of works, including pipe laying, water and sewage works, electricity cable laying, footpath construction and reconstruction have to be carried out.

I would like to look at these works from the perspective of a person with a disability:

If you tried to walk down the street on either side of the town last week, you will know what I am talking about. Have you tried to negotiate the holes, the piles of rubble, the pipes, the bits and pieces left around? Perhaps you found it difficult. If you are a mother with a baby buggy you will have found it extremely difficult to get down the town. If you are a senior citizen you will have had great difficulty. Consider then if you were a person with a disability - a wheelchair user, a person with a walking aid, a person whose balance is not too good due either to physical or neurological difficulties. If you had a visual impairment then I very much doubt you could use the facilities in the town recently. These people are all at risk if they go out. Do they have to stay in to stay safe - it would seem that Kildare County Council do not appear to have considered these very vulnerable members of the community.

There is no co-ordinated effort to try to keep the footpath on one side intact, while working on the other, or to work on a section at one time, out of consideration for pedestrians. There just seems to be work in progress no matter where you walk. Some premises in the town are now not accessible for many people. I am able bodied and it took me a long time to get safely down the town last week.

Does Kildare County Council have a responsibility to ensure that there is adequate and safe re-routing of pedestrian traffic while these works are in operation? Who is responsible if a person sustains an injury while trying to get to the local shops, library, post office, bank, etc? I am now calling on Kildare County Council to take action to ensure that the footpaths in all towns and villages in Kildare are made safer for all pedestrians, but especially those who have disabilities. Those who support this call for action should write to the County Council and this newspaper about the situation.

The following is a copy of a letter from The NRB to Kildare County Council:

"Representation has been made to me regarding a number of hazardous situations involving pedestrians with disabilities when attempting to negotiate around road/footpath works on Main Street, Maynooth. People with disabilities are particularly vulnerable in such circumstances and particular

care is needed to maintain clearly defined and level alternative routes. I appreciate that this is often difficult to maintain, however, I would be pleased to advise in this regard if you deem it necessary."

*Mary Farrell - Headway Kildare and
Member of Kildare County Network
Irish Council of People with Disabilities*

Dear Editor,

Although I am relatively new to Maynooth and, in a way, cut off from the mainstream life of the town, I love to read "Maynooth Newsletter".

I fully agree with the opinions expressed by Pdraig O Murchu in his letter (February 1998) re: Carton Estate. The house and parklands are treasures that few, if any other town could boast of. What a lovely park Carton would make for the people of Maynooth and the surrounding countryside, like Ardgillan near Balbriggan! Think of its connections with Leinster House where our Dáil meets!

Recently I read a book entitled "Aristocrats" by Stella Tillyard, which I found most interesting and of particular interest to the people of Maynooth and Celbridge. The book gives a vivid picture of day to day life at Carton in the 18th century. The impression I got was that Carton was the great centre where everything happened - it was self-sufficient with a mill, granary brewery, tannery, bakery, etc., etc., and employed up to 100 people, while another 200/300 might be employed there when major works were under way. Ms. Tillyard says: "even the largest linen manufacturers in the country had not yet grown to that size. Only armies and fighting ships, with their crews of 400 were bigger." The town of Maynooth was only peripheral to this great centre of life and industry. Names of employees are mentioned and I wonder if any of their descendants are in Maynooth - a steward called Bere, a butler, Stoyte, housekeepers, Mrs. Clarke or Mrs. Lynch. Other locals are mentioned as intruders into the park - Mary (Cocker) Kelly, Anne Strong, Mary McDannett!

Lord Edward Fitzgerald spent much of his childhood here - the home of his parents, the Duke and Duchess of Leinster. He was probably born in Leinster House. Are we aware that Lord Edward was a great-great-grandson of King Charles II through his mother, Emily? - that he was one of twenty-two children born to Emily, most of whom died in infancy or childhood? - that she invited Rousseau to be tutor to her children, a position Rousseau turned down. Castletown House in Celbridge gets as much coverage, as it was the home of Emily's sister, Lady Louisa Connolly. Louisa Bridge in Leixlip was probably called after her! I often wonder who Anne Bridge (Moyglare) is called after - built in 1798?

I wonder if your readers would be interested if extracts from "Aristocrats" were published in the Newsletter? Many, I know, would find the present more relevant, but, for me, the more I know about the past of a place the more I love it.

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An invitation to join the community council sub-committees was sent to all members in the last few weeks. This follows a discussion about the level of participation by the members in the community council sub-committees, at the community council meeting in November 1997.

Community Council AGM - 23/3/98
The Community Council AGM will take place on 23/3/98 at the Post Primary School, Moyglare Road at 8pm.

Paul Croghan
PRO

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE ARRANGEMENTS

The Parade leaves Greenfield Shopping Centre at 11 am. This year it will be led by the Naraghmore Pipe Band as St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band will be representing Maynooth in Kansas, USA.

The Reviewing Stand will be at the Irish Permanent Office on Main St. and the Parade will turn right at the Square heading towards Quinns Supermarket where they will fall out.

Motorists:
While most motorists obey the stewards and appreciate that it is our National Holiday, there are a few who act as if they never heard of St. Patrick's Day or the Parade. If motorists obey the following rules the parade will pass off peacefully:

1. From 11am no cars will be allowed down the Straffan Road towards Main St. from Greenfield Shopping Centre.
2. No parking allowed at the entrance to Greenfield Estate outside Greenfield Shopping Centre from 10.30 am.
3. No parking on either side of Main Street from 11am to 12.15pm.
4. No cars allowed up the Straffan Road from Main St. from 11 am to 12 noon.

John McGinley
Parade Secretary

CAUTIONARY REMINDERS FROM THE GARDAI

Please refrain from parking on the Main Street overnight and until the parade is finished.

Be aware that the parade will be taking place and make arrangements to travel to Mass earlier than normal.

All traffic will be held up from passing through the Main Street from 10.55 until the parade is finished approximately an hour and a half later.

The Gardai again appeal to parents to take extra care with their children on the day.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee's next meeting will be on the 5th March 1998 at 8.30p.m. in the Community Council Offices, Main St., Maynooth.

Please look out for our St. Patrick's Day Parade entry sponsored by Gerard Mulcahy, Family Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Where is the time going? Here we are now in March. This month sees the culmination of the training for Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton Project, Quiz, Art & Model Making, Table Tennis, Set Dancing, Culture Corner.

Local Events

The Art & Model Making will take place in the Post Primary School on Saturday March 7th at 10.30 a.m. There will be an entry fee of £2 per child or £5 for family (3 or more).

Fiona O'Connor is now picking her "stars" for the Variety Production, and rehearsals will be on-going in the Boys' School on Fridays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

County Competition

The First Round of Indoor Team events must be completed by 27th February. Quarter Finals by 6th March. Semi Finals 20th March and Finals 27th March.

County Finals

Cross Country: Saturday March 14th The Curragh 12 noon.

Project: Saturday March 28th Nurney Hall 10 a.m.

U/14 Quiz: Friday April 3rd Allenwood 7.30 p.m.

Judges are required at County level in the following events: Art, Choir, Gymnastics, Variety, Project, Culture Corner, Athletics and Swimming.

Anyone with expertise in any of these disciplines please contact Marie Gleeson 6285246 or Maynooth Community Games at 6285922, or myself Brighidin Breslin at 6286254 after 3 p.m.

Good luck to all our competitors and mentors.

*B. Breslin,
P.R.O.*



Mark Cummins, 4th place Winner in 1997 Long Puck in Mosney, National Community Games Finals.

PRESENTATION CONVENT GIRLS SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Irish Night.

The Parents Association are holding their annual Irish night in the Glenroyal Hotel on 6th of March 1998 from 9.00 p.m. to 12.00 p.m.

Music by Gealra as in previous years.

Spot prizes and a raffle on the night.
Tickets £5 available through the school or at the door on the night.

Your support will be greatly appreciated.

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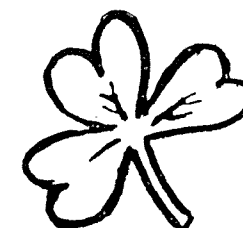
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| 7. Best Costumes - Trophy - £25 | |

Applications with entry fee to be sent to Community Council Office before 6/3/98 or phone Freda Kelleher (office hours - 6285922) or John McGinley (6285293 - After office hours)

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

How is it the song goes again ... Love is in the air every time I look around ... Well it certainly was in abundance at our Valentine's Party on Sunday, February 15th. Whoever said "romance is for the young" has never seen Pat Doonan or Leo McGlynn in full flight. There is no substitute for experience I always say. Although men were in short supply, nevertheless we had eight couples taking part in our fun competition. Pat Doonan and Carmel Reilly were deemed our "most romantic couple" of the evening taking first prize of flowers, chocolates and bottle of whiskey. Leo and Eileen McGlynn came a very close second and Eileen Coogan and Matt Brannigan (Leixlip) came third.

Of course the fun didn't end there, as we had a competition for the most romantic card and verse. We had a huge amount of entries for this, so we passed the judging on to Margaret Maher from the Newsletter office who did an excellent job. The winners of this competition were as follows:

"Most Romantic Verse"	1st	Joan Branagan
	2nd	Margaret Walsh
	3rd	Josie Wicks.

I have loved you for many years
and all that time I've hidden my tears
We parted over something small
which I cannot even recall.
You went your way
I went mine
I still loved you all that time.
Maybe some day we'll meet again
And become the best of friends.
Perhaps the good Lord will look down from above
And grant us our day of love.
And even though we're old and grey
you are still my Valentine to this very day.

Joan Branagan

VALENTINE

St. Valentines Day holds lots of memories of days that are long gone by.
When I sneaked out at night to meet him under a starry sky.

We talked and we laughed for hours until the moon disappeared,
and then hand-in-hand we made our way home and are together for years.

So three cheers for my faithful and true love from now till the end of time,
His step is much slower his shoulders have dropped
But he's still my own Valentine.

Margaret Walshe

"Most Romantic Card"	1st	Chris Feighery
	2nd	John O'Reilly
	3rd	Mary O'Reilly.

A big thank you to all who entered into the fun and spirit of the evening, and to Leixlip Golden Years Club who always enhance our parties by their presence. Congratulations and well done to all.

February is also the month for our Annual General Meeting, which took place on Tuesday 3rd in the Health Centre. The Chairperson in her report thanked the general community for their support throughout the year and in particular Peter O'Brien, Pat Barton, Eugene O'Reilly, the Post Primary School, the I.C.A. and all those who help at our annual Sale of Work and the Morning Club, too numerous to mention. Without the support of so many, our organisation would have a very difficult task indeed. 1997 was a most successful year both in terms of our on-going work with our older people and from a financial point of view.

The Secretary, Patsy O'Rafferty in her report gave a comprehensive account of our years activities which seems to get bigger with every passing year. However, it is rewarding work and with such community support, how can we go wrong ?

The Treasurer, Catherine Mulready, gave a detailed account of the years finances, carefully audited by Eugene O'Reilly to the satisfaction of all. These accounts are presented in turn to the E.H.B. which keeps us all in 'check' so to speak.

I thank all those who attended this meeting, members and non-members alike, including Peter McNamara, representing the Pastoral Students from the College who assist us in visiting our less mobile and sometimes house-bound people.

With all reports and discussions over, the elections were next on the agenda. The committee for the coming year is as follows:

Josephine Moore	Chairperson and P.R.O.
Patricia Nolan	Vice Chairperson
Patricia O'Rafferty	Secretary
Joan Lennon	Min. Secretary
Catherine Mulready	Treasurer
Patricia Cusker	Assistant Treasurer

Agnes Boyd, Imelda Delaney, Helen Doyle, Ita Loughnane, Georgina Mulready, Kathleen McAtamney, Betty Moore, Lily O'Riordan, Marie O'Toole, Mary Simon, Bridget Tierney, Mairead Bean, Bernadette McKeevar and Betty Farrell.

I take this opportunity to thank all these members for their loyalty and dedication through many years. Except for the occasional change of officers, membership has remained more or less the same over the years. It is to this fact that I attribute the success of this committee. Consistency and stability are very important in our lives, young and old.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS

Our next event will be our Annual Collection which takes place this year from March 5th to the 8th inclusive and once again we ask for your support.

Sunday, March 22nd we will be guests of the afore-mentioned students. This trip to the College has become an annual event to which we all look forward.

Well, that's the year so far. Still to come, our Easter Party in April, our May Party and Sponsored Walk (Courtesy - Labour Party), our Annual Outing in June, Community Week 'Cabaret' in July and Holidays in August, and Inter Club trips in between. How is that for a full calendar.

Our sincere sympathy to the Bean and Keys families on the death of Tom (Deuce). To the Presentation Sisters on the death of Sr. de' Lourdes who died in Clondalkin having spent twenty-five years in Maynooth, and to Mary Murtagh on the death of her brother in England.

Finally, may I ask those who oversee the work on the footpaths of our Main Street, to put themselves in the position of those in wheelchairs, partially sighted, old or infirm who have great difficulty coping with these un-user friendly areas at the best of times. While I fully appreciate the importance of this work, however, diligence should always be tempered with care and consideration for others. And when all this work is complete and those long awaited by-laws are in place, I trust the powers that be will create a more user friendly walk-way, by confining the cars and trucks to where they belong, on the road and in car parks or do I indulge in fantasy.

Josephine Moore

CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

Reflection for Lent

It's that time of the year again, Lent. As much as we may find it uncomfortable, deep within us we know it is beneficial. We just wish there were an easier way. It is like the man who once went to the doctor, who took x-rays that showed some problems. The operation suggested by the doctor would be very painful and expensive. The doctor pointed out, however, that for much less money he could just touch up the x-rays.

Real change takes a firm commitment and Lent provides us with forty days to start off on this road one step at a time with the help of God.

Bishop's Visit

We look forward to having the Bishop with us for a United Service in St. Mary's, Maynooth on Sunday 15th at which seven of our young parishioners will be confirmed. We pray for them as they take this step in their faith. Also at this service the Bishop will dedicate a wooden cross which has been given in memory of Revd. James Hammond, a former Rector who died last year.

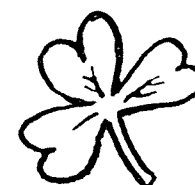
Services for Lent

At 10.30 am each Wednesday a service of Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Church. Details of Holy Week services will be available next month or from the Rector.

Rector Revd.
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Happy St. Patrick's Day



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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Congratulations to the pupils and staff on the wonderful production of "Fiddler on the Roof" which ran in the Parish Hall from Thursday, 5th to Sunday, 8th February.

The musical has now become part of the school's tradition since "Oliver" in 1995, "Calamity Jane" in 1996 and "Oklahoma!" in 1997.

The dedication, commitment and hard work of pupils and staff alike was so evident.

Once again, on behalf of the Parent/Teacher Association, I wish to thank all the local businesses for their sponsorship in the form of advertisements for the Programme for the show.

For very many of them this is the fourth year in which they have lent their support in this way and it is greatly appreciated. They are all listed here-under. We hope that they benefit from your custom in the coming year:



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*Mary Oliver,
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Maynooth Post Primary School
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Photo Scene



Mary Murphy, Claire Dorrity, Laurene Barry - Fiddler on the Roof.



Fiddler on the Roof Full Cast.



*L.- R. Rachel Watson, Clodagh Mee, Colm Brennan, Eoin Fahy,
Susan Roberts and John Ashe - Fiddler on the Roof.*

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From January 1st 1998 this charge is to be increased to £25 a day, with a ceiling of £250 (10 days) in a 12 month period. If undue hardship was to be caused to an individual or family as a result of these charges, an appeal can be made, to reduce or exempt the charge, to the Chief Executive of your Health Board.

You should also be aware that from January 1st 1998 the charge at the Accident & Emergency Department of a hospital to those without a referral letter from their GP will be increased to £20 - it is currently £12. It applies to the first visit only - of any episode of care; for subsequent visits for the same condition, etc. There are no further charges.

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Wednesday 11.00am - 1.00pm (Dunboyne Community Centre)
Thursday 10.30am - 12.30pm (Leixlip Library)
Friday 10.00am - 12.00noon (Kilcock)

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BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Due to a clash of dates we have had to change the date of our fund-raising event to the 3rd April, it will be held in the G.A.A. Club, Moyglare Road at 8.30 p.m.

We would ask parents with cars to enter the yard through the gate nearest the church and exit through the gate nearest the school and please be extra vigilant as children get on and off buses.

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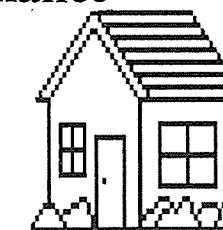
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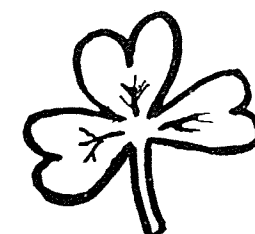
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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

Decision time is fast approaching for our local councillors as the Maynooth Development Plan nears finalisation. Maynooth is one of only eight towns in the county for which the plan for the period 1996-2001 remains to be agreed. The cause of the delay is essentially the failure of the County Council to pass the County Development Plan, from which individual town plans should stem. This is despite a recent concession by the Minister for the Environment in lifting his suspension of their activities in this area, and allowing them until the end of March to complete the task. This concession has however been abused, and further extensions are currently being sought by county councillors to complete their revision of a County Development Plan dating from 1985, which is required to be updated every five years under the various planning acts.

Strategic Plan

Councillors have, after over a year of procrastination, decided to accept the strategic plan drawn up for the county by the consultant Jonathan Blackwell. This specifies that a projected growth of population for the county as a whole of 12,000 people over the period of the next plan should be accommodated mainly outside the hard-pressed north eastern towns of Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge etc. For Maynooth, the appropriate share which our next plan should seek to accommodate is 1,472 people. This represents a population increase of 17% on present levels. In a recent audit of what lands are currently available in Maynooth it transpired that 86 acres remained undeveloped from the 1985 plan, enough for a further increase in population of 1,806 people. This is far in excess of what is required under the Blackwell Plan agreed by councillors.

Acute Stresses

So what can the residents of Maynooth expect from their local councillors? During the period 1991-96 Maynooth increased in population by 41%. This has imposed acute stresses in many areas as the burgeoning town outgrows its resources. Despite the building of 800 houses between 1993 and 1996 many estates have a long way still to grow before they reach their full complement. Can we expect that the further 17% increase which the existing land bank provides for will be considered enough? Well publicised comments have recently been circulated to the effect that a further tranche of 50-80 acres may be foisted on the town. This would provide for 3-4,000 extra residents over the next few years. Of course this would mean 5-6000 extra cars on the streets of Maynooth, and, down the line a bit, pressure on schools, recreational amenities and further rapid expansion of the built up areas around the edges of the town.

Town	1996 Population	Unused Residential (land acres)	Potential Population from unused land	Planned Population Growth (Blackwell) 1996 - 2001	Projected % increase
Maynooth	8,528	86	1,806	1,472	17
Celbridge	12,289	255	5,355	1,211	10
Kilcock	1,825	55	1,260	675	37
Straffan	341	35	714	159	47
Clane	3,126	136	2,856	1,074	34

It is clear from the table above that the plight of Maynooth is not unique. Similar fates are in store for several other north Kildare towns, with in every case an available land bank which exceeds the projected need agreed to by the councillors themselves.



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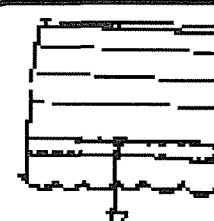


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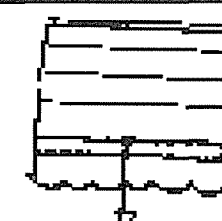
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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB NEWS

Maynooth athletes had a successful trip to Nenagh on Sat 31st for the N.A.C.A.I. Junior and Juvenile championships.

First into action was Elaine MacNamara who finished 2nd in her 300 metres heat under 15, which was good enough to get 8th place overall.

Next under 13, Kevin Comerford, also finished 2nd in his heat of the 300 metres, which coincidentally placed him 8th.

Muire Ennis won her under 13 girls 300 metres heat convincingly which took her into 5th place.

In each of the above three events there were 8 heats, with 8 athletes in each, so the performances were most encouraging for three athletes making their first appearance on Nenagh's tartan track.

Finally in the last race of the day, David Campbell produced another strong run in the 1,500 metres under 17 to claim another title.

His time of 4.12.44 was just .5 of a second outside Dunboyne runner John Reilly's N.A.C.A.I. indoor record set in 1991.

All athletes must now be encouraged to continue the good turnout at training every Weds. evening at 7.00 in the G.A.A. field on the Moyglare Road, as now is the time to lay the foundation for a successful track season.

Anyone interested in starting the sport is welcome to come along or contact DAVID JOLLEY P.R.O. at 6286187

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The above Association was formed over a year ago to improve the up-keep of our Cemetery.

I would like to take this opportunity of welcoming new members onto the Committee: Breda Ward, Ann Nugent, Lil Hyland, Patricia Malone, Owen Donovan, Dick Sheehan, Michael Kelly, John Saults, Peter Flynn, Pat McDonnell and Larry O'Brien. Also, I would like to bring you up to-date on our progress for 1997 and our plans for 1998.

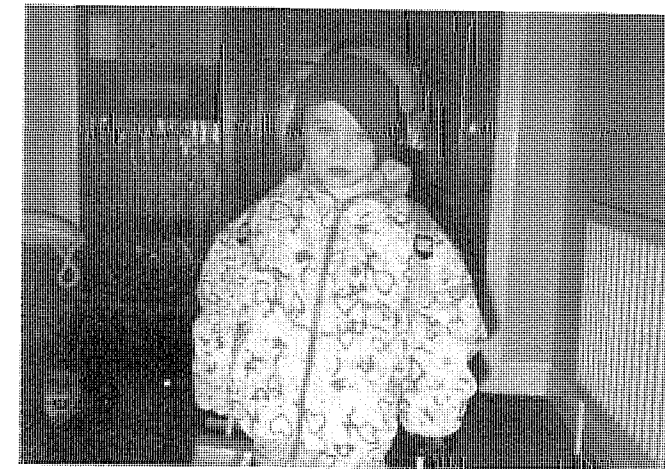
In 1997 our first priority was to raise funds which was very successful thanks to all our parishioners, Fr. Supple, Kildare Co. Council and local businesses. The money raised helped us immensely in allowing us to: hire skips; buy top soil; Archeologist report; purchase lawn-mower and plants/shrubs, indeed we were very disappointed that all the winter shrubs and plants that were planted in November were stolen over the Christmas.

1998 looks a very promising year due to the fact that in the November estimates, Kildare Co. Council allocated to us (a) barrier for the entrance to the Cemetery and (b) money to help us carry on with our plans for the cemetery. These are a few of our plans: tree pruning; laying of new paths and repairing old; improve and provide extra water stations; erect an altar and provide seating.

Help is our main problem, even though our Committee is now larger we could do with extra help. The Committee have agreed to meet on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month between 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m., help on these days would be greatly appreciated.

*Helen Johnson,
Secretary.*

Photo Scene



Happy Birthday to Ali Williams who will be 3 on 12th March. She enjoys swimming, painting and being with her friends. She wants to be a firefighter and ballerina when she grows up.



Heat Winner in Talent - M. Fitzgerald.



*Irene Kearney, Aidan Doyle, Peter Finnan,
James Mulligan, Karina McGovern.
Front - Eoin Fahy - Fiddler on the Roof.*



*Back Row - Erica O'Dea, Stephen McKeon,
Sinead Keanan, Karen Hildebrand.
Front Row - James Mulligan, David Campbell.*



*Maynooth Post Primary School Social Dance
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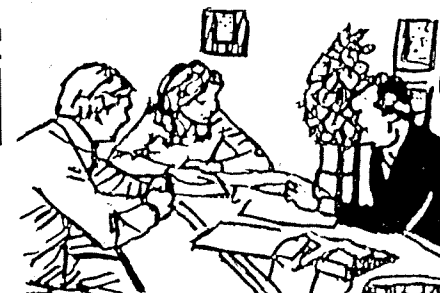
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I.C.A. NOTES

The February Meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. took place on Thursday 5th February in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Our President Marion Souhan welcomed all the ladies.

Congratulations were extended to Mary Flynn on receiving her Golden Jubilee Certificate from Country Markets Ltd. Mary achieved this Certificate for her handcrafts.

The February Competition was a Word Search. The results were:

Joint 1st	Rosemary Hanley & Marion Souhan.
Shared 2nd	Viva Kerins, Mary O' Gorman & Margaret Houlihan.
3rd	Maryse Killian.

The March Competition is "A Dessert" with the theme of St. Patrick's Day.

There are quite a few competitions coming up.

Rose Bowl Applique Wall Hanging.

The Competition is to design and make an applique wall hanging measuring 24" x 32" showing a good amount of machine applique. Closing date is 6th. March and the entry fee is £3.

The Brownmann Cup for Art. You must use the theme "Irish Country Scene" for your painting. It can be water coloured, oil or acrylic painted. Entries by 21st March.

Creative Writing Competition. "Ready Brek" Children's Writing Competition. This is open to children or grandchildren of I.C.A. members. Entries are divided into three categories.

1st/2nd Class	"My School"
3rd/4th Class	"My Own Place"
5th/6th Class	"What I Want To Be"

Entries to be with Federation Contest Secretary by Friday 20th April.

There will be a Table Quiz in Maynooth G.A.A. Club for Community Games on 27th February.

Community Council have invited I.C.A. to have a representative on the Council. The A.G.M. is on 23rd March.

Crafts:

Jo O' Connell keeps our ladies busy on Monday night with her craft-making. The ladies make a wide range of items from cuddly toys to purse making to embroidery and also cross-stitch.

Badminton:

Bernie tells us that the badminton is going very well at present and continues on Tuesdays and Thursday mornings in the Parish Hall from 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

Ann O' Neill gave a very interesting talk and demonstration on Aloe Vera products. There are a wide range of these products now readily available.

The winners of the raffle were:

1st	Helen Doyle
2nd	Ann O' Neill
3rd	Helen Finn
4th	Bernie Doyle

Next meeting will be March 5th at 8.00 p.m.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

It's that time of year again when we have our 'Garden Talk' which will be held in The Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth on March 24th. This year the guest speaker is Sydney Conneff. He has a beautiful garden and is an expert plants man. So, everyone interested in gardening will enjoy his advice. A limited amount of rare plants will be for sale, that night.

Competitions for 24th - Classes A.B.C. - Petite "Down the Garden Path".

Plant Competition - Best collection of Spring Blooms.

Details for Spring Show and Schedule will soon be available. Date of show is Saturday, April 18th.

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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

KILCOCK MUSICAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Kilcock Musical and Dramatic Society are proud to announce that this season's production is that perennial family favourite, "The Sound of Music" which will be staged in Kilcock from March 10th - 14th inclusive. Those who enjoyed our production of "Fiddler on the Roof" last year will no doubt be keen to experience this entertaining show which is in a much lighter vein and which contains so many popular musical treats.

It is heartening to realise that in these days of "push button" entertainment, live performance art is still alive in our small town of Kilcock and that it can give so much pleasure to performers and audience alike. Kilcock as a small rural town has a tradition that many larger towns would envy. It is several years since the Kilcock Musical and Dramatic Society celebrated their 25th anniversary and still the band plays on!!

The cast are currently rehearsing under the watchful gaze of producer Eithne McManus who is new to the Musical Society but who brings many years of Dramatic experience with her. Musical Direction is provided by newcomer Vincent Thorpe who brings a wealth of musical experience with him from his career as a music teacher and his background as a musician currently fronting the band "Jigsaw" who are providing music for the show.

Chorus Mistress for this show is Laura Duff who is also an accomplished teacher and singer. Laura is well known locally for her work with the Church Choir and has graced the stage with the Society in past years. The Choreography is provided by Grace McGrath of Maynooth, who has proved capable of getting graceful movement out of even the most awkward feet in her many shows to date with Kilcock.

This show has provided the opportunity for some of our younger talents to shine as the seven children of the Von Trapp family are played by a capable group of young people, several of whom are new to such productions. As any Musical group knows, it is essential to nurture such young talent as they will fill the adult roles of tomorrow.

The leading lady in this show is such an example as the by now extremely accomplished Sharon Murphy plays Maria. Sharon has been taking leading roles on stage since she was 14 and now at the ripe old age of 22 she brings all this experience to bear as she sings and dances her way from the Abbey to The Captain's Heart. The said Captain is played by Paul Fitzgibbon who is only treading the boards for the second time ever. Paul draws on his teaching experience for the stern and regimental Captain but of course we can see from an early stage that he is a softy with a heart just waiting to be melted. Eldest daughter Leisl is played by Louise Cassidy who is romanced by Willie Bermingham as Rolf.

The other children are Nuala Lynam, Jenny Seery, Bernadine Carroll, Denise Brady, Ciaran Cullen and Carlie McCourt.

Maria's love rival is ably played by Olivia (Libby) Murphy. Returning to Kilcock for his second production is Robert Healy from Ballyfermot Theatre Workshop who plays the flamboyant Max. This show sees the welcome return of Brid Anglin to the role of mother Abbess assisted by Lorraine Murphy, Bernie Byrne, Jean Ryan, Catherine Ryan, Niamh Anglin and who all make the most unlikely group of nuns ever to be seen in Kilcock. Finally Carol Ryan plays the Housekeeper and John Greenhodge and Kenny Cribben make their stage debut as the Butler and the Gestapo chief respectively.

A set designed by Noel Murphy provides the backdrop to this musical with Art Work by Joe Keirnan. The venue of St. Joseph's Hall in Kilcock has been extensively redecorated in the past few months and provides an excellent facility for cast and audience. The show previews on Tuesday March 10th with tickets at £3 for adults and £1.50 for children. Wednesday night is patrons night when the Society takes the opportunity of thanking its Patrons and Sponsors.

Major Sponsor this year is "Joe Mallon Motors" of Naas who sponsor the programme for the show. Tickets for all other nights are £5 for adults and £2.50 for children with special rates for Students, OAPs and Families. It promises to be a popular show so those wishing to book tickets should phone either Paul at (01) 6284850 or Lorraine at (01) 6287828.

Curtain up is at 8 p.m. each night, so forget about the video and television, for a change and head on down for some real live entertainment. You may already know the story and the ending etc. but this show will provide a great night out for all ages. It is guaranteed to have plenty of people humming "Doe a Deer....." and "Edelweiss" around Kilcock and North Kildare for many months to come.

MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the I.C.A. Hall on Friday Night March 6th 1998 at 8.30 p.m.

The Annual Mass for Deceased will be celebrated on Sunday March 1st '98 at 1p.m.

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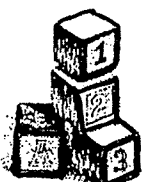
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MAYNOOTH MAN IN THE "HOT SEAT"

In early January, Larry O'Brien from Newtown was appointed Chairperson of the organisation of National Ex-Service Men and Women.

From 1958 to 1963, Larry spent his time as a member of the F.C.A. at McKee's



*1st from right, Larry marching
in St. Patrick's Day Parade*

Barracks on the North Circular Road.

Larry is married to Dooley and has six children.

After years of taking part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade with the Cathal Brugha Barracks, this year Larry will take his place on the review stand as Chairperson of the O.N.E.

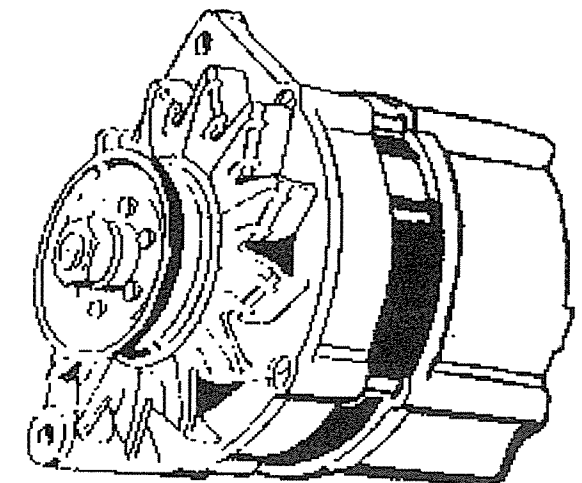
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FAITH FRIENDS A GREAT SUCCESS!!

For the very first time, the Parish of St. Mary's Maynooth and Ladychapel have completed a very successful and rewarding Faith Friends programme.

During the months of January and February, Confirmation candidates from the Boys' and Girls' Primary Schools, and other candidates in the parish, met with twenty-two Faith Friends. These parishioners shared faith and friendship with the candidates, in small groups of six or seven.

On behalf of the parish, the Faith Friends showed the young candidates that they had the support and prayers of an interested and welcoming faith community.

The topics covered were:

When did I feel close to God? How do I pray? What does Belonging to the Church mean? What does it mean to Care for others? The young candidates were loud in praise of their Faith Friends, and they said they had really enjoyed the whole experience. For their part, the Faith Friends were greatly impressed and touched by the faith and commitment of the young boys and girls.

The venue for the meetings was the Post Primary School. Thanks and appreciation were expressed to Mr. Sean Ashe, the Principal, for his interest and co-operation in the venture and for his generosity and hospitality.

The parish would like to thank the 22 wonderful people who agreed to give their time to train and be commissioned as Faith Friends. They were: Jim Kelly, Noelle McTernan,

Pauline McBride, Maureen Keegan, Colm Hoban, Emer O'Keeffe, Caoimhe O'Sullivan, Lisa King, Anna Flood, Della Clerkin, Pádraig Madden, Rachel Watson, Ciara Baxter, Pat O'Brien, Liz Jennings, Paschal Sweeney, Declan O'Rourke, Fiona Hoare, Andre Ennis, Derry O'Hurley, John McCarthy and Michael Madden.

The Leaders in charge of the Programme would also like to thank the Parish Priest,

Fr. Brendan Supple, for his encouragement, support and prayers. The Leader Group were: Jennifer Quigley, Joe Harkness, Maeve Moloney, Peter McNamara, Joan Lennon, Fr. John Sinnott and Noelle Topley.

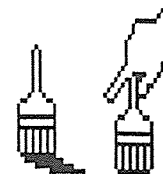
It is hoped that Faith Friends will continue to be a feature of Confirmation preparation for many years to come. Any information can be obtained from Noelle Topley, 14 Carton Court, Maynooth, Telephone 6285888.

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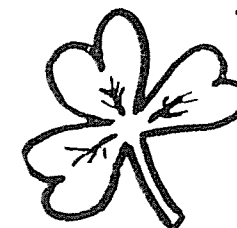
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CHILDREN'S QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

1. Who sold the first hamburger?

The brothers Maurice and Richard MacDonald set up business near Pasadena in 1940.

2. Does the colour red make a bull angry?

The bull is colour blind and does not see red at all. It charges the bullfighter's cape because it is waved in front of it, and this makes the bull mad.

3. How old is Mickey Mouse?

This world famous mouse was first seen in the cartoon Steam Boat Willie in 1928. His creator Walt Disney used his own voice for the mouse.

4. How does a squid get out of trouble?

When danger threatens, the squid, like the octopus and the cuttlefish, can squirt dark ink fluid to conceal themselves. The ink clouds the water and confuses their enemy.

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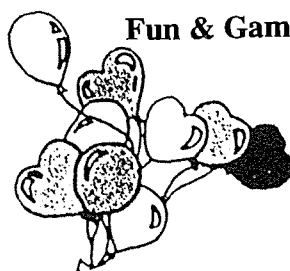
- Waiter, there's a dead fly in my soup.
Yes, it's the heat that kills them.
- John: Teacher, do you think it's fair to punish someone for something they didn't do?
Teacher: Most definitely not.
John: That's a relief-I didn't do my homework.
- How do you catch a squirrel?
Climb up a tree and act like a nut.
- Teacher: Anna, if you had 15 cows and you bought 27 more cows at the market, what would you have?
Anna: A dairy herd.

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Basically one must remember that colour comes in two categories.

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This category which includes red, pink, orange, apricot, peach, yellow, terra-cotta and tan will make an area more enclosed, cosy and inviting, but this can be claustrophobic in a limited space so aim to use the paler values in small rooms, or on a more modest surface.

There are also the naturals. The only true naturals are black, white and grey. However, there are also some "accepted" neutrals, which include beige, cream, mushroom, off-white and the natural colours of materials such as wood, cane, marble, brick, stone, raw wool, flax, linen and undyed cotton. Neutrals can be warm or cool and work as either advancing or receding colours. They also act as a link or background to a scheme, although they can be used to create a restrained and relaxing atmosphere. If you are working with neutral shades, it is essential to add plenty of textual variety and contrast to the scheme, and it also helps to add some sharp colour accents.

The way that you put colour together will result in success or failure, whether you use a harmonious or a contrasting scheme.

Monochromatic schemes, when only one basic colour is used, but with changes in value and intensity are harmonious. These are sometimes called blend-and-tone or tone-on-tone schemes; they can be cool or warm, depending on the basic colour.

A cool, fairly pale monochromatic scheme will help to create an illusion of space and light. It is essential to choose enough contrast within the tones if the result is to work well. Choose the deepest value for floors and furniture, a mid-tone for the walls and a lighter one for the ceiling.

Contrasting or complementary schemes are created by using colours which are opposite each other on a colour wheel.



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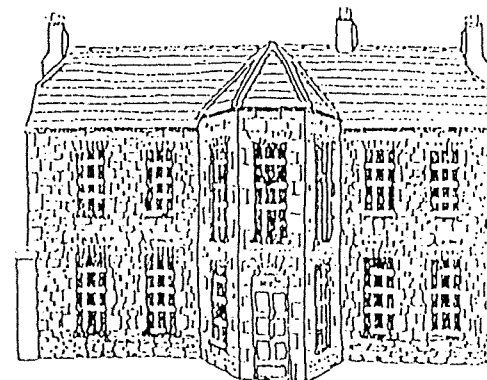
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Peter Kearney

Sergeant Peter Kearney from Maynooth has been placed on a promotion list to Rank of Inspector by the Garda Commissioner. Promotion and transfer is expected sometime towards the end of the Summer.

Peter came to Maynooth as a Garda in Feb 1984, left



Maynooth as a Sergeant in June 1993 and spent time in Tullow and Naas, then returned to Maynooth as Sergeant in charge in July 1994.

We the people of Maynooth would like to thank him and wish Peter and his family all the best.

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ALZHEIMER NEWS

It is so long since I had such a generous response to my sale of Raffle Tickets that I am sure everyone has forgotten about the raffle, but I hadn't!! The tickets were sold on National Tea Day last year, May 1st. The delay with the raffle is due to the change in dates.

Originally the "Tea Day" was held in November or maybe October, then it was found to be clashing with another big charity Tea-Day and the Society decided to change their day to May 1st, but the date for the raffle was left, hence the delay in getting results to you.

I am sorry to say Maynooth is again unlucky, but who knows what's around the corner, and as we all know we are subscribing to a very worthy cause.

May I thank everyone who helped me in the past and look for continued support on May Day 1998. Details later.

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Betty Farrell

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SCOIL UÍ RIADA NEWS

The Austro-Iberian-Hibernian Connection

Rang a III and IV, under the supervision of Múinteoir Colm Ó hAnluain, are presently undertaking a cultural exchange with pupils from the Volksschule Keplerplatz in Vienna and Primary School C.E.I.P. in San Pedro, La Coruna using the Internet as a means of interaction. As part of the initial stage of the project, teachers Natanya Van der Bruke from Austria and Maria de Minges from Spain made a preparatory visit to Scoil Uí Riada during the October mid-term break. Shortly afterwards the three schools formulated and co-submitted their project for funding to the EU under the COMENIUS Action 1 Programme. We are delighted to report that Scoil Uí Riada's submission for funding has been successful and the other two schools are awaiting similar confirmation.

COMENIUS Action 1 promotes the objective of a shared European citizenship by offering teachers and students the opportunity to appreciate a sense of a common history, environment and economy, while at the same time creating an awareness of the distinguishing cultural and historical features of each country. Under Action 1 of COMENIUS, schools form multilateral partnerships comprising schools from at least three countries within the European Union. The schools undertake to work together on a European Education Programme (EEP) for up to three years. One school within the partnership acts as co-ordinator, assuming overall responsibility and ensuring the smooth running of the administrative aspects of the project. Special priority is given to projects which foster an awareness of the lesser used European languages (Irish) and which promote linguistic diversification. However, the grant funding of 3,000 ECUs will only provide for the day to day running costs of the project and will not cover equipment start-up costs.

Anticipating this problem our Bord Bainistíochta forwarded a proposal to the Sponsorship Committee of Hewlett-Packard seeking funding for the hardware requirements necessary to enable the COMENIUS project to operate. Fortunately for Scoil Uí Riada our friends at Hewlett-Packard Ltd., Una Halligan and Tony Mac Dermott from the Sponsorship Committee, stepped in. They kindly provided the school with a Multimedia PC, Internet linkup, colour printer, CD-ROM reader and Windows 95 platform which facilitated start-up of the project.

We anticipate that the project will get fully underway shortly. It is difficult to realistically identify an end-point to the project. It is fair to say that it is the pupil participation and the activities of the project which are the important factors and not necessarily the end result. Inevitably the links among the three communities will be strengthened.

Dublin Kildare 1798 - Rathcoole Seminar

On Friday 6th March at 8 p.m., Dr Daithí O'Hogain (U.C.D.) and Frank Harte, the noted singer, will begin a seminar on 1798 at Scoil Chronain, Rathcoole. Rathcoole is 6 miles from Celbridge.

The following day the seminar continues from 10.30 with lectures from Jim Livesey (Trinity College), Tom Bartlett (U.C.D.), Ruan O'Donnell (St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra). In the afternoon a discussion entitled "If the rising had succeeded" with Dr. Chris Mc Gimpsey, Dr Diarmaid O Doibhlin (University of Ulster) and Dr. Martin Manseragh will begin at 2.30.

The entire weekend costs £10 and includes light lunch on Saturday. Fee for Friday night/ Saturday morning / afternoon is £3. Concessions available for students and senior citizens. Tel: 4588889 / 4588000.

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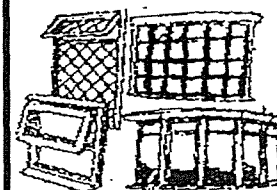
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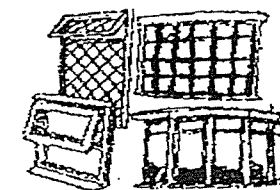
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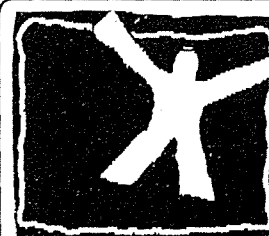
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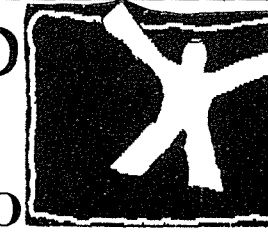
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THE LOW IMPACT SOCIETY

The Low Impact Society Maynooth College will host a Sustainable Earth Fair At Maynooth University 28th Feb. - 1st March 1998

Aims and Objectives:

The objective is to promote co-operation between individuals, organisations, businesses and Government institutions concerned with sustainable development. This will be a forum whereby proposals and ideas can be shared, discussed and put into action. It is envisaged that all participants will profit from networking with other like minded individuals. On the basis of the conference last year, it is expected that between two hundred and three hundred diverse groups and individuals will participate.

There will be four main sessions:
Saturday:

First Session: 11.00 - 13.00

"The Future of Progress"

John Seymour will open the event with this first session. Vandana Shiva representing the Southern Hemisphere, and a second international speaker representing the North, will analyse globalisation and the consequences of free trade. The aim is to bring global issues into a local perspective and explore the (un)-sustainability of models of 'development'.

Second Session: 16.30 - 18.00

"The Economics of Sustainability, from the Glen of the Downs to Climate Change"

A talk by Richard Douthwaite, introduced by Gavin Harte of the Glen of the Downs support network.

Sunday:

First Session: 11.00 - 13.00

"Genetic Engineering in Our Food and Agriculture, Good or Bad?" A session where Monsanto, the EPA, scientists working in this field, and Genetic Concern will be invited to debate the issue of genetic engineering in the food and agricultural sector.

Second Session: 15.30 - 17.30

"Forum For the Future, a Strategy For the Next Century"

The final session of the weekend will involve our main speakers and some of the leading figures in the environmental and development movements of Ireland in a discussion on what actions are needed for sustainability.

Apart from these four main sessions there will be ongoing workshops on different topics, installations (including The Living Architecture Centre, The Ark Permaculture Project, Global Renewable Energy) and a Multimedia Show.

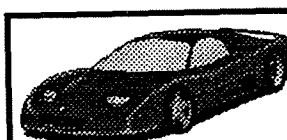
Crèche facilities are available and there will also be a show by the Down To Earth Theatre that will entertain both young and old.

Costs for the weekend will be:

For employed and moneyed: £25 on the day or £20 booked in advance.

For students and unwaged: £15 on the day or £10 in advance.

If you have a project or activity that you would like to highlight through a stall or installation, or if you have any further questions, please contact us as soon as possible. Low Impact Society c/o Students Union, N.U.I. Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Phone: 01 7083669; Fax: 7083876 Email: Loimpact.maths.may.ie or daviep.iol.ie



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ST. PATRICK - WHO WAS HE?

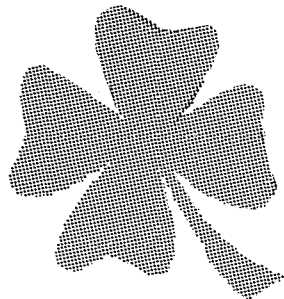
Records of the life of St. Patrick are sketchy. The Irish annals record the arrival of Patrick in Ireland in A.D. 432, but they give two dates for his death, 461 and 493. Some claim that there were two Patricks - one coming here in 432 and working for 30 years and the other one following on for another 30 years.

One of the Patricks wrote what is known as the Confessions of Patrick. It tells how he was carried off, while still a small boy, from his home to Ireland. He spent six years minding sheep for his Irish master. At the end of that time an angel appeared to him to tell him that a ship was waiting to take him to Gaul. He eventually got back to his family in Britain. Here an angel told him that the Irish wanted him to come back. He became a priest and returned. Patrick spoke in his Confessions of going to parts of Ireland "beyond which no man dwelt, and where never had anyone come to baptise or ordain clergy, or confirm the people".

The Hill of Slane where St. Patrick proclaimed Christianity in the 5th century is 1 mile to the north of Slane. The remains of a 16th century church are on the site of St. Patrick's Church. In Slane, visit the grounds of Slane Castle and go to the hermitage of St. Erc.

Tara is about 6 miles on the Navan side of Dunboyne. The Hill of Tara is the former cultural and religious capital of Meath. By the end of the 6th century it was the most powerful of Ireland's five kingdoms. Tara was the political and sometimes religious centre of Ireland until the 10th century. The High King of Ireland lived there. Earthworks include the Mound of the Hostages, Cormac's house and the Great Banqueting Hall. Stories from the time of Patrick link Slane and Tara. Tara has been destroyed for centuries but in 1843 Daniel O'Connell gathered 1,000,000 people there for a rally. The story of Tara is told at the visitor's centre. After the film you can have a guided tour. The centre opens at 9.30 a.m. There is no admission charge.

Barely a century after St. Patrick came to Ireland, the Irish themselves became missionaries of the Gospel. St. Columba set sail with twelve disciples for Scotland. St. Columbanus went to Bobbio and St. Gaul to Switzerland.



GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Slán le Laura: Beidh na daltaí i Rang Naíonáin Soisearach croí bhríste agus Laura ag fágaint slán leis an scoil. The Junior infants class will sorely miss their múinteoir and friend Laura Ní Dhuibh. The Gaelscoil is indebted to Laura for her genuine care and love for the children in her charge. She has instilled in them a love for the Irish language, learning and of course for music. We wish Laura every success in her teaching and musical career in the future.

Oíche seachtoidí / Seventies Night. 13 Márta G.A.A. Clubáras, Moyglare Rd.

Following the outstanding success of last years seventies night the cairde committee are organising a seventies night in the G.A.A. on Friday night 13th March. Tickets for the evening are available in the scoil and in the shops in the town. The evening promises to be an entertaining one full of nostalgia and déjà vous. Patrons of the evening are encouraged to get into the swing and to come dressed in seventies gear.

Lá Féile Phádraig 17 Márta

Beidh an Aifreann bliantúil a cheiliúradh ar maidin Phádraig. The annual St. Patrick's morning mass as traditionally celebrated in Maynooth through Irish will take place this year. There will also be an annual collection for Conradh na Gaeilge. Watch out for our float in the parade. For new residents of Maynooth, the parade is a must for the children, as it has become bigger and better over the years. The G.A.A. clubáras will be a hive of activity in the afternoon with hurling and camogie games and traditional music in the áras.

Ranganna Gaeilge

We need some more applications to make the course viable. If you would like to ensure your place on the course give Máirín a ring at 6290667. The course will not commence until April.

Suirbhé Mhaigh Nuad

In an attempt to plan for the Irish and Educational needs of Maynooth now and in the future, the local branches of Conradh na Gaeilge and Glór na nGael are conducting a survey of the needs of the people of Maynooth. It would be greatly appreciated if you would kindly fill in the attached form and return same to an Rúnaí, Conradh na Gaeilge, f/ch. Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich, Achadh Aoibhinn, Maigh Nuad.

We greatly appreciate that you are taking the time to help us plan for the future of Maynooth.

Beir bua agus beannacht

Colm Ó Cearúil

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Suirbhé Oideachais 1998

Education Survey 1998

1. An raibh a fhios agat go raibh Gaelscoil i Maigh Nuad?

Did you know that there was an All-Irish primary school in Maynooth? Bhí () Ní raibh ()

2. Conas go raibh a fhios agat?

If so, how? (e.g. local press, word of mouth etc.)

3. Cén caighdeán atá ar do chuid Ghaeilge?

How would you rate your standard of Irish?

Tada	Cúpla focal	Measartha líofa	Líofa
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None	A few words	Reasonably fluent	Fluent

4. An mbeadh spéis agat freastal ar ranganna Ghaeilge?

Would you be interested in Irish Classes for adults?

Bheadh () Ní bheadh ()

5. An bhfuil páisti réamh - scoile agat?

Do you have children of pre-school age?

Tá () Níl ()

6. An mbeadh tú sásta do pháiste a chur ag naíonra dá mbeadh ceann ar fáil?

Would you send your child to a Naíonra if there was one available?

Bheadh () Ní bheadh ()

7. An mbeadh spéis agat in oideachais trí Ghaeilge dod' pháiste?

Would you be interested in All-Irish primary education for your child?

Bheadh () Ní bheadh ()

8. An bhfuil tuilleadh eolais faoin nGaelscoil ag taisteal uait?

Would you like further information about the Gaelscoil?

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READING LECTURE

Educational Consultant Miss Alice Quinn, N.T., B.A., H. Dip. in Ed., recently gave an informative lecture on reading development - a guideline for parents in Maynooth Public Library.

The aim of this lecture was to give a clear and detailed account of the necessary "steps" that are required for parents who want to help their child at home to learn to read. Nothing suggested in her lecture will interfere with whatever teaching methods the school or the teacher is using. It is important to maintain a consistent and positive approach to helping your child to learn to read.

Reading can come easily to some children and others can find it that little bit harder, but taking the right steps to overcome these obstacles will leave the child with endless pleasures of reading for the rest of its life. Your child will benefit enormously by knowing that he has your full support.

If your child has even a minor difficulty with reading he needs the same type of devotion and attention from you. However if he has a severe reading problem then he will need your support right throughout his school days. One vital important question is how much do you know about your child's reading ability. You must hear your child's reading every night. Listen to what your child is saying. Try to make this a 'cosy time together'. By doing this you

will know how your child really feels and you will see how your child is improving. Children should be helped to speak as clearly and as distinctly as possible. This will lay a good foundation for their reading and spelling.

If you want your child to be able to 'read' (in the sense of understanding the meaning behind the individual words, phrases, and sentences in a book) you will have to provide him with opportunity to reconstruct the author's stories in this way.

Help to make sense of his immediate surrounding, read from a variety of reading materials.

Above all read from a variety of reading materials. Use newspaper articles, comics, cartoons, joke books, cereal packets, washing instructions, cookery books,....**anything** that will help and encourage him to be a fluent reader.

Remember to reassure him at all times, and that consistent work pays off in the end. There is a great deal you can do to help your child enjoy books and develop into a fluent and enthusiastic reader, from as early as birth through preschool and indeed early school years to help encourage and most important to make the process of becoming a reader enjoyable and free of anxiety.

MAYNOOTH MUSICIAN KEVIN WALSH ON TOUR WITH RIVERDANCE

Kevin Walsh from Laurence's Avenue, Maynooth will direct Riverdance Musical on its Australian Tour input and will also play the keyboards.

Kevin who is son of Des and Delma Walsh, went to school in Belvedere College and holds a music degree from Maynooth. Kevin is an experienced freelance musician. He has worked with Finbar Wright, Brendan O'Carroll, Rebecca Storm, the Vard Sisters and others.

He has also directed two Tops of the Town winning groups and has worked with Leixlip and Celbridge Musical Groups.

Kevin is looking forward to working with musicians like uileann piper, Declan Masterson.

Family and friends would like to wish Kevin every success in the future.

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Two Hundred Years of Music in Maynooth

This month St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band will undertake an ambitious trip to the United States. For the generations of musicians who have played in Maynooth bands for over two hundred years such a trip would have been beyond their wildest dreams. The fact that this trip is taking place reflects the health and vitality of the Maynooth Band as we end the century but the history of St. Mary's Band and earlier bands in Maynooth is one of struggling to keep the music alive against the odds. There have been highlights, prizes won and memorable performances. But there has also been times when, but for the efforts of a dedicated few, the traditional might have died. Looking back through the years Waldrons, Nolans, Farrellys and Weafers, to mention but a few, have given countless hours to the cause of music in Maynooth. This month the **Newsletter** is publishing a special feature on the Band and its history to mark the historic trip to Kansas.

The first reliable evidence of the existence of a Maynooth band goes back to 1796 when a local band played at the laying of the foundation stone of new buildings in St. Patrick's College. During the 1840's a Maynooth band played at the dedication of the newly built St. Mary's Catholic Church and also at the funeral of 'the Liberator', Daniel O'Connell. Later, in 1891, the Maynooth band played at the funeral service of Charles Stewart Parnell. During the middle of the last century there appears to have been two rival bands in Maynooth - 'Mahon's Band' and 'Bagnael's Band' and stories are told of the two bands playing up and down the town, vying for recognition.

The earliest surviving photograph of the Maynooth Band shows the band proudly displaying the Mullingar Feis Cup which had been won for the third year in a row in 1912. Also in that year several members of the band refused to play for King George V and Queen Mary on their visit to the

College. Reflecting these republican sympathies four members of the band - Paddy Colgan, Tom Mangan, Jack Graves and John Kenny - joined the garrison in the G.P.O on Easter Monday 1916. Around this time the band was based in the Town Hall in the Square but in 1921, in order to prevent a takeover by the Black and Tans the Hall was burned down by the Kilcock unit of the I.R.A. During the 1920's the band went into something of a decline but was revived again in 1930 thanks to Martin Nolan, Kit Dunne and the local curate Fr. Tom Grogan. Progress was rapid and by 1932 the band was invited to play at the Eucharistic Congress in the Phoenix Park and had the special honour of being the only band present. The early 1930's was a golden age for the band as it carried off a number of first prizes in feiseanna across the country. In 1944 the band found a home in what had been the National School in Pound Lane and have remained there since.

These years were a time of economic stagnation and emigration and by 1955 gaps had begun to appear in the ranks of the band. But 1955 marked the beginning of a new era for St. Mary's Band with the formation of a beginners class, comprising more than 20 schoolboys between the ages of ten and fourteen. This development was to lay the basis for the band for the next twenty years. By 1970 the bands instruments, purchased secondhand back in 1932, were beginning to look the worse for wear but the cost of replacement, at over £1,000, posed a major problem. The parish priest, Fr. Fergus O'Higgins, came to the rescue by volunteering to cycle to Armagh and back, a distance of more than 370 miles, to raise the funds. In 1979 the band had the special honour of playing for Pope John Paul II in the Phoenix Park, bringing back memories of their performance at the Eucharistic Congress some 47 years earlier.



Original Boys Band 1957 prior to parading to their 1st official engagement - Corpus Christi Procession.
Can you identify yourself?

St Mary's Band (Cont)

The years after the Golden Jubilee have consisted of dedicated twice weekly practices punctuated by highlights, these include engagements in Maynooth College marking the visit of the King and Queen of Spain and the laying of the foundation stone for the new John Paul Library, the Ladies All-Ireland football final in the presence of President Mary Robinson, the opening of the Maynooth Bye Pass and winning a number of first prizes in the Annual Limerick International Marching Band Competitions. The appointment of our new Conductor Niall O'Connor in 1997 marked a change in fortunes for the Band when they won the National Junior Concert Band Contest in Dublin. This was followed rapidly by the commitment to the Kansas City visit more of which can be read elsewhere in this feature and a new departure - Christmas Carols at Pearse Station, Westland Row for Iarnród Eireann. Christmas also marked a further feather in the Band's hat when Chairman Paddy Boyd suggested to Fr. Supple that a Christmas Carol Service in the Church was long overdue. A great deal of work from the Choir and the Folk Group and a little input from the Band resulted in an absolutely fabulous Carol Service in the presence of an overflowing and appreciative congregation. A sustained round of applause at the end of the evening said much more than any words could express and gives a solid foundation for next years service. Also at Christmas the Band gave a recital of Seasonal Music at the new Blanchardstown Centre to raise funds for the Kansas trip. They were one of many Bands to play there over the Christmas period and as a result of positive reaction from the Management of the Centre were invited back to play on a paid basis for a Valentines Day recital last month - surely an indicator of the direction in which the Band is going. As to the future, immediate plans include the National Concert Band Championship in April where the Band moves up to the Intermediate Section with hopes for a placing rather than a win-but hope springs eternal, a proposed joint concert / march with a French Band in Trim during the summer with a possible concert with them in Maynooth; what a wonderful attraction for community week if the dates allow - and finally our plans for school participation in the Band. It is indeed gratifying to see the extent to which the Kansas City visit has attracted the attention and support of the people and businesses of Maynooth and with this continued support the Band can put the town on the map both at home and abroad and repay in kind the goodwill extended towards them.

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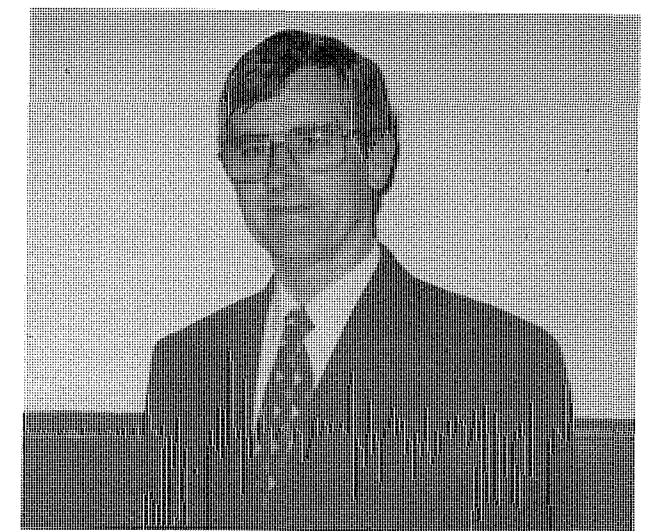
The Committee and members of St. Mary's Band would like to extend a sincere thanks for the wonderful support we have received for our St. Patricks week visit to Kansas City. Our special thanks to Bartons Transport who are providing us with a coach to and from Dublin Airport. They have been a wonderful supporter to the Band in the past. We are indeed privileged to be the first Maynooth Band to represent the town abroad and in particular this special 25th Anniversary of the Kansas City St. Patricks Day Parade which is, unlike practically all non-Irish Parades, being held on 17th March. We will pass on the good wishes of the people of Maynooth to both the Lord Mayor and Bishop of Kansas when we are introduced to them and we shall play our part in selling the town to the people of Kansas. We once again express our gratitude and assure you that we will be excellent Ambassadors for Maynooth.

*John Curran,
Hon Secretary*

BAND PROFILES

Paddy Boyd (Chairman)

Paddy is one of a small select number of members heading towards the half century with the Band. Joining the boys Band in 1955 (yes, he did wear short trousers then) he started on Euphonium and over the years, at one time or another, played trombone, bass drum, side drum, and trumpet - and he still hasn't found what he's lookin' for. He has also moved around a bit at committee level filling the posts of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and P.R.O., during a 35 year period.



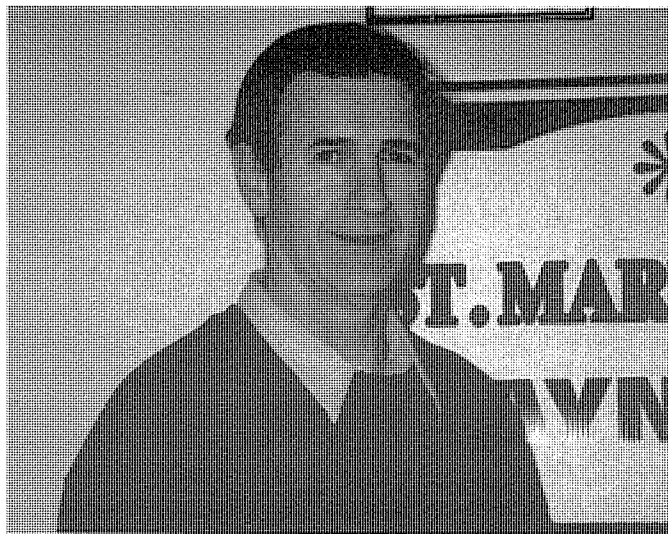
Where can he go from here? Paddy's wish for the future is that the Band and the 3 schools in the town should work together over the next 2 years to give the schools an extra dimension and to gear the pupils for the new music subject for the Junior and Leaving Certificate programmes. This in turn would also benefit the Band by the establishment of Intermediate and Junior bands and leading to promotion to the senior Band within the next 5 years. There is absolutely no reason why a town the size of Maynooth cannot sustain and appreciate the variety of entertainment these Bands would provide.

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St Mary's Band (Cont)

Cliff Murphy (Director of Music)

Cliff joined the Band in 1955 and took over the position of Band Master in 1968 when previous city based holders of that position found travelling to the 'country' twice each week for rehearsals more than their bodies could take. He was already an accomplished clarinet player winning several major prizes at the Dublin Feis Ceoil. During his period as band master he spent a great deal of his time building up the unpaid Band Master, a major factor in keeping the Band insuring a flow of replacements for departing members and helping in no small way to insure that the tradition of Maynooth Band would be maintained and secure for the future. Unlike previously, Cliff was an unpaid Band Master, a major factor in keeping the Band

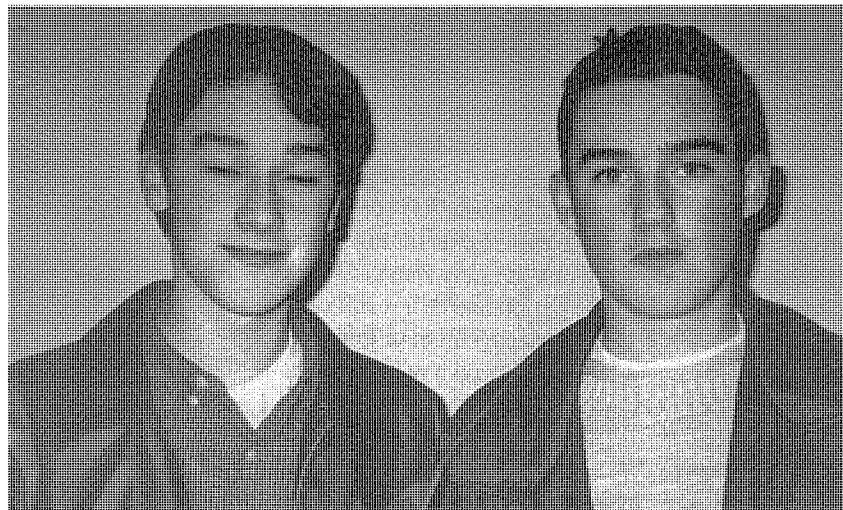


solvent for many many years. In recent years, due to heavy involvement with the impending year 2000 computer factor, he has had to spend a great deal of time travelling abroad and to ensure the continuity of proper musical standards. The committee decided to appoint a new conductor Niall O'Connor in 1997. As year 2000 approaches and Cliff once again becomes more available the Band should have a first class team to

implement and continue the Band / School Programme which is so important to the growth of the Band. The committee wish to thank Cliff for his valuable contribution in the past and look forward to having him back on a more regular basis in the next year or two.

Mark and Aidan McCarron (Horns)

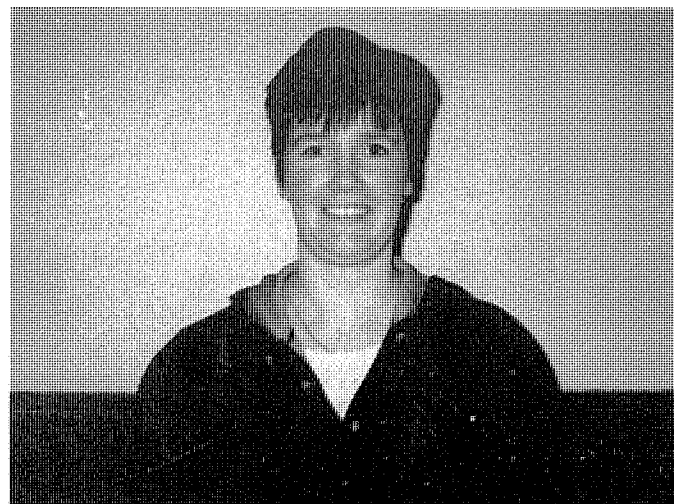
Mark (17) and Aidan (17) are two of the youngest members in the Band. They both joined the Beginners Classes 5 years ago and progressed from the Recorder on to Tenor Horns. Both of them enjoy playing with the Band and are fortunate to be a part of the first visit abroad in the history of the Band. They hope that many of their school friends will follow their lead when music classes begin later this year.



Patricia Penney (Horn)

Patricia, like Elaine Bean, is one of the few remaining links with the 'second generation' of that boys Band and she comes from a long line of musical Dempseys. Her father Michael is currently Vice Chairman-Assistant Secretary while her sister Margaret played baritone until illness forced her to retire.

Patricia joined the band in 1980 and now adopts the role of juggler, combining her work with Kildare County Council Engineers Office in Maynooth with being a mother and still finding time to blow her horn. Her husband Anthony works in the Fire Service but he still hasn't managed to put out the musical fire that still burns brightly within her.

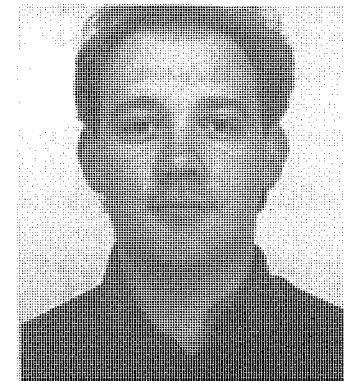


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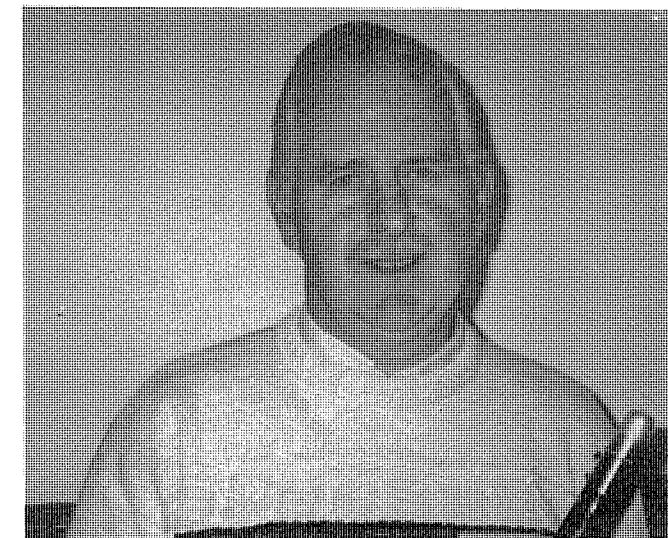
Niall O'Connor B.A. Mus. L.T.C.L. (Conductor)

Niall works as a professional conductor, trumpeter and Brass teacher. He has been conducting St. Mary's Band for just over a year, and was delighted to be part of their success in winning the National Junior Concert Band title. Previous to working with St. Mary's Band Niall conducted the Barrack Street Concert Band in Waterford for 7 years, winning with them the National Senior Concert Band title in 1995. Niall began playing music at the age of 8 with the Mount Sion Silver Band in Waterford. Today, he regularly performs with most of Ireland's professional Orchestras including the National Symphony Orchestra, the RTE Concert Orchestra and the Irish Chamber Orchestra. He is looking forward to the forthcoming trip and would like to thank the members for being so dedicated and working so hard towards it.



Seamus Nevin (Clarinet)

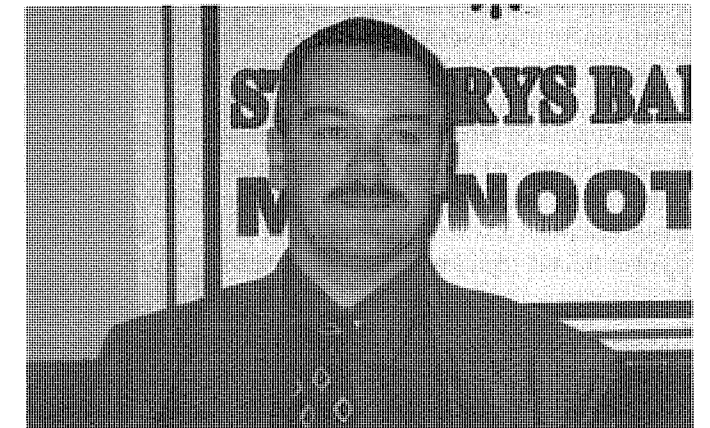
Seamus in a shining example of what the Band has been trying to foster over the past few years, a prodigal musician returned to the fold. He was a member of the boys Band in



1955 and for a number of reasons, including work, left for many years. He returned to the Band in 1996 and through dedicated practice and hardwork he has established himself as one of our leading clarinet players, can we please have more prodigal musicians? A building contractor by trade he has in the past been of tremendous help to the Band in a practical sense for which we extend our thanks.

Pen Pictures: John Curran (Secretary)

John, who joined the Band in 1992, learned to play the cornet at school in Scotland for just £6 per term - (He cut his teeth on 99's). He later played with Brass Bands in Stirling,



Falkirk and the National Youth Brass Band of Scotland, he even played with a Band in Lourdes where he met his wife Dolores. In fact it's a miracle they are still together with the amount of time he's spent on the internet organising the trip. Elected Secretary only 3 months ago he is already causing draughts by wanting the Band to wear Kilts by the year 2000. This move will be strongly opposed by Michéal Dempsey and Paddy Doyd, both of whom have willed their legs to medical science. John was also considered for the post of Band Treasurer- but you know what they say about Scotsmen!

Elaine Bean (Treasurer)



Elaine joined the Band in 1978 and would be one of the few remaining links of the major recruiting drive made in that year to fill the gaps appearing in the 'boys' Band of 1955 caused by the usual ills such as loss of interest, emigration, boy friends (no don't laugh, some girls did join the boys band after '55), girl friends and educational re-location. Elaine played the clarinet for most of her time with the Band but recently moved into the percussion seat. Maybe she prefers beating the XXXX out of the drums to chewing the liquorice stick. She too has had a chequered history acting as secretary for a time, teaching clarinet to beginners and was also deputy conductor for a number of years. In her spare time (what spare time?) she is a member of Maynooth Folk Group.

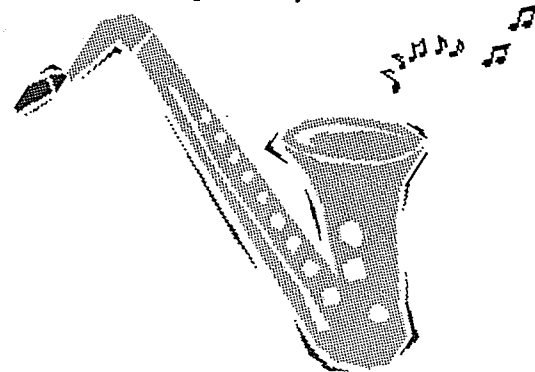
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St. Mary's Band (Cont)

Kansas City - USA - March 1998

Following what seems like years of preparation D Day arrives on Sunday 15th March when the Band departs Dublin Airport at 2.20 on this most historic trip for the Band. It is a major undertaking for a small town Band and Maynooth should indeed be proud of them. As a measure of the task ahead, at the recent annual general meeting of the Irish Bands Association held in Athlone and attended by the bands chairman and secretary, **not one** of the 44 Bands from all over Ireland represented there had been to America.

It has been suggested that the Band is going on a holiday to Kansas but this is quite far removed from the truth. This is a cultural visit for which they have rehearsed solidly 2 nights every week for the past 9 months with an additional practice since the beginning of January. They are totally committed to representing Maynooth, Kildare and Ireland to the highest level both musically and personally.



Excerpts from Kansas City Itinerary

Sunday 15th Arrive Kansas City 8.30pm
 Monday 16th Concert Rehearsal 2pm - 4.30pm
 Monday 16th Concert Rockhurst College 7pm
 Tuesday 17th Arrive for Parade 10am
 Tuesday 17th St Patricks Day Parade 11am - 1.30pm
 Tuesday 17th Outdoor Festival Recital 4pm - 5pm.
 Tuesday 17th Harlings 75th Street Recital 8pm - 9pm
 Wednesday 18th Meet Major of Kansas City 2.30pm
 Wednesday 18th Recital Harlings 8pm - 9pm
 Thursday 19th Meet Bishop of Kansas 2.30pm
 Thursday 19th Outdoor Recital 6pm - 7.30pm
 Friday 20th Ward Parkray Recital 4pm - 5.30pm
 Saturday 21st Free Day
 Sunday 22nd Depart Kansas 2.30pm



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MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION GROUP COMORADH '98, MAIGH NUAD

As our local contribution to the nationwide commemoration plans for '98 we are planning the following:

- * A "Citizen" Edward Fitzgerald Evening in Carton House on Friday 17th April, to include a lecture by Kevin Whelan (Notre Dame University), A short tour of the house and wine reception.
- * A Maynooth 1798 booklet by Liam Chambers, Author of "Rebellion in Kildare, 1790 - 1803" to be published in March by Four Courts Press.
- * To arrange for the participation of a contingent from Maynooth to support the joint North Kildare commemoration event at Ovidstown, near Kilcock, on Saturday afternoon 20th June. Ovidstown is the site of a Bloody Battle in '98 at which many Maynooth United Army Men were killed.
- * We will be inviting pupils from local schools to enter our essay and poster competitions.
- * Kildare County Council are hosting a lecture "women of 1798" by Mary Cullen in Maynooth College, next September.

We are still considering an events for community week, a bronze plaque, tree planting, music and poetry evenings, etc.. Have purses, wallets or cheque books at the ready! Also, we need more volunteers to carry out our plans; please phone Micheal Quinn at 6285258.

We re-publish below an extract for "Cannonballs and Croziers" published by Maynooth Community Council in 1994, relating to '98:

MAYNOOTH AGAINST THE CROWN: REBELLION IN 1798.

By 1795 discontent was so prevalent that troops were sent to Maynooth where it was rumoured that the Defenders were planning an attack. In 1798 the situation reached crisis point and by April Lake's armies were in Kildare. William Duke of Leinster bitterly opposed the excesses of Lake and the government but his objections were brushed aside.

On their arrival in Maynooth Lake's troops were originally quartered at Carton, but after protests they were placed on free quarters in the town. They searched the town for arms. Only eleven pikes were surrendered and the army threatened to burn the town unless more were given up. However, because of its connection with the Duke, Maynooth itself was spared the worst excesses. For the alert, signs of imminent rebellion were clear. A witness of the time. Musgrave, noted the suspicious quiet of the people and constant nightly meetings. A general abstinence from drink allied to the alacrity with which the people took oaths of allegiance to the crown led him to suspect that the people were trying to fool the magistrates into believing everything was calm. The reluctance of the tenants to pay any rent or accept banknotes also implied that they expected a major social upheaval.

Rebellion broke out during the 23rd/24th of May. The rebellion was signalled by the taking of the coach from Athlone and fires on the Wicklow Hills. The rebels assembled at the Hill of Winegates near Taghadee. At Carton, anticipating a rebel attack, the steward, John Stoyte, hurriedly built the family plate into the wall. The steward need not have worried for Carton was not attacked.

Owing to the capture of Lord Edward Fitzgerald the Kildare rebellion was a confused affair. The Maynooth rebels, led by Hugh Wade, appear to have joined the main body of rebels under William Aylmer a day late. The rebellion never attained serious proportions. On the 23rd Naas was attacked but they were repulsed. There were initial successes at Dunboyne and Clane but the rebels were rapidly driven out of those towns and suffered a serious reverse at Rathangan. After these defeats the rebellion fizzled out into a series of guerilla actions. On June 10th Maynooth was taken after a surprise attack by 500 rebels under Aylmer which overwhelmed the small garrison. Many of these were disaffected and only four fired on the approaching rebels.

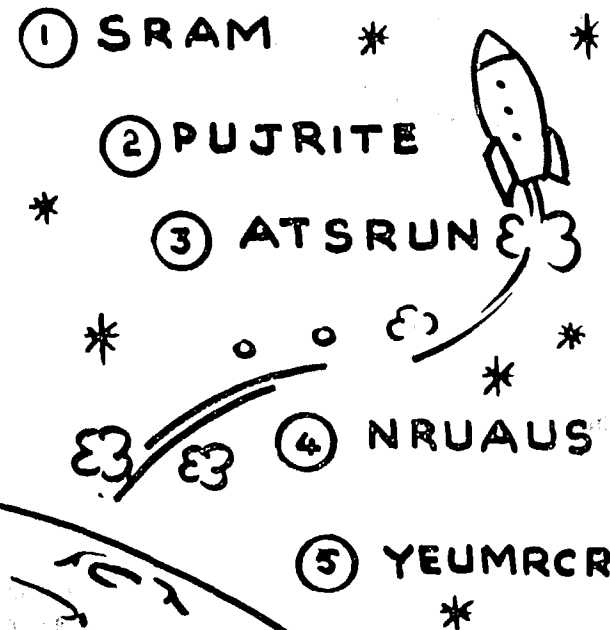
On June 18th the rebel army was smashed at the battle of Ovidstown near Kilcock as government troops moved in to quash the rebellion. Aylmer had hoped, if successful, to march on Dublin. Only 400 Scottish troops opposed him. These, however, were regular troops, not local militia, of whom one English general commented, "They were of more use to the enemy than us". Aylmer had almost 3,000 men. However, few of these had guns whilst the English were well equipped with field artillery and had strong advantages in discipline and tactical nous.

Aylmer's plan was to rush the cannon with pikes. The battle proved a disaster. The cannon were nearly taken but quarrels amongst the officers, allied to the terror inspired amongst the peasantry by the gunfire, provoked a rout. One ditch where the terrified peasantry hid was raked by grape-shot and has been named the murdering ditch since. British casualties were light, twenty-four in all. One of the young soldiers killed at Ovidstown, a Richard Turner, is buried at Ladychapel. By now there were almost 500 troops quartered at Maynooth. Reprisals were harsh, many houses were burnt and over fifteen people killed in the vicinity. Several of these were hanged from the elm trees in the avenue leading up to the Duke's house. On May 31st Clement Kelly, a land Steward in Carton, wrote of the shocking death of a Mr. Spencer. His head had been cut off and fixed on a spike at his hall door.

By July 24th the rebels had surrendered. The town suffered heavily, Carton was desolate, the tenants starving. Even the Duke was not above suspicion, particularly given the activities of Lord Edward. He was arrested by the government but was rapidly released. He received little sympathy from the government for his ruined estates. The Lord Lieutenant, Cornwallis, blamed the Kildares for the rebellion in Kildare and Wicklow, which had blossomed under "the fostering hand of Lord Edward and the countenance it received from his weak brother". By the end of 1798 calm had been restored.

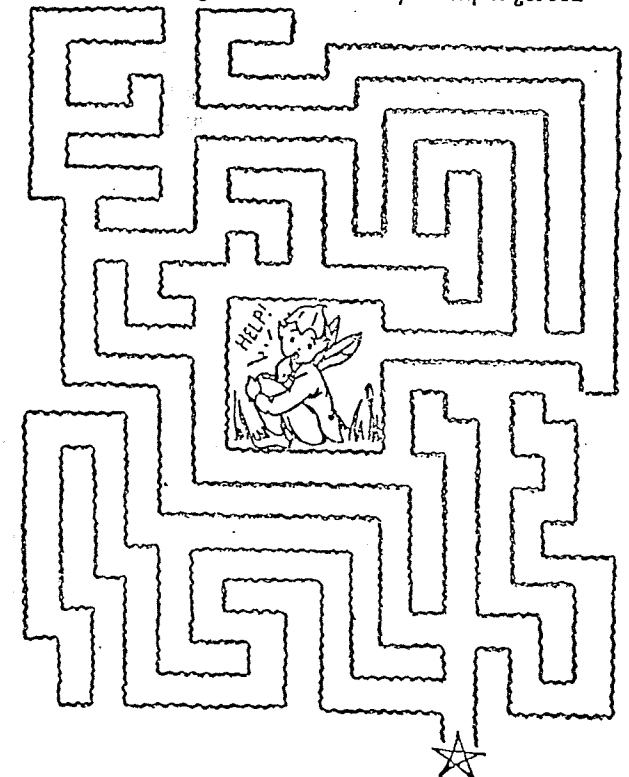
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Rebecca O'Sullivan, 1183 Greenfield, Maynooth	Eoin Curran, 3 Straffan Way, Maynooth.
3rd Prize	3rd Prize
Muireann Ní Chearúil, 7 Moyglare Abbey, Maynooth.	Kate Broughan, 43 College Green, Maynooth.

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EVERY MONTH (March)

Happy New Year!!! Yes it was true. Until the calendar of Julius Caesar was introduced in 46BC, March was the first month of the Roman year.

In France it remained the first month of the year until the mid-sixteenth century. In Britain March was the 'gate of the year' right up to the mid eighteenth century, then January took over.

There are good reasons for the month of March as a new beginning. The days are getting longer, spring and new life is in the air. It is a time of new beginnings. It is the season for renewal and growth.

We can now come out of our shells and look forward to the brighter, better seasons ahead. However as all new beginnings need extra care and protection, we have to look out and look after ourselves and our kin.

The Romans called this month Martius after Mars, their God of war. This is not surprising, because they knew that this was the special time to protect the growing seeds in the fields and their homes from all nature of foes, both physical and spiritual.

War was often seen as a necessary form of protection. Maybe a question should be put before us today 'Is war ever necessary?'

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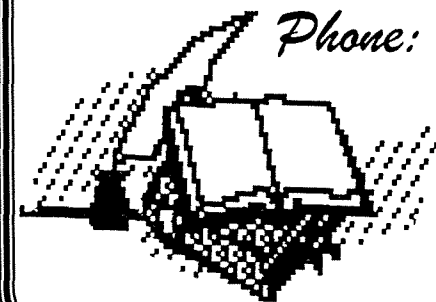
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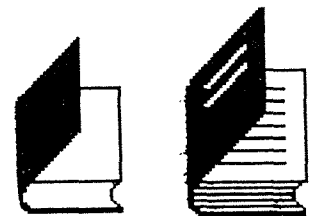
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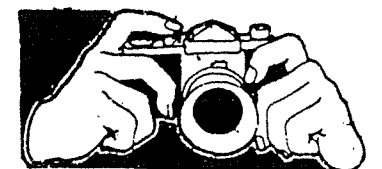
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Newtown Road(works?)

Has any of our readers seen the disgraceful state of Newtown road recently? I say recently, but what I really mean is since September of last year.

Local resident Mrs. Marie Nolan, together with the majority of the other residents, is not pleased! She is vexed in fact! Since last September her home has been under constant bombardment from construction traffic kicking up muck, gravel and various other site materials that come flying through the air like bullets on the Somme.

She is not alone. Other residents have declared their frustration with the situation regarding the current spate of

road works. Most householders whose property faces onto this busy road have complained of driveways either being blocked completely or left submerged under muck. Some have even noticed cracks appearing in garden walls, which seem to be directly related to these road works (touch of compo?).

Everybody understands that this work is necessary, but one would assume when you lay a pipe and cover it over the job is done. Not so! Believe it or not at the first attempt the pipe was the wrong size (so much for planning). So it was back to the drawing board and start again. When are the so-called experts in Kildare County Council (who are ultimately responsible) going to get their act together?



Marie Nolan & her grandson Alex Birchall on Newtown Road.

It is a far cry from the cleanliness and safety rules laid down by that body during the construction of Hewlett Packard, Intel etc. in which construction vehicles had to be hosed down and thoroughly cleaned of muck and grime before being allowed to drive through surrounding areas.

It would be nice if this writer could give the residents of Newtown Rd. and the other

housing estates in the locality some kind of assurance that these roadworks will be finished in the near future. However, as usual it seems that this intolerable situation is destined to continue indefinitely.

MAYNOOTH MAN APPOINTED PEACE COMMISSIONER

Jim Brennan, 19 Straffan Way received his new appointment on Thursday 22nd and will act as a Peace Commissioner for Kildare and adjoining counties by Minister of Justice, John O'Donoghue, T.D.

After 36 years Jim retired in August 1995 from the Garda Síochána having spent 17 years as Officer of the Court at Kilmainham.

Jim, originally from Kilkenny moved to Maynooth in 1972 with his wife Kay and their four daughters.

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approx 350 ml. warm water

Makes 1 large or 2 small loaves

Sift flour and salt into a mixing bowl and rub in the fat. Prepare the yeast liquid by Method 1 and add to the flour all at once. Beat with a wooden spoon into a fairly soft dough, adding more water if necessary.

Turn on to a floured board and knead well for 10 minutes. Stretch the dough to fit 1 large tin or divide in half to fit 2 small tins. Fold in three or roll up and put into the warmed and greased tins. Place in an oiled polythene bag and leave to rise in a warm place until it reaches the top edge of the tin. Brush with slightly salted water and bake in the centre of a preheated hot oven at 230°C/450°F, Gas Mark 8, for 15 minutes. Reduce the heat to 200°C/400°F, Gas Mark 6, and cook for a further 30 to 40 minutes according to size. When cooked the loaf will shrink slightly from the tin. Turn out and tap the base to see if it sounds hollow. Remove from the oven and cool.

Method 1:

This is the most usual method used for bread doughs. Fresh yeast is blended with a cupful of the warm liquid, then added to the flour, salt and fat with the remaining liquid.

Dried yeast is dissolved in a cupful of hot water (44°C/110°F) and sweetened with a teaspoon of sugar to speed up its action. It should be left in a warm place for 15 minutes until frothy, then added to the dry ingredients with remaining liquid.

Apple and avocado Salad



2 avocado pears
2 dessert apples
1 bunch watercress
50 g salted peanuts



Lemon Dressing

6 tbspn olive oil
2 tbspn lemon juice
Salt and pepper

1 tspn mild Continental mustard
1 clove garlic, crushed
1 tspn caster (granulated) sugar

Cut the avocados in half, discard the stones and remove the flesh without damaging the skins. Chop the flesh roughly. Core the apples and chop roughly. Reserve 4 sprigs of watercress for the garnish and chop the remainder. Chop the peanuts. Mix together all ingredients for the dressing and beat really well. Lightly toss the chopped avocado, apple, watercress and nuts in the dressing and pile back into the avocado shells. Garnish with watercress.

Lamb Kebabs in Satay Sauce

1 350g Jar Uncle Ben's Thai satay sauce
350g/12oz Uncle Ben's long grain rice
450g/16oz minced lamb
1 onion, finely chopped
100g/4oz fresh brown breadcrumbs
1 egg, lightly beaten
12 to 16 fine wooden kebab sticks.

Method:

Soak kebab sticks in water for at least 1/2 hour before using. Mix the lamb with the onion and breadcrumbs. Work in the beaten egg and two tablespoons of the Uncle Ben's satay sauce. Roll the mixture into small sausages. Insert a kebab stick into each one. Cook under a hot grill. Turn and baste frequently with some of the Uncle Ben's satay sauce. Use leftover sauce for dipping. Serve with a bowl of freshly cooked Uncle Ben's long grain rice, cooked as directed and a green salad.

Cook's Tip:

Cook kebabs as above without the sticks. Half fill toasted pitta breads or naan breads with green salad. Add a kebab to each pitta and finish off with a spoonful of the Uncle Ben's satay sauce. Uncle Ben's satay sauce is also suitable for serving with chicken and pork.

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Eighteen year old Maynooth driver John Casey

Introduction

Local racing driver John Casey is fast making a name for himself in this only his second season of competition. The 18 year old Leaving Cert student who lives in Maynooth is racing in the National Karting Championships where he is currently enjoying top results including two wins, one of which was in Mondello Park.

Passionate about motor sport John started out racing in the same way as top Formula One driver Michael Schumacher did in karting.

Beginning in 1996 he immediately showed a natural talent for driving these race-tuned karts and put in some solid performances. This did not go unnoticed and John was awarded the trophy for "Best Novice of the Year" which was a big boost for the teenager.



exciting racing and are ideal for young drivers to learn the skill of driving a single seater race car.

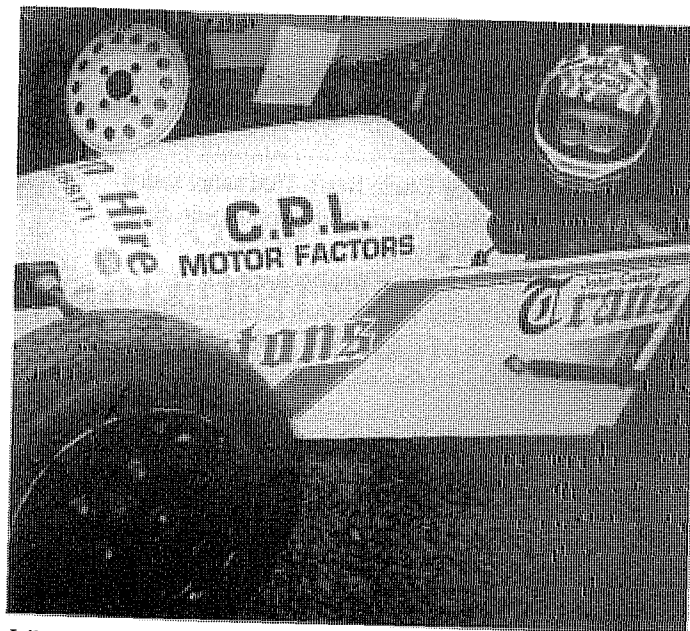
The 10 round Championship consists of race meetings at Mondello Park in Kildare, Kirkistown in Northern Ireland, Brands Hatch in England and on the roads of The Phoenix Park in Dublin which attracts over 120,000 spectators. Starting in March the season runs through the summer months and normally ends in early October.

In terms of local coverage John's campaign should attract the interests of CKR Radio, the Leinster Leader, and the Liffey Champion, particularly if he continues in his local racing form.

John would like to say a special word of thanks and appreciation to all the Sponsors involved:

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John also would like to thank Luke O'Hara of L.O.H Motors for all his help in joining the team.



Like most racing drivers John wants to move on to better things and try to further his racing career. To do this he is planning to move into single seater car racing next season and compete in the Irish Formula Vee Championships.

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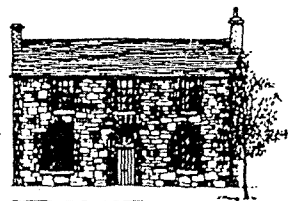
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MARCH IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Finish planting new trees, shrubs and climbers by the end of March. Top dress them with compost, peat or manure.
Set out hedging plants in the ground prepared last month.
Prune floribunda and hybrid tea roses.
Remove dead wood and old wood from winter-flowering shrubs.
Hoe to remove weeds and apply a general-purpose fertilizer over the root area of trees, shrubs and climbers.

Flowers:

Fork soil and add a general-purpose fertilizer in order to prepare ground for sowing of hardy annuals. In warm gardens the first sowings can be made at the end of the month.
Remove dead heads of spring-flowering bulbs. This conserves the strength of the bulbs.
Plant gladioli corms, lily bulbs and also hardy herbaceous perennials.
Hoe, feed and mulch herbaceous borders.
Plant out unsprouted dahlias and protect them from frost by covering them with a mulch.
Water outdoor container plants in sheltered areas if necessary.

Fruit:

If not done last month, apply fertilizer to the soil area around fruit trees and bushes and hoe it in lightly. Then add a layer of mulch.
To get early fruits place cloches over strawberries.

Continue to plant strawberry plants, but remove the blossoms in order to prevent them from producing fruit in the first year.

Spray apple and pear trees with a fungicide to prevent scab disease
Remove damaged or low-growing stems from bush fruits such as currants and gooseberries.

Vegetables:

Fertilize spring cabbages in order to encourage growth.
Thin out broad beans and peas sown last month. Put in stakes or supports where needed.
As soon as the weather is suitable start sowing green vegetable crops, including lettuces and radishes, either in seed beds or where they are to mature.
Continue the planting of onion sets, shallots and potatoes.
Dig up any swedes, parsnips and leeks that are still in the ground and prepare the soil for new crops.

Under Glass:

Complete the sowing of summer bedding plants and half-hardy annuals. Prick out seedlings of those sown in February into boxes for hardening off in April.
Sow greenhouse flowering plants. Discard Winter flowering pot plants. Deadhead azaleas and cyclamen, if the plants are to be retained for next year. Take cuttings of chrysanthemums, dahlias, fuchsias and perpetual-flowering carnations.
Start into growth tuberous begonias. Sow celery and cucumbers.

When forced bulbs have completed their flowering, move them to a cool place and feed with a liquid fertilizer.

General:

Thread and firm any soil that has been loosened by frost and re-firm plants that have been rocked by the wind. Rake lawns and mow when the grass is 2-3 in. high.
Finish preparing the site for any new lawns which are to be created from seed or turf next month.
Check all plant supports and make sure they are secure.
As soon as insect pests are noticed start spraying.

SHRUBS AND TREES

Trees and shrubs form the backbone of a garden. They add height and substance, not to mention their beauty. No garden is too small for a shrub and even a very small garden can benefit from a carefully selected tree. The key to success is discrimination, and in the small garden this is more important. When space is limited it is better to confine yourself to one specimen tree or a couple of shrubs rather than trying to cram too many different species into an overcrowded border.
The difference between a tree and a shrub can be subtle. Trees are generally considered to have a clean trunk for some distance with the main growth forming a head. Always prepare ground well before planting trees and shrubs. As they are permanent garden features good preparation is very important.

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DECORATING YOUR BATHROOM

Want to recreate your Bathroom?

Here are some elegant tips. If your bathroom is small, keep the window dressing simple and unfussy. For example, a venetian blind or voile will let more light into the room and make it seem larger.

Avoid patterns that dwarf a room. Keep walls relatively plain and always paint your cornice and ceiling in a light colour to give the room an illusion of height.

If you opt for wall tiles instead of tongue and groove cladding, keep costs down by sticking mainly to plain white, then add colour by using a more expensive patterned tile in a random fashion, or use patterned tiles for a border only.

DECI BELL

I've been out of the army for many a year,
But its lately I've noticed my hearing's gone queer,
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Or I'm mowing the lawn on a nice summers day,
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Or I'm in a disco and I'm dancing about,
Well to get through to me I'm afraid you must shout,
so is it not plain for a blind man to see,
that my hearing's not up to what it ought to be.

My legal adviser said "We'll sue the state,
Though there is quite a queue it will be worth the wait,
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"Should I go straight to bed and get plenty of rest,"
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Not when you go to court and Walkman with the money.

Now I've got my lumpsum but I feel a bit guilty,
Maybe I should go down and chat with Father Quilty,
"You must give it all back then for you I'll be prayin,"
"Oh father I can't hear a word that your sayin."

Tommy Campell
Graiguepottle

All Ireland Readathon Winners

Each October, November the girls from Presentation Convent involve themselves in the Multiple Sclerosis Readathon - a sponsored Readathon in support of the MS sufferers throughout Ireland.

On average the school raises £3,500 to £4,000 for this worthy cause. Each individual is rewarded by prizes or certificates and special achievement awards. In recent years we have been among the top three schools in the country for our efforts and received Puffin Book Awards. Our efforts were epitomised this year when we were chosen as the top school in Ireland out of 1,700 schools which participated and were presented with a Computer at the Awards Ceremony in the Conrad Hotel.

Congratulations and thank you to all the readers, sponsors, parents and especially to the teachers who co-ordinated this wonderful achievement. Keep up the good work for this worthy cause for which children throughout the country raised £329,000 in the Readathon this year.

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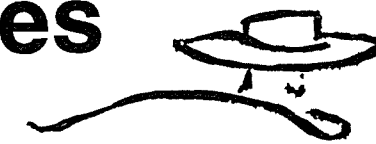


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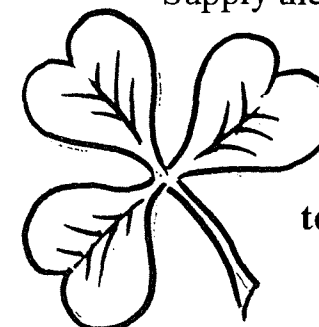


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These are real people that can work together and deserve our support. Politicians and political parties in all of Ireland should be making every effort, with their assistance, to steer society from violence.

God knows there have been ample efforts over the past twenty-five years to solve the Northern problem. There was Sunningdale; The Northern Ireland Convention; The Constitutional Conference 1980; The All Ireland Forum; The Anglo-Irish Agreement and lots more.

So why should we be more optimistic about the present peace talks?

I believe there is a greater willingness and sincerity on the part of the three major players plus the fact that they work well together which was not often the case in previous efforts to solve the Northern Ireland problem. Furthermore, the people want peace more than ever today. They want the politicians they elected to get involved and work for peace on their behalf; not the individuals and small isolated groups using their muscle and violence who have their own particular agenda.

Those politicians who will go down in history as having perpetuated the Northern Ireland problem, continually boycotting and not participating in dialogue must surely bear the full responsibility for the spilling of the blood of future generations to come.

Leo Armstrong, BA, HDip (Hist)



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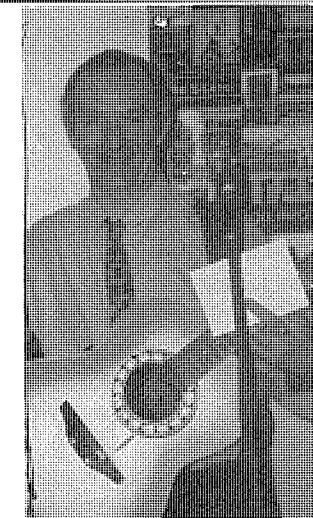
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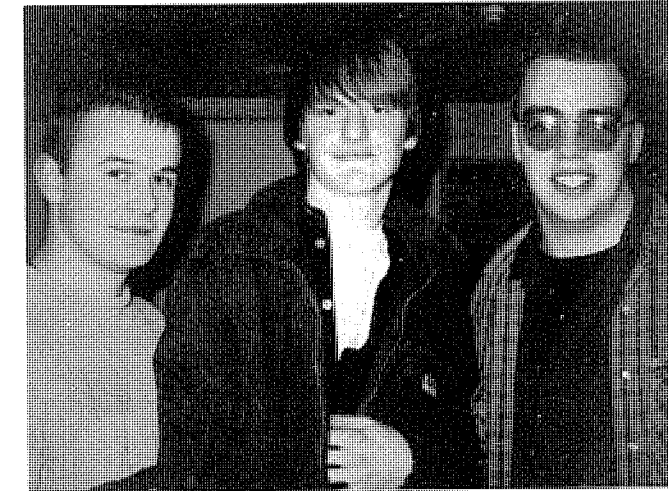
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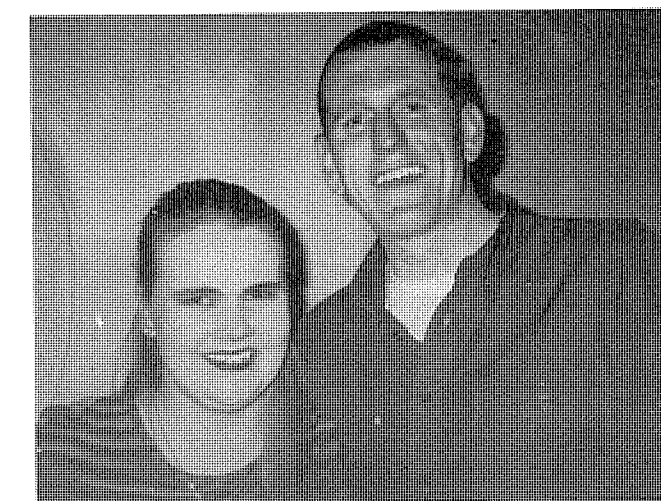
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*Heat Winners in Talent Contest,
Consuelo Bennett and Hammy Cunningham*



*L.-R. Bob Byrne, Tom Ryan -
Glenroyal Hotel.
Keeping an Eye on the Talent Contest*

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MAYNOOTH TASK FORCE PLANS INFORMATION MEETING

Since last August Maynooth Task Force has been working on developing a strategy for Maynooth's future. In the last six months the group has consulted with a number of key bodies in the town including the Community Council, N.U.I. Maynooth, St. Patrick's College, the Chamber of Commerce and Kildare Co. Council. An outline of the strategy was published in a recent issue of the Newsletter and readers were invited to contribute their ideas and views.

The process is now moving on to a new phase and it is planned to publish a more detailed version of the strategy in March as a means of publicising the work of the Task Force and involving the wider community in the process. This document will be delivered to each house in the town and sent to each of the voluntary clubs and societies in Maynooth.

As a follow up an information meeting is being held in the Glenroyal Hotel on Monday, March 30th to which all residents are invited. This will afford an opportunity to make your views known on what kind of town you would like Maynooth to be. The Task Force has called the strategy 'Choosing a Future' to emphasise the fact that the future of Maynooth is in our own hands if we choose to assert ourselves as residents. Already the strategy has received the support of a number of key bodies in the town and it is hoped that the wider community will attend the meeting on March 30th and express their views on 'Choosing a Future'.

Choosing a Future

A Strategy for Maynooth

Information Meeting

March 30th, 8pm

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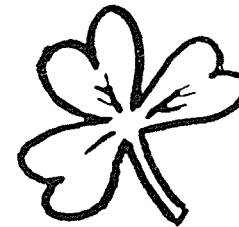
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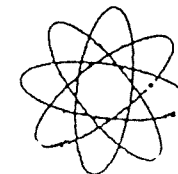
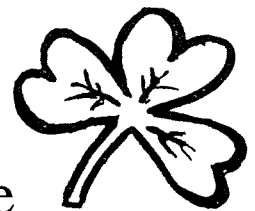
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VIDEO REVIEW

Bean: The Movie (P.G.)

A classic tale of mistaken identity sees the irrepressible Mr. Bean (Rowan Atkinson, as if you didn't already know) arriving in Los Angeles, as a valuable painting is being installed in a classy art gallery. The gallery's directors think he's a famous art expert and academic. They excuse his immense stupidity as the absent-mindedness of the intellectual. However, they soon find out the hard way that their so-called "art expert" is really a total cretin, and the stage is set for our hero to cause havoc in the City of the Angels.

This is a movie that puts personal preferences to the test; you either love Bean or you loathe him. The plot is extremely predictable and the film has been made to target an audience that tunes in to the television series with relish, and when you consider that the half-hour shows are seen in over ninety countries, that audience must be huge.

All in all this is a film that is destined to be as big a success on the small screen as it was in the cinema, and have Mr. Bean laughing his socks off as he bumbles his way to the bank.

Verdict: **Highly enjoyable**

Men in Black (12's)

This is a cross between Lethal Weapon and the Blues Brothers, with copious helpings of Independence Day and Mars Attacks thrown in for good measure.

Based on the comic book serial about a top secret government department created to look out for invasion by aliens, the film begins with a spacecraft heading for Earth. Enter our two heroes, Tommy Lee Jones as the hard bitten old hand, and Will Smith as his rookie assistant, who must track down and destroy the spaceship's non-human occupants.

This is a brilliant and extremely funny movie that grabs the audience by the scruff of the neck and drags it along on a roller coaster ride of action and special effects. Unlike the afore-mentioned Independence Day or Mars Attacks this film loses none of its effect in the move to the small screen and is bound to be a huge hit with most people. The teaming of Smith and Jones works superbly and the direction by Barry Sonnenfeld is always tight and well handled.

Verdict: **Not to be missed**

The Pall Bearer (12's)

Is a little jewel of a film that somehow went completely unnoticed and was never released onto the big screen, despite the fact that it stars the beautiful Gwyneth Paltrow and the always watchable David Schwimmer. The Plot is simple enough. Tom(Schwimmer) is asked by

grieving mother (Barbara Hershey) to be a pall bearer at her son's funeral, thinking he's one of his best friends. Tom agrees, but slowly realises, to his terror as the day of the funeral draws near, that he never knew the deceased at all. Naturally the usual eulogy in praise of the late lamented takes on a whole new meaning.

This movie is extremely well done and the one-liners are very funny. Schwimmer gives his usual performance a-la Ross from Friends, and Ms. Paltrow is as stunning to look at as ever. Direction is never over the top and the whole thing rattles along nicely to its hilarious conclusion

Verdict: **Excellent**

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Any Queries, Contact: Bronwyn @ 6289405 or Helen @ 6285865.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

We would like to thank those who attended our Annual General Meeting. A list of the new Committee will be published in next month's Newsletter.

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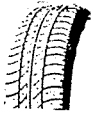
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Residents Association

MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Special Meeting took place on 16/2/98

The Moyglare Village Residents Association is 10 yrs old this year and a special meeting was held on 16/2/98 to review progress and to examine the needs of this area.

Residents were also updated on current issues and matters of concern specific to Moyglare Village. A further meeting will take place during March, for a follow up to some of the concerns raised by people at the February meeting. All the members who attended that meeting have been circulated with a summary of the points raised, in preparation for the March meeting.

Boundary with Moyglare Road

The files relating to this matter have been reviewed, as it was the biggest single issue that concerned residents at our February meeting. The existing "twigs" are not considered suitable for the very busy Moyglare Road. The layout of this estate which includes a public open space bordering the Moyglare road was a decision of the developer. Consequently, we will be ensuring that any decision on the type of boundary agreed with Kildare County Council will be primarily based on safety concerns.

Paul Croghan
Chairman
Moyglare Residents Association

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of Greenfield Estate Residents Association will take place on Wednesday 4th March 1998 at 8.30 pm. in the I.C.A. Hall.

A talk on Neighbourhood Watch/Community Security by the Gardai will precede the A.G.M. proper.

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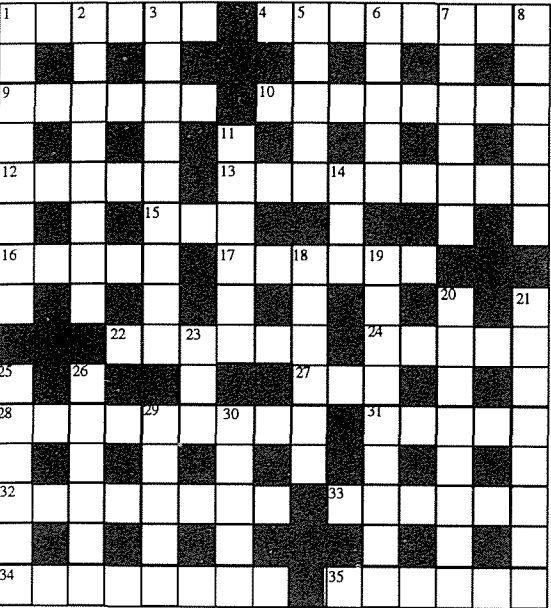
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Crossword No. 124



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Across:

- 1. Circular (6)
- 4. Absolute (8)
- 9. Shame (6)
- 10. Scattered (8)
- 12. Bury (5)
- 13. Insert (9)
- 15. Flap (3)
- 16. Vietnam city (5)
- 17. Divide (6)
- 22. Programme (6)
- 24. Depart (5)
- 27. Poorly (3)
- 28. Reptile (9)
- 31. Dodge (5)
- 32. Leave to (8)
- 33. Concurred (6)
- 34. Responsive (8)
- 35. Bombarded (6)

Down:

- 1. Stop sign (8)
- 2. Young girl (8)
- 3. Stating (9)
- 5. Damp (5)
- 6. Long-term prisoner (5)
- 7. Small wheel (6)
- 8. Made neat (6)
- 11. Cloth strip (6)

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- 14. Increase (3)
- 18. Steps (6)
- 19. Workmate (9)
- 20. Bird (8)
- 21. Relied (8)
- 23. Period (3)
- 25. African country (6)
- 26. Fraternity (6)
- 29. Girl's name (5)
- 30. Entirety (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 123

Across: 1. Stable; 4. Listless; 9. Starve; 10. Rasputin; 12. Aorta; 13. Afterglow; 15. Ton; 16. Notch; 17. Decamp; 22. Entree; 24. Rumba; 27. Rum; 28. Tom Sawyer; 31. Axial; 32. Elevated; 33. Tanner; 34. Eventide; 35. Severn.

Down: 1.Sustains; 2.Alacrity; 3.Leviathan; 5.Inapt; 6. Toper; 7. Extols; 8. Sinews; 11. Pander; 14. Era; 18. Cherry; 19. Marmalade; 20. Ambience; 21. Cauldron; 23. Taw; 25. Athene; 26. Impede; 29. Avast; 30. Yield.

Winner of Crossword No. 123:
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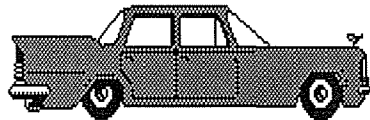
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Party Political Notes

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Lighting Up Kildare:

The E.S.B. have started work on replacing all of the white (mercury) lights with orange (sodium) units. This arises as a result of Cllr. John McGinley's motion which was agreed at a full Council meeting. The new lights will give 30% greater light output but will consume less electricity than the old lights. All of the old lights will be replaced in Maynooth housing estates and the lights on traffic routes will be upgraded. On Moyglare Road for example 23 lights will be upgraded and 7 additional lights will be installed.

Old Greenfield Road:

Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to resurface the roadway from house no. 349A to the bollards. This road has suffered from years of neglect and will fall apart completely unless it is repaired now.

Maynooth Development Plan:

The 'in camera' meeting held on January 19th was effectively abandoned and the Council have agreed that in future full Council meetings at which the Development Plan is to be discussed will be held in public.

A special meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee has been called for the 6th of March to authenticate the findings of the survey carried out by the Council to identify the amounts of land rezoned residential and undeveloped. The Councils survey identified the following acreage of potential housing land:

Maynooth	86 acres
Leixlip	141 acres
Celbridge	255 acres.

Newtown Road Restoration:

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley contacted the Developer of Castle Dawson concerning the condition of the Newtown Road which was caused by the laying of surface water and sewage pipes to service the Castle Dawson Development.

The Developer has responded indicating that road restoration will commence during the week beginning 23rd February and will take about two weeks. Damage to green areas and verges will also be dealt with at this time. We will monitor progress on this work.

Footpath Bond Bridge to Parson Street:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to provide a proper footpath from Bond Bridge to link up with the footpath in Parson Street.

Footpath Railpark Estate:

Following requests from residents, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to reconstruct the footpath between house No's 121 to 128 Railpark as it is presently in a very poor condition.

Cluain Aoibhinn / Carton Court:

A botched surface dressing job was carried out in these estates within the past two years. Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to do a proper tarmac surface in both estates and that money from the local tertiary road grants be used for this purpose.

67A Bus Turning Point on Straffan Road

The following motion has been submitted by Cllr. John McGinley.

"That the roadside section of the 67A turning point on the Straffan Road, Maynooth, be converted into a footpath in the interest of pedestrian safety".

Dunboyne Road / Convent Road Weight Limit:

The County Secretary has referred Cllr. John McGinley's motion, that a weight limit be imposed on Dunboyne Road / Convent Road, to the local Gardai for their views.

Fitzgeralds Stone Rent Table:

When the Fitzgeralds moved from Maynooth Castle to Kilkea Castle in the 16th Century they took with them the Stone Rent Table (where the estate tenants formally paid their rents). In the late 1960's when Kilkea Castle was sold, the removal of this table was intercepted. The Gardai were called and the rent table was removed to the Divisional Headquarters in Carlow Town while a Civil dispute ensued between the interested parties. Cllr. John McGinley has learned that this dispute is nearing resolution and it appears that possession of the Rent Table will pass to Kildare Co. Council.

Cllr. John McGinley has advised the County Manager that the Rent Table properly belongs to Maynooth Castle. The Castle is about to be restored by the O.P.W. at a cost in excess of £1 Million and it is essential that the table is returned to the restored castle.

Improvement Works on Main Street:

Work continues on the improvement works to the Main Street. Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have been assured by the Council that the roots of the trees on Main Street will not be damaged during the work.

Deputy Stagg has also requested the Council to ensure that the Contractors do everything possible to ensure pedestrian safety while the work is on-going.

O'Neill Park

The Council are at present carrying out repairs to broken sections of footpaths in O'Neill Park. A new litter bin will also be provided.

We will review the work and make further representations to the Council as required.

Branch Presidents:

At our A.G.M. in January the following members of the Branch were elected as Honorary Presidents in recognition of their work over the years on behalf of the Labour Movement:

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Party Political Notes

FINE GAEL NOTES

Psychological Services

Dep. Bernard Durkan has received the following reply to his query re Psychological Service to schools in general.

"There is a Psychological Service available from my Department to all second-level schools. It is also available to 402 primary schools in a limited number of areas with priority given to schools serving disadvantaged areas.

Certain psychological tests may also be used by qualified guidance counsellors. Every second level school has been given an allocation of hours for guidance which varies according to its size. As part of their work, guidance counsellors engage in a systematic programme of psychometric testing in their schools.

Last year I announced my intention to develop, in liaison with the health authorities, a National Educational Psychological Service. This will be available to all primary and second level schools as well as to young people of school-going age who are outside the formal educational system. Planning for this service is well advanced. A Planning Group, representative of the partners in education, will report to me before the end of April of this year. The report of the Planning Group will be critical in putting the Psychological Service on a firm footing for the future.

As an interim measure my Department is jointly organising with Mary Immaculate College of Education, Limerick, a development project for the Psychological Service which will last for three years. Fifteen qualified psychologists are to be employed on a contract basis for the duration of the project. The selection process for these posts has now been completed.

These psychologists will work in regional teams under the management of the Psychological Service in the Department of Education and Science, and will be taking up their duties during the current school year".

Both of these developments will increase access to psychological assessments in schools. It is the belief of Dep. Bernard Durkan that the psychological services should be made available to both National Schools in Maynooth starting on a joint basis.

Dep. B. Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin, will continue to put pressure on the Dept. of Education to provide these services for the schools of Maynooth.

Pedestrian Island - Straffan Road

Following a motion submitted by Cllr. Senan Griffin Kildare Co. Council are going to paint the island barrier and make it safer for children who use it for crossing the Straffan Road.

Naas Hospital

Dep. Bernard Durkan has expressed concern about the proposed brief for Naas Hospital being issued by the Minister for Health. The hospital will provide for 164 beds and 35 day places.

The concern is based on the fact that 30 bed spaces will be retained for General and Surgical patients who have completed their specialised treatment at the new Tallaght Hospital, resulting in these beds being controlled by the authorities of Tallaght Hospital and at the expense of the people of Kildare.

Silken Vale Extension

Having attended the E.G.M. of the Silken Vale Residents Association, Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested that the planners in Kildare Co. Council demand that the developer complete phase I of the estate before any new house is occupied in phase II. The last house in phase I was sold 3/4 years ago and it is now high time that the estate was completed and handed over to Kildare Co. Council.

Main Street / Bye Laws

Cllr. Senan Griffin has been assured by Kildare Co. Council that no damage will be done to the growth of the trees in the Main Street as a result of the undergrounding of the services. Cllr. Griffin has been informed that the bye laws should be ready for implementation on the completion of the footpaths.

O'Neill Park

Following representations by Dep. B. Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin, Kildare Co. Council are presently carrying out long overdue footpath repairs at O'Neill Park.

Barberstown Road and Bond Bridge

Dep. Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin have welcomed the proposal to spend £100,000 on the Barberstown Road and are disappointed that Bond Bridge was not given an allocation to make it safe for all users.

Rathcoffey Road

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested that the speed limit of 30 m.p.h. be extended to the ramp of the flyover bridge at the Crinstown side so as to make it safer for the homeowners trying to access the Rathcoffey Road.

Mound of Clay on the Kilcock Road

The mound of clay was originally placed to deter travellers parking at this junction. Kildare Co. Council have agreed with Cllr. Senan Griffin that it should now be removed and that bollards or trees be used to discourage further parking. Cllr. Griffin is of the opinion that the removal of the clay will be of benefit to parents who drop off their children to attend the Boys National School at this location.



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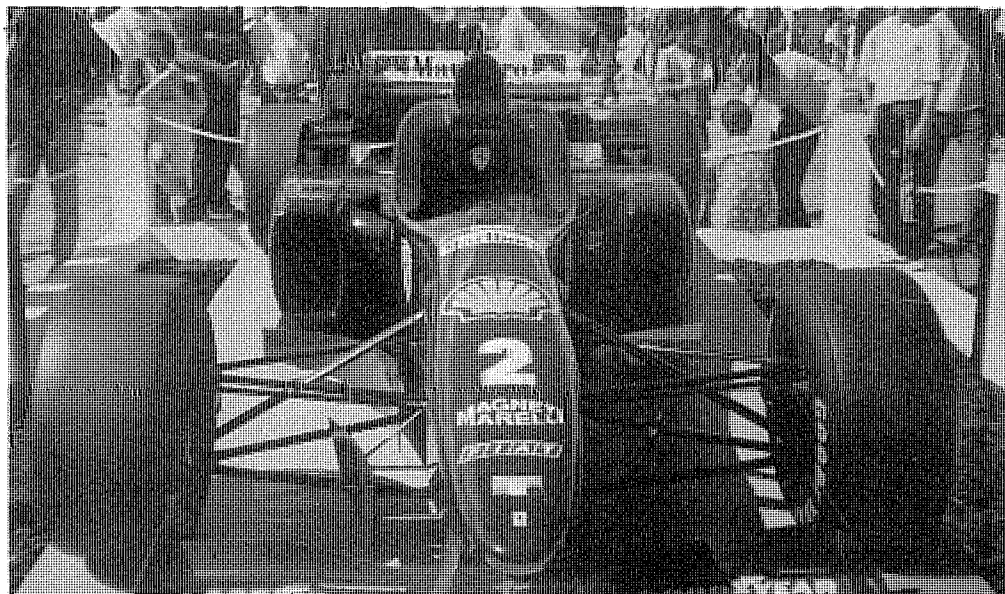
This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds.
Closing date for receipt of entries is the 16th March by 5 p.m.



MAYNOOTH FANTASY FORMULA 1.

Fantasy Formula 1, 1998

By the time you read this the 1998 Formula 1 World Championship opening Race in Australia will only be days away. The following page gives details of this seasons Fantasy Formula 1 Game so if you want to get in on the action you had better get a move on. Don't forget however, you may still enter at any time up to 22nd of May so all is not lost. As we mentioned in last months edition of The Maynooth Newsletter this year the Game is being divided into two Sections. Section 1



is a simple "Quick Pick" where players take their chances by drawing Teams and Drivers from a Drum.

Section 2 requires you to use your skill and knowledge to put together a Team within a strict budget. The finer details of this section appear elsewhere in this issue.

The Rules apply to both Sections with the exception that the rule governing the composition of the Team does not apply to Section 1. Intending Players may

take part in either or both Sections and may enter as many Teams as they like up to and including the Monaco GP. No entries will be accepted after this Race.

To qualify for points for any race entries must be in before the commencement of the 1st. qualification session for the race in question and must be accompanied by the appropriate Entry Fee/s. Points will not be awarded retrospectively.

Section 1 Players.

Two draws will have already taken place for players in this section. However if you were not able to get down to Caulfields Bar to draw your Team a special Draw will take place in Caulfields on Thursday 5th of March at 10pm. You may nominate any individual to make the draw for you if you are not able to attend or are legally prohibited from doing so yourself.

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MAYNOOTH FANTASY FORMULA 1.

Fantasy F1 1998.

The Rules

General

Players must pick two Drivers and two Chassis from the Lists opposite within a Budget of £40 million. This will be their Team for the Season.

Points Scoring.

Points will be awarded in the same manner as in the actual F1 World Championship, i.e. 1st. 10pts., 2nd. 6pts. 3rd. 4pts., 4th. 3pts., 5th. 2pts., 6th. 1pt.

In addition 1 Bonus point will be awarded for Pole Position. A further Bonus point will be added for Fastest Lap in the Race.



Notes

The Team

You may not pick a Driver/Chassis combination which actually exist in reality, i.e. Villeneuve/Williams, Schumacher/Ferrari. You may not pick two Drivers from the one Team, i.e. Alesi/Herbert. You must select two different Chassis constructors.

Scoring

When choosing your Team you pick two Chassis. This in effect means you have 4 Cars. You will score points for each of your Cars should they both finish in the points, i.e. You pick Williams and Arrows. In the Race Williams finish 1st. and 4th. with Arrows finishing 6th. You will receive points for 1st., 4th. and 6th. Results will be available immediately after each Race but are subject to Final ratification by the FIA.

Ties

In the event of a Tie in the results of this Competition the lowest cost

Team wins. If this fails to resolve the Tie then the Player scoring highest points in the 1st. Race wins, working down through each Race until the Tie is resolved.

Substitutions.

In the event of a Driver being replaced during the Season for any reason Players will automatically adopt his replacement. However no substitution will be made should a Constructor fail to take part in or be disqualified from any Race or the Championship itself.

Disputes

In the Event of a Dispute regarding any aspect of this Competition, the Organisers decision is final.

Drivers		
Schumacher M.	Ferrari	20m.
Villeneuve	Williams	20m.
Frentzen	Williams	18m.
Coulthard	McLaren	17m.
Hakkinen	McLaren	15m.
Irvine	Ferrari	14m.
Hill	Jordan	13m.
Fisichella	Benetton	12m.
Wurz	Benetton	12m.
Panis	Prost	12m.
Alesi	Sauber	10m.
Schumacher R.	Jordan	9m.
Herbert	Sauber	9m.
Trulli	Prost	8m.
Diniz	Arrows	6m.
Barrichello	Stewart	6m.
Salo	Arrows	5m.
Magnussen	Stewart	5m.
Takagi	Tyrell	4m.
Rosset	Tyrell	3m.
Tuero	Minardi	2m.
Rosset	Minardi	1m.

The Teams		
Williams		20m.
Ferrari		18m.
McLaren		15m.
Benetton		12m.
Jordan		12m.
Prost		9m.
Sauber		9m.
Stewart		6m.
Arrows		5m.
Tyrell		4m.
Minardi		3m.

Players may join the Competition at



any time up to the Monaco GP but will not be entitled to points retrospectively. In addition Entries must be received before the start of Qualification for the Race from which they wish to join.



Entry Fee

The Entry Fee for the Competition is £5.00 regardless of when a Player joins.

Entry Form

Driver 1	_____
Driver 2	_____
Chassis 1	_____
Chassis 2	_____
Team Name	_____
Team Owner	_____
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Williams

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Maynooth Town 5 Loughlinstown 0
D.D.S.L. U-10 A1 Sunday

Town opened brightly and quickly went looking for the opening score which duly arrived after only five minutes when Tim Franklin found the net. Loughlinstown could have got on terms minutes later but superb goalkeeping by Gerard Greely in the home goal denied them the chance. This was to prove crucial and Town capitalised soon afterwards when good work by Brian Behan set up Tim Franklin for his second goal. Town increased their lead just before the break when Eddie Power scored with a good shot.

The second half saw Town keep up the pressure and the lead was increased to four when an excellent move involving Neil Cooney, Mark Doyle and David Gahan carved the opening for Tim Franklin to complete his hat trick. A watertight home defence was giving nothing away and a powerhouse midfield performance by Brian Behan was eliminating any threat posed by Loughlinstown. With ten minutes remaining David Fagan closed the scoring with an accurate free kick to leave Maynooth easy winners.

This was an excellent performance by Maynooth with the main features being the performances of defenders Darren Weafer, Niall Hanlon and hat-trick hero Tim Franklin and midfield general Brian Behan.

Maynooth - G. Greely, B. Behan, T. Franklin, E. Power, N. Cooney, M. Doyle, D. Weafer, N. Hanlon, D. Gahan, D. Fagan.

Shamrock Rovers 1 Maynooth Town 7
D.D.S.L. U-8 B Sunday

Big names hold no fear for the young lions of Maynooth as a well disciplined under 8's side tore apart a Rovers side that must have wondered what hit them. The Maynooth side was in no mood to allow the chasing pack any chance of unshipping them from their berth at the top of their league. If this kind of form can be maintained until the end of the season any team finishing ahead of them will surely lift the title. A hat trick by Sean Durkan and two from Chris Moynan helped the Town gain an easy victory. Other scorer's were Dara Boylan and Francis McDonnell.

Maynooth - S. Durkan, D. Boylan, F. McDonnell, A. Cash, G. Dooley, C. Dooley, K. O'Sullivan, B. Kilduff, C. O'Reilly, P. McDonnell, E. Flynn, N. Prendergast, G. Halford, C. Moynan.

Ballyoulster 0 Maynooth Town 1
D.D.S.L. U-11 A1 Saturday

Following a comprehensive pre-season friendly defeat and a 0-2 result in the home leg it took some staunch defending from Maynooth to hold the unbeaten Celbridge side in the return leg. Once they overcame the nerves the Town started to show how much they had improved since their earlier meetings. A good flowing game with end to end football was a great spectacle for the neutral support to watch but Maynooth came close to losing some valued mentors of this under 11's side from heart trouble.

The breakthrough came early into the second half when John Flemming put Maynooth ahead. Ballyoulster came back with all they had in an effort to level the match but a superb defensive line soaked up all they threw at them. Niall Doogan in goal and Cian Walsh, Luke Daly, Sean McAllister and Shaun Doogan in defence were the main reason Maynooth came away with all three points. The midfield duo of David Prendergast and team captain Declan Bambrick gave their usual 110% and in the end the better team triumphed.

Maynooth - N. Doogan, C. Walsh, S. McAllister, L. Daly, S. Doogan, D. Bambrick, D. Sweeney, D. Prendergast, D. Baxter, G. O'Connor, T. Moriarty, J. Flemming, D. O'Haire, B. Harney.

Maynooth Town 0 St. Columbans 5
D..D.S.L U-11 A1 Saturday

Two early goals from the visitors saw Maynooth heads drop and the battling qualitties that had been seen to such good effect the previous week were not seen in this encounter. Having already beaten St. Columbans 1-2 in the away leg earlier in the season it was going to take a brave effort to do the double following the early set back. Maynooth did manage to hold the deficit to two until the break but that was mainly due to Niall Doogan the Town's keeper. The second half brought no relief for the Town with the visitors pushing forward at will and running out the easy 0-5 winners. But for the continuing good form of the Maynooth keeper the final score could well have been into double figures. The only other consolation for the home side was David Prendergast who battled hard in midfield and is fast becoming the Roy Keane of Maynooth Town.

Maynooth - N. Doogan, C. Walsh, S. McAllister, L. Daly, B. Harney, N. Corcoran, S. Doogan, D. Bambrick, G. O'Connor, D. Prendergast, J. Flemming, P. Broughan, D. Baxter, T. Moriarty.

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MAYNOOTH LADIES
GAELIC FOOTBALL

A night to remember was had by all at Maynooth G.A.A. Club on Saturday, 30th January. The "Party" was in honour of the successes achieved by Maynooth Ladies Gaelic Football Team in 1997.

Micheál Kelly, the outgoing Manager, presented the players with their Kildare Championship medals and their Kildare 7-a-side plaques. The ever supportive Tony Mooney was called upon to present the players with their much cherished runners-up trophies from the All-Ireland 7-a-side.

On behalf of the players, the Committee would once again like to thank their sponsor, Mr. Noel Brady, for his continued generosity, Maynooth G.AA. Club for their continued support and of course to wish Micheál the same success in his game as he has helped the ladies achieve over the last 2 seasons.

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Anna Wrynn, Leixlip, travelled up to Maynooth to play Mick Duffy in their first round match. She won the first game 21 - 16. Duffy played much better in the second game which he won 21 - 06. The third game went to the wire with both players giving of their all. Wrynn, the American under nineteen girls champion, fought the hardest and won the third game 21-18. Duffy will be seeking revenge when, with Niall Leavy, he plays Wrynn & Healy in the doubles. He says "If we lose this time I will be on the next bus for Monaghan".



*Paul Hand, Junior Singles & Doubles,
First Round Winner.*

The Nevin brothers Owen and Hugh played Mark Kelly and David Jordan in their first round matches. The Leixlip players proved too strong in both matches. However, Owen's match against Kelly did go to three games and with a little more experience he might very well have won. Christy Stokes played fourteen year old Shane Carthy at Leixlip and was taken by surprise by the teenager. While Christy would be inexperienced at playing competitively the opposite would be true of Carthy. He has played in the National Juvenile Championships for some time now. He had a good win over Stokes who may not be able to compete in the doubles due to a shoulder injury picked up in that singles match. Paul Hand played Andy Cullen in Ballymore Eustace

in his first round match. He said it was his first time to represent his home town in the black with the white sash. This he said would be motivation enough to at least win the first round. Despite having gained a few pounds and slowed down a wee bit Paul had the skill and pride in the black and white to carry him through to the second round. He may expect to play Nurney Publican, Paddy Reilly in the next round. Paul also performed very well with Declan Quigley in the Junior Doubles. They played two Kildare under twenty one players at Ballymore Eustace; Maurice Murray and Mark Deegan. They lost the first game 21-14 and won the second on the same score. Their experience showed in the third game which they won 21-12.

In the only other doubles game played Daragh Kelly and Mick Galvin had a narrow escape when they played, father and son team Mark and Phelim Cribbin from Leixlip. This game was played at Maynooth and went the full three games before being decided in favour of the Maynooth pair.

Originally Kelly was to play with Sean Molloy but due to an unfortunate accident Sean ended up in Blanchardstown Hospital and was unable to play. Ironically the accident occurred while he was doing voluntary work on the ball alley to enable Maynooth to have championships played there. On behalf of all the handballers of Maynooth I would like to wish him a very speedy recovery.

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Richardson: The family of the late Tom Richardson, Mariaville, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who attended the removal Mass and funeral and those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple, Fr. Sinnott, Fr. Liam Ryan, Dr. Cowhey and the Medical Staff in Blanchardstown Hospital, to Oliver Reilly, Undertakers, for their help and efficiency in handling the funeral arrangements, also our kind neighbours and friends. We hope this will be accepted by all as a token of our appreciation.

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O'Rourke: With deepest sympathy to the sisters, nieces, relatives and friends of Josephine O'Rourke, Maynooth and formerly of Drumkeeran, Co. Leitrim.

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Collins: With deepest sympathy to the sisters, brother, nieces, nephews, relatives, friends, The Salesian Community, of Sister Teresa Collins, Salesian Sisters, Maynooth.

THANKS

The family of Carmel Begley wishes to thank all her neighbours and friends for their support and encouragement during her recent illness. Thanks also to the staff of James Connolly Memorial Hospital, Blanchardstown. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.

BIRTHDAYS

Best wishes to Gerard McTernan, Greenfield, age 21 on March 4th, Daddy, Mammy, sister Clare, Grannys and Grandad.

Bill Hendrick, O'Neill Park, March 19th.

Sharon Halligan, Greenfield 18 on April 26th

Liam Farrelly, Greenfield March 19th

John Hearn, Greenfield March 23rd

Lorna and Grainne Burke 15 on March 2nd, Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, all your family and friends.

Mrs. Patsy Leavy, Greenfield, March 17th, Best wishes from husband Jim, son David, daughters Yvonne and Angela and all your friends and neighbours.

Happy Birthday to Ali Williams.

Ali will be three on 12th March.

She enjoys swimming, painting and being with her friends. She wants to be a fire-fighter and ballerina when she grows up.

Jennifer Kavanagh who will be 7 on March 14th, Best wishes from Mam, Ian, Neil, Karen, Mark and Declan.

CONGRATULATIONS

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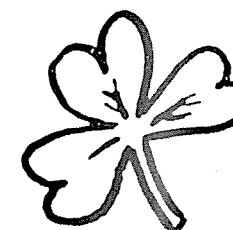
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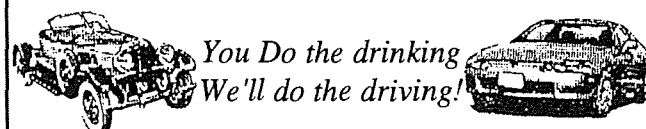
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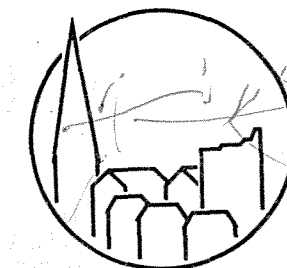
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DIARY DATES

Thurs April 2nd: ICA Meeting at 8pm in ICA Hall.

Fri April 3rd: Lord Edward Fitzgerald Evening, Carton House at 7.30pm. Sharp.

Fri April 3rd: Boys School fund raising night at 8.30pm in G.A.A. Club.

Sat April 4th: St Mary's Band Kansas City Homecoming in Glenroyal at 8.30pm.

Sun 5th April: Community Games Swimming 2pm-5pm College Pool Maynooth.

Sun April 5th: Childrens' Céilí 3-5pm Parish Hall.

Sun April 5th: Auction in St, Cocas Hall. Kilcock 2pm-5pm
Donations Sat 4th April 2 - 6pm.

Monday April 6th: Maynooth Community Council meeting in Post Primary school 8pm.

Thurs April 9th: Talent Competition Final, Glenroyal.

Wed April 15th: Telethon Show Glenroyal at 8.30pm.

Thurs April 16th: Community Games house to house collection.

Thurs April 16th: Summer Project Disco 9-11pm. North Kildare.

Sat April 18th: Flower and Garden Club Spring Show in Loftus Hall, Maynooth College.

Sat April 18th: 60's - 90's Dance in Glenroyal 10pm-2am admission £5.00.

Sun April 19th: Maynooth Senior Citizens Easter Party in Post Primary School, Maynooth.

Mon April 27th: Gymnastic's Competition at 3pm in Maynooth Parish Hall.

Fri May 1st: Tea Day, Alzheimers Association.

The third Saturday of every month, St Coca's Hall, Kilcock, Teenage Disco 9pm - 1am Admission £3.00

Sun 24th May - Steam Train Maynooth

EDITORIAL

Carton Development

The Community Council's decision at its AGM to oppose the commercial development of Carton may breathe new life into the campaign to save an important part of Maynooth's heritage. Back in the early 1990's the Council called on the government of the day to take Carton into State ownership. At the time the proposal was turned down and, as a second best option, the Guinness / Gleneagles plan to develop the estate was supported. But a lot has changed since then. Government coffers are now full and employment is not such a critical issue in north Kildare as it once was. Of course preserving Carton's heritage and transforming it into a public amenity would, of itself, create many jobs. Carton should be as much part of the town of Maynooth as the College and the University, not an exclusive club for the rich and famous.

Maynooth Post Primary to the Fore

Once again Maynooth Post Primary School has shown itself to be one of the most progressive in the country. The school has been chosen as one of just 45 in the whole country to participate in an RTE / Department of Education sponsored scheme to broadcast Web pages of educational interest. Add in the fact that the school, represented by Hugh Denman, Barry McKeon, Brian Joyce and Andrew Duffy, finished in joint third place (out of 52 schools) in a recent Maths Quiz involving top schools in the Dublin region, and one begins to appreciate the valuable education resource we have in the town.

Petrol Prices in Maynooth

In an article in the Newsletter last year we pointed out that Maynooth's motorists were paying over the odds for their petrol. Filling stations in Lucan and Palmerstown offered much cheaper prices. We are now glad to report that the ESSO station has recently cut the price of unleaded to 58.7p per litre - still slightly higher than some Dublin stations but heading in the right direction. At the time of going to press Maxol is still charging 61.5p per litre for unleaded. But maybe a bit of competition is finally getting us better value at the pumps!

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Letters to the Editor

MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION COMORADH '98 MA NUAD

RE: Lord Edward Fitzgerald Evening, Carton House,
Friday, 3rd April, 7.30 p.m.

Dear Editor,

I think the title of the above-named group is self-explanatory but essentially, our interest is in remembering this key historical event in a manner which dignifies the memory of all participants and without projecting any particular political agenda or ideological view.

We have planned a number of local events and the first is arranged for Carton House on 3rd April, next. The centre-point will be a lecture on Edward Fitzgerald by Kevin Whelan of Notre Dame University but there will also be an abbreviated tour of the house and a wine reception, accompanied by some music of the period.

Tickets for the event are £5 and are available from the Committee members, from the Community Council offices or, subject to capacity, at Carton House on the night.

For the record, our Committee - apart from the writer - is as follows -

Chairman:	Michael Quinn
Secretary:	Déaglán O'Stothcháin
Treasurer:	Hilda Mooney

Please note that capacity is limited and therefore, early booking of places is advised.

Sean O'Stothcháin
P.R.O.

Dear Editor,

I fear the "Customer is always right" policy has gone strangely awry. On the 28th February, the Glenroyal Hotel, in Maynooth, Co. Kildare held a function with Brendan Grace as the main entertainer.

We booked our tickets ONE week in advance to find no seats available once we arrived. One of our party of four was eventually offered a seat, but the other three of us were left with the option of standing for 3 hours.

No apologies were offered, money was refunded, and we returned home totally unsatisfied with the entire situation. As we left, many other poor unfortunates had to stand for the night at a function they had paid £10 per ticket.

Perhaps it's time management of such hotels and functions realise that once a customer goes out for a night's entertainment in this Celtic Tiger Economy, we would at least like a seat. If they do make a mistake regarding overbooking an apology to the customer is in order.

The Glenroyal Hotel failed miserably in this respect. Is this the norm? Or are unsatisfied customers with a genuine complaint doomed to be regarded as an inconvenience?

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council to object to the use of European money for Carton

A motion requesting Maynooth Community Council to write to Mr. Carlo Trojan, Secretary-General of the European Commission, objecting to the use of European money to assist the commercial development of Carton Demesne was approved by the Council at its AGM held in March. In proposing the motion Woodlands resident, Mr. Padraig O'Murchu, outlined the historical importance of the Estate not just to Maynooth, which is the best surviving example of a planned landlord town, but to the entire Country. He said Carton is Ireland's premier 18th Century Parkland.

The motion also calls on the Government to purchase the estate and to develop it as an amenity for the Country. The Council are to write to the Taoiseach, Mr. Bertie Ahern and a number of Ministers as well as T.Ds, local Politicians as well as the members of the European Parliament to seek support for the proposal.

Kildare County Council to be asked to ensure upkeep of the Straffan Road

Unanimous support from the Community Councillors attending the AGM was given to the motion proposed by Mr. Des Matthews regarding the upkeep of the Straffan Road. The motion requests that Kildare County Council clear dirt and weeds at the base of the walls, cyclepaths and kerbs on the Straffan Road, and to spray the same areas with weed killer to prevent the future growth of weeds and to maintain it in good order.

Community Council to investigate the provision of a Tourist Information Office for Maynooth

A proposal from Mr. Tony Bean that the Community Council investigate the provision of a Tourist Information Office for Maynooth was unanimously agreed by the Council. The motion requests that the office should be in place at the earliest possible date with 1998 as a target opening.

Community Council defers decision on extending the number of executives

A motion seeking an increase in the number of office holders on the executive of the Community Council was deferred at the AGM. The proposal put forward by Ms. Marie Gleeson was discussed, but as it required a change in the Community Council Constitution, the decision was deferred to a future meeting.

Community Council Supports the preparation of a Development Plan for the Harbour Area

The Community Council has agreed to support the preparation of a Development Plan for the Harbour Field and Geraldine Hall area. A motion for this proposal was raised by Cllr. John McGinley at the AGM.

Community Council Executive 1998

Officers elected for 1998 are as follows:

Chairperson: Mr. Tom McMullon
Vice-chair: Mr. Tony Bean
Secretary: Ms. Muireann Ni Bhrolchain
Treasurer: Mr. Dominic Nyland
PRO: Mr. Paul Croghan

Special Community Council Meeting - 6/4/1998

All Community Councillors are encouraged to attend a special meeting to review the working and activities of the Community Council. The meeting which will be held on the 6th of April in the Post-Primary school at 8pm, will include a presentation, followed by an open forum.

Paul Croghan
PRO

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Fifty different groups took part in this year's parade. The weather was reasonably kind to us. On behalf of the Parade committee I would like to thank all the participants and all of those who helped with the organising of what was yet again a very successful parade. In particular I would like to thank all the businesses who contributed to ensure that we were not at a financial loss. A special mention for our major sponsors: Intel, Caulfield's, Lee Mallaghan, Willie Kiernan, Glenroyal Hotel, Airlie Stud, Derrinstown Stud and Hewlett Packard.

I would also like to thank the following:

- Mattie Callaghan and Paul Kelly Transport for providing the reviewing stand.
- Leo Bean and Seamus Kennedy for preparing the reviewing stand.
- The staff of the Community Council Office for their trojan work.
- Sheila McKenna, Kathleen Gannon and Ann Walsh for flower arranging on the reviewing stand.
- Katie's Flowers for additional flowers for the reviewing stand.
- Willie Kiernan for again providing and installing the Public Address System. A major undertaking.
- Aidan Flood, our master of ceremonies.
- Our Guests on the reviewing stand.
- Bernard Durkan T.D. for being guest speaker.
- Jim McManus for the power supply for the Public Address System.
- Sergeant Peter Kearney and the Gardaí for their advice and help.
- Owen Byrne, our Lord Mayor, for leading the parade.
- All the stewards who yet again performed their tasks professionally.
- Quinnsnorth for the use of the car park.

- Pat Travers of the Parish Hall Committee for providing the chairs and steps for the reviewing stand.
- Emmett Stagg T.D. for his help in getting the Army Band.
- The Glenroyal Hotel for providing tea and sandwiches for our guests.
- Eddie Sherry for cleaning the Main Street.
- George O'Connor for the crash barriers.
- Leinster Arms for providing tea and sandwiches for the O.N.E. and Army.
- Freda Kelleher and the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee for giving the Maynooth Community something of which to be proud.
- The residents of Greenfield Estate for their continued co-operation.
- All the business people who did such a splendid job of decorating their shop windows.

The Shop Window Prize Winners were:

1. The Barbers
2. Fred's Fashion
3. Travel Options

Highly commended:

Mona Lisa
Talking Heads

The Parade Prize Winners were:

- (a) **Best Commercial Float:** Haven Hire
- (b) **Best Club Float:** Soccer Club
- (c) **Best Band:** Narraghmore Pipe Band
- (d) **Best Marchers:** O.N.E.
- (e) **Best Costumes:** Cu Glás
- (f) **Most Topical:** N.U.I.
- (g) **Funniest:** Jimmy the Hoover

John McGinley
Secretary, St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee

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The St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee would like to thank the following who contributed towards the running cost of the parade

Moyglare Nursing Home
Ulster Bank Maynooth
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Moulin Rouge
Regans
Smyth's Butchers
Three Pin Electrical
Just Gifts
Mona Lisa
Irish Permanent
Helen's Hair Affair
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Hula Bou
Attic Swop Shop
The Barbers
Bruce Betting Shop
Pottery Barn
Cyber X Internet
Hibernia
Sticky Fingers
Declan Browne (Kilcock Oil)
Express Cabs
Maynooth Photos
Katie's Flowers
Tinkerbell
J. O'Neill (Butchers)
Kiernans
Damien Maguire
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Coonans
O'Neill Autos
Ua Buachalla

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Without this support the Parade would not have taken place

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Maynooth Train Service

An hour before the opening of the new Railway Station at Drumcondra on 3rd of March last, the Western Suburban Rail Upgrade Group, which consists of representatives of Leixlip Town Commission, Kilcock Community Council, Dublin 15 Community Council and Maynooth Community Council relaunched their submission to the Minister for Public Enterprise on the upgrading of the Maynooth Line Service. The main proposals are as follows:

1. Provision of Double Track from Clonsilla to Kilcock.
2. The Provision of modern Rolling Stock.
3. Service frequency similar to the Dart.
4. Spur to Blanchardstown.
5. New Stations at Kilcock and Leixlip-Collinstown.
6. Upgrading of stations, provision of adequate parking and extensions to platform length where required.
7. Provision of local feeder bus services to maximise use of the service.
8. Information service both on platforms and trains.
9. Upgrade approaches to stations with provision of adequate footpaths, public lighting etc.

Comparisons were included with the extension of the DART to Malahide at a cost of £7.6m to cater for an additional population catchment of 20,900 and to Greystones for £8.7m to cater for an extra 6,800 people. The cost of LUAS is £16.7m per mile, while the cost of doubling the track between Clonsilla and Kilcock would cost £4m in total. The cost of new Railcars as well as Signalling would be £7m. The population catchment for the Maynooth Line is currently 127,000 people not taking into account the people who can use the service from Dublin to Maynooth.

With the increasing employment opportunities in North Kildare a number of major employers are now actively supporting the efforts to ensure the investment is secured to upgrade the service. In Maynooth the most important aspect will be the provision of the feeder bus network as the Railway Station Carpark is now full to capacity.

Maynooth Development Plan

It seems as if the proposals to rezone 300 acres in Maynooth no longer seems possible with the acceptance of Kildare County Councillors of a strategy to limit the population increase in the North of the County to 4,000 between 1996 and 2001. This would mean 1,400 (approx.) for the Maynooth area, which should take account of the future population that will emerge from the newer residential areas (900 houses approx.) built in the last five years.

The last version of the plan produced in 1996, included a number of proposals that with hindsight may not be considered good planning. Residents need to look carefully

at all the proposals put forward in the next plan as the process allows for your views to be considered as part of the development process. If left to outside influences alone, the result may not be the Town in which you want to live.

Paul Croghan
Chairman
Planning and Development Sub-Committee

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

First of all this month we thank Gerard Mulcahy Family Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre for their Sponsorship of Maynooth Tidy Towns entry in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Our thanks to Mattie, Elizabeth, Margaret and Mathew Callahan for their work in putting the entry together.

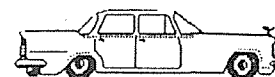
Our Fás Community Employment Project/Tidy Towns workers are continuing on their various projects. We are putting together an interim report for Fás after 12 months of the new project. We will be making a special report on Carton Avenue this year, already our workers have taken a lot of debris, broken branches and litter in preparation for grass cutting.

We meet the first Thursday of the month in the Community Council Office if anyone wishes to come along at 8 o'clock. Our Sunday morning clean up continues, extra volunteers always welcome. We meet at the Geraldine Hall at 9 o'clock, its a great way of getting a bit of exercise. News next month of our Tidy Towns Entry and plans for 1998.

Richard Farrell
Pro

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Confirmation in Maynooth



Muireann O'Sullivan Laurence Avenue, Emer O'Sullivan (sister)



Christy Madden, Siobhán Madden mother, Cora Madden



Seán Kennedy with sister Grace, mum Áine and dad Pat

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BAND BULLETIN

I must be OFFA MY ROCKER! Here we are, it's 10 o'clock (p.m.) 14th March and we're off to Kansas City USA tomorrow morning and whaddyathink I'm doin'? Writin' the Band notes for the April NOOSELETTER: Norah Mc Dermott, don't forget dis guy when them thar medals are given out for bravery in the line of duty and all that.

This month's NOOSE is just to keep yah goin 'til we get back from the USA with the low down on the big Irish Week in Kansas and here's hopin' we've got lots a things to say to you in May.

The past month has been the most hectic period of our preparation for Kansas trying to make sure that 'it would be all right on the night'. Our American Fund seemed to benefit more with each passing day as our departure date grew nearer and there were indeed many donations in the past few weeks for which we are indeed grateful. Some of these include a surprise 'Steakly Sum' from our neighbours KEPAK, an even more unexpected £500 from the Maynooth Branch Fine Gael and finally a really wonderful donation from our long time friends the Presentation Sisters in Castlebridge. We thank you all most sincerely for your kindness.

Our American Night on Friday 13th March was planned as a final send off for Kansas and we were not disappointed. We had a marvellous crowd who entered into the spirit of the occasion and showed their appreciation of our Short American Programme in no uncertain terms. Can't remember when we last had a Standing Ovation, were we that good? Once again, generosity came through in the form of John and Eithne Carey who offered to sponsor our sweatshirts for Kansas City - and beyond. We are indeed grateful to them and we have no doubt that these distinctive Blue and White Shirts will leave a strong impression on our friends in K.C.

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to our Honorary 'ROADIE' Melanie Oliver who put in a tremendous amount of work for this AMERICAN NIGHT. Due to her efforts the catering part of the function was extremely cost effective, well organised and 'went down' a treat with everyone. Thanks a bunch Mel.

On Sunday 8th March our final dress rehearsal for our St. Patrick's Day Parade went like a dream and we were blessed with a spring-like morning. Once again we were heartened by those who turned out to listen to us in the Square and we

hope they enjoyed our brief Programme.

We hope to meet these and many more at our Kansas Homecoming Concert in the Glenroyal Hotel on Saturday 4th April. So many of you have asked to hear more of us that this occasion will give you an opportunity to sample our Full American Concert Programme in comfortable surroundings. See our special Full Page Advert for this concert elsewhere in the Newsletter.

While we are away we will be praying for our Joint President, Fr. Supple, who underwent a serious operation just before our departure. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope he might be well enough to join us on the 4th April



The Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael donated £500.00 from their recent successful Fashion Show to St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band's "American Fund". Our picture shows Paddy Boyd, Chairperson, and Elaine Bean, Treasurer, accepting the cheque on behalf of the Band from branch members Councillor Senan Griffin, Pearl Conlon, Mary Gaffney, Fionan Hardiman, Michael Gaffney, and Geraldine Carwood.

Hope the Maynooth Parade was a great success and that you really did miss us. See you there in 1999.

We hope to have a Kansas City Diary and some Photos for you next month. Thanks again for your wonderful support.

NEWSFLASH

The highlight for the Band came after the Parade in Kansas when they were awarded the prize for the best band in the Parade. An unexpected and outstanding success in the third largest parade in the U.S.A. The event received nationwide TV and Newspaper coverage and the Band's prominent position in the parade was a wonderful P.R. coup for Maynooth, Kildare and Ireland. They have already been asked to return next year but unfortunately such a costly visit could only be represented in another four or five years.

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ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND TAKES KANSAS CITY BY STORM!

Standing in the airport reading to pass the time as we awaited the arrival of a flight from Ireland, little did the Kansas City St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee know how our lives were about to change...But in the blink of an eye we were surrounded by 40 blue sweatshirt clad visitors who managed not only to keep their eyes open but even to smile after a very lengthy travel.

From an impromptu singalong at our first stop, O'Dowds on the Plaza, that charmed the crowd, to a nearly sold out concert Monday Night, and an awesome performance as our lead band in our 25th Anniversary Parade, Kansas City quickly realized we were hosting a world class band whose music thrilled, and members enchanted, each one of us.

The term "Parade Party Bus" took on an entirely cozier meaning when some of the Band members agreed to join the Parade Committee for our post-Parade pub visits and truly made this the best Parade Celebration we've enjoyed so far. Throughout the week we were delighted as various Kansas City natives took the Band to heart; from the presentations by the Jackson County Legislature (who RARELY make these kind of public appearances) to the Mayor's and Bishop's visits (which resulted in the Bishop requesting to say mass for the Band!), and on through the tours of Arrowhead (where the Band members were gifted with books and pins leading to quite a few envious oohs and aahs from Parade Committee members who would pay dearly for such tokens!) and Kauffman Stadiums... we hope we have

many new Chiefs and Royals supporters now! Can you come back for the Royals' Home Opener on April 7?!

I was delighted as my phone continually rang throughout the week with requests from pubs in Kansas City who wanted the band to return to their establishments, as well as many requests about where people could meet the Band and purchase tapes of the Band's music.

When I presented the Band with two prints of Kansas City to remember their trip by, all agreed it is Kansas City who must thank St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band and, indeed, all of Maynooth for the gift of your visit here. I realized at the goodbye party on the Band's last night here that this trip is much more than just between St. Mary's and the Parade Committee... this trip is truly about Maynooth and Kansas City, now joined as sister cities in our hearts and minds. I thank each and every one of you, miss you deeply, and carry you in my heart.

We would love to correspond with pen pals, from the Band as well as your surrounding area, and request any parties interested route all correspondence through myself.

With affection and best regards,

Mary Lewis
7539 Baltimore, K.C., MO., 64114, telephone 816-501-4643,
internet "lewis@vax1.rockhurst.edu".

ALZHEIMERS NEWS

Following last month's article we are now giving you the list of Prize winners in the Holiday Raffle, which is run in conjunction with National Tea Day.

- 1st Prize: Ms Josephine Devitt of Cashel, Co. Tipperary.
- 2nd Prize: Ms Kay Belmajodon, Ballinhassig, Co. Cork.
- 3rd Prize: Mr Brian Downey, Dublin.
- 4th Prize: Sr Dymphna, Blackrock Day Care Centre, Dublin.
- 5th Prize: Mr D. McDermott of Opel Ireland in Dublin.
- 6th Prize: Mr Shane Creaven of Headford, Co. Galway.

Back in 1994, when the Alzheimer Society of Ireland held the first ever National Tea Day, we thought how wonderful it would be if the idea were to spread to other countries so that the day could be an International Tea Day.

'Well, news of our Tea Drinking Campaign has spread and Tea Days are now held in New Zealand, Argentina and Scotland. Northern Ireland and Australia also requested information with a view to also running National Tea Days.

The original and the best Tea Day will once again be held here in Ireland on May Day - so mark your diaries.

Telethon Music Night



Featuring
Danny Carthy

~ ~ ~
Noel & Sandra Brady

~ ~ ~
Maynooth Traditional Group

~ ~ ~
Maynooth Folk Group

**On Wednesday 15th April 1998
in the Glenroyal Hotel**

8.00p.m. sharp

Admission: £4.00

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

As is only too apparent to any long term resident, Maynooth, today is a very different place from the village of 1,300 people that existed in 1971. 10,000 people now claim residency and provision already exists in unused land resources for further substantial additions to the 800 houses which have been built in the town over the past three years. Indeed the 86 unused acres, which a recent Co. Council study has revealed, is sufficient for a further 6-700 houses over the next 5 years without any additional land provision being made. Clearly, even in the absence of new rezoning by Kildare County Council, a huge population increase will occur from a combination of natural growth and in-migration. It is important, therefore, to put in place facilities and amenities for the existing and future population and to think beyond merely providing more housing land to generate potential problems for schools, traffic and the quality of life in the short and medium term future. *Maynooth Planning Alliance* has sought to place before you, the resident, the spectre which excessive rezoning proposals conjure up, and has, with your support, sought a future for Maynooth which enables its character and heritage not to be subsumed in the manner that has happened elsewhere. This is an ongoing struggle and continues to need your support in the crucial months ahead as the Maynooth Development Plan is finalised.

There is something worth fighting for. There is a community spirit in Maynooth which is stronger than in many nearby areas and a tradition of voluntary involvement in community activities of which Maynooth can be proud. Events, such as the recent St. Patrick's Day Parade, exemplify what can be achieved when a community pulls together. It is vital, however, that such spirit must be harnessed and directed towards the community good, and not manipulated in directions which do not benefit the community as a whole. Maynooth residents can choose their future and it can be a future which is forward- looking and progressive without destroying what is distinctive and worthwhile about the past and present.

To help in this process, *Maynooth Planning Alliance* conducted an extensive survey last autumn of a large proportion of the residents of the town. This was done on an estate-by-estate basis to bring out the characteristics of different parts of the town and to help anticipate what facilities might be needed in the future. Some of the results of this daunting task have been recently published in this column with respect to one of the large new private estates (Parklands). In this issue we focus on what is perhaps the town's most mature estate, Old Greenfield.

A Profile of Old Maynooth: Old Greenfield

Old Greenfield was constructed in phases starting in the 1930s (its nickname was 'Abyssinia') and was the first major housing development outside the central area of the village

of Maynooth. 198 houses exist in what is still a predominantly public housing estate laid out mainly to the south of what could be considered an early bypass of the town centre connecting the Rathcoffey and Straffan Roads. Questionnaire returns were received from 119 houses, representing a sample of over 60% a relatively good statistical basis for analysis.

1. An overwhelming majority of the residents have long term connections with Maynooth

Old Greenfield is a long established and stable community where neighbours know almost everyone else in their estate. This is emphasised by the fact that only 6% of Old Greenfield's residents have lived for less than 3 years in Maynooth, with the majority of households having at least one adult born in the town. Several respondents, in fact, had lived in the town for 40 or more years. This is a startlingly different situation from most of Maynooth's new estates where over 80% of residents have lived in the town for less than 3 years. Old Greenfield epitomises a settled community of long term residents, with strong linages and a life-long commitment to Maynooth.

2. Most families with children have children of school-going age

About half of the households in Old Greenfield have children, a similar figure to many of the new estates of Maynooth. While this may seem surprising at first, there is an important difference which must be emphasised. In the case of the new estates, many couples have yet to start child rearing (hence the potential for huge growth in the numbers of school-going children for the town in future years) while in Old Greenfield many couples have reared their families. By way of comparison, Parklands (a significantly larger estate) has twice as many pre-school children as Old Greenfield, while Old Greenfield has almost five times as many primary school children.

There are at present 223 children in Old Greenfield, 191 of them of school-going age. Again by way of comparison, Parklands has less than 100 children at present of which only 32% are of school age. Average family size is larger in Old Greenfield where households with children are over three times as likely to have 3 or more children than in the new estates. Clearly Old Greenfield is a maturing estate with a substantial school going population, but one which will increasingly be overtaken in the years ahead by school enrolments by children from the new estates.

3. Old Greenfield children walk to school

Some of the traffic problems in Maynooth arises from school drop-off and collection traffic whereby several hundred children are driven short distances to and from school each day. Old Greenfield does not contribute to this significantly.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE (Cont)

Almost 70% of children in Old Greenfield walk to school, more than twice the percentage who manage to achieve this in the new estates. Only 7% are driven to school, compared with almost half in new estates. In part this probably reflects the smaller proportion of younger children which exists in Old Greenfield, but also probably the lower car ownership figures. Bicycles and the school bus are used by a further quarter of school children and hardly any children go to school outside Maynooth from this estate.

4. Old Greenfield car ownership levels are relatively low

It is striking to report that whereas only 4% of households in Parklands have no car, 36% of households in Old Greenfield fall into this category. Car ownership levels in Old Greenfield are lower than most other parts of the town. Only one in five households has two or more cars compared with one in two in the new estates. An older age structure is part of the reason for this, as is the smaller proportion of two income families, and the higher than average levels of unemployment which characterise the estate. Interestingly, over one in five households has an adult who suffers from asthma, a higher proportion than in most other parts of the town. Again this may reflect age structure and also a greater outdoor exposure to air pollutants from Maynooth's traffic.

5. Fewer two income families, but more employed in and around Maynooth

The average number of earners per household in Old Greenfield is 1.47, indicating that about half of the households have more than one income source. In many cases this appears to be as a result of older children still resident in the parental home, rather than both husband and wife working. But what is most striking is the much greater tendency for residents of Old Greenfield to work in Maynooth. A resident of Old Greenfield is three times more likely to be working in Maynooth than a resident of the new estates. Long established employment linkages with the town are clearly demonstrated. Many of these linkages probably relate to employment sources which predated the modern expansion of the town, such as parts of the retail sector, the Mill and University.

This profile of Old Greenfield shows a snippet both of Maynooth past and Maynooth future. It is a snapshot of Maynooth as it was before the Celtic Tiger roared - a long-established population, living and working in what was then a country town. In many ways, Old Greenfield contains the collective memory of Maynooth as it was before commuterisation. It shows a close-knit community now maturing in terms of age and family structure. *Maynooth Planning Alliance* emphasise however that while the next 10 years will bring similar social and demographic maturity to other areas of the town, the transition to this can only be smoothly achieved if a sensible approach to future expansion is adopted and short sighted decisions concerning the development of the town are avoided.



1st Leinster Champion for Catherine Maher
School of Dance, Maurice Flynn,
Kilgraique, Kilcloon.



Hammy Cunningham in action at the Talent
Competition in Glenroyal Hotel.
Hammy can be seen in the Final on
Thursday 9th April in the Glenroyal.

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COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

May I begin with a big **thank you** to all those people who supported the fund raising table quiz in the G.A.A. club on 27th February. A particular thank you to our friends who donated prizes for the raffle, Maynooth Photo's, the Sports Locker, Mulcahy Butchers, Jim's Shoe Repairs, Coca Cola Bottlers, the Callaghan Family and Cathal O'Grady.

Art:

The Art and Model Making Competitions were held in the Post Primary School, on Saturday 7th March. It was a real disappointment, only 12 children took part. Notices were put up in the three schools and the schools promised to announce the event. There seems to be a complete lack of interest on the part of the local children and their parents, in any activities where they themselves are expected to make an effort at remembering times and dates, without a "trainer" or "coach" or "manager" to remind them.

Result of Art:

Girls U/8	1 st	Elaine Houlihan
	2 nd	Claire MacNamara
Boys U/8	1 st	Sean Stoll
Girls U/10	1 st	Sinéad Kearney
Boys U/10	1 st	Eoghan McCartan
Girls U/12		No Entries
Boys U/12	1 st	Sean MacNamara.
	2 nd	Matthew O'Gorman
Girls U/14	1 st	Paula Curran
	2 nd	Brenda Kearney
	3 rd	Catherine O'Riordan
	4 th	Elaine MacNamara
Boys U/14		No Entries
Girls U/16	1 st	Emma Fleming
Boys U/16		No Entries
Model Making:		
Boys U/10	1 st	Eoghan M ^c Cartan
Girls U/10		No Entries
Boys U/14		No Entries
Girls U/14		No Entries

Project:

The judging of the project took place on Sunday 8th March in the boys school.

This event was actually organised through the schools and I would like to thank those teachers who encouraged pupils to participate. Here again the response was very disappointing with 5 boys teams and 3 girls teams taking part.

Result:

U/11

(Theme : Litter at Home, at School and in My Community).

1st Team

Shay Brennan, Lee Walsh, and Michael Murphy.

2nd Team

Mark Lord, Tim Franklin, Shane Judge

3rd Team

Aaron Donnelly, Edward O'Reilly, Neil Cooney and Kenneth Corbally.

U/13

(Theme: Pollution, Its effect on Our Health and Our Environment).

1st Team

Kristine McClintic, Catherine O'Riordan, and Sallay Matu-Garnett.

2nd Team

Emma Howard-Williams & Ruth Murphy.

3rd Team

Orla Bambrick, Jean Ledwith and Sarah Corrigan.

These children, their teachers and parents are to be commended for their work.

Basketball, Volleyball, Table-Tennis, Rounders, Badminton, Gymnastics and Variety, are still practising and competition will take place this month.

I would like to thank Sean Donovan and Londis for supplying the shorts and singlets for the Basketball/ Volleyball teams.

Swimming:

This year's Swimming Competitions will take place on Sunday 5th of April from 2pm-5pm in the College Pool.

Outdoor Events:

Gaelic Football, Hurling, Soccer and Pitch & Putt will take place between now and end of April, for Boys under 12 and Girls under 12 and under 15.

Athletics:

These will be run in the G.A.A. field in mid May.

I would like to thank the G.A.A. Club, the Post Primary School, the Boys School and the Girls School for their help and co-operation in all these activities.

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COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES (Cont.)

Finance:

Community Games depends on voluntary subscriptions for financial support. This year's house to house collection takes place on the week 16th to 22nd of April. Please give generously. This year the committee have been forced to introduce an entry fee to competitions, £2 per individual or £5 per family (3 or more) in order to subsidise funds. I would also like to thank the following who sent us donotions:-
Ulster Bank Maynooth, Allied Irish Bank Maynooth, Glenroyal Hotel Maynooth, Maynooth College, Maynooth Credit Union and Intel Leixlip.

We hope we will get a similar positive response from the other corporate bodies canvassed.

The money received pays for affiliation fees to the County and National Association. Entry fees to competitions at county and regional level, transport to and from events, medals, organising P.A. etc., at local events and eventually paying for accommodation and entry fees for any competitors who successfully reach the National Finals at Mosney in late August/September

Bríghidín Breslin
PRO



Community Games Project 2nd Place U/13
Emma Howard Williams (missing Ruth Murphy)

8TH KILDARE, MAYNOOTH SCOUTS

On the 8th of March 1998 the Scouts of the Rye Valley Region ventured forth to reach their goal - according to some scouts, the insurmountable summit of Kippure.

75 scouts in all took part on this intrepid adventure ranging from Maynooth, Leixlip, Confey, Celbridge and Kilcock. It was an enjoyable climb - with only one or two scouts disappearing into bogholes.

Although it was 4 1/2 hrs of hard slog, all who took part seemed to have enjoyed themselves immensely.

Until our next adventure, as the S.A.S. say "who dares, wins," but as our Maynooth Scout motto is, "who cares, who wins?"

By the time you have read this, we will have taken part in Maynooth's St. Patrick's Day Parade, so we wish you a belated Happy St. Patrick's Day, and for anyone who's interested in joining scouts, the age is 11-15. We meet each Thursday night from 7 - 9 pm in the Scout Den, behind the Secondary School.

And as for our Cubs, they've taken to the water with a splash, as they swam for their lives for their merit badges, a right little school of fish. (Oops, shouldn't mention the word "school"). So we just want to congratulate all our Cubs on achieving their merit badges on Saturday 21st March.

And just to let you know cubs are going on their annual camp during Easter to the City of the Tribes (The Culture and Art Capital of Ireland - though some parties with me as I write this disagree!)
Gaillimh Abú!

A. Staunton
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Well done to all who turned up in their fancy dress for St. Patrick's Day. A good time was had by everyone. Congratulations to all our prize winners.

1. Holly Murray
2. Eimear Connellan
3. Elaine Dunne
4. Adrian Dornan
5. Jade Gahan

Thank you to all the people who helped us out on the day and made this parade a very successful one for everybody.

Patricia Moynan, P.R.O.
Tel: 6286865

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THE MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME! CLUB

The Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club had its A.G.M. on Monday 16th February.

The following Officers were elected:

Chairperson: Martin Caine.
Assistant Chairperson: Sheelagh Brady.

Secretary: Melanie Oliver.
Assistant Secretary: Sinead Molyneaux.

Treasurer: John Lambe.
Assistant Treasurer: Mureadach Tuffey.

PRO Officer: Evelyn McGrath.
Assistant PRO: Pat Farrell.

Committee Members: Josephine Moore, Ursula Walsh, Katheryn Walsh, Karen Delahane, Micheal Reilly, James McMahon, Lyla Flynn, Johnny Dowling, Eimear Heneghan,

Committee Members Cont. Freddie O'Melia, Andrew Lambe, Mary Mangan, Marie Byrne, Michael Madden, Olan Rynn and all his fellow Clerical Students.

The No Name! Disco's are run for 14 year olds and over.

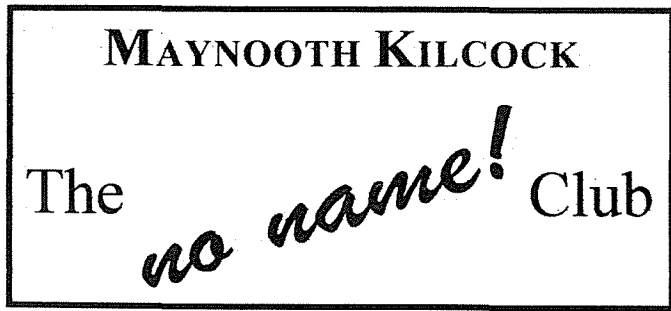
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Forms available from Committee Members or schools.

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Note for Parents and Guardians:

Discos finish at 1.00 am. If you wish to collect your son or daughter before this time, just call to the door.



For your information...
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The no name! Club

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Name: (Use BLOCK CAPITALS) _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/19____

Name of School: _____ Year: (Please tick) 3rd____ 4th____ 5th____ 6th____

Declaration: I hereby apply for membership of The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club! I declare that the particulars given by me on this application are correct in every detail, and that if accepted for admission, I will be bound by the rules and the regulations of the club. I also understand that the Committee reserve the right of admission to any of the club functions or activities and that in the event of dispute, the decision of the Committee member then on duty is final. Membership may be terminated without notice at any time.

Signed: (Ordinary Signature) _____

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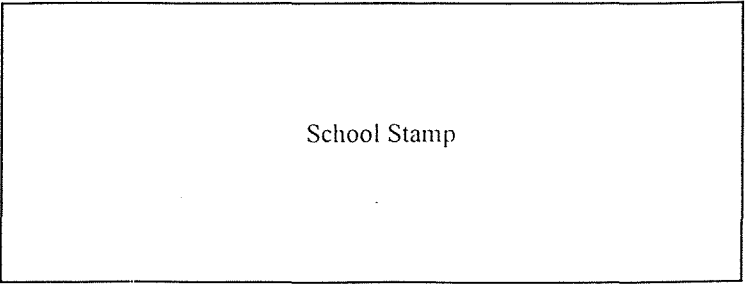
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I declare that I know the above applicant personally and that the particulars given are correct.

Signed: _____
Please confirm Date of Birth above

Status: _____

Date: _____



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Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich

Fáilte roimh Aisling. We are delighted to welcome Aisling Ní Bhriain to Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich. Aisling who comes to us from Gaelscoil Cluain Dolcáin is a resident of Maynooth and settled quickly into the Maynooth Gaelscoil. We wish her many happy and fruitful years in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich.

Ranganna Oíche. The conversational Irish classes for beginners has commenced and are progressing at a steady pace. In the March edition of the Newsletter, we announced that we needed some more students to make the course viable. The response was immediate and the course was subscribed to in a matter of days. The classes are held on Tuesday evenings from 8.00pm to 9.00pm.

Oíche seachtoidí/Seventies Night. Many thanks to all those who supported our seventies night in the G.A.A. clubáras. The cairde committee worked hard in preparing the event and everyone was wholesome in their praise of a great nights entertainment. Some of the genuine seventies gear was very authentic and brought back old memories.

Mór shiúl Lá Fheile Padraig/St. Patrick's Day Parade. Once again Maynooth hosted one of the biggest parades outside of Dublin. This annual event is organised by a hard working team led by John McGinley who do Maynooth proud every year. Our own float was well received, particularly St. Patrick (Ruairí Mac Canna) and his nathar nimhe (poisonous snake). Our appreciation to Paul Coyle for providing the transport for our own float.

Aifreann Gaeilge. Ba mhaith linn ár mbuíochas a gabháil leis an tAth. S.Ó Mathúna a rinne ceilliúradh ar an Aifreann Gaeilge i mbliana. Bíonn tábhacht faoi leith ag baint leis an Aifreann trí Ghaeilge ar féasta ár naomh dúchasach. Bíonn muintir Mhaigh Nuad lán sásta usáid a bhaint as a chuid Gaeilge i rith an Aifreann.

Brontannas ó Intel/Sponsorship from Intel. We are delighted to announce that Intel are to donate two computers to the Gaelscoil. Once installed the pc's will be connected to the Internet so that each class will have access to the world wide web. Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich have established our own web page on the Internet and we intend to send information and also down load information of educational interest. The emphasis is that every child will gain valuable hands-on experience and become computer literate in a relatively short period. Intel are also providing an intensive computer users course in their Maynooth/Leixlip plant. Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich's Príomhoide Máirín Ní Chéileachair and múinteoir Aisling Ní Bhriain are currently engaged on the course.

Gach dea-ghuif don sagart pharóiste. In union with many in Maynooth we are eagerly awaiting the return of our parish priest Fr. Supple. We wish him a speedy recovery and a return to his home of Maynooth. Beir bua agus beannacht.

Colm Ó Cearúil.

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PARENT'S ASSOCIATION BOYS SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

We would like to remind parents and friends that our fund raising night will be held on 3rd April at 8.30 p.m. in the G.A.A. Club, Moyglare Road. Tickets £3 each or two tickets for £5.

Our congratulations to all the boys who were confirmed on 19th March also to the teachers who put in so much hard work. There was tea, minerals and cakes for all in the school hall afterwards.

We would again like to remind parents to be very vigilant when entering and leaving the school yard in the morning and evenings.

Claire O'Rourke
P.R.O.

SCOIL UÍ RIADA NEWS

Slogadh Update

Scoil Uí Riada will be well represented at the All-Ireland Finals of Slogadh in Wexford on April 16th and 17th. Following their success in the Dublin Regional finals in February held in the Ballymun Comprehensive School, first and second classes will participate in the *Cór* competition. Ruth Harkness and Seán O Muirí from Rang II will compete in the Under 9 category of the Agallamh Beirte competition, while Tomás O Báille and Cormac O Móráin from Rang VI will participate in the Under 13 category. The parents would like to thank teachers Máire Ní Rianáigh and Áine Ní Chonaill together with parent Peig Bn Uí Báille for their efforts in training and preparing the pupils thus far.

Céol an Gheimhridh

Continuing with matters musical the school's céilí band took part in the Leinster Finals of Comhaltas Céoltóirí Éireann's Céol an Gheimhridh in Enniscorthy recently. The musicians, who were among the youngest group participating, performed very well and hope to do one better next year. A big thank you to parent and musical director Mary Jo McGowan for all her efforts. Current All-Ireland Champion Tomás O Báille won through to the All-Ireland Final of the Scéalafocht competition again this year.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

The festivities over the St. Patrick's Weekend saw the Scoil Uí Riada float participating in the parades in both Maynooth and Kilcock, clearly demonstrating the prominent role which

the gaelscoil plays in both communities. Thanks to the parents and children who participated in both parades and to the volunteers who gave of their time to prepare the float which commemorated the bicentenary of the 1798 Rebellion.

Cúrsa Ríomhaire

It's back to school time for the múinteoirí of Scoil Uí Riada. The school has put in place a Computer Training Programme specifically tailored for Scoil Uí Riada which allows the múinteoirí to update their computer keyboarding and applications skills. The course is designed to run over a ten week period. This will enable the teachers to generate class material, to hold current records and to introduce the whole area of computing to the pupils in an age appropriate fashion. Rang a V agus a VI are already quite adept at producing their own CV's in life skills classes. The Board of Management is indebted to INTEL,

Mr. McGrath of Cork Institute of Technology and Hewlett Packard for providing the hardware to enable the course to run. We wish the múinteoirí well in their endeavours.

Enrolments for Sept' ~98

If you have not registered your child yet, please do so at your earliest convenience as places are limited. Application forms are available from the School or by telephoning 01-6287906. The school can also be reached by e-mail at Scoiluiriada@tinet.ie

Miriam Ahern, PRO



Janathan Ó Caoimh Ó hEathairín agus Rebekah Nic Chonmara ag úsáid na ríomhairí agus ag baint taineamh astu

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PARENTS ASSOCIATION, PRESENTATION CONVENT MAYNOOTH

The parents association would like to thank everyone who supported the Irish night in the Glenroyal on the 6th March. The night was a great success. A special word of thanks to Rita Doyle and her dancers and to the band Gaeltra. We would also like to thank the following for their generous contributions:

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PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

* Feel like a chat?
* Want some company for your child?
Why not drop in to the "Parent and Toddler" group meetings. We meet every Thursday morning, 10.00 - 12.00 in the M.A.D.E. Centre (beside Post-Primary School).

Newcomers are welcome! See you there!

N.B. There will be no sessions on 9th and 16th April due to school holidays for Easter.

All queries to: Bronwyn @ 6289405 or Helen @ 6285865.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

At our recent A.G.M. the following new officers were elected.

Chairperson: Norah McDermott
Vice Chairperson: Madeline Stynes
Joint Secretary: Rose Breheny & Claire O'Rourke
Treasurer: Freda Kelleher
Ass. Treasurer: Lorraine Butler
P.R.O.: Claire O'Rourke

Committee members: Martha O'Rourke, Maeve Stynes and Andrée Ennis.

Our thanks to Sheila Downey outgoing secretary for her work during the year.

Well done to all the boys and girls who turned up in fancy dress for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. They all looked very well.

Claire O'Rourke
P.R.O.

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

APPEAL

The above Committee are working very hard at the moment to fullfill their plans for this year. Our work-days are the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month and help is needed. Perhaps people who cannot help out on work-days would like to help in other ways, such as:-

THE USE OF A JCB FOR 1 DAY.
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St. Patrick's Day



Charlie Haughey makes special guest appearance
at the parade
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What float is coming next?
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Tom McMullon presenting Phylis Higgins with
trophy for window display
Photo: G. McCann



Janice is delighted to be back in
Maynooth for the Parade
Photo: G. McCann



O.N.E. being presented with Best Marching trophy
by Tom McMullon
Photo: G. McCann



Happy bunch at the parade on Main Street
Photo: G. McCann

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

I once read somewhere that the two most used words in the English language were "money, money". Well, if that is so, the two words least used are "thank you". I have so many people now to thank, it should help redress the balance. Many thanks to all who so generously gave to our collection last month and for your courtesy while doing so. I thank our committee and helpers for their reliability. I thank the proprietor of Quinnsworth Shopping Mall who facilitate us year after year, Ollie Bright for all his help while we're there and Donovans for that welcome cup of tea. We are very grateful to the Publicans who allowed us invade their premises and to their customers for their tolerance. Last but not least our thanks to Fr. Sinnott who in his busy schedule, found time to include us in his notices. All of which contributed to the success of the weekend, in which we raised £1,669.46.

Our visit to St. Patrick's College on March 22nd was a most enjoyable event indeed. Mass was celebrated by Fr. Des Hilary. This was followed by dinner in "Ref." beautifully provided by Michelle and served by staff and students. Well fed and watered, we were taken on tour to places of interest. The evening was rounded off by entertainment and dancing. Many thanks to Peter, John Joe and all the Pastoral students who organised the event and with whom we work all year in the interest of our Senior Citizens.

Our next event will be our Easter party which will take place on Sunday April 19th in the Post Primary School. We will have our usual "Easter Bonnet Parade" on the day, so out with those old hats and lets see who can transform a dull piece of headgear into a work of art.

May, as you will all know by now, is the Month of the Arts. So we celebrate "Bealtaine", at this time, by encouraging our older people to participate in some form of Art culture each year. We will tell you more about this in the next issue. In the meantime, out with those needles, paint brushes, pens, etc., and show us what we know you are all capable of doing.

Congratulations to our own Brass and Reed Band who won first place in the Best Band Competition in the Kansas City Parade on St. Patricks Day. They do us proud wherever they perform.

Don't forget our club continues each Tuesday and Thursday morning and all are welcome to join us. Its nice to see all those back at the club who were sick at home or in hospital during the Winter. At this point, I would like to extend our good wishes to Fr. Supple and wish him a very speedy recovery. I trust he too will be home very soon P.G.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Michael Nolan and Mary Burke, both of whom gave so much to this community. One through his skill on the football field and the other through music. Mary, on many occasions, gave her time and talent for the

entertainment of our Senior Citizens. For my own part, she was not just a colleague in music, but a friend for many years. May they both rest in peace.

Josephine Moore

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I.C.A. NOTES

The March Meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on March 5th in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Sympathy was extended on behalf of Mary Burke who was a former I.C.A. member.

The competition for March was a dessert with the theme of St. Patrick's Day.

The winners were as follows:

- 1st - Rosemary Hanley
- 2nd - Connie Harpur
- 3rd - Vera Kearins

Highly recommended was Mary McNamara.

An Irish theme continued with a Quiz which was based on famous Irish people, Money and History of Ireland. Also two of the ladies took part in a very funny bi-lingual sketch about Michael Mor and City Sue. Bernie King played City Sue and Mary McNamara was Michael Mor. The girls were excellent and a very good job was done by Rosemary Hanley and Vera Kearins who narrated the sketch.

The competition for April is for "A Small Easter Bonnet" which has to be wearable on your head or hair.

Crafts continue with Jo O'Connell on Monday nights. Also badminton continues on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m.

A table quiz for Community Games took place in Maynooth G.A.A. on the 27th February. One team from the I.C.A. was represented and they came 3rd overall.

The team were Rosemary Hanley, Bernie King, Jo O'Connell and Margaret Houlihan.

There was a Planning and Development Meeting on Tuesday night 2nd March.

Planning permission has been sought for the restoration of the Castle.

Grainne Kelly gave a lovely talk on her week at An Grianan. She went for the health and fitness week which dealt with aerobics and forms of relaxation as well. The food was delicious as usual.

The Spring Federation Meeting will be held on Monday 23rd March in Colaiste Chíaráin, Leixlip. Clane Musical Society are putting on 'Oklahoma' in the Abbey in Clane from 22nd to 28th March.

The raffle winners on the night of the meeting.

- 1st - Helen Doyle
- 2nd - May Haren
- 3rd - Helen Finn

The April meeting will be held on April 2nd at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall.

May Haren
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Enquiries/Entries to:- Mrs. Sarah Angel, Newtown Prospect, Kilcock, Co. Kildare.
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Show open to all from 3.30 to 5.30pm. Admission £1.

THEME: 'THE YEAR OF THE OCEAN'

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| <p>Class 1</p> <p>Class 2</p> <p>Class 3</p> <p>Class 4</p> <p>Class 5</p> <p>Class 6</p> <p>Class 7</p> <p>Class 8</p> | <p>The Beach
An exhibit to include water. Space 24"
Confined to those who have not won a 1st Prize at any Show.</p> <p>European Cruise. An exhibit. Space 24"
Confined to those who have not won 3, 1st Prizes at any Show.</p> <p>Sailing. A modern exhibit. Space 18".</p> <p>Titanic. An exhibit to be viewed all round. Space 36".</p> <p>Where Oceans Meet.
An exhibit. Foliage to dominate. Space 30".</p> <p>Seaside Treasures.
A miniature exhibit. Not more than 4" overall.</p> <p>From the Deep.
A petite exhibit - between 4" and 9" in height, width and depth.

Entry Fee: 50p per entry. Prizes: £10, £7 and £5. Prizes in class 4: £15, £10 and £5.</p> <p>An Exhibit in my Favourite Container.
Confined to those under 16 (Age to be stated).</p> |
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Entry Fee: 20p per entry. Prizes: £5, £3 and £2. All entries in Classes 1 to 8 must be the unaided work of the Exhibitor.

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| <p>Class 9</p> <p>Class 10</p> <p>Class 11</p> <p>Class 12</p> <p>Class 13</p> <p>Class 14</p> <p>Class 15</p> | <p>One Stem of Flowering Shrub (Trees excluded).</p> <p>One daffodil or narcissus.</p> <p>Three daffodils or narcissi (same or mixed).</p> <p>Collection of cut flowers from the garden, excluding daffodils, narcissi and shrubs.</p> <p>Three tulips (same or mixed).</p> <p>3 Stems of spring flowers (same or mixed) excluding daffodils, narcissi and shrubs.</p> <p>A collection of herbs in a jamjar.</p> |
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* All entries in Classes 9 to 15 must have been grown by the exhibitor.

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Street Talking

Movieworld, Newtown Shopping Centre, Maynooth.

The location of this spacious video shop which opened at Christmas 1997 provides easy access for local residents. Proprietor Damian Williams from Crumlin Village, Dublin commutes every day to his video shop **Movieworld** which is open from 12am to 10 pm seven days a week including Bank Holidays.

Damian supplies an excellent range of videos for children and adults including all the



Damian Williams Proprietor of Movie World Beaufield

latest top releases. The layout of **Movieworld** is spacious and all the categories are of easy access for all customers.

Damian provides a good friendly, efficient service and has an excellent knowledge of the business as he has been in this line of work for the past ten years. Coming in the summer 1998 are the **Nintendo 64, Playstation**, and the titles to look out for are **Austin Power's 'The Game'**, and **'Volcano'**.

Bookings 6292529
We wish Damian every success in the future.

EQUESTRIAN WORLD - BIGGER AND BRIGHTER

Equestrian World was established over ten years ago by David Geoghegan. Since then it has gone from strength to strength and on February 13th last, the new spectacular shop was opened on the existing spot of the old premises.



David Geoghegan Equestrian World

The shop is now a two storey building covering an amazing 3000sq ft. of retailing luxury. When you enter the ground floor the bright cheerful colour scheme strikes you immediately. It almost lifts your spirits on a damp dull day. Here you can browse through Saddlery Equipment, Gifts, Pictures and the newly introduced Pet Food Section, extremely extensive - you're sure to find everything you need for the "pet" in your life.

Upstairs, would take your breath away, the colour scheme is so modern it certainly highlights the huge range of Country Clothing. There is something here to suit everybody's pocket

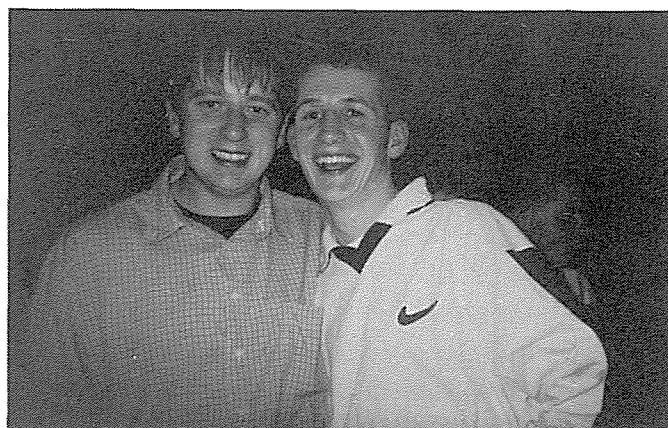
range. The usual designer names are here, Musto, John Partridge Barbour, Toggi and Davids own exclusive label "The Winning Post" range plus the students favourite - Fleece Jackets.

Equestrian World now carries such a broad range of merchandise that the "horsey set" are not the only ones to be catered for. Other sport enthusiasts for example, people interested in hill climbing, water sports etc., should make a bee-line to the shop.

Equestrian World were delighted to be associated with two Cheltenham winners, French Ballerina and French Holly. Both horses were being fed Vitamin Supplements from the Peak Performance Range of Veterinary Products for which David has the sole agency here in Ireland.

There are always special bargains available so who would be bothered driving miles to shop when you have everything you need on your doorstep in Maynooth.

Equestrian World is open from 9.30 - 6.00 Monday to Saturday. The shop is well worth a visit!



Enjoying the talent in Glenroyal are Eddie Connolly and David Ashe

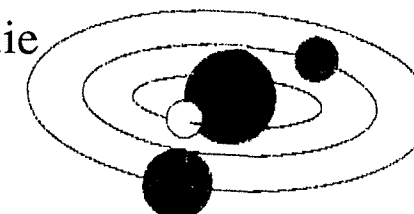
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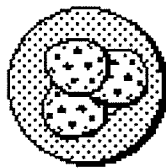
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Mushroom Soup

240g/8oz fresh mushrooms
2 tablespoons butter or olive oil
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 medium potato, finely chopped
1 litre/2 pints chicken stock
1 sprig thyme
1 bay leaf
cream or thick yogurt

Wipe mushrooms or chop finely.
Sauté mushrooms and onion in butter or oil until onion is transparent.
Stir in potato, stock, thyme or bay leaf.



Braised Lamb Chops with Black Bean Sauce



Ingredients:
350g Uncle Ben's Black Bean Sauce with crispy vegetables.

250g/9oz Uncle Ben's Basmati Rice.
4 Lamb gigot chops
2 large leeks, sliced
1 onion, chopped
2 sticks celery, sliced
2 tablespoons vegetable oil.

Method:
Trim fat and bones off the chops.
Heat the oil and brown chops on both sides.
Remove from the wok and add the vegetables
Stir-fry for 1-2 minutes.
Lift with a slotted spoon into an ovenproof casserole dish.
Arrange the chops on top of the vegetables.
Pour the Uncle Ben's Black Bean Sauce over.
Cover with a tight fitting lid, or foil and bake in a moderate oven, 350°F, 180°C, gas mark 4 for 45-60 minutes until the chops are tender. Serve with freshly cooked Uncle Ben's Basmati Rice.
Serves: 4.

Cook's Tip:
As an alternative to oven-cooking choose a flameproof casserole dish or a heavy base saucepan, lightly greased. Place the chops over the vegetables, pouring the Uncle Ben's Black Bean Sauce on top. Rinse out the sauce jar with some water and add to the chops and vegetables. Bring to boiling point, cover and lower heat until the pan is simmering very gently. Cook for 35 to 40 minutes until the chops are tender, adding more water if necessary. Uncle Ben's Black Bean Sauce is also suitable for use with beef, chicken and pork.

Warm Spinach and Bacon Salad

180g/6oz spinach leaves, washed and de-stemmed
60g/2oz button mushrooms, sliced
3 thick slices of bread
2 tablespoons polyunsaturated oil
1 clove garlic, peeled and crushed
8 streaky bacon rashers, chopped
2 tablespoons wine vinegar
freshly milled black pepper

Tear spinach leaves into pieces and put into salad bowl with thinly sliced mushroom. Trim crusts from bread and cut into 1 1/4 cm / 1/2 inch cubes. Heat oil in frying pan with garlic, and fry bread cubes until golden. Leave to drain on kitchen paper. Discard garlic and fry chopped bacon until crisp. Sprinkle bacon and fried bread croutons over salad. Pour vinegar into warm frying pan, stir and pour contents over salad. Season with black pepper.



Easter Nest Cake



6oz soft margarine
6oz caster sugar
Grated rind and juice of 1 lemon
3 eggs
6oz self-raising flour
2 1/2 pt. ring tin

Icing:
8oz plain chocolate
4oz margarine
2 eggs
8oz icing sugar

To Finish:
4oz chocolate
1 pk Mini chocolate eggs

Method:
1. Place all ingredients for cake, margarine, sugar, lemon, eggs and flour in bowl and beat together until well mixed. Pour into a greased and floured ring tin and bake for 20-25 mins. at 180°C 375°F No5 Gas.
2. Turn cake onto a wire rack when cooked to cool.
3. Melt 4oz chocolate and pour onto a sheet of greaseproof and spread thinly. Leave aside to harden.
4. For the icing, break the 8oz chocolate into pieces, place in a bowl with margarine and melt.
5. Cool for 5 mins. and beat in eggs and sugar. Leave until thick enough to hold its shape and then spread over cake. Break the thin sheet of chocolate into pieces and stick around the side of cake to give the impression of a bird's nest.
6. Place the chocolate eggs in the centre of the nest.

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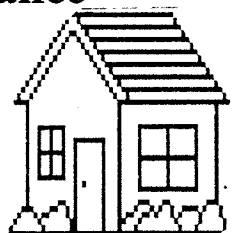
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ROAD SAFETY

The long days are with us again. Children wait for their release from school on Spy Wednesday. A full ten days and more of freedom. Now is the time to discuss safety and good neighbourliness with them. On holidays they may not be as careful as during term time. Do your children know the correct side of the road to walk on or to ride their bikes? Ball playing on the road can cause annoyance to other residents.

Why not make the back garden a place where the children can play in safety - with a swing, a small sand pit, a dressing up box, a paved area to sit out on. Children love to see the result of their own work in the garden. There are lots of child-friendly seed packs available. A bird watching guide and a nature study guide will give the older ones many happy hours.

Some parents and children seem to forget that night workers and neighbours whose children have grown up have rights too. We wish all the children a safe and happy holiday with every day a good one.

WALK IN AID OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Helen Corbett, Kilcock, has undertaken to walk 200 miles and to raise £3,350 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. This requires a great deal of time and effort both to train for the Walk and to raise the required sponsorship.

A 60's to 90's Dance will be held in the Glenroyal Hotel on Saturday 18th April from 10p.m. - 2a.m. with Bar Extension.

The money raised will help the Society to further develop its Community Care Services to reach people with Multiple Sclerosis and their families more effectively and to help fund its on-going research programme in Irish Universities and Hospitals.

A DAY OUT AT EASTER

Take the family to see Tara's house - a wonderful doll's house within Newbridge House, Donabate. This is a dolls house made to raise funds for children's charities. The exterior of the palace is based on the exterior of Carton, Castletown and Leinster House. There is an admission charge.

This trip is perhaps better undertaken by Arrow from the train station. At Connolly Station change to the Northbound line. Donabate is on the seashore 4 miles beyond Malahide. From Donabate follow the signpost for a half hour walk to Newbridge House. This 18th century mansion and its park are now owned by the State. The park is an ideal picnic spot. The Archbishop of Dublin erected the house about 260 years ago. It has its original furnishings. The kitchen is as it was 200 years ago. The museum is full of eccentric collections.

A craft shop is in the courtyard. Some of the old style coaches are there too. The animal farm is also open. In Summertime the house is open to the public on weekdays from 10 a.m. and after lunch on Sundays. Closed at lunch time daily and on Mondays.

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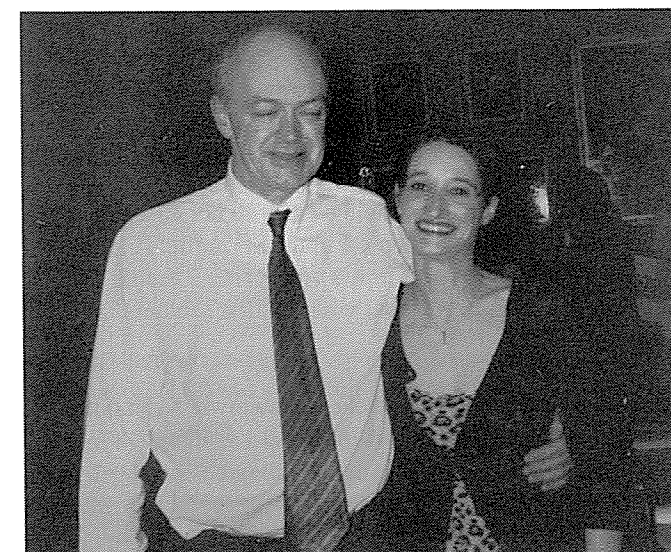
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LOCAL ARTIST

Vincent Doyle, a renowned local artist, held a recent exhibition of his paintings in Barberstown Castle. The exhibition, which was opened by the Chairman of Kildare County Council Mr. Liam Doyle, was a great success. The theme of the exhibition was "Living Landscapes and what they produce." The exhibition was sponsored by Christie and Marie Lanigan of C.P.L. Motor Factors, Maynooth, Pat Pidgeon and Mick O'Shea, Builders, Maynooth.

It had taken Vincent approximately one year of hard work to put this exhibition together. The paintings are outstanding with unbelievable depth and detail and include two beautiful recent additions of the late Princess Diana.

In 1999 Vincent will be staging an exhibition in Tokyo, using the theme of Newgrange. Working with the elements of light, fire and water Vincent has managed to capture an essence of our ancient past, a part of ourselves that we have long since lost, or maybe just forgotten! Vincent is bringing two very different cultures together with this exhibition. Japanese people seem to know and understand what the artist



Vincent Doyle and his agent, Cathy Carolan

is expressing in his work. (Some pieces on this theme are already on display in Donatello's in Newbridge. They are well worth a view anytime you happen to be in that area).

Vincent recently acquired an agent from France, Cathy Carolan. Cathy's husband is a picture framer and has done the beautiful and unusual framework for this recent exhibition. Cathy is at present planning an exhibition of Vincent's Newgrange series in the Art Gallery in Kilcock towards the end of May. Hopefully we will have more information for you on this in our next issue. Cathy is also planning to exhibit Vincents work in the West of France where she feels it will be very well received.

Vincent has work in The National Collection; The Allied Irish Banks Group; The Bank of Ireland Group (there is a beautiful painting of the college on display in their branch in the Main Street) and Kildare County Council, to name but a few.

One of Vincents works is on view in one of the most famous homes in the United States - The White House.

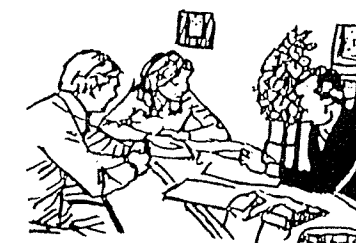
We are very lucky to have such a gifted artist living in our midst. With Maynooth growing and changing so fast Vincent's paintings may someday be the only living chronicle of how our countryside used to look.

We wish him every success for the future and may he continue to see and capture the beauty and essence of nature in his own unique way.

"Art is not a mirror to reflect the world, but a hammer with which to shape it." Vladimir Magakovsky.



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MOTHERS DAY

When I was asked by the Editor of the Maynooth Newsletter to present an article on Mothers Day I thought it a bit strange. The fact that I had been left an orphan in the Sacred Heart Convent Cork all those years ago and had been brought up by strangers did not provide me with a background that would be conducive to writing a favourable piece on such a subject. I was worried I might present a view that was tainted. Then I thought about all the many other thousands of people around Ireland that had found themselves in a similar situation to mine. Some were fortunate to have been fostered or adopted into wonderful homes and found a mother that could never do enough for them whilst others were less fortunate and alas will carry a stigma or a chip on their shoulder for the rest of their lives.

As it so happens today, 24th March, is my birthday. I am 58 years old. I have been married to a woman who gave me two fine sons and I now have first hand information on what it takes to be a mother, for she was tops. She deserved and she rightly received from me and my two sons, our eternal gratitude. When my wife and I parted she was still there for them, making sacrifices to ensure they needed for nothing. Today Michael is an ex Trinity Engineer Graduate working for Airmotive and Neil is a recent Maynooth Graduate working in computers.

A Big "Thank You"

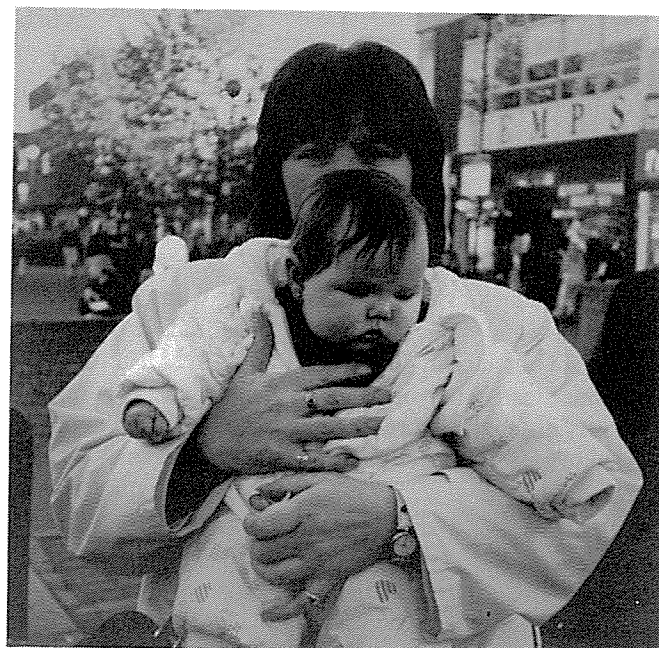
It was what Orla Murphy of Greenfield Close said to me when I was assigned this task that jolted my own thoughts about the place most mothers have in Irish homes. It is difficult to "thank" a mother. If you give her money it



invariably ends up back with you rather than being spent on herself. But Orla felt that Mothers Day was the one day that you are presented with the opportunity of making a fuss of her and to say a big "Thank You". You could buy her a card;

buy her flowers; take her out for a meal or buy a box of Roses and that is exactly what happened to the many 'mothers' that I spoke to around Maynooth.

INTERVIEWS



Mary Tracey of Old Greenfield went with her husband David and his family for a meal in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip. Mary happily informed me that her 9 month old daughter Vicky presented her with her first Mothers Day Card.

Liz Nolan working in Supervalu of Newtown, Maynooth took her mother Marie to Dublin Zoo.



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MOTHERS DAY (Cont.)

Interviews

Mary McGinty of Moyglare, a lone parent with 3 children, did not celebrate Mothers Day. However she did acknowledge the day by, as she stated "appreciating the love she gets from her three children". Mary felt Mothers Day was too commercialised.

Joan Mann from Scotland who is now living in Parklands said she had a quiet day as her husband was working but she was not forgotten, her husband had bought her a lovely Mothers Day Card and chocolates.

Patricia McAuliffe of Kingsbry was taken out by her husband David and relatives for a meal.

Joan Ring of Kilcock ended up in O'Keeffes of Kilcock for her dinner with her relatives.

Origins

Very few people are aware of the origins of Mothers Day but it appears that the idea came from America, promoted mainly by greeting card manufacturers and we, in Ireland, over the last twenty or so years have accepted the idea with enthusiasm.

An Post/Super Valu in on the Act

Even some of our institutions took a hand in celebrating Mothers Day this year. An Post and Supervalu got together and provided a gift package. The contents being a 300g box of Persil, a box of Cheerios, Dove soap, a container of jif, lipstick, shampoo and a book of discount tokens roughly to the value of £3.00 and a free magazine.

Some of the mothers I was talking to thought the idea was very good but felt that the jif and washing powder could have been substituted for sweets or chocolates.

The owner of Super Valu in Maynooth, Brian Murphy explained to me some of the logistics that were involved. The actual individual packing of each gift. The transporting, using seven large trucks to deliver the gifts from Cork, to all of their one hundred and seventy five stores around the country. Surely if ever a supermarket kept to its slogan then Super Valu must be given credit when they say,

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A Mother's Love

A Mother's Love is something so special that no one can explain. It is made up of deep devotion, and many many sacrifices and pain. A mother's love is indeed endless and unselfish and 'puts up with' what ever comes her way. It is important to say that nothing can destroy it or take that love away. . . .

It is patient and forgiving and it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking.

A Mother's Love's a sanctuary where our souls can find sweet rest from the struggle and the tension of life's fast and futile quest. . . A mothers love is like a fortress and we seek protection there when the waves of tribulation seem to drown us in despair. . .

For a Mother's Love is fashioned after God's enduring Love, It is endless and unfailing like the love of him above. . .

For God knew in his great wisdom that he could'nt be everywhere, so he put his little children in a loving mother's care.

A Mother's Day Prayer

'Our Father in Heaven
whose love is divine,
Thanks for the love
of a mother like mine
And in Thy great mercy
look down from above
and grant this dear Mother
the gift of your love
and all through the year,
Whatever betide her,
Assure her each day
that you are beside her
And, Father in heaven,
show me the way
To lighten her task
and brighten her day,
and bless her dear heart
with the insight to see
That her love means more
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SERVICE OF LIGHT

The big day was drawing near. On 11th March the sixth class boys from Maynooth Boys' school gathered with Fr. John Sinnott, their parents and the teachers, Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Grundy at St. Mary's parish church for the pre Confirmation Service of Light.

Mr. Mullen with his guitar and the choir of boys from third and fourth classes took part in the service. Be not afraid was the theme of the service - the boys were leaving boyhood behind them and about to become teenagers. They had been busy learning their parts for the service; writing their names on cut-out doves (symbols of the Holy Spirit) and putting them onto the altar cloth; be-ribboning the candles. It was a ceremony full of symbolism.

The opening hymn was 'Come Holy Spirit'. The 'Ar nAthair' was said. A Certificate of Commitment was signed by each boy. The certificates were carried to the altar where they were blessed by Fr. Sinnott. The 'Ave Maria' was sung. Four boys lit tapers from the altar candle and then lit individual candles. The candles were passed from the parents to their son. Each boy promised to avoid intoxicating drink until the age of eighteen and not to allow themselves to take drugs. The service ended with the hymn of Saint Francis - 'Make me a channel of your peace Lord'.

The boys confirmed were Robert Armstrong, Conor Brady, Lorcan Breheny, Alan Brennan, Stephen Broderick, Richard Bruton, Stephen Burnell, Patrick Byrne, Dermot Canning, Dwayne Cawley, Kevin Comerford, Shane Connolly, Niall Corcoran, Mark Cummins, Conor Devaney, Bryan Downes, Norman Dunne, Jason Fitzgerald, Owen Gunn, Darren Hayes, Colm Ivers, Mark Jennings, Darren Kearney, Barry Keenan, John Kelleher, Sean Kennedy, Sean McAllister, Lorcan Maher, Jason Moen, Daniel Murphy, Fergal Molloy, Brendan Mullahey, Mark Newton, Darryl O'Connell, Mark O'Mahony, Bryan O'Malley, Ronan Phelan, Patrick Robinson, Mark Sidney, Gavin Smith, Alan Sweeney, Karl Tyndall.

Make me a channel of your peace

Where there is hatred let me bring your love

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord

And where there is doubt true faith in you.

O Master grant that I may never seek

So much to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love with all my soul.

ST. BRIGID'S HOSPICE

What is it?

A four bed hospice unit is situated at The Drogheda Memorial Hospital, The Curragh, Co. Kildare. It is planned to extend this unit soon. Other facilities to be provided include an Oratory, a Conference/Day Care Room and additional office space for the staff. 14% of terminally ill patients have no one to care for them at home.

The community palliative care team for Kildare and west Wicklow has two full time and one part time Home Care nurses who provide nursing expertise and counselling for the terminally ill in their own homes. The majority of patients and their carers prefer the care to be given at home.

At present this is a five day service with limited weekend cover. It is hoped to extend this service. Night nursing is provided where necessary. A bereavement counselling service is provided with both male and female support groups. The Eastern Health Board and the Irish Cancer Society fund the service but voluntary fund raising is on-going.

On 11th March 1998 Ms. Noeleen O'Brien had a very pleasant task when she presented a cheque for £9,000. The recipient was Ms. Teresa O'Doherty, Chairperson of the Maynooth Hospice Committee. The money was mainly the proceeds of the Christmas Flower Festival at Carton House last Christmas. What a brilliant feast for the eyes that was! The money was raised by the members of Maynooth Flower Club.

Present in Kehoe's delicatessen for the presentation were Pauline Burke, Maura Gibson, Alverne Kehoe, Maire Murphy, and Mary Robinson, all of the Maynooth Hospice group. From the Flower Club came Chairperson Noeleen O'Brien; Margaret Howe, Vice Chairperson; Sarah Angel, Secretary; Imelda Desmond, Treasurer; Moira Baxter, Hilda Dunne, Betty Farrell, Mary Doyle, Jo O'Connell and Carmel Owens.

Thank you to all those who attended the festival. Isn't it good to know that the donation given towards the festival will be put to such good use.

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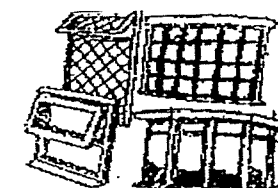
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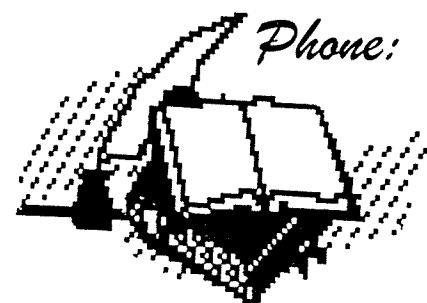
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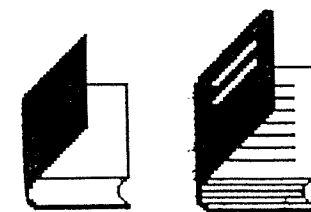
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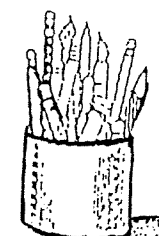


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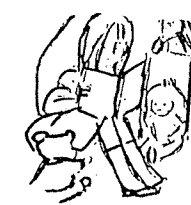
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THE HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH FIRE SERVICE

The townland of Maynooth grimly realised the importance of having its own Fire Brigade way back in 1940. The realisation dawned as a result of a major fire at Maynooth College in that year. A three storied building of great value was reduced to rubble and ash as a result of the fire. Greater damage would have been caused were it not for the heroic work of members of the permanent staff at the college who fought the blaze. Eighty plus students were left without accommodation as a result of the fire. The College authorities decided after the unfortunate incident to establish its own fire fighters unit among the staff.

The Town Brigade

The town itself set up a civil fire brigade in 1950, consisting in the main of these men who were originally members of the College fire unit. The fire fighting unit in Maynooth became operational in 1951. At first the equipment was housed in the College until the present station was built in 1954. The fire appliance was mounted on a Ford lorry with cab and open back, and water was carried in a square tank on the appliance.

The original station was basically a garage under an asbestos roof with weeping walls, poorly fitted doors and totally inadequate lighting. There were no washing, toilet or shower facilities in this station.

The Fire Station as we now know it was extended and refurbished in 1990. The fire station now consists of three appliance bays and houses a fire tender, a four wheel drive

rescue unit which is available for road traffic accidents and rescues of many various kinds and a 3,000 gallon water tanker which is used mainly for rural fires where water supplies may not be readily available.

All Mod Cons

Apart from the appliance bays, the station also consists of a small yard, master bay, comfortable office, control room, drying tower, lecture hall, dining area and T.V. room.

Fire Cover

The fire brigade provides fire cover and back-up to Leixlip, Celbridge, Kilcock, Enfield, Johnstown Bridge, Straffan, Rathcoffey, and westward to Moyvalley.

Fire fighters at the station are presently alerted for call-out by the activation of pocket alerters which are set off from central control in Newbridge. In the past the men were alerted by a siren on a pole near Kavanagh's Mill. Another system used in the past were bells in the fire houses which were activated via the telephone system. Fire fighters must live and work within one mile of the fire station.

Location

Maynooth's most up-to-date fire station is located at Leinster Street, adjacent to what is locally referred to as "The Harbour". The fire station is built on exactly the same site of the original fire station. The load-bearing walls of the station are the original ones. One, viewing the present station, would see little resemblance to the old station.



Members of the Maynooth Fire Service

THE HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH FIRE BRIGADE (Cont.)

Kildare's Attitude

Maynooth fire brigade is yet another fine example of the forethought and proper attitude of the Kildare County Council when it comes to providing fire cover for the County.

Maynooth Fire Station always welcomes visitors with open arms. The lads are always ready and willing to show off their wares to an appreciative public. The St. Patrick's Day parade is the highlight of the social calendar for the Maynooth brigade. This inevitably sees the brigade holding pride of place in the entourage.

The Staff

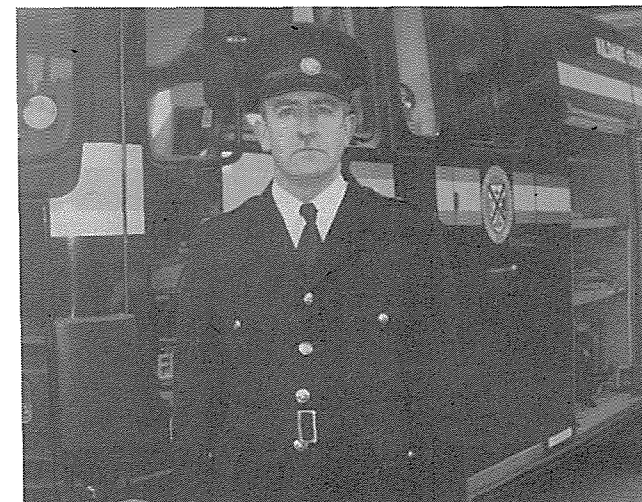
The staff at Maynooth Brigade consists of two officers and seven fire fighters:

Station Officer:	Ger Cawley
Sub-Station Officer:	Lennie Murphy
Fire Fighter:	Tony Mooney
	Driver/Mechanic
Fire Fighter:	Joe O'Rourke
	Driver/Mechanic
Fire Fighter:	Brendan Kelly
Fire Fighter:	Philip Doyle
Fire Fighter:	Ollie Bright
Fire Fighter:	Paddy Nolan
Fire Fighter:	Barry Desmond

A new recruit is presently being trained and should be appointed in the near future.

FIRE BRIGADE PROFILES

Lennie Murphy (Sub Station-Officer)



A native of Maynooth having been born in the lock house at Laraghbyran in 1943 joined the brigade in 1979 thus becoming a second generation fireman, following in the footsteps of his late father Joe who served as a fireman for twenty seven years. Married to Lily for thirty three years with six children and five grandchildren. An avid Man Utd. fan who visits Old Trafford every season to see his favourites in action. Supports Maynooth Town and looks forward to a trophy in the cabinet shortly.

His hobbies are crosswords, reading and listening to country music.

Lennie is retiring from the brigade this year on reaching the compulsory retirement age of fifty five.

"Well Done Lennie"



Ger Cawley (Station Officer)

Ger is a Newbridge man who was recently appointed as full-time Station Officer on the 1st September 1997 for North Kildare with responsibility for Maynooth and Leixlip fire stations, before which he spent seven years as a firefighter in Newbridge. He is married to Siobhain with two sons. Presently living in Newbridge Ger is now house hunting in the Maynooth area and hopes to take up residence here in the near future. He enjoys hill walking, indoor soccer and takes an interest in the Kildare team and hopes that honours will come the way of the Lily Whites.

Ger finished up by saying "The group are tremendous, they have the good of the fire service and the good of the people at heart. They look out for each other and have no question about commitment or loyalty and are an exceptional group of lads to work along side".

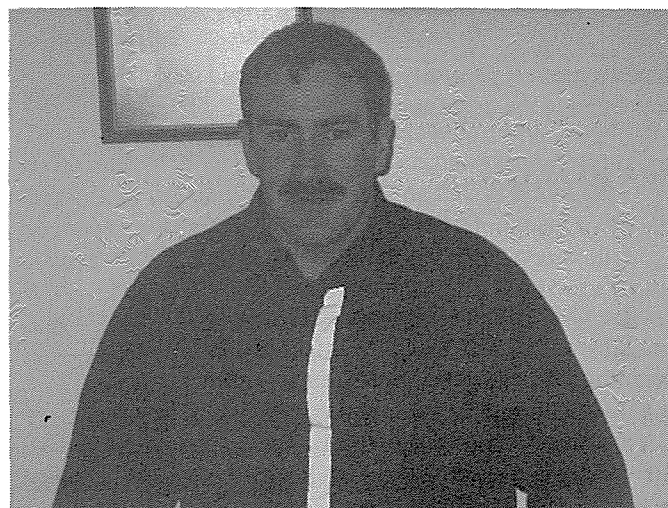
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FIRE BRIGADE PROFILES (Cont.)

Philip Doyle (Firefighter)

Philip joined the brigade on the 13th July 1987, he is originally from Leixlip and is married to Margaret and has two sons and two daughters. Before joining the brigade Philip worked in the building trade.

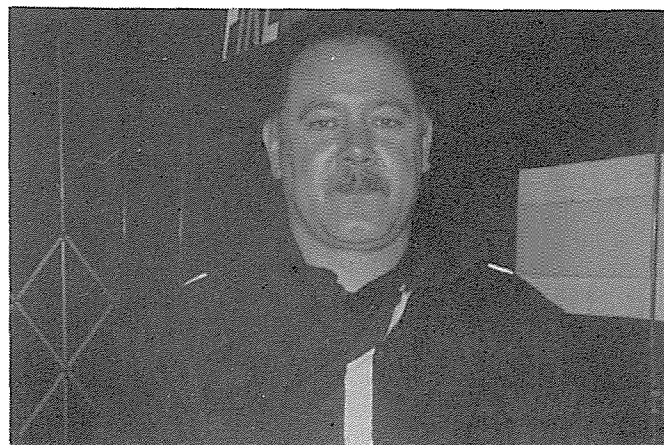
When not on call he likes to socialise, play golf and football. His favourite team is Stoke. Philip finds the job very challenging and also finds the lads a great bunch to work with.



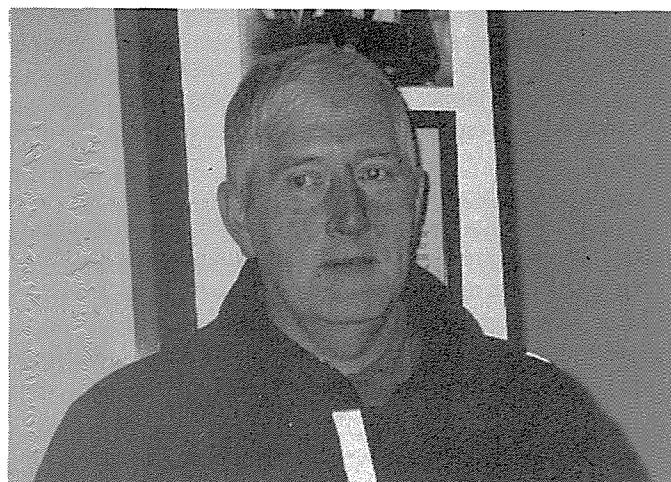
Brendan (Woggy) Kelly (Firefighter)

Brendan Kelly, originally from Leixlip, joined the fire brigade on April 7th 1986. Married to Maureen with three sons and a daughter. Before joining the brigade, Brendan was in the Army as a soldier in the Signal Corps, Curragh Camp and also worked with a roofing contractor. In his free time he enjoys swimming, fishing and socialising.

In ten years time, Brendan would like to see himself fit and healthy and still with the brigade.



Paddy Nolan (Firefighter)



Paddy joined the brigade in 1983. He is originally from Rialto in Dublin, married to Barbara, and has two sons and one daughter. He worked in the meat factory in Leixlip before joining the brigade. Paddy's hobbies include swimming, G.A.A. and he supports Dublin.

When asked where he hoped to be in ten years time Paddy informed us he would be retiring from the brigade in three years. We wish him all the very best.

Ollie Bright (Firefighter)



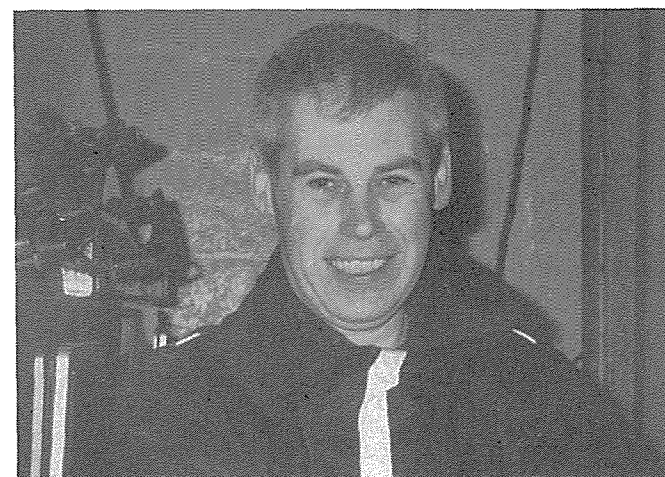
Born in Kilcock but living in Maynooth for many years. He joined the brigade in 1983. Ollie also works in Maynooth Shopping Centre. He likes to travel and has visited the United States on a number of occasions. Ollie likes to go boating on the Shannon and has taken part in a number of sponsored cycle rides for charity. He enjoys being a fireman and serving the local community.

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FIRE BRIGADE PROFILES (Cont.)

Joe O'Rourke (Firefighter/Driver/Mechanic)

Joe joined the fire brigade on the 27th July 1983 at the proud age of 21.

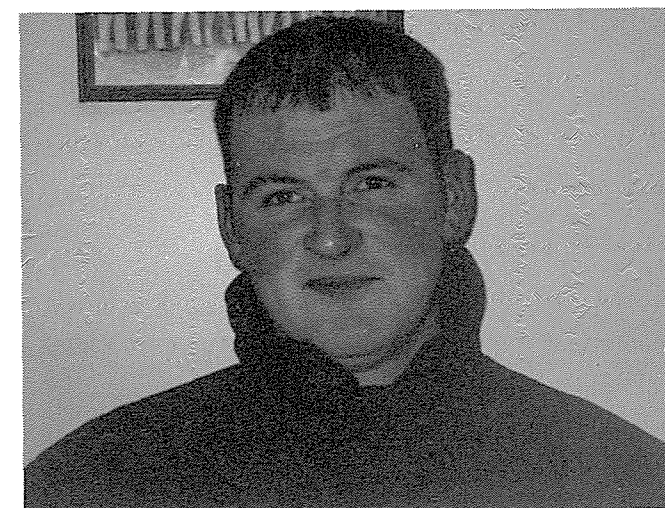


He is originally from Gweedore in Co. Donegal. Before joining the fire brigade he was a mechanic and then a store manager in O'Brien's supermarket, where he met his wife Ger, and has two sons and a daughter. Along with his firefighting Joe also works in N.U.I.

He still finds time for his favourite hobbies, swimming, snooker, motor sport, gaelic football and has a keen interest in vintage fire engines.

When asked where he would like to be in ten years time Joe said "He would like to be station officer in the North Kildare region".

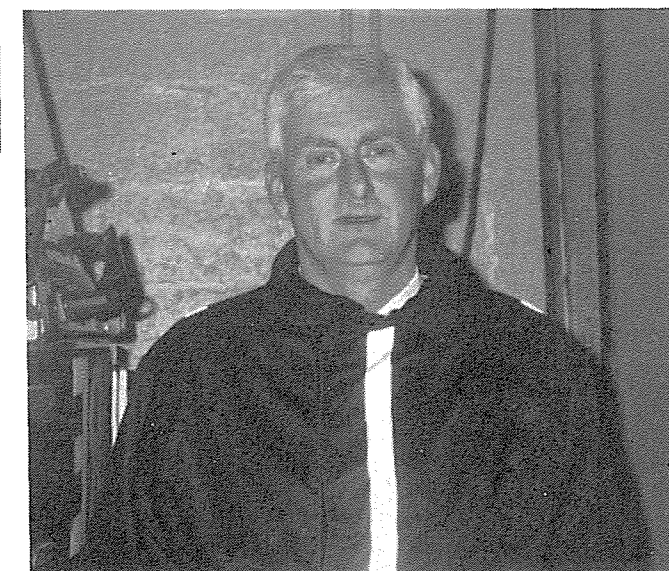
Barry (Dutchy) Desmond (Firefighter)



Tony Mooney (Firefighter/Driver/Mechanic)

Tony joined the brigade 27th July 1983. He is originally from Ballinabrackey, Co. Meath. He has lived in Maynooth for a number of years with his late wife Ann and their three daughters, one of whom (Antoinette) is very involved in ladies soccer. Before joining the brigade he was a general operative in C.P.I. Lucan and was also a barman for eighteen and a half years.

His hobbies include GAA, shooting, darts and playing cards in Maynooth GAA Club. Tony finds the job rewarding and satisfying.



Barry joined the brigade in December 1997 aged 27. A Maynooth man born and bred, Barry recently lost his father Paddy Desmond who as we all know was very well known and liked locally. Barry lives at home with his mother Imelda and has one brother and one sister. Before joining the brigade he was a butcher in Quinnsnorth and also worked in the building trade. His hobbies are racing and snooker. He is currently a goal keeper for the 1st team in Maynooth. Barry is an ardent Man. Utd. fan and was hoping they would go through to the semi final of the European Cup, but unfortunately luck was not on their side. "Sorry Barry".

When asked where he would be in five years time he said, "I would like to be married and settled down".

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THE HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH FIRE BRIGADE (Cont.)

Firemans Prayer

When called to duty, God, wherever flames may
rage
Give me the strength to save some life, whatever
be its age,
Help me embrace a little child, before it is too late
Or save an older person, from the horror of that
fate,
Enable me to be alert, and hear the weakest shout
And quickly and efficiently to put the fire out,
I want to fill my calling, and to give the best of me
To guard my every neighbour, and protect his
property,
And if according to your will, I have to lose my
life
Please bless with your protecting hand my
children and my wife.



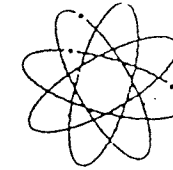
Fire Fighters giving demonstration during Festival Week



Maynooth Fire Station shortly after its official opening in 1990



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Services for Holy Week & Easter

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Thursday 9th April Holy Communion 8pm.

Good Friday "An Hour by the Cross" 11am.

Easter Day Holy Communion 10am.

For details of other services in the Union of Parishes contact
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Forthcoming Events

On Saturday 4th April a Coffee Morning and Cake Sale will be held in the home of Mrs. Felicity Satchwell, "Mariaville", Maynooth beginning at 10.30am. The proceeds of this event will go to the Church Restoration Fund.

Readers who saw the recent St. Patrick's Day Parade, may remember the float produced by some parishioners to celebrate the 750th Anniversary of the church this year. A small committee has been formed in recent months to co-ordinate this special year. Several events are in the pipeline for later in the year. Watch this space for details!

Good Wishes

Finally prayerful good wishes are sent to Fr. Supple for a speedy recovery and return to the parish. At the time of writing he is off duty and in hospital.

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- Storing skirts.** If you do not have any room in your cupboard to hang skirts, roll them around plastic bags or tissue paper to prevent creasing, then store them in a drawer.
- Store unwrapped soap in linen cupboards, the soap scents the linen and, at the same time, hardens to become long lasting.
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CONFIRMATION DAYS IN MAYNOOTH

On the 19th and 20th of March, 94 boys and girls received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Mary's Parish Church, Maynooth.

Bishop Raymond Field, Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin, administered the Sacrament. He was assisted by Fr. Joe O'Mahony, Fr. Pat O'Connor and Fr. Wieslaw, S.V.D. from Poland. The M.C. was Fr. John Sinnott, C.C., Maynooth.

Bishop Field told the young people being confirmed that they were celebrating the Sacrament in a very special year - the year of the Holy Spirit, as designated by the Holy Father, in preparation for the Jubilee Year, 2000. He addressed candidates, parents and teachers on the importance of handing on the faith, and nurturing it for the next millennium.

Thanks were expressed to the parents who had handed on the light of Christ to their children since Baptism. Great praise was given to the teachers of the Confirmation classes - Maria Fitzgerald, Doreen Duignan, Seamus Grundy and Pat O'Connor.

The music and choir on Thursday was directed by Mr. Peter Mullan, Principal of the Boys' School, who led boys from the 3rd and 4th classes in song.

On Friday, the 5th classes from Presentation Girls' School formed the choir, with their teachers, Noelle Topley and Carmel O'Keeffe. The organist was Mr. Harry Hitching, from Maynooth College.

Fr. John Sinnott thanked all who helped to make everything a great success. Tea was provided on both days by the Parents Associations of the schools involved.

On Sunday 22nd March, at the 11a.m. Mass. Fr. John Sinnott welcomed the Newly-Confirmed Candidates, and introduced them to the Parish congregation in a simple ceremony. All the candidates were presented with a gift by Fr. John - the "Cross in my Pocket" card - as a memento of the great day.

Some of the Parish Faith Friends, who had participated in a special programme with the candidates in the months prior to Confirmation, also attended the ceremonies.

The weather held fine and fair on both days and for all it was a joyful and memorable occasion. The Parish congratulates all the young men and women who were confirmed in their faith in this year of the Holy Spirit. Fr. Brendan Supple, Parish Priest, was remembered especially at the celebrations, and good wishes were expressed for his speedy recovery and return to his parishioners.

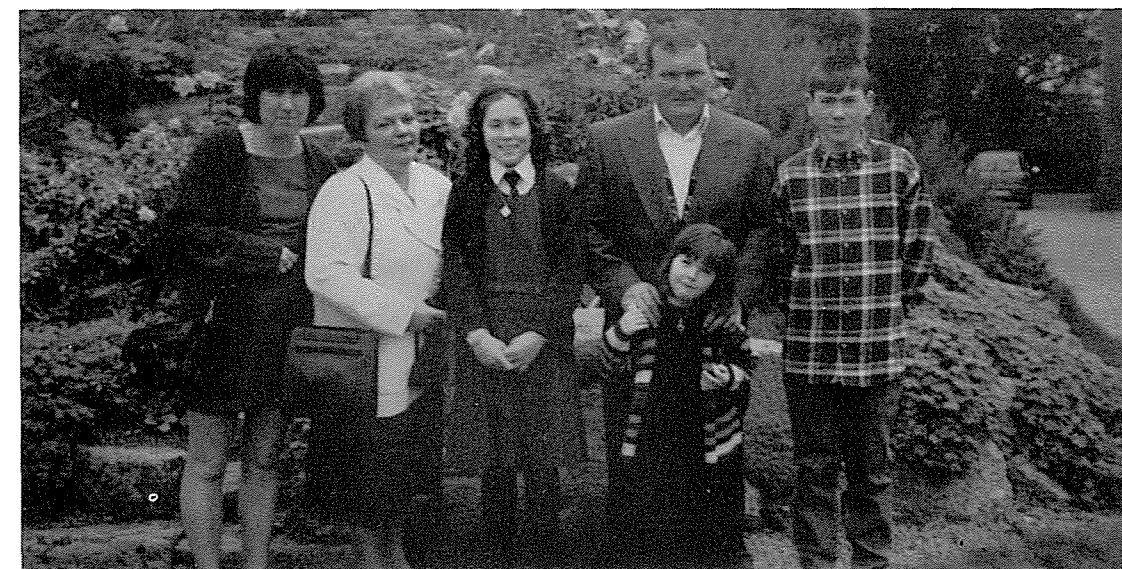
Confirmation in Maynooth



Joan, Gerard Howard-Williams with Rowena, Kathryn, Emma and Conor



Patrick Byrne and Family



Sinead Conway with dad Pat, mother Linda, brother Martin, sister Laura and aunty May

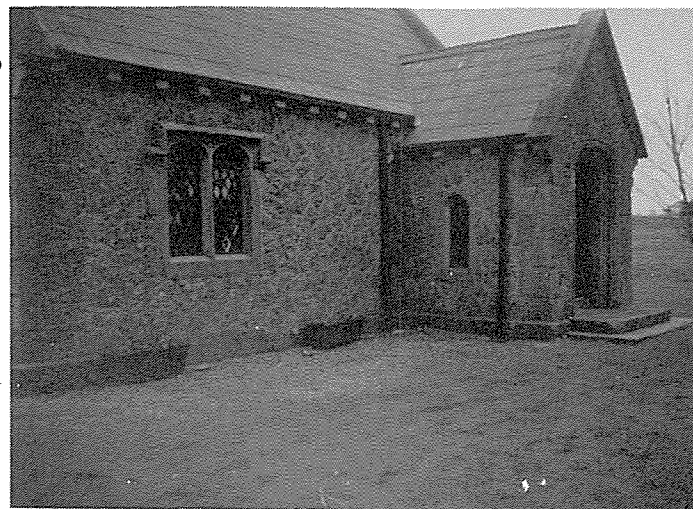
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ASPECTS OF MAYNOOTH'S HISTORY

The front section of the Geraldine Hall was built in 1859 as the Church of Ireland parish school. The origin of the parish schools goes back to an act of parliament of the reign of Henry VIII which directed that the incumbent of a benefice should 'Keep or cause to be kept... a school to learn English, if any of the children of his Parish should come to him to learn the same'.

However it was not until the early eighteenth century that parish schools did appear. The aim was, it was hoped, that the parish schools would play a part in the conversion of Catholic children. This was not a success and the attendance was almost exclusively Protestant.

Maynooth Parish school dates back to at least 1702 as evidenced by a tablet preserved in the parish church which was taken from the wall of the school house demolished in 1859.



It reads: 'This school-house was built Anno Domini 1702, with a legacy left by Mr. John Foulks, wherein the master, that inhabiteth, is to teach the boys of the parish, and to have his freedom in the house'.

The school-house actually demolished in 1859 was not the one of 1702 but a later one built by the first Duke of Leinster in 1770, as commemorated in the tablet to be seen in the east wall of the church, but it may have stood on the same site.

From 1859 the parish school continued in the school-house by the Duke's Harbour until dwindling numbers led to its closure around 1935.

The school was then used as a social club and a large hall was added at the back in

1941. Later it passed to the Catholic Young Men's Association and to-day is held in trust for the use of the people of Maynooth. So also is the Harbour field beside it which is being developed by community effort.

CONNOLLY'S FOLLY

Also known as the Obelisk, was designed by Richard Castle to close the rear approach to Castletown House. It was built as a relief project following an exceptionally hard winter in 1739. Workers were paid a halfpenny per day, and the building cost in excess of four hundred pounds. The structure stands 140 feet high and comprises of an obelisk supported by five arches, ornamentation consists of carved urns, pineapples and eagles. An interior staircase leads to a gallery over the central arch. In the 1960s the building was restored by the Irish Georgian Society.

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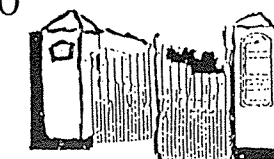
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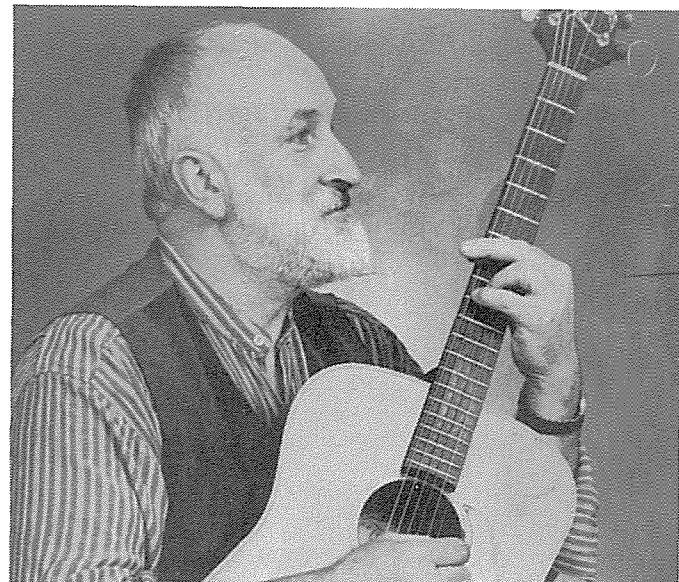
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PRESS RELEASE

When you're backing a horse the best advice most honest men will give you is 'check the form book' and if you apply that wisdom to other choices you can't go far wrong. I've known Danny Carthy for more years than either of us will admit and I knew on his past form that a new album would be a good one. As the main man in Fiddlers Green, Danny developed his own ballad style and he is blessed with a tuneful and distinctive voice.



about to enjoy are written by Danny and he has put his own stamp on the rest.

It is a fine piece of work that has passion and fun, good music and nostalgia; a good companion on a long journey or an album to lift the spirits after a tough day. There's none quicker to clear a plate of sandwiches or down a pint than Danny Carthy but behind the beard and the easy laugh is a creative talent and a gifted performer. When I meet Danny it is my habit to say 'Ah Danny Boy, how's it

Over the years Danny would slide up to me and busk a new composition and tell me about his plans for a new album that would be his own pick.....songs that he had written himself and others that he loved and sang well. It was a long time coming but well worth the wait. Six of the tracks you are

going?' Perhaps the title of the album 'The Man not the Boy' is a message to me too that the boy grew up a long time ago and is well able to hold his head up with the best of them. I hope you enjoy his work as much as I do.

Derek Davis.

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(Tom Leonard, from
'Unrelated Incidents')

WORK

A payment for a service done
To keep the economy thrive
Work at times no real fun
But without it never survive
Every man to his own job
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Each one to earn his few bob
In whatever payment it yield

Each able person his own share
To pass his routine day
A job done well with care
Deserves a worthwhile pay
A highly qualified job to do
That takes a lot of expertise
Also peoples jobs are of few
With unemployment on their knees

A morale booster a job contain
Makes you feel useful and worthwhile
Work can be all to gain
Despite all the pain and toil
Unemployment is a sad affair
Dreams cursed to the ground
Been a misery beyond compare
With no where really bound

Work gives you a sense of pride
To realise your paying your way
It also makes a man good inside
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After the working week gets paid

Work makes the world go round
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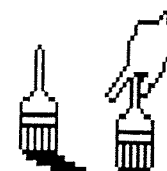
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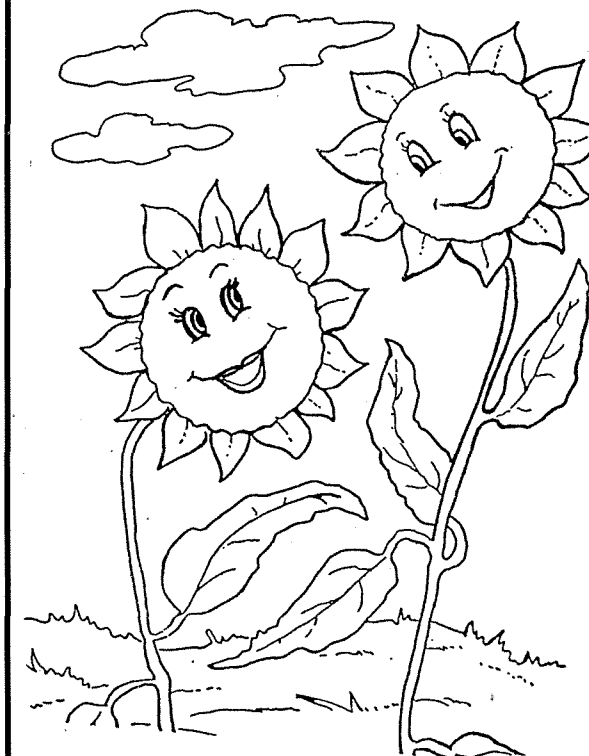
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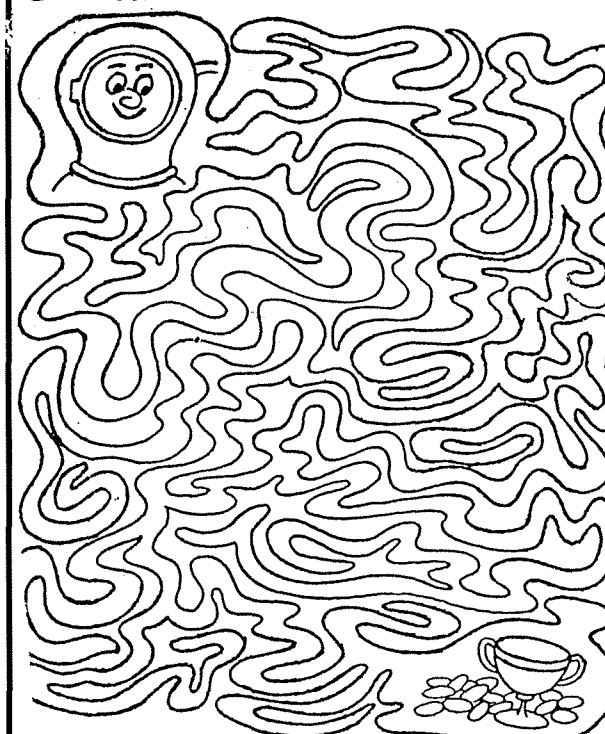
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Features

VIDEO REVIEW

The Full Monty (15's)

Robert Carlyle plays an unemployed steelworker in Sheffield who, desperate to earn some cash to keep up the child support payments for his son, decides to round up his very own Chippendales type act for a one-night-only performance. It doesn't seem to matter that the crew he gets together for the gig look like the before pictures in a weight-watchers advert.

All that matters is that they are prepared to get up on stage and strip completely naked (hence 'the full monty') to suitable music.

This film boasts a brilliant script that mixes tragedy and comedy beautifully, a superb cast, and some of the funniest cinematic moments in ages. It won't appeal to everyone's taste and some may feel offended by it, but all in all it's very good fun - a cross between the marvelous 'Boys from the Black Stuff' and the absolutely awful Demi Moore romp 'Striptease'.

One of those movies that's not quite as good as its own hype, it's nevertheless worth watching.

Verdict: Entertaining enough.

Air Force One (15's)

Harrison Ford plays the president of the United States, James Marshall, in this gung-ho, good old-fashioned action movie that doesn't require too much thought on the part of the audience in order to enjoy it. The plot is very simple and has been done before so many times that there's hair on it; basically the president's 'plane is hijacked on the way back from Russia by a group of Russian terrorists. Gary Oldman is their leader, Ivan Korshunov, and he plays the part in his usual convincingly manic way. Glenn Close puts in a fine, if workmanlike, performance as the Vice-President with nerves of steel, and Dean Stockwell is the Defence Secretary who's all for giving the terrorists what they want.

This is a typical good guys and bad guys actioner; you know the outcome from the very first frame, but having said that, director Wolfgang Peterson shows his usual flare.

Verdict: Good fun and it won't overtax your concentration.

187 (15's)

The excellent Sameul L. Jackson stars in this thriller about a violent Los Angeles high school.

Jackson plays Trevor Garfield, a science teacher who arrives with a year-old stab wound from an incident in his former school. He is determined to win the hearts and minds of his pupils and keep them away from violence, but the system and the kids themselves are against him.

The script is based on a true story and it's written by a past teacher at the school in question.

Jackson gives a powerful performance as the educator who tries to do his best against all the odds and the film comes across as very well done all round.

Verdict: Harrowing and brutal, but well worth a look.

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Teacher: "Tell me one common link between all the great explorers?"

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BOND BRIDGE ACTION GROUP

Campaigning to put lives first

At a special Council meeting in early March the long awaited motion to raise a loan for the re-alignment of Bond Bridge was finally discussed. A very strong case was put forward on the day by Councillors McGinley, Griffin and Murphy and despite some reservations expressed by the County Manager the motion was carried. In simple terms this means the County Officials have been instructed by the Councillors to raise the funds and complete the project. (Local democracy at work at last) This is a major step forward for the campaign and although the work will not start tomorrow it will be done. The estimated time-scale for completion as stated by the officials is 18 months for planning and tendering and 12 months for completion of the work. A new safe bridge in three years???

It would be fair to say without the support of our local Councillors and T.D.'s this work would never be completed and the money that residents in the area had paid towards that project would have been spent elsewhere. A great amount of the credit for this success must also go to every person who joined the protest march last year. The mandate given to the B.B.A.G. committee was solely with regard to Bond Bridge. There was however other points debated at the Council meeting last month. Kildare County Council have employed a consultant to examine the possibility of a link road running parallel to the motorway between Straffan Road and the Rathcoffey Road. This road would be an alternative to Meadowbrook link road.

Having got the commitment to complete the Bond Bridge project it may now be worth looking at overall traffic management in the Newtown and surrounding areas. The input of all the effected residents and any other concerned bodies should be made clear to local representatives prior to any final decisions being made.

It is my personal view that a new consultative group should replace the B.B.A.G. made up of representatives of all the Residents Associations in the area to work with Kildare County Council to have the best and safest road system possible.

In any event I am standing down as the Chair of the B.B.A.G. and would like to thank the committee who have worked with me over the last two years and all those who have supported the group in their efforts to date.

John Doogan
Chairman
Bond Bridge Action Group

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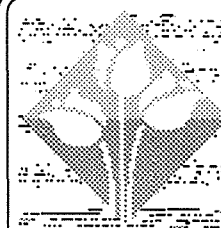
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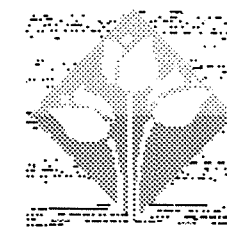


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Start by taking a stroll around your home as if you were strolling around a garden. Start in one room, e.g. sitting room - lounge. Have a look at the mantelpiece. How much clutter is there here? Do you like the items that you see here? If not, why are they here? Maybe there is a present from someone you don't particularly like and everytime you look at this item you feel bad. Get rid of it. Give it away, sell it or throw it out. Now you are free of it. The same applies to old furniture. If you are using it or like it, fine, but if it has bad connotations and somehow keeps you bound to a person or the past in a negative way get rid of it. Sell it, or give it away. Don't despair when you look at your poor old couch with its bare seats and holes in the arm covers, replacing such a big item may be out of the question. There are many beautiful, inexpensive throw-overs on sale at the moment. You can even have two sets, one with warm colours for winter and a nice bright set for summer. Doing something as simple as this can transform the energy in a room. Free yourself up, reclaim your space. Your home needs to be a peaceful restful place where you feel nourished, not reminded of unpleasant people or times.

Wardrobe

Now take a look in your wardrobe. Work through your clothes, item by item and honestly ask yourself when was the last time you wore this and when are you likely to wear it again. The same with clothes that don't fit you anymore. Every time you look at these do you feel bad because you still haven't managed to lose that stubborn 1/2 stone? Be good to yourself, get a big black plastic bag, put what you are no longer wearing and what no longer fits you in this bag. Tie it and if you

have difficulty giving them away at this stage, put them away in the attic. Remember winter or summer clothes in boxes or bags are not considered clutter, they are storage. Getting rid of clutter is one of the principles of Feng Shui. Look at the wardrobe again, now there is space for more clothes to come into your life.

Mirrors

Look at the mirrors around your home. Are they dirty, smudged or chipped? Mirrors should be kept clean at all times. Old, faded or broken mirrors can have a strong effect, usually negative, and need to be replaced. The image reflected back to you needs to be clear and positive. An old uneven mirror with a warp in it reflects back a warped image of yourself. The same with mirrors on wardrobe doors in two pieces. These give a split image of yourself, sometimes with your middle section missing. Think what this does to your image of yourself everytime you pass by and look into it. Have you ever had a day where you feel like a bit of you is missing? - not very nice. Our home needs to reflect positively who we are - our mirrors need to do the same. A large oval mirror is the best, our aura is oval shaped, a mirror that reflects this image back to us is more harmonious and flowing.

Doors

Do you have doors that stick and cause hassle every time you come to open them? Stuck doors can cause frustration in the occupants of a house. Freeing up these doors will free up the flow of energy around a house. A good rule is, if it can be fixed, fix it, if not get rid of it. Although you cannot see the flow of energy through a house it can become congested just as a river can become congested and the result is stagnation.

No Clutter

That old bundle of magazines in the corner that haven't been looked at for months. Sort them out and place what you need on a shelf or in a storage box.

Then they become storage not clutter. Give those that you don't need away, or recycle them. A bookcase can be a lovely asset to a room but this too can become cluttered with books that you no longer need.

This same principle applies with everything in the house. Delph - how much extra do you really need for entertaining? Bed clothes - how often do you really have visitors? Most people would have no objection to throwing a duvet or a few pillows into the boot of their car when they come to visit. The same with all those bundles of photographs, put them in albums and index them in a book case. Photo albums are an endless source of fun and pleasure for children and adults alike.

Your Kitchen

Does your kitchen drive you crazy when all your teenage children are sitting around the table having coffee with their friends and you are trying to inch your way around them when you are getting a meal ready? Would a round table give you more room? A round table makes for a more harmonious mealtime. There is no head at this table, no distinction. Everyone is equal. There is more elbow room. Everyone can reach everything in the centre of the table. No hassle passing the salt and pepper up and down the table. The space is better utilised **all round**.

If you are happy and content with your home, that is great, you may not need to make any changes. For the rest of us who want and need change Feng Shui can be a fun and inexpensive way to bring this change about. Please don't take the process too seriously, make it as much fun as possible, get the children involved. Hopefully, in a few months when you look back you will see the changes that have taken place. As your knowledge of Feng Shui increases it will become a way of life for you, a new way of seeing your world and everything in it.

St. Patrick's Day



Owen Byrne, Lord Mayor at the Parade
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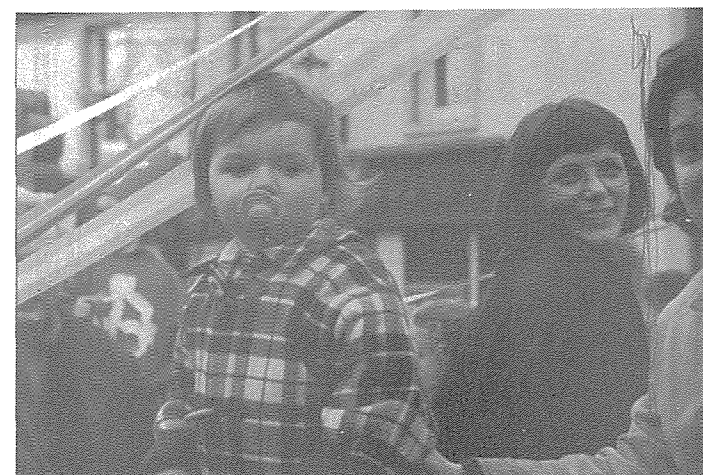
Larry O'Brien at reviewing stand
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Tom McMullon, Chairman Maynooth Community Council presenting Richard with prize for Best Window
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Happy families watching the parade
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I'm tired but I'll watch the parade anyway
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Who said the Celtic Tiger is on the way out
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Residents' Associations

MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Residents Association Review - Part 2

Following on the very successful meeting held in February to review the work of the association over the last ten years, it is planned to hold the second part of the meeting in early April. Those who attended the February meeting will be given a brief note on the main items dealt with on that night. All the members of the residents association will be notified of the arrangements for the April meeting.

Your pet can be your neighbours pest

It has been brought to the committee's attention that a number of residents who keep dogs in Moyglare Village are letting these animals roam unaccompanied at night. In fact on one occasion recently seven dogs were counted roaming this area, littering the open space areas and residents gardens. Over 95% of residents in this area do not keep pets and therefore the small number of residents who allow their pets to roam the area at night are not being considerate to them. Furthermore, a number of residents have complained that some pets make unwelcome advances on them when they are out walking. An approach to the Kildare Dog Warden service will be the next step if the situation does not improve.

Moyglare Village Boundary, still the most important issue.

A full review of this matter was recently undertaken by the committee following our February meeting. A complete update has been sent to Kildare County Council and a copy to the members of the Celbridge Area Committee. The matter is now extremely urgent and the details of same has been outlined in our correspondence to Kildare County Council.

Paul Croghan
Chairman

Moyglare Residents Association

WOODLANDS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The following were elected to the Residents Association Committee at our Residents Association AGM held on 4th March 1998.

Des Matthews
Padraig O Murchú
Les Wilcox
Pat MacNamara
Eddie McCarthy
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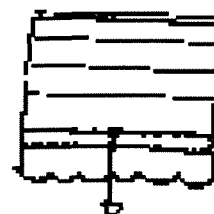
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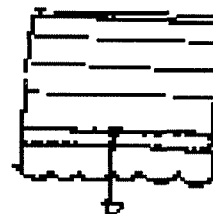
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Rockfield Residents at work

came out and dedicated their time to plant the trees.

We are very grateful to Conservation Ireland. They educated us and increased our awareness of the beauty and importance of trees to our environment.

I would like to extend a warm thank

you to the Residents and the Residents Committee of Rockfield for their generous time and dedication on the day.

The estate looks great, let's try and keep it that way. It's a credit to all.

Karen Nolan
(Socials Officer)

PARKLANDS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Table Quiz

The Table Quiz which was held on February 20th was a great night out for all who attended. There was good humoured rivalry helped along by the Quiz master Paddy O'Connor who was distributing clues along with the raffle tickets, there was a considerable amount of co-operation between tables judging by the number of people who got the same wrong answers on a regular basis! It all added to the general atmosphere of fun, we apologise for the short notice of the event but we urgently needed to raise funds for tree planting in March. Unfortunately the week preceeding the Table Quiz saw damage to a number of trees. This damage means that the money raised will be used to replace trees and buy tree guards to protect them. We would like to thank all of those who came along on the night.

We would like to thank the GAA for the use of their lounge, it was a very good setting for the night.

Thank you to the generous sponsors who donated prizes for the raffle.

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We wish to belatedly thank Olympic Sports for their generous contribution to the Fancy Dress Raffle.

Our thanks to Pat McCarthy who compered the quiz with style, to Clare Daly, Deirdre McDonnell and Clare O'Connor for their help in organizing the Quiz. We look forward to the next one.

Congratulations to Martin Higgins and partners on their win on the night.



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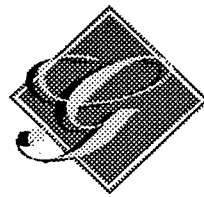
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APRIL IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Finish pruning of roses and winter-flowering shrubs this month. Tie in new growth on wall shrubs and climbers as they appear. Prune back and plant out pot-grown clematis.

Flowers:

Prepare ground and sow hardy annual seeds in borders on their own or as fillers amongst other plants.

As soon as the ground is workable plant out dahlia tubers and also continue to plant gladioli corms and lily bulbs.

At the end of April plant out hardened off chrysanthemum cuttings. Lift and divide hardy chrysanthemums, which have wintered outdoors.

Under Glass:

The majority of houseplants will now need more water and a liquid feed. In greenhouse, thin out seedlings of half-hardy plants sown in March. Gradually harden them off by moving them to cold-frames.

Rooted cuttings of chrysanthemums, dahlias and fuchsias should now be hardened off in frames for May planting.

Plant greenhouse tomatoes into a soil-bed, pots or grow-bags. Sow hardy tomatoes for planting outdoors during the summer.

Thin out and start to harden off celery for planting out in May.

Ventilate the greenhouse more freely now and lower the temperature (unless frost is forecast). Water plants regularly in greenhouses to prevent them drying out.

Spray or fumigate the plants against pests and diseases.

Fruit:

Remove the flowers from newly-planted fruit bushes and trees to prevent them from fruiting this year. This will help to build up their strength for next year.

Spray all fruits with insecticides and fungicides - to control pests and diseases. Spray when the flowers are not fully open - before the buds burst or after petals fall.

Water container grown plants and weed the borders.

Vegetables:

Plant out vegetables raised under glass which have been well hardened. Transplant or thin out seedlings of any vegetables sown in March.

Sow seeds of annual and perennial herbs now.

Stake beans and peas.

Earth up early potatoes and plant maincrop potatoes.

Continue to sow most vegetables, including lettuces, radishes and parsley. Sow in seed-beds or where they are to mature. Start sowing root crops, including carrots, beetroot, parsnips, swedes and turnips.

General:

Mow lawns regularly. Apply weed and moss-killers if necessary. Give lawns a first spring dressing of lawn fertilizer. Sow new lawns now. Be careful when cutting the grass and do not over-use the mower during the first summer. April is a good month to create a pond or water garden. Place orders for plants needed for water garden next month.



THE ROSE GARDEN

Roses vary in size from those suitable for a miniature garden to rampant climbers that will cover a wall. The most popular roses are Hybrid Tea and Floribunda types.

Hybrid Tea roses have large, full blooms, carried singly or a few in a head.

Floribunda roses have heads of many blooms, the individual flowers usually being smaller and more open than Hybrid Teas. Floribundas produce a colourful effect over a long period in the open garden.

Climbers and Ramblers add extra dimension of height to a rose garden. Many are climbing versions of normal Hybrid Tea roses, and though beautiful they do not flower as prolifically as most of the ramblers. Ramblers tend to branch more from the base, but climbers have more pronounced lateral branches from the main stem. Ramblers flower in one great burst of bloom usually, whereas some of the climbers flower twice in a season.

Roses should be grown in a well-drained fertile soil, deep enough for the roots to be in top-soil rather than sub-soil, well cultivated and with plenty of humus-forming material incorporated.

When buying plants, ensure they are fresh, strong, healthy and well rooted. Make sure the plants have abundant roots and a thick main stem between the roots and the top growth.

Plant roses firmly, in autumn or spring. Container-grown roses can be planted in early summer. Always plant with wet roots. Place the plant upright in the hole. Replace the soil gradually and firm it well.

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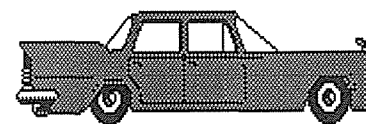
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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

Presentation of Cheque by Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael to St Mary's Brass & Reed Band

The Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael, following their Fashion Show in the Glenroyal Hotel, were delighted to be in a position to donate a cheque for £500 to St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band. The Branch would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the Band on their success in Kansas.

National and Local News

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Councillor Griffin are continuing their representations on behalf of the people of Maynooth and environs in the following areas:

Housing Crisis:

Following numerous questions raised by Deputy Bernard Durkan to the Minister for the Environment and the Junior Minister of Housing, Minister Molloy, in his reply stated "that he did not accept there was a housing crisis" given his increased provision to Local Authorities for their Housing Programme in the 1998 Public Capital Programme.

The last assessment of housing needs was carried out in 1993 and the next is scheduled to commence in 1999. The Department has no information on the number of applicants on the housing list at present, nor does it have any estimates of the percentage who remained on the list for the past three years.

Comment:

"The failure of the Minister for Housing & Urban Renewal, Mr. Molloy, to accept the existence of a housing crisis is the most outrageous attempt to avoid the obvious evidence. It is high time that the Minister came into the real world and took account of the plight of thousands of young families throughout the country who are now desperately seeking first time housing accommodation in both the public and the private sector".

"Currently the true position is that every time a house becomes available either through the public or the private sector, there are at least fifty applicants competing for it, and in some cases up to 100. The result is that these families are either on local authority housing waiting lists, living in Department of Social Welfare rent-assisted accommodation while awaiting housing, or in the case of people in receipt of the average industrial wage, are paying huge rents which seriously erodes their ability ever to be in a position to buy a house of their own.

"If the Minister is not by now aware of the existence of a serious housing crisis he never will, and he should resign" said Deputy Durkan.

Refugee Status:

In an answer to a recent question put by Deputy Durkan, the Minister for Justice estimated that there were 4,613 applicants awaiting finalisation of their request for asylum at the end of February 1998.

Maynooth Castle:

The Minister for Arts, Culture and the Gaeltacht informed Deputy Durkan, in a recent reply to a question regarding the restoration of Maynooth Castle, that her Department had applied to Kildare County Council through the Office of Public Works for planning permission to undertake the above works. A sum of IR£1.5m has been set aside for the works to be carried out on the roof, landscaping and additions necessary for exhibitions, assembly and service for Guides. Work is due to commence in 1998/99.

Health Information:

The following Table highlights some points of interest which emerged as a result of a number of questions raised by Deputy Durkan with the Minister for Health:

Number of Deaths from Selected Cancers, Ischaemic Heart Disease and Intracerebral Haemorrhage, 1994 to 1996

Cause of Death	1994	1995	1996
All Cancers	7,343	7,463	7,306
Cancer of the Stomach	410	418	393
Colorectal Cancer	910	960	879
Cancer of the Trachea, Bronchus & Lung	1,538	1,553	1,480
Cancer of the Female Breast	657	642	632
Cancer of the Cervix Uteri	58	69	82
Leukaemia	182	184	209
Ischaemic Heart Disease	7,791	7,741	7,605
Intracerebral Haemorrhage	258	249	217

• All figures are provisional based on year of registration.

Source: Central Statistics Office.

Maynooth Branch News

The Branch ran a very successful Fashion Show in the Glenroyal Hotel on Wednesday 11th March 1998 last. Over 200 people enjoyed a Gala Evening of Spring/Summer Fashion. Good Food and Wine at the Pre-Show Reception helped make the evening even more enjoyable. Our sincere thanks to all the local shops who took part on the evening. Our special thanks to Terry Burns Promotions and the Management and Staff of the Glenroyal Hotel.

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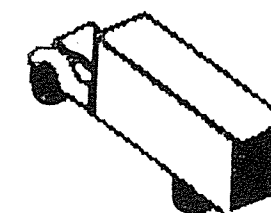
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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Bond Bridge Loan Approved:

Kildare Co. Council approved the raising of a loan to build a new bridge at its meeting on 2nd March, Maynooth Labour Branch is delighted that the campaign mounted by Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg has finally paid off.

Originally Cllr. McGinley fought a successful battle to secure a special development levy of £22,000 per acre on the Castle Dawson development in respect of Bond Bridge. The placing of the levy left in excess of £800,000 available for the project.

Subsequent to this the Council costed the realignment of the Bridge at £1.5 million leaving a shortfall of £700,000 approximately.

Cllr. John McGinley then tabled a motion at the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council seeking the raising of a loan by the Council to cover this shortfall with the repayment of same to come from future development levies in the area. The motion was passed at the Area Committee and was duly discussed at the full Council meeting held on Monday 2nd March. As indicated above the loan was approved at the full Council meeting.

Work will now start on the detailed design of the bridge and it is hoped that construction of same will commence in 1999. In addition to the new Bridge the County Manager stated that the complete project will include the upgrading of Newtown Road and the provision of a distributor road to the Straffan Road. A Consultant to the Council is presently examining the feasibility of putting the distributor road parallel to the motorway instead of through Meadowbrook and an origin/destination survey is presently being carried out on traffic on Bond Bridge.

Cllr. McGinley and Deputy Stagg would like to thank the Bond Bridge Action Group for their assistance in progressing the project.

Maynooth Traffic Problems:

Now that the Bond Bridge project is approved priority must be given to providing a link road between the Newtown Road and the Straffan Road in order to take traffic away from the town centre. Likewise when the motorway link to Intel and Hewlett Packard is completed in two years time traffic coming from and to Dunboyne must be directed to this road away from Maynooth Main Street.

With the removal of the bus stop presently located at the T.S.B. to further up the Main Street as part of the Main Street Improvement Works, there should be a significant improvement in the traffic flow. The present position, of two bus stops opposite each other and both spaces invariably occupied by illegally parked cars is a recipe for chaos.

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Council to help improve the traffic flow.

"That a green filter traffic light be fitted to the lights at Brady's Pub so that traffic coming from East Main Street and wishing to turn left up the Straffan Road can do so, when traffic from the Straffan Road is turning right to East Main Street".

When the improvement works are completed in May, the Gardai have assured the Council that they will enforce the parking regulations, otherwise everyone suffers.

Newtown Road:

Restoration work on Newtown Road was due to commence in late February. Due to unforeseen problems this was delayed. However Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have been assured by the developer of Castle Dawson that pipe laying will cease on March 22nd and that resurfacing will commence forthwith.

67A Turning Point on Straffan Road:

Kildare Co. Council have advised Cllr. John McGinley that it would cost £15,000 to convert the outer 10 metres of the turning point into a footpath. This is an outrageous cost and Cllr. John McGinley will be asking for an explanation at the next meeting of the Council.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by C.I.E. that all drivers using the turning point have been instructed not to mount the green area. C.I.E. will also restore the green area following the damage caused.

Maynooth Development Plan:

The meeting called for the 6th March did not take place and was re-scheduled for 23rd March. The following programme has been drawn up:

23rd March	Agree Land Audit. Agree general population parameters, Confirm position of water and sewerage services. Determine amount of any residential rezoning required.
May	Revise text of County Plan to conform with above.
Early June	Prepare final Draft for discussion with Council.
Late June	Place on formal Agenda for meeting of Council for adoption.

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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES (cont)

July/September Public display period.

October	Consideration of submissions.
November	If amendments further adoption and public display.
December/January 1999	Consideration of submissions on amendments.
February 1999	Final adoption.

Recreation, Amenity and Leisure Facilities Grants:

Kildare Co. Council have £200,000 at its disposal for distribution under the above scheme. The closing date for completed application forms is Friday 3rd April.

In assessing applications for assistance particular attention will be given to joint venture projects where organisations/groups/clubs are co-operating.

Cllr. John McGinley has given details of the scheme to the Community Council as he believes a joint application of G.A.A., Soccer and Athletics for development of the Harbour Field could prove to be successful.

Commercial Vehicles in Housing Estates:

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's motion *"That the necessary steps be taken by the Council to enforce the law preventing the parking of commercial vehicles in housing estates"* the Council Officials have agreed to prepare a detailed report on how the law is to be implemented in Kildare.

Reconstruction of A.I.B. to Commence Soon:

Deputy Emmet Stagg again contacted the Group Chief Executive of A.I.B. concerning the restoration of the streetscape at Main Street where their single storey premises continues to be an eyesore.

The Group Chief Executive has responded by indicating that A.I.B.'s architects have been instructed to prepare a planning application and to consult with Kildare County Council in relation to the proposals. It is anticipated that construction on the site will commence in September or October of this year.

We will continue to monitor progress on this matter.

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Sport

LEINSTER HANDBALL TITLE FOR MAYNOOTH PAIR

When Declan Quigley was preparing to contest the Final of the Leinster Emerald Masters 40 x 20 Championship, he discovered that he had no partner. Frank Burke from Leixlip was entered to represent Kildare with Declan, but for reasons best known to him he withdrew and left Quigley with only days to find a new partner.

Declan Carolin, who plays with the Maynooth Club, but would be considerably older than Quigley, said that rather than give a walk-over he would travel to Monavey in County Laois and at least fulfil the fixture.

Bernie Mahon and Frank Minogue from Kilkenny provided the opposition in the Leinster Final. Even though they lost the first game 21-13, the Maynooth pair discovered that they could play quite well together and decided to give the second game a real go. They won the second game 21-16. The third game was a nail-biting, ace for ace, game. With both sides giving of their best the score was eight all when the Maynooth pair got in to serve and upped the pace to make the score 16-8. With good serving from the two Declans, clever play from Carling and great kill shots from Quigley they went on to win the third game 21-12. Full marks to both players for bringing the Leinster title to Maynooth and putting the Club on the handball map.

This puts them in the all Ireland semi-final, but unfortunately Carolin will be unable to play because of an injury to his right hand. Now Quigley is faced with finding another Kildare partner before the end of the month. Nearer to home, in the County Championships, Daragh Kelly is still going strong. He has progressed to the semi-final at the expense of his doubles partner Mick Galvin. He won the quarter-final on a score of 21-9, 21-11 and showed such good form in the process that Sean Molloy is quoting him at 5/2 to go all the way and bring the title back to Maynooth.

Anna Wrynn and Shane Carthy, Leixlip, are contesting the other semi-final but that game may not be played for some weeks, while Ms. Wrynn waits for her injuries to get better. Should Daragh meet Anna in the semi-final, it will be a repeat of last year's quarter-final. On that occasion Daragh emerged victorious. However, this is Carthy's first year to compete at this level and he may well make the transition from the juvenile ranks and be the surprise package of the competition.

Meanwhile, Mick Duffy and Niall Leavy are in serious training for their clash with the Leixlip duo, Anna Wrynn and Fiona Healy. Having lost out to Wrynn in the singles, Duffy is determined not to make the same mistake in the doubles.

Paul Hand, whom I fancied to do well in the junior singles,

played Nurney publican, Paddy Reilly in Maynooth on March 10th last. Even though he had home advantage, Paul never seemed to get into the game. He allowed his opponent to draw him into a slogging game. This did not suit Paul as his game is based on precision and good defensive play. Reilly won in two straight games 21-17, 21-14.

With some players injured and others involved in the County Championships the committee have yet to decide on the running of an Easter Tournament.



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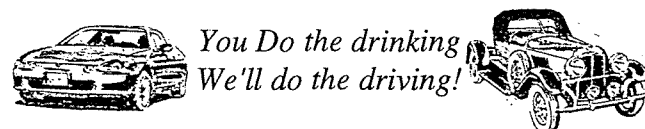
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

Date	Level	Result
22/2/98	Minor Football League	Maynooth 2 - 8 : Balyna 0 - 6
22/2/98	Minor Hurling Tournament	Maynooth 5 - 3 : Confey 1 - 5
7/3/98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 1 - 12 : Carbury 1 - 10
14/3/98	Under 16 Football League	Sarsfields 5 - 6 : Maynooth 4 - 6
15/3/98	Minor Football League	Carbury 1 - 16 : Maynooth 0 - 3
15/3/98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 2 - 13 : Clogherinkoe 2 - 7
17/3/98	Minor Football League	Kilcock 1 - 10 : Maynooth 1 - 9
22/3/98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 2 - 11 : Grange 1 - 7
22/3/98	Minor Football League	Maynooth 2 - 8 : Na Fianna 1 - 4

Senior Football League Division I

Maynooth's Scoring Power Decisive
Maynooth 2 - 13 : Clogherinkoe 2 - 6

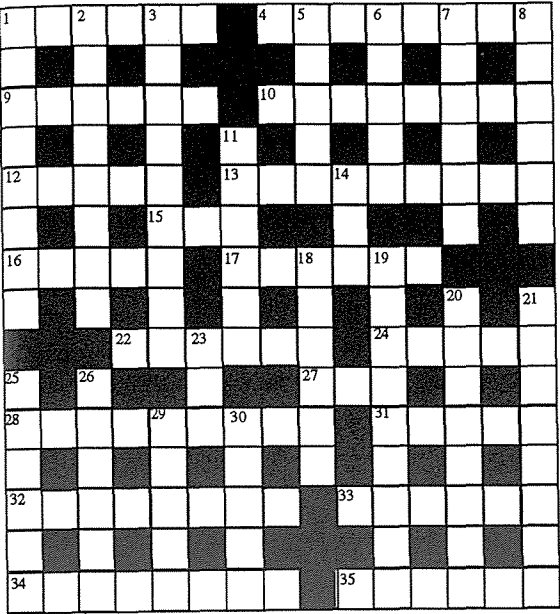
Maynooth secured their second victory in the league with an impressive 6 point win over Clogherinkoe, played in Maynooth on Sunday 15/3/98 before a large home following. The game was played at a cracking pace although with Maynooth's scoring power proving decisive in the end.

The winners opened the scoring in the first minute with a point by Joey Nevin following good work by Killian Fagan. Full forward, Paul Flood, was unlucky not to score a goal a few minutes later when Killian Fagan split open the Clogherinkoe defence with a deft point and Paul Flood got in behind the defence but shot narrowly wide. However, the same player made amends in the fifth minute when Ronan Murphy won possession on the edge of the square passed to Flood who promptly side-footed the ball to the corner of the net. Maynooth had the better of the midfield duels early on and following good interplay between Joey Nevin and Ronan Murphy, Hugh Nevin added a further point. Clogherinkoe opened their account in the 10th minute with a point from 30 yds. David Mahony who had done very well to intercept a pass was penalised for overcarrying with the resultant free only partially cleared by the Maynooth defence and a point ensued. Clogherinkoe sharpshooter Padraic Craven pointed from a free after Killian Fagan was penalised for over robust tactics. Midway through the first half, David Mahony was penalised for a foul on his opponent and Craven converted the free. The scores were level in the 20th minute when Padraic Craven had a point from play. Maynooth ended the half the stronger and points from Joey Riordan, Paul Flood (free) and Paul Garvey left them leading by 1-5 to 0-5.

Padraic Craven opened the scoring for Clogherinkoe in the second half with a fine point in the second minute. Paul Garvey got his second point from a free in the seventh minute after a foul on Paul Flood. Paul Stynes conceded a free 40 yds from

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Crossword No. 125



Entries before Monday 20th April

Name _____

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Across:

- 1. Assert (6)
- 4. Hesitates (8)
- 9. Languid (6)
- 10. Lethargic (8)
- 12. Attain (5)
- 13. Care (9)
- 15. Tiny name (3)
- 16. Passage (5)
- 17. Command (6)
- 22. Scattered (6)
- 24. Comedy (5)
- 27. Sprite (3)
- 28. Wild kittens (5,4)
- 31. Half of the Odd Couple (5)
- 32. Spanish dance (8)
- 33. Loathing (6)
- 34. Limits (8)
- 35. Charred (6)

Down:

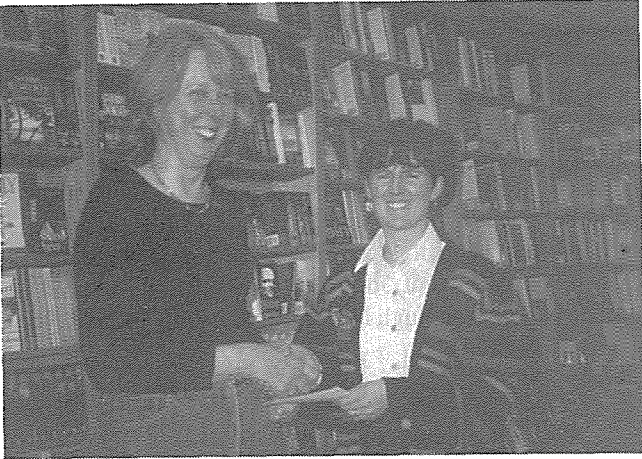
- 1. Break (8)
- 2. Sea (8)
- 3. Slenderest (9)
- 5. Conviction (5)
- 6. Cretin (5)
- 7. Magic potion (6)
- 8. Salty (6)
- 11. Wager (6)

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- 14. Female sheep (3)
- 18. Trustworthy (6)
- 19. Choke (9)
- 20. Acquirer (8)
- 21. Cheapened (8)
- 23. Extinct bird (3)
- 25. Prevent (6)
- 26. Horrified (6)
- 29. Lace up (5)
- 30. Male relative (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 124

Across: 1. Radial; 4. Implicit; 9. Debase; 10. Diffused; 12. Inter; 13. Interpose; 15. Tab; 16. Hanoi; 17. Bisect; 22. Agenda; 24. Leave; 27. Ill; 28. Alligator; 31. Evade; 32. Bequeath; 33. Agreed; 34. Amenable; 35. Pelted.

Down: 1. Red light; 2. Debutant; 3. Asserting; 5. Moist; 6. Lifer; 7. Castor; 8. Tidied; 11. Ribbon; 14. Eke; 18. Stairs; 19. Colleague; 20. Parakeet; 21. Depended; 23. Era; 25. Zambia; 26. Clique; 29. Greta; 30. Total.

Winner of Crossword 124:
Michael O'Sullivan, 1183 Old Greenfield, Maynooth

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the Maynooth goal and Padraic Craven proved unerring with a further point. Joey Riordan got in on the scoring act two minutes later with a fine long range point from the right wing. Killian Fagan won possession at midfield passed to Paul Garvey who side-stepped his marker and increased his sides lead with a point from 30 yards. Joey Nevin caused major problems for the Clogherinkoe centre half back with his bristling style and was fouled in the 20th minute from which Paul Garvey pointed. Substitute Johnny Nevin, who was introduced for Hugh Nevin, got in behind the opposing defence but his shot went narrowly wide with the goalkeeper well beaten. Following a poor kickout by the Clogherinkoe goalkeeper, Paul Garvey secured possession and pointed. The game was over as a contest in the 25th minute when Maynooth scored their second goal. Ronan Murphy covered acres of ground to collect a pass from Paul Garvey before rounding his marker and finding the corner of the net with a low shot. The finest point of the game was scored by David Mahony a minute later when he ran on to a pass from Ronan Murphy and found the target for all of 50 yards near the sideline. Clogherinkoe never gave up trying and scored two late goals which owed more to defensive lapses in concentration that will be a source of worry to the management team of Pat Brennan, Pat Nevin and Willie Coughlan. Paul Flood and Paul Garvey completed the scoring with two points from play to give Maynooth a well deserved victory.

Best for Maynooth were Pascal Ennis, Eamon Gallagher and David Mahony in defence. Killian Fagan and Ronan Murphy had their moments at midfield although pitted against formidable opponents while in attack Joey Nevin, Paul Garvey, Paul Flood and Joey Riordan had always the measure of their markers.

Team and Scores:

Sean Molloy, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Niall Byrne, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, David Mahony, Killian Fagan, Ronan Murphy (1-0) Mark Nugent, Joey Nevin (0-1) Hugh Nevin (0-1) Paul Garvey (0-6) Paul Flood (1-3) Joey Riordan (0-2).

Subs: Johnny Nevin for Hugh Nevin, Joe Edwards for Mark Nugent.

U/16 Football League Division I Admirable Maynooth Fightback Just Fails Sarsfields 5 - 6 : Maynooth 4 - 6

In this match played at Maynooth on Saturday 14/3/98 the score at half-time read 4-3 to 0-1 in favour of Sarsfields and it looked at that stage that Maynooth were going to suffer a heavy defeat. As it transpired they lost by 3 points but their second half fightback says a lot for the players character and never say die attitude and had they played half as well in the first half as they did in the second the result might have been different. Maynooth were forced to play with only 13 players as Sarsfields did not have a full compliment of players. The winners got off to a good start with a goal and a point inside the first four minutes. Alan Sweeney in the Maynooth goal produced a marvellous save in the 6th minute to prevent a certain goal. Sarsfields added a further point from play before Maynooth defence failed to clear their lines and ended up conceding a rather soft goal. However, Maynooth were denied what seemed a legitimate penalty in the 20th minute when full forward Colm Cushen, having robbed the goalkeeper, appeared himself to be fouled in the square. Immediately, Sarsfields attacked and scored a rather fortuitous goal as Alan Sweeney appeared to be impeded in going for the ball. The winners added on a further point from play before Maynooth got on the score-sheet with a fine point from Patrick King. The first half scoring was completed when the Maynooth defence were guilty of dreadful marking and Alan Sweeney was given no chance with the shot that beat him. The introduction of Tommy Masterson and Barry Doyle in the second half (both were unavailable to play in the first half) transformed Maynooth and Masterson in particular, began to dominate at midfield and his strength and scoring power brought Maynooth back into the game. In the first 10 minutes of the second half, Maynooth had scored 2 goals from Masterson and Killian Carr and 3 points through Sean Brady (2) and Pierre Ennis (free) reducing the deficit to five points. A point by Sarsfields in the 12th minute was cancelled out by a Pierre Ennis free. Sarsfields appeared to have weathered the storm when they scored a further goal and point within the next five minutes but Maynooth battled on bravely and two splendid goals by Tommy Masterson (both solo efforts) and a point from Patrick King left a goal between the sides. Sean Brady had a chance to level the scores in the dying minutes but his shot from 14 yards went agonisingly wide and the opportunity was lost.

Best for Maynooth were Alan Sweeney who made a number of fine saves, Pauge O'Sullivan, Barry Doyle and Shane Devereux in defence, Tommy Masterson at midfield and in attack Sean Brady, Patrick King and Patrick O'Rourke tried hardest.

Team and Scores:

Alan Sweeney, Pauge O'Sullivan, Peter Sheehan, Patrick King (0-2) Shane Devereux, Martin Dolan, Killian Carr, (1-0) Pierre Ennis (0-2) Patrick O'Rourke, Sean Brady (0-2) Morgan Sweeney, Colm Cushen, Mikey Gleeson.

Subs: T. Masterson (3-0) for C. Cushen and B. Doyle for M. Gleeson.

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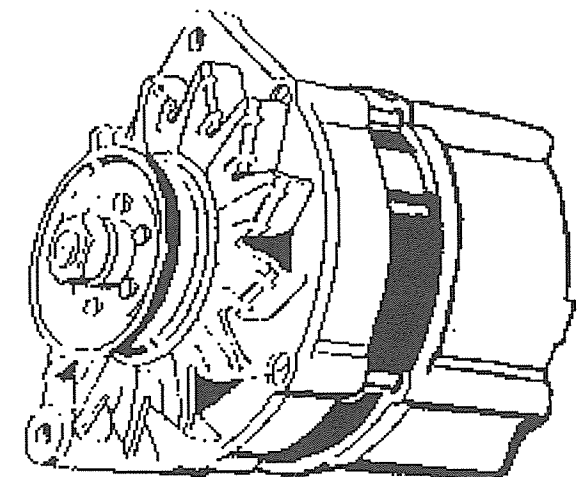
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Senior Football League Division II

Maynooth Impress in First Outing

Carbury 1 - 10 : Maynooth 1 - 12

The footballers of Maynooth got their league campaign off to a steady start with an impressive win over arch rivals Carbury on Sunday 8/3/98 in Carbury.

The teams were evenly matched in the first half and finished level after 30 minutes at 1-6 a piece. In the second half despite strong pressure from Carbury, the Maynooth boys held firm and with unerring accuracy from Paul Garvey, who accounted for 0-9 of his sides total, they fully deserved victory. Best for Maynooth were Sean Molloy in Goal who made a number of fine saves, Alan Nugent, Eamon Gallagher and Paul Stynes in defence. Ronan Murphy was very effective at midfield and in attack Paul Garvey, Paul Flood and Eamon Dunne caught the eye.

Team and Scores:

Sean Molloy, Alan Nugent, Stephen Noonan, Stephen King, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, Niall Byrne, Killian Fagan, Ronan Murphy, David Mahony, Eamon Dunne, Darren Naughton, Paul Garvey (0-9) Paul Flood (1-3) Joey Riordan.

Subs: Peter Burke for King, Joe Nevin for J. Riordan, Johnny Nevin for Burke.

Minor Football League Division I

Maynooth Fitness Prove Decisive

Maynooth 2 - 8 : Balyna 0 - 6

The home side got their league campaign off to a satisfactory start with a hard earned victory over Balyna on Sunday 22/2/98. Balyna played with the advantage of a strong breeze in the first half and led by 5 points (0-6 to 0-1) at half time. However, Maynooth set about quickly reducing the deficit and two goals from Peter Kinsella and Darren Naughton set them on their way and they became so dominant in this half that the losers were held scoreless. In addition Maynooths high level of fitness was a major factor in their victory. Best for Maynooth were Alan Geoghegan who gave a man of the match performance at left half back, Barry Doyle and Conor Diggins in defence, C. Arthurs at midfield and in attack Darren Naughton and Seamus Cummins were always dangerous.

Team and Scores:

J. Fagan, A. McCarron, B. Doyle, T. Halton, R. Kelly, C. Diggins, A. Geoghegan, C. Arthurs (0-2) P. Kinsella (1-1) A. Boyle, D. Naughton (1-3) K. Ennis (0-2) D. Byrne, S. Cummins, N. Downey.

Subs: D. Doyle, P. Finnan, K. Fleming.

Minor Hurling Tournament

Maynooth Withstand Strong Confey Challenge

Maynooth 5 - 3 : Confey 1 - 5

Maynooth overcome Confey to reach final of this hurling tournament hosted by Leixlip on Sunday 22/2/98. Maynooth played with the advantage of a strong wind in the first half but Confey were first to open the scoring with a point from a 70' after 2 minutes. Mikey Gleeson levelled the scores after five minutes with a pointed free from 30 yards. Two minutes later Maynooth got their first goal when following goal forward play by Ken Dooley and Andy Gavin, Chris Arthurs got inside the Confey full back line to score a fine opportunist goal. Conor Diggins got on the score sheet a minute later with a fine point from 40 yards. Confey got their second point of the half with a free from 20 yards out. Maynooth while continuing to dominate missed 3 point opportunities in as many minutes before a long range free from Eoin Nevin went all the way to the Confey net. The losers defence hadn't recovered from this set back when Mikey Gleeson cut a beautiful line ball which deceived the Confey goalkeeper and nestled in the net. However, the net minder made amends a few minutes later when a blockbuster strike from Chris Arthurs looked destined for the net but somehow he managed to execute a fine save. Chris Arthurs got his second goal five minutes from half time when he took a pass from John O'Shea, side-stepped his marker and booted the sliotar to the net. Andy Gavin completed the first half scoring with a point on the run after Conor Diggins had split open the Confey defence with a 30 yard solo run leaving Maynooth leading by 4-3 to 0-2.

For the first fifteen minutes of the second half Confey threw everything at Maynooth and had scored a further goal and a point. However, Karl Ennis in the Maynooth goal brought off a number of splendid saves and Rory Kelly was simply a

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colossus at left half back thwarting attack after attack. The issue was put beyond doubt 10 minutes from time when Robert Hayes added his sides fifth goal after the Confey defence got into a tangle. The losers added a further two points but the goal they needed never came.

Best for Maynooth were Karl Ennis in goal, Matt Callaghan, Tommy Masterson, Eoin Nevin and Rory Kelly in defence, Alan Nugent at midfield and in attack Chris Arthurs, Andy Gavin and John O'Shea gave the Confey defence a torrid afternoon.

Team and Scores: Karl Ennis, Aidan McCarron, Matt Callaghan, Tommy Masterson, Conor Minogue, Eoin Nevin (1-0) Rory Kelly, Conor Diggins (0-1) Alan Nugent, Mikey Gleeson, Ken Dooley, Chris Arthurs (2-0) Andy Gavin (0-1) Seamus Cummins, John O'Shea. **Subs:** Robert Hayes for Seamus Cummins, S. Cummins for C. Arthurs.

Minor Football League
Carbury 1 - 16 : Maynooth 0 - 3

Maynooth suffered a humiliating defeat at the hands of Carbury on Sunday 15/3/98 in Carbury. The Maynooth boys were completely overrun in the first half and their midfield pairing of Peter Kinsella and Barry Doyle were playing second fiddle to their opponents. Carbury led at half time by eight points 0-9 to 0-1 with Darren Naughton getting the losers only score. In the second half Maynooth were unable to reduce the deficit despite creating a number of scoring opportunities and when Carbury raised a green flag in the 20th minute of the second half the game was well and truly over as a contest.

Best for Maynooth were Alan Geoghegan, Rory Kelly and Conor Diggins in defence, Peter Kinsella tried hard at midfield and in attack Darren Naughton, Chris Arthurs and Seamus Cummins gave of their best.

Team and Scores: John Fagan, A. Geoghegan, D. Carr, G. Higgins, Rory Kelly, N. Byrne, C. Diggins, P. Kinsella, B. Doyle, C. Arthurs, D. Naughton (0-3) K. Ennis, D. Byrne, S. Cummins, K. Fleming.

Minor Football League Division I
Maynooth 1 - 9 : Kilcock 1 - 10

Maynooth suffered the narrowest of defeats on St. Patrick's Day at the hands of arch rivals Kilcock in Maynooth. Kilcock were much the better team in the first half and their fowardline were creating major problems for the Maynooth rearguard with the result that they led at half time by 0-9 to 0-2. Maynooth were a transformed team in the second half and reduced the deficit to just one point with two minutes remaining. Sean Brady had an opportunity to score a goal in the dying minutes but his shot was well saved by the Kilcock goalkeeper and so Kilcock held on for victory.

Best for Maynooth were John Fagan in goal who made a number of fine saves. Darragh Carr, Gearoid Higgins and Rory Kelly in defence, Darren Doyle was impressive at midfield and Darren Naughton, Danny Byrne and Sean Brady tried hardest in attack. **Team and Scores:** J. Fagan, B. Doyle, D. Carr, A. Geoghegan, G. Higgins, (0-1) C. Diggins, R. Kelly, P. Kinsella (0-2) D. Doyle (0-1) K. Ennis, D. Naughton (0-5) C. Arthurs, (1-0) D. Byrne, S. Brady.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Mick Loses Maiden Tag in Athy

The first outing of 1998 took place to Athy on Saturday 14th March. Played in ideal conditions the testing inland course proved a stiff test for all, but out of the pack came rookie Mick Fahy with a great score of 40 Pts. to clinch the Eddie Kavanagh Cup. Congrats to Mick on his first overall win. Bronagh Kavanagh presented the Cup to Mick at a function in Caulfields. Later that evening among the highlights was Captain Miley Scanlon's inaugural speech in which he thanked everyone including sponsors Mick Flynn and Sean Horgan.

Officers elected at the A.G.M. for 1998:

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Vice-President	Noel Brady
Captain	Miley Scanlon
Vice-Captain	Tom O'Haire
Secretary	Sean O'Connell
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Next outing to Moate on Saturday 18th April.

Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup

Athy 14/3/98

1st	M. Fahy	(23)	40pts
2nd	L. Farrelly	(14)	38pts
3rd	S. Tracey	(19)	37pts
4th	T. Moore	(14)	36pts
5th	M. Flynn	(26)	35pts on back 9
6th	M. O'Regan	(26)	35pts
7th	W. Moore	(16)	35 pts

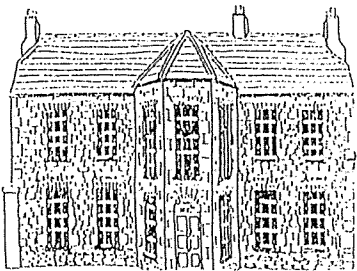
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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Maynooth Town 3 Shamrock Rovers 1
D.D.S.L. U-8 B Sunday

Shamrock Rovers sent their first team to the Harbour field on a chilly Sunday morning to avenge the 7-1 defeat of their second side the previous week and were in no mood to take any prisoners. Despite a very physical game in which two Rovers players were booked (a very unusual occurrence at this age level) Maynooth were in no mood for surrender. Having conceded an early goal the Town battled hard and an all round solid performance saw them run out the 3-1 winners. Niall Prendergast had a fine game in midfield but the man of the match award must go to Chris Moynan who scored all three of Maynooth's goals. **Maynooth** - S. Durcan, D. Boylan, F. McDonnell, A. Cash, G. Dooley, C. Dooley, K. O'Sullivan, B. Kilduff, C. O'Reilly, P. McDonnell, E.Flynn, N. Prendergast, G. Halford, C. Moynan.

Park Celtic 3 Maynooth Town 4
D.D.S.L. U-11 A1 Saturday

The long journey to Cabinteely Park on a chilly Saturday morning was made worth while with the Town coming away with three points. The Town conceded a soft early goal and it looked like they would have trouble holding the home side who had a stiff breeze at their backs. Midway through the first half Maynooth caught the Celtic defence napping and as Luke Daly was bearing down on goal he was brought down. The referee had no choice but to point to the spot and David Prendergast coolly side footed the resulting penalty beyond the keeper's reach. With the sides level at the break Maynooth had the wind and a severe incline to help them in the second half. Shaun Doogan back in his favoured attacking role added two more for the Town before Celtic struck against the run of play. David Baxter restored the two-goal lead before Celtic scored in the dying minutes to give a final score that flattered the home side. An all round good performance with Maynooth Keeper Niall Doogan getting man of the match for confidently dealing with some tricky high balls in the strong wind.

Maynooth - N. Doogan, C. Walsh, S. McAllister, L. Daly, D. Bambrick, D. Sweeney, D. Prendergast, D. Baxter, G. O'Connor, T. Moriarty, S. Doogan, D. O'Haire, A. Wall.

Club Transport 4 Maynooth Town 2
D.D.S.L. U-11 A1 Saturday

Maynooth Town under 11 A1 side conceded what now seems to be the customary soft goal to give Transport the early advantage and were always going to have trouble recovering against a very capable side. Despite a spirited fight back which saw Maynooth play some good flowing football the Town got caught on the break to give the home side a 2-0 advantage at the break. Maynooth pulled one back with a Tadgh Moriarty strike early in the second half but an unfortunate o.g. from a battling defence restored the home side's two-goal cushion. The Town continued to push forward and a fine effort from David Baxter brought the score to 3-2. With time running out failure to fully clear a long ball into the box saw the game put beyond Maynooth. The final score did not do justice to the fine football that Maynooth had displayed on the day and the lesson has to be learned that you cannot give a goal start to any side at this level and come away with a result.

Maynooth - N. Doogan, C. Walsh, S. McAllister, L. Daly, D. Bambrick, D. Sweeney, D. Prendergast D. Baxter, G. O'Connor, T. Moriarty, S. Doogan, D. O'Haire, A. Wall.

Maynooth Town 0 Hillview 8
D.D.S.L. U-8 B Sunday

Maynooth Town Under 8 B-side came up against the probable league winners when they met a very strong Hillview side. The non-partisan spectator could only admire the talent displayed by the visiting 8-year-olds. The sharpness shown by the Maynooth side in the away encounter that Hillview won by the narrowest margin (2-1) was not to be seen in this match. On a more positive note the majority of this young Maynooth side will qualify to play at under 8's again next season and will benefit from this years experience.

Maynooth - S. Durcan, D. Boylan, F. McDonnell, A. Cash, G. Dooley, C. Dooley, K. O'Sullivan, B. Kilduff, C. O'Reilly, P. McDonnell, E. Flynn, N. Prendergast, G. Halford, C. Moynan.

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15-Mar-98	16,21,28	£375	John Saults	Yvonne O'Connor	Margaret Gillick	Darren Moran	Catherine Fitzpatrick
22-Mar-98	7,10,25	£400	Pat Hawkins	Chris Saults	Jackie Nolan	John Waldron	Pat Corrrway
22-Mar-98	ONE JACKPOT WINNER FOR £400						

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Keys: The wife and extended family of the late Thomas A. (Deuce) Keys, Maynooth Park, would like to thank all our wonderful neighbours and friends, old and new who attended his Removal, Mass and Funeral. Those who sent Mass cards, sympathy cards, floral tributes and found time to telephone. The priests of the parish, Father Supple and Father Sinnott, and Father Tom Corbet from St. Patrick's College. Dr. Vincent Walsh of Celbridge, Garry and his staff at Glenashling Nursing Home in Celbridge and the medical staff in Blanchardstown Hospital where he died. Not forgetting the undertakers Messrs. Oliver Reilly of Prosperous who handled all of the funeral arrangements with the utmost efficiency.

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This prayer must be said for 3 days, and after that the request will be granted. (The prayer must be published)

BIRTHDAYS

Birthday Greetings to: Gerard McTernan Greenfield who celebrated his 21st Birthday March 4th from Mammy, Daddy, sister Clare, Grannies and Grandad.

Birthday Greetings to: Sharon Halligan Greenfield who celebrated her 18th birthday on April 16th from Marcella, Darina, Nichola, Annmarie and Helen.

Birthday Greetings to: Ian Kavanagh who will be 22 on the 19th April from Mam, Neil, Karen, Mark, Declan and Jennifer

Birthday Greetings to: Niamh White of Cherrywood, Celbridge who will be 22 on the 17th April from Cindy and all the gang in Kingsbry.

Birthday Greetings to: Dolores (Dola) Kealy, Greenfield Maynooth who celebrates her birthday in April from all your friends and family.

Birthday Greetings to: Eric Quinn who will be 21 on the 19th April, congratulations and best wishes from Mammy and all the family.

Birthday Greetings to: Karl Quinn who will be 5 on the 27th April, happy birthday from Nanny, Mammy and the lads.

Birthday Greetings to: Marcella O'Reilly who celebrates her 18th birthday, from her Mam, her sister Annmarie and her brother Darragh.

Birthday Greetings to: Lorna & Gráinne Burke, Newtown who celebrated their 15th birthday on 2nd March.

Birthday Greetings to: Rachel Cassidy of Rail Park, Maynooth who is celebrating her 50th birthday on 4th April from her husband Tom, her children, family and friends.

Birthday Greetings to: Rachel Cassidy Jr. of Rail Park, Maynooth who is celebrating her 18th birthday on 12th April from her Mammy, Daddy, brothers and sisters.

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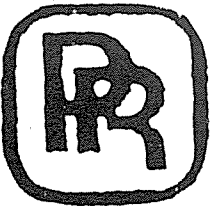
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Lennon: With deepest sympathy to the wife, sons, daughters, mother, brothers, sister, mother-in-law, aunts, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Eamon Lennon Newtown Maynooth formerly Latton, Co Monaghan.

Lawler: With deepest sympathy to the husband, children Fiona, Brendan and Jamie, sister, brother-in-law, future son-in-law Steve, aunts, cousins, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews, relatives and friends of Breda Lawler Laurence Avenue, Maynooth formerly Ennis, Co Clare.

Nolan: With deepest sympathy to the wife, daughters Brigid and Paula, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, grandchildren Ami, Vanessa and Rikki, relatives and friends of Michael (Mick) Nolan The Green, Maynooth.

Killoran: With deepest sympathy to Aidan Killoran, Rail Park, Maynooth death of his brother Kevin, Blackrock, Dublin formerly Emiaghissan, Ballymote, Sligo.

Carberry: With deepest sympathy to her husband David, son Bill, daughters Pauline and Orlagh, son-in-law Paddy, mother Annie Brennan, brothers Thomas and Séan, sister Jenny, brother-in-law, sisters-in-law, relatives and friends of (Anne) Carberry (nee Brennan) of Painstown, Donadea, Co. Kildare formerly of Monasootha, Co. Wexford.

FORMER GOVERNOR GENERAL'S DAUGHTER LAID TO REST IN MAYNOOTH

Mairin Ni Bhuachalla, the only surviving daughter of Ireland's last Governor General, Domhnall O Buachalla was returned to Maynooth for burial on Monday. Mairin is an aunt of Joe O'Buachalla, proprietor of Maynooth's longest established hardware store. Her remains were laid to rest in Laraghbryan Cemetery following requiem Mass in Monkstown. Maynooth curate, Rev John Sinnott performed the prayers at the graveside. In her 90's Mairin had been ill for a short time before her passing at the Carysfort Nursing Home in Glenageary, Dublin on Saturday. She is survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

ART EXHIBITION

Calling all Amateur Artists in Maynooth and surrounding areas. An Amateur Art Exhibition is to be held in Maynooth Post Primary School on 15th, 16th, 17th May 1998. Anyone wishing to exhibit please contact Henry at 6285606. Don't be shy - come and let others enjoy looking at your art.

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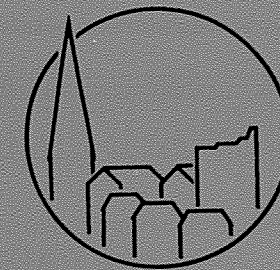
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DIARY DATES

Fri 1st May: ICA Tea Morning on behalf of Alzheimers in ICA Hall

Thur 7th May: ICA A.G.M. I.C.A. Hall Harbour

Sat 9th May: Pitch & Putt Course Dunboyne Road 2pm sharp, Boys and girls U16 Community Games

Sun 10th May: Senior Citizens Party

Mon 11th May: Community Council next meeting in the Post Primary School at 8 pm

Mon 11th May Rockfield Resients Ass. A.G.M. Glenroyle Hotel 8 30pm.

Thur 21st May: The Chain Gang, Wells Hotel, Enfield, at 8.30 pm. **Charity Function.**

Fri 22nd May Referendum Day.

Sun 24th May: Royal Canal Amenity Group, Steam train excursion from Maynooth to Enfield.

Thur 28th May: Parents Association, Presentation Convent Maynooth, parents holding a cookery demonstration in Glenroyal Hotel.

Wed 22nd July - Sun 26th July - Maynooth Summer Festival.

Fri 24th Jul: Miss Royal Canal 1998 at the Glenroyal Hotel.

EDITORIAL

For years cynics claimed that those of us living south of the border were bored and distinterested in Northern Ireland. Thirty years of bad news from the North had certainly caused despair that the people of Ireland could ever live together in peace. The agreement signed on Good Friday has changed all that. Talking to people around Maynooth it seems that many followed the closing stages of the talks very closely on radio and TV and that there is widespread support for the compromise reached by the parties. Only the lunatic fringes want to return to war and they are driven more by sectarian hatred than by any political agenda. The litany of outrages committed over the past thirty years - Greysteel, Loughlan Island, the Miami showband massacre, Bloody Sunday, the Shankill bombing to name but a few - must not be forgotten but must never be repeated. And so we face the referendum on May 22nd with an opportunity to put the past behind us. The proposed changes to the constitution will cause problems for some but the era of territorial claims is over. Encouraging one million northerners who currently claim to be British to change their nationality is not going to be achieved by a clause in the constitution. In 1916 twelve men set off from Maynooth for the GPO with a dream of a better Ireland. Let us hope that May 22nd marks another step in realising that dream.

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Letters to the Editor

DEAR EDITOR

THE CELTIC PIG

I want to dispel the myth of the Celtic Tiger for no tiger would leave her den in the state I witnessed Maynooth Village on the morning of March 18th. Such was the filth and litter remaining after the National Holiday that one could be forgiven for thinking that the village had been invaded by a horde of pigs. The sty for these pigs was clearly identified outside some food joints on the main street as evidenced by the density of filth in this area.

Is there no law which makes the proprietors of such premises responsible for the cleanliness of the public area outside them.? If we are serious about making Maynooth a fit place for people to live in, as opposed to pigs, something will have to be done now to stop the rot.

Padraig O Murchu

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

We organised an Easter Disco for 16th April in the North Kildare Club with free bus there and back, but unfortunately only two children turned up, so the disco had to be cancelled. However we would like to thank the following adults who had volunteered to help on the night, Johnny Dowling, Patricia Moynan, Anna Marie McDermott and Bernard Livingston.

On a lighter note don't forget our registration day comes up on the first Tuesday in July in the I.C.A. Hall at 10.30 a.m.

Claire O'Rourke

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS NOTES

First of all this month we wish our President Fr. Brendan Supple a speedy recovery. Secondly at time of writing we are currently finalising our review of our Community Employment Scheme.

We thank our Fás Employment Officer Mary Boyle for her help over the last few years and wish her well in her new position in the Fás Organisation.

We welcome Mary O'Leary as our new Fás Employment Officer. We look forward to working with Mary over the coming years.

Also at this time of year we are collating our entry for the Department of the Environment's Tidy Towns competition.

We will be contacting Residents Associations and other interested bodies in the Community over the coming weeks to seek their support in making Maynooth a better place to live.

Litter is a major problem for us and fly posting is becoming a problem again - it is against the law and makes the place look untidy.

We ourselves will be giving a copy of the Pamphlet Litter and the Law to all businesses during the month of May.

Many people have remarked how clean the town is on Sunday. This is due to the Sunday morning clean up crew.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Successes and failures reviewed at Community Council

The normal format of Community Council meetings was set aside for a special meeting which was held on April 6th last. The purpose of the meeting was to leave aside normal business and to spend an evening focusing on the organisation itself. This meeting was facilitated by Mr. Seamus Moore from Naas, and on behalf of all concerned may I extend our appreciation.

Mr. Moore will provide a report to the Community Council summarising the main points raised on the night and this will be available for the May meeting.

Community Council staff to be conferred

Community Council Supervisors, Ms. Norah McDermott, Ms. Freda Kelleher and Ms. Breda Gormally will be putting on the hat and gown on Friday May 15th, when they are conferred at the National College of Industrial Relations.

The already very busy threesome have recently completed a Certificate in Community Workplace Management.

Some readers will know that the ladies spend a considerable amount of time at work in the Community Council Offices - as well as engaging in further training. Congrats to all. Thanks to Mary Boyle of Fás for all her help and co-operation over the last few years and we wish her every success in her new job in Fás.

Proposal for ESAT Digifone Mast at Maynooth Garda Station rejected by Kildare County Council
Maynooth Community Council welcomes the decision by Kildare County Council to reject a planning application from ESAT Digifone to erect a 30 metre telecommunications mast at Maynooth Garda Station.

The applicants appealed the Kildare County Council decision to An Bord Pleanála on 17th April last. An opportunity now exists for Individuals or associations to make their views known on this proposal. Information must be forwarded to An Bord Pleanála, Irish Life Centre, Dublin 1, before May 18th, including a fee of £30.

The Maynooth Summer Festival:

The Festival will take place from Wednesday 22nd July to Sunday 26th July. We are going for a shorter Festival this year in the hopes that more people will turn out for the events. The Festival Launch will take place on Friday 17th July in Glenroyal Hotel. More information in future Newsletters.

Community Council - Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Monday May 11th. An interesting agenda has been completed for the meeting, which will be held as usual in the Post-Primary School at 8 pm. A full attendance would be appreciated.


Paul Croghan
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What are the details of the new tax allowance for the long-term unemployed?

Answer:

There is an additional allowance from 6th April 1998 for the long-term unemployed person i.e. a person who has been unemployed for one year or more, and lone parents on the One-Parent Family Payment who take up work after 6th April '98. This is as an alternative to existing employment schemes, such as the Back to Work Allowance; an unemployed person cannot avail of both options.

The allowance is as follows:

Year One extra allowance of £3,000 and £1,000 for each qualifying child.

Year Two reducing to two-thirds of this amount i.e. £2,000 and £666 for each child.

Year Three one-third of amount allowed in year one, i.e. £1,000 and £334 for each child.

An unemployed person for these purposes is a person who has been unemployed for 12 months and in receipt of either an unemployment payment (Unemployment Benefit or Unemployment Assistance) or the One Parent Family Payment from the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs.

This section of the Act also provides for additional groups to be approved by the Minister for Social, Community & Family Affairs for this tax relief, with the consent of the Minister for Finance; (may include for example, people with disabilities referred by the NRB who have been approved for other employment measures/incentives).

Each of a couple may claim the allowance and the child tax allowance may be apportioned between them. The three year period for the allowance may begin with either the tax year in which the employment commences or the following tax year.

Employment for the purposes of this section must begin after the 6th April '98 and must conform broadly to standards set for other employment initiatives, such as the Back to Work Allowance, i.e. must be at least 30 hours a week, must be capable of lasting 12 months, must not have been the subject of a redundancy in the previous 6 months. The employee's tax allowance under this section can only be set against the income from the qualifying employment. An employee can change jobs once and retain the balance of the allowance.

* Employers who employ people after 6th April 1998 who are long-term unemployed can make a double deduction of the employee's income from their company's taxable income for up to three years provided that the employee remains with them.

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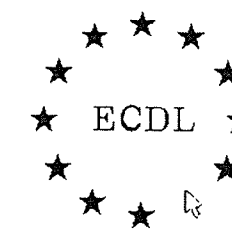
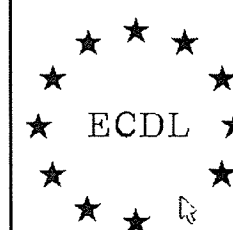
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MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The April meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on the 2nd April in the I.C.A. hall at 8p.m.

A minute's silence was observed to mark the death of Kay Burns, brotherR.I.P.

A letter of thanks was received by our secretary Rosemary, on behalf of Cancer Society for the help of the ladies who collected on Daffodil Day. The money collected totalled £901.00.

There will be a coffee morning and cake sale in Mrs Satchwells with the proceeds going to St Mary's Church.

Crafts.

Crafts are going very well at the moment and the ladies are kept very busy. There is to be a crafts display in Punchestown on May 17th 1998.

Allied Irish Banks Guild of the Year competition is up and running with many Federations finished. Kildare Federation Final is in the G.A.A. hall in Kill on the 21/4/98, 8p.m. good luck to all our ladies taking part.

The Make 'n' Model competition this year is for an outfit suitable for a Summer Graduation. Mc Vities are running a biscuit making competition (Recipes), recipes only at Federation level. Entries to National Contest Secretary, by April 30th. This competition is being run in conjunction with the Womans Way magazine.

The April competition "The Smallest Easter Bonnet" was won by...

- 1st. Teresa Brennan.
2nd Margaret Houlihan.
3rd, Jo O' Connell.

Badminton is going well every Tuesday and Thursday in the Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m- 12pm.

There will be a tea morning on May 1st on behalf of Alzheimers in the I.C.A. Hall and will be organised by Betty Farrell.

Our guest speaker for our April meeting was a Japanese girl called Yoko. She is on a visit from Japan and is teaching in the girls' primary school. She showed us how to do Origami, which is paper folding, and was very interesting for all.

The A.G.M. of Maynooth I.C.A. will be held on Thursday 7th May in the I.C.A. Hall.

We would like to ask all our members to please attend this meeting. The meeting is open to anyone interested in joining our Guild. For a small fee of £20.00 for our Annual membership you can avail of the many activities, badminton, drama, day trips and also you get an opportunity to make new friends. New members will be always welcome.

May Haren
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

On Saturday April 18th at the Spring Show Prof. S. Smyth on behalf of the National University of Ireland, Maynooth presented the club with a beautiful silver cup. This was, said Dr. Smyth, in recognition of the work, support and help given by the Flower Club over the years to the College. Noeleen O' Brien accepted and said it would be awarded to the person who achieved the highest number of points in the show, each year.

Results from this years shows.

- Class 1. The Beach - 1st Moira Baxter.
Class 2. European Cruise - 1st Maureen Fagan
Class 3. Sailing - 1st Felicity Satchwell
Class 4. Titanic - 1st Maureen Fagan
Class 5. Where Oceans Meet - 1st Susan Mulvihill
Class 6. Seaside Treasurers - 1st Felicity Satchwell
Class 7. From the Deep - 1st Felicity Satchwell

Cup Winners

Ulster Bank P. Cup - Best exhibit - Show Winner - Susan Mulvihill.

Bradshaw P. Cup - Best exhibit - Plant Section Winner - Sarah Angel.

Satchwell P. Cup - Best exhibit Class 2 Winner - Maureen Fagan.

Flower Pot P. Cup - Best exhibit - Class 1 Winner Moira Baxter.

A.O.I.F.E. P Cup - Best exhibit - Class V11 Winner Felicity Satchwell

N.U.I. of Maynooth P. Cup - Most show Points Winner Sarah Angel

List of club activities for May

May 5th Half Day Trip to Grove Gardens.
May 19th Patricia Dent will be the demonstrator at meeting. This will be held as usual in Loftus Hall at 8p.m.
Competitions on 19th.

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Plant Competition - Stem of a flowering shrub.

Two of our members Noeleen O' Brien and Moira Baxter will represent the club at a festival of flowers at Emo Court, Co. Laois
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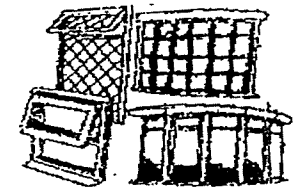
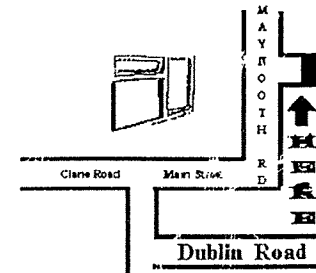
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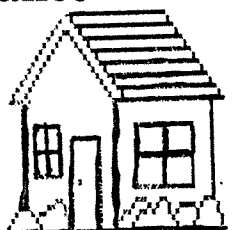
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES
By the time this article appears in May, the Community Games, swimming will have taken place and the following are the results.

I would like to thank Maynooth College for the use of the Pool for this event. Particularly I thank Colm Nelson for all his help and co - operation and also all the very good people who came along as officials and helpers.

Swimming Results

Girls U/6	1 Bronagh Carey
Girls U/8 Freestyle	1 Claire Mac Namara 2 Susan Fay 3 Michaela Furey
Girls U/10 Freestyle	1 Deirdre Mulcahy 2 Jessica Whelan 3 Orla Carey 4 Aisling O'Connor
Girls U/10 Back Stroke.	1 Deirdre Mulcahy 2 Aisling O'Connor 3 Jessica Whelan
Girls U/12 Freestyle	1 Aoife Dunning 2 Eibhlín Carr 3 Niamh O' Gorman
Girls U/12 Breast Stroke	1 Aoife Dunning 2 Eibhlín Carr
Girls U/14 Freestyle	1 Andre Heslin 2 Gráinne O'Rourke 3 Aisling Bean
Girls U/14 Breast Stroke	1 Kate Delaney 2 Andre Heslin 3 Gráinne O'Rourke
Girls U/14 Back Stroke	1 Andre Heslin 2 Gráinne O'Rourke 3 Jenny Dooley
Girls U/16 Freestyle	1 Gillian Corbally 2 Emma Fleming 3 Kathy Kelleher
Girls U/16 Butterfly	1 Kathy Kelleher 2 Emma Cullinane 3 Emma Fleming
Girls U/16 Back Stroke.	1 Gillian Corbally 2 Aileen Devaney 3 Emma Fleming

Swimming Results.

Boys U/8 Freestyle	1 Gavin Doyle 2 Sean Fox. 3 Darragh Dunning 4 John Comerford.
Boys U/10 Freestyle	1 Owen Mc Cartan 2 Lloyd Richards 3 Ciarán Furey.
Boys U/10 Back Stroke	1 Lloyd Richards 2 Ciarán Farrell 3 Ciarán Furey.
Boys U/12 Freestyle	1 Alex Wall. 2 Patrick Ward. 3 Martin Furey
Boys U/12 Breast Stroke	1 Owen Delaney 2 Seán MacNamara. 3 Brian Bean.
Boys U/14 Breast Stroke	1 Mark Watson. 2 Shane Kelleher 3 David Baxter.
Boys U/14 Back Stroke	1 Conor Devaney 2 Mark Watson 3 Shane Kelleher.
Boys U/14 Freestyle	1 Mark Watson 2 Conor Devaney 3 Shane Kelleher
Boys U/16 Freestyle	1 Cian Lennon 2 Alan Baxter 3 Stephen McCartan
Boys U/16 Back Stroke	1 Cian Lennon 2 Alan Baxter
Boys U/16 Butterfly	1 Cian Lennon 2 Alan Baxter.

The local Gymnastics will take place on Monday April 27th in the Parish Hall.

To date County Competition has taken place in the Project, Quiz, Art and Model Making.

One of Maynooth's Project Teams won Silver Medals and are thus qualified to compete at the National Finals in Mosney on the weekend 15th,16th,17th of May.

The Boys under 11 Team are: Aaron Donnelly, Edward O'Reilly, Neil Cooney and Kenneth Corbally.

Our Quiz team also took silver medals at the County Finals and will be travelling to Mosney that same weekend.

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Quiz Team Cont.

Derek Judge, Alison Judge, Aisling Sinclair, Cian Duffy, Shane Judge and John Kelleher.

The Art and Model Making competition took place in Kildare Town on Sat. 18th April. From that Competition, Maynooth's Eoghan Mc Cartan from Smithstown won a silver medal in the Model Making.

The house to house collection is at present in progress so by the time this article reaches your home I hope you have contributed generously to same.

The local Athletics competitions take place on the 10th of May in the G.A.A. field, Moyglare Road

Other team competitions are still taking place and all finals should hopefully be completed by 31st May.

Pitch and Putt

The local Pitch and Putt competition will be run at the Pitch and Putt course on the Dunboyne Road, on Saturday 9th May 1998, at 2PM.(sharp) for Boys and Girls under 16. Entry fee is £2. All are welcome and encouraged to take part.

Girls Soccer

Girls under 12 and under 15 soccer teams are being assembled now, if you are interested, please contact Antoinette Mooney or B Breslin.
Tel: 628-6254

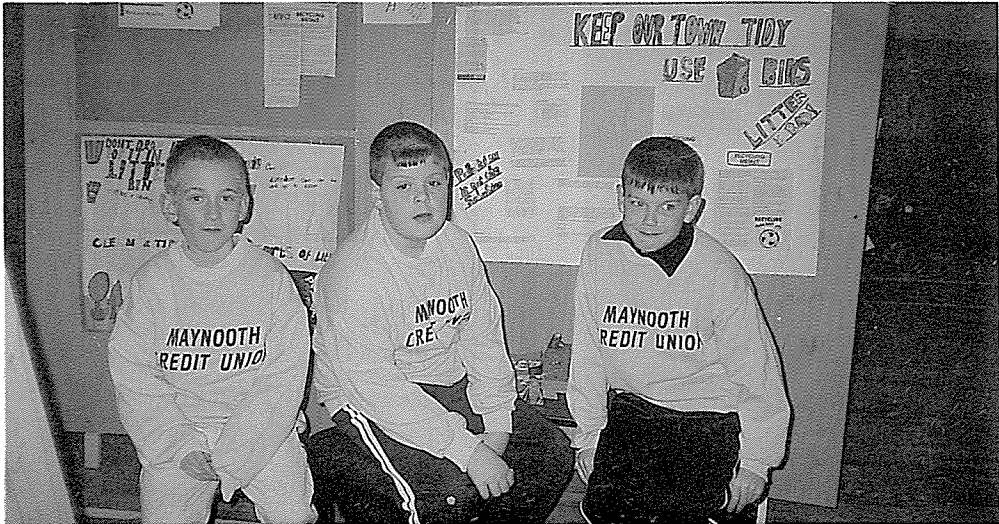
Thank you and good luck to all participants.

B.Breslin.
P.R.O.

Maynooth Community Games - Teams at the County Project Finals in Nurney



Front: Mark Lord, Aaron Donnolly, Lee Walsh, Catherine O'Riordan, Michael Murphy
Middle: Neil Cooney, Gary Brennan, Tim Franklin
Back: Kenneth Corbally, Ruth Murphy, Orla Bambrick, Emma Howard Williams



2nd at County - Aaron Donnelly, Kenneth Corbally, Neill Cooney Edward O'Reilly (missing)

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

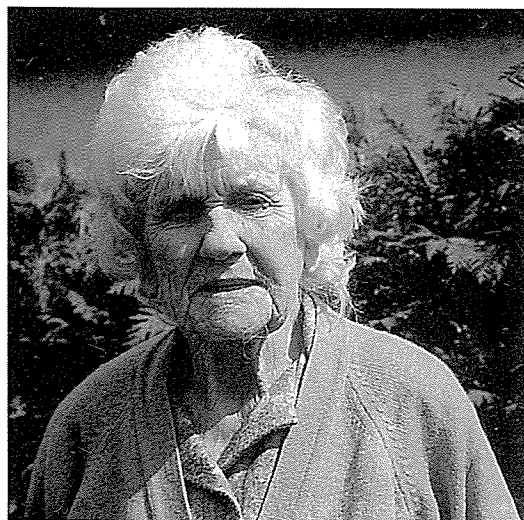
Our Easter party took place as scheduled on April 19th. We were joined on the day by our friends from Celbridge, Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Sinnott and we thank him for finding the time in his busy schedule. This was followed by tea and entertainment, during which we held our Easter Bonnet competition. There were many entrants and lots of prizes won. The overall winner was Chris Feighery with a "splendid creation," (see photo) well done to all who won prizes and for entering into the spirit of the occasion. Many thanks to Karen and Harry Cullen who did a wonderful job in judging the bonnets.

Our next event will be held on May 10th. To celebrate "Bealtaine" we will have an Art & Craft competition on the day, so I trust everyone is busy in their particular field. All art forms can be entered on the day, be it needle work, painting, writing etc. and afterwards all exhibits will be put on display in the Library.

To coincide with our party the Tony Smith memorial walk will take place, leaving the Post Primary School at 3 pm, the proceeds of which goes into our coffers. This event has been well supported in the past and I have no doubt this trend will continue. Sponsorship cards can be had from Labour party members or any of our committee. Do join us on the day, we'll all benefit one way or another. Exercise and a good cause, a winning combination.

Finally, congratulations to Kitty Thompson from Greenfield, who celebrated her 98th birthday in April! Kitty is Maynooth's oldest resident and the longest attending member of our club, having been with us since our organisation was founded. Kitty shared in the celebrations at our Easter party and we look forward to doing it all again next year. P.G.

Josephine Moore



Kitty Thompson at 98 years

MAYNOOTH / KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Maynooth/Kilcock No Name Club is 5 years old and we celebrated with a Giant Birthday Disco on Saturday 4th April. This Party Disco with lots of "giveaways" was a tremendous success.

Our Valentines Night Disco was a tremendous success, with lots of Valentines "treats for all".

Our new Hosts and Hostesses are being trained at present.

Our next outing is to Carlow for the Awards Night on Saturday 18th April and we are looking forward to meeting all the other Clubs for what we know will undoubtedly be a great night for all.

After the Awards Night it's time to 'play ball' with our Annual Basketball Tournament in Maynooth College. Teams from Leixlip, Kilcock, Maynooth and Celbridge will be taking part in what will be a challenging sporting event, followed by a Celebration Disco.

As you can see our 5th year activities have started on a high note and we are looking forward to many other events in the year ahead.

Evelyn McGrath & Pat Farrell
PRO Officers

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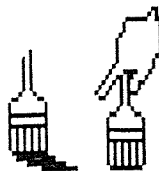
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SENIOR CITIZENS BONNET PARADE



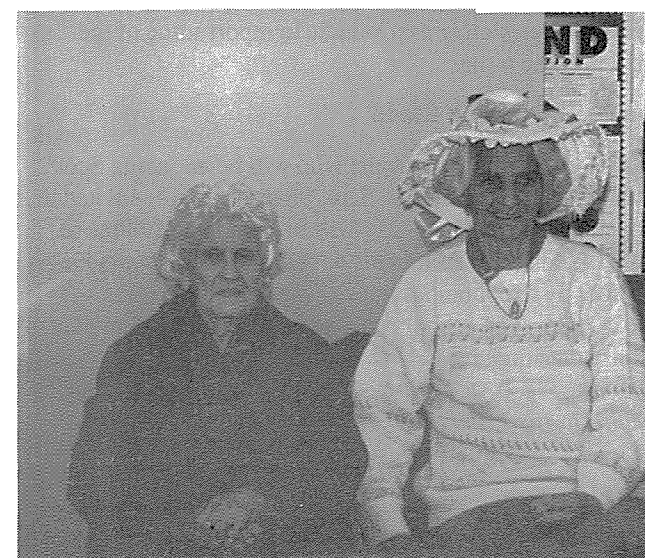
L-R: Julia Twomey, Betty Tracey, Lizzie Higgins, Molly Cahalane, Carmel Reilly



Overall Winner Chris Feighery and in background judges Karen and Harry Cullen



May Smyth, Molly Kearney, Betty Farrell sporting their bonnets



L-R: Kitty Thompson and Anne Kenny



L-R: Mary Green, Betty Kelly, Chrissie Timmons wearing their creations

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PARENTS ASSOCIATION, PRESENTATION CONVENT, MAYNOOTH

The Parents Association are holding a Cookery demonstration presented by Odlums Ltd in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on Thursday 28th May commencing at 7.45 pm. The evening promises to be entertaining and informative.

There will be a demonstration of several recipe dishes by Ms. Catherine Leyden of Odlums who will distribute recipe leaflets and raffle the dishes cooked on the night together with some Odlums products.

Tickets will be £5 each and will be available at the door.

The Parents Association would like to congratulate all the girls who made their Confirmation recently and we would like to thank every one who contributed to 'No Uniform Day'.

Bernie O'Meara, P.R.O.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION BOYS SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

We would like to thank everybody who supported us in our recent fundraising event in the G.A.A. Club, Moyglare, to those who donated spot prizes and to the club members themselves who were so helpful on the night.

The name of shops and businesses who helped us out will be announced in next months issue.

Claire O'Rourke



Caoilfhionn agus Siachfreach Ní Lachtáin ag úsáid na Ríomhairí agus ag baint taitneamh astu.

SCOIL UÍ RIADA NEWS

COMMENIUS Project (Austro - Iberian - Hibernian Connection)

We are delighted to inform you that Scoil Uí Riada's partners in the above project have now also received funding from the EU. To date more than 7,000 schools throughout Europe have participated in COMMENIUS Action One forming partnerships which have worked on over 2,300 European Education Projects (EEP). We are proud to report that Scoil Uí Riada is unique in that it is the only Primary School in County Kildare to have been successful in it's application under the COMMENIUS Action One Programme. The benefits to Scoil Uí Riada of such a project include the following:

- The development of a European dimension across the school as an important component of the delivery of the curriculum
- Opportunities for the professional development of the teachers
- Increased motivation and enjoyment for both pupils and teachers
- A contribution to school improvement through raised levels of pupil achievement and the opportunity for them to acquire new knowledge, perspectives and skills
- An awareness of other educational systems, and
- The development of new teaching materials.

The COMMENIUS Action One Programme provides funding for three mobility initiatives in addition to the normal mobility carried out with the framework of planning, organizing and developing an EEP. Scoil Uí Riada is happy to report that An Príomhoide, Séamus Ó Muirithí, will be partaking in one of these mobility initiatives, namely a Study Visit, to Spain in May. These mobility initiatives for principals are an important resource for ensuring that principals get to know their colleagues in the other schools participating in the project thereby making a valuable contribution to the success of the project.

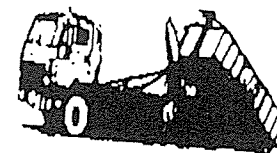
One of the other main objectives of the COMMENIUS Action One Programme is the dissemination of information about the project and Scoil Uí Riada would hope to use the **Maynooth Newsletter** as a vehicle to report some of the activities of the project.

Open Day in Scoil Uí Riada

Parents and guardians of pupils who will be attending Scoil Uí Riada for the first time in Sept '98 are cordially invited to our open Day. The Open Day will be held in early June in Scoil Uí Riada. Further details next month or by contacting the school by telephoning 01 - 6287906. The school can also be reached by e-mail at Scoiluiriada@tinet.ie

*Miriam Ahern,
PRO*

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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES NOTAI O CHOMHAIRLE AININTEACHTA AN CHANAIL RIOGA

The Scheme
Work continues as normal on our C.E. Scheme at Maynooth, Kilcock and Confey. We would like to welcome Martina Murphy to our office/administration staff.

Steam Train Sunday
It's that time again, and the excursion to Enfield and back is on Sunday the 24th May, morning and afternoon. Thanks to the Steam Train Preservation Society, we have exclusive rights to sell the tickets on a profit-sharing arrangement.

Miss Royal Canal 1998
The years fly by, and the contestants over the past eight years continue to grow more beautiful. It's hard to believe it's our ninth competition, and will be at the Glenroyal on Friday July 24th, during the Guinness-sponsored Maynooth Community Festival.

We're not promising live T.V. coverage this year, but we hope to continue to improve again on last year. Once again our thanks to TRAVEL OPTIONS MAYNOOTH, which is our main sponsor, and to the various businesses in the Maynooth, North Kildare and South Meath areas, which continue to assist the competition.

Harbour plans
The following is a reply from the section of the Department of Arts, Culture, Heritage and the Islands, to our letter in the context of providing the infrastructure in Maynooth for it's development as the future boating centre of our Royal Canal system.

“Dúchas The Heritage Service

Mr. Matthew Kennedy,
Chairman R.C.A.G.

Dear Mr. Kennedy,

We refer to your letter to our Mr. Tom Beglin, Waterways Engineer, dated the 10th February, 1998 in connection with the provision of a pump-out and other ancillary facilities at Maynooth Harbour.

The provision of pump-out facilities at strategic locations along the Grand and Royal canal systems is grant aided by the Department of the Environment and constructed by the relevant local authority. We would favour Maynooth as a site for such a facility, but we must be satisfied that the County Council, as the Sanitary Authority, will accept responsibility for future maintenance of the pump-out block.

In relation to the provision of other facilities, we should point out that service blocks (washing, toilets etc.) have not been provided on the Grand Canal or Barrow Navigation. However, Kildare County Council may wish to consider this matter in relation to proposals for Maynooth.”

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION

The first committee meeting, after the March AGM was held on the 14th April. There was an excellent response to the appeal for committee members and there is now full representation from each road.

WORK FOR THE COMING YEAR

Our priorities for the year are:

1. Cutting the grass
2. Enhancing the entrance to the estate in partnership with the owner of the shoppingCentre
3. New hedge at Laurence Avenue fence
4. Replacement of failed trees
5. Planting of new shrubs
6. New road - name signs

FUNDING

With membership for the coming year at £18 per household our estimated income will be £2,500 with a 60% response. As grass cutting alone will cost £2,200 our ability to carry out other priorities will require an improvement in membership payments.

Committee members will be calling to you soon to collect the annual subscriptions. Please pay at the first call to improve your estate's appearance.

STRAFFAN ROAD LANDSCAPING

We received the following letter from the County Secretary of Kildare County Council.

“I refer to representations made on behalf of your Residents’ Association by the Celbridge Area Committee Councillors concerning the above.

Finance has been provided in Kildare County Council’s 1998 Estimates budgets to carry out remedial works to the landscaped areas and when the weather conditions allow, this work will be undertaken.

At both the January and February 1998 Committee Meetings the Area Councillors requested that your Association be informed of the above and I regret my delay in doing so.”

As a result the Council will replace the 32 failed trees on Straffan Way.

Mary Mc Ginley
Secretary

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or call to The Royal Canal Office, Maynooth soon.

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Sunday 15th March

Can't believe the crowd assembling to see our coach off. Mammies, daddies, uncles, aunts, wives, husbands, brothers, sisters and neighbours. Big Kisses and cuddles, wet eyes, 'won't-see-you-for-a-whole-week' expressions! Take care, keep warm, have you enough money? (Never) and be good. Wonder of wonder our coach actually left on time - next engagement we need only say we are going to the States and we will be there before we are even due to leave.

apparently necessary. The 18.50 flight to Kansas City delayed to 20.15. Seems a little like the 49A here in Dublin. Forgot to say that Chicago Airport was surrounded by snow and Kansas City Airport had been closed on the previous Tuesday and also a few unlucky Band Members had the bad luck to suffer the wrath of the 'luggage bleeper' No courteous Aer Rianta employee to locate the offending item - just a rather 'large-ish' individual wielding a TRUNCHEDON-like article seeking out parts of our bodies people hardly knew existed. Maybe she was



The Calm before the storm, bags packed, Kansas City here we come.

We got to the airport well on time thanks to our Barton's Coach Driver. Slight delay due to convoy of army vehicles holding up the traffic while they unloaded a departing group of Arabic gentlemen. Thought we were going to the Lebanon instead of the USA. Finally, we got to Group Check-in. Tough work checking 39 bodies and a hold-full of instruments. There are already 39 new enrolments for Degree Courses in N.U.I., Maynooth, applied for following our completion of US Immigration forms.

Finally we got away on time. Band members scattered all over the plane. Thanks to John and Eithne Carey and the Blue Sweatshirts that they sponsored we had no trouble locating a seat-change at any point on the 8 hour trip to Chicago. We arrived at O'Hare Airport, Chicago bang on time. Made our way to Baggage Claim, haul luggage from carousel and carry it 20 yards to the Kansas City conveyer. Seems really silly but

searching for our Shamrock! This was followed by another interrogation concerning whether or not we needed to visit the Agricultural Section. "Any food items - SAUSAGES or RASHERS?" she asked. You must be joking! Hate to think what would have gone on down there! Mind you, the thought of a 'fry-up' was extremely appealing. Got away at last and touched down at Kansas City airport at 9.30 p.m. local time (3.30 a.m. Irish time). Some journey, eh?

We trudged off the plane in a scattered blue line (still wearing the sweatshirts Eithne) and were gob-smacked to be met by a green garbed welcoming party with green, white and orange balloons, full of Irish welcome. We managed to bring weary smiles out of wrecked bodies. Went to claim our luggage and headed for the coach. A pre-arranged hostelry visit was put 'temporarily' on hold due to our late arrival as we made for our accommodation immediately, deposited our gear and then said

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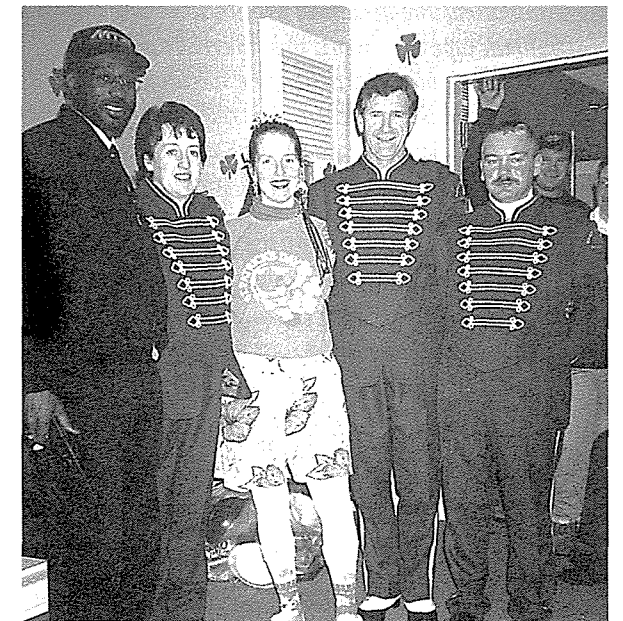
where to?! Some tired bodies flaked out on beds while a "number" of others joined our welcoming party for a short Night Cap at O'Dowd's Irish Lounge. Following a feed of Guinness, Burger & Chips and O'Dowd's Irish Ale - in no particular order - the hardy crew 'abandoned ship' after just 1 hour and finally hit the sack at 1.30 a.m. (7.30 Irish time). Some Day!! No matter where you travel you always meet someone. Got talking to Jim McMahon's (Laurence Avenue) cousin and Geraldine Tracey's Godfather (I think). Small world, isn't it? Almost forgot something of a record. Our genial cornet player "Doc" Carroll celebrated his 21st birthday by singing "American Pie" at 12.30 a.m. on 16th March. Got a rapturous round of applause for both his song and his birthday.

Monday 16th March:

Relatively quiet day (joking of course). Began with complimentary brunch at a nearby Diner, followed by a coach trip down the Parade Route on our way to Rehearsal at Rockhurst College - equivalent to our University Status. Found ourselves in a fantastically intimate 350 seater Theatre used only by the college Drama Society. We were looked after by a wonderful Theatre Director, Steve Hoog. In his other life he played Tuba for pleasure with jazz, German bands and some other music groups. A wonderful guy and a great Sound Technician who recorded our show later that evening for us. Thanks very much for the tape, Steve. Rehearsal went like all rehearsals go - badly! The theatre was too warm and affected our tuning to an unacceptable extent, the stage was meant for plays, not for band recitals. Steve excitedly remarked that it was 20 years since a band last played in Rockhurst Theatre. Finally we solved our problems by drawing back the backdrop curtains. OK it revealed a blank white screen but it also revealed our own true quality sound, and it was real cool. I mean the theatre temperature, not our sound - that of course is always hot! Finally, everything slotted into place and we left to do our SUPERMARKET SHOPPING, as our 5.00 p.m. dinner date had to wait until after the show. What an experience. US shopping was trying to translate \$ into £s, cookies into biscuits and "Have a nice day" into "See Ya later". The big talking - or laughing - point was at the check-out when the cashier registered your purchases and asked "Paper or plastic?" A routine question to her (paper or plastic bag) but to us puzzled Irish persons seemed a lot like "Cash or Credit Card?" Thankfully, we all passed the test and the change with flying colours (well nearly all of us).

Thanks to Cliff Murphy and his mathematical expertise and knowledge of American Street Geography, we finally got back to base, hurriedly showered and changed into our concert uniforms and headed back to Rockhurst Theatre with 10 minutes to spare. Our aforementioned Steve Hoog

introduced the band to an audience which was a sea of green and we strode onto the stage to audible gasps from our American audience at our uniforms which looked immaculate beneath the sophisticated stage lighting system. Our conductor Niall O'Connor, looking resplendent in his black suit, white shirt and black bow tie was then introduced to warm applause. What followed was the most professionally sounding performance ever by the Band, a blend of Irish and American music which was so wonderfully received by the audience. The concert was suitably broken along the way with an account of the Band's History by Cliff Murphy who, if ever he gives up the 'Day Job', could well break into the comedy scene. A polished and witty performance indeed which helped a little more to get rid of those 'pigs' in the parlour' image. Just before the second part of the concert got underway, Band Chairman,



Post Parade Reception, Hilton (our Resident Coach Driver) Elaine Bean, Mary Lewis (Main Parade Organiser) Cliff Murphy and John Curran, Secretary.

Paddy Boyd made a special presentation to Mary Lewis who had been our sole INTERNET contact on the Kansas City Visit since April 1997. In addition he made a presentation of 'REAL IRISH SHAMROCK' (courtesy of Carol Harte, The Flower Pot) to the ladies and gentlemen of the Kansas City Parade Organising Committee who were so excited you could not even begin to imagine. One lady committee member even intended picking out the piece with the best roots to try to grow it for next year's parade. The finale to the evening was something out of a 'Mid Summer Night's Dream' for the Band.

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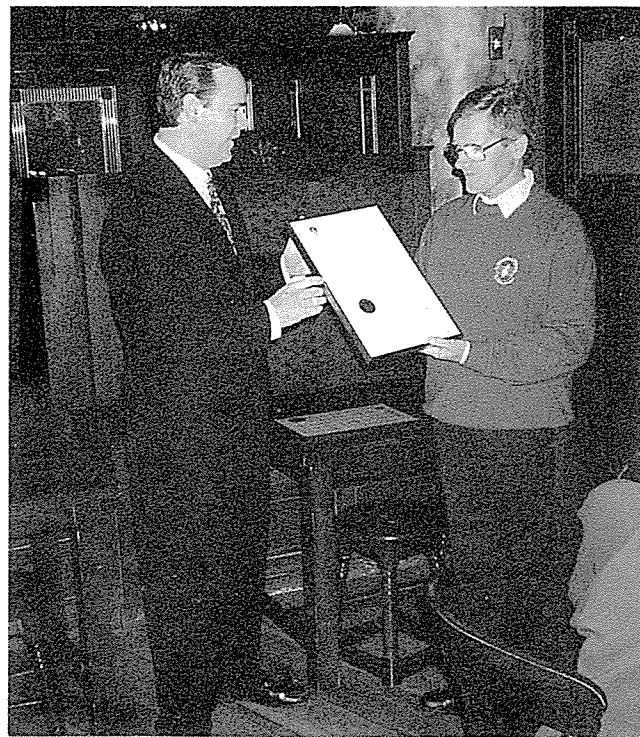
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Standing ovations, encores, the full audience joining with us in "When Irish Eyes are Smiling", autograph, yes AUTOGRAPH requests after the show all knocked us for six. Paddy Boyd brought over some copies of the Band's 1981 Golden Souvenir Booklet which were literally swallowed up with requests to send on some more to Mary Lewis if you have some left back home. Copies of the Special March Kansas City Edition of the Newsletter given to us by Maynooth Community Council were also swallowed up by the organising committee and they will also be pleased to hear that one Newsletter and a copy of "Cannonballs and Croziers, A History of Maynooth" by John Drennan are going into a time capsule being prepared this year to coincide with the 25th Anniversary of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Now that's something special for the town of Maynooth. Later that night when the Band finally ate, the Newsletter was produced by two members of the committee and they were absolutely and genuinely thrilled with the concept of the local bulletin type of content, the advertisements, the prices, photographs and in particular the special feature on the Band. There was a distinct element of pride in owning one of the select number of copies taken out to Kansas City and we have not a single doubt that these will be treasured for years to come. The one blot on our copybook was in Paddy Boyd's end-of-concert speech when he said how great an honour it was to be in Kansas for the Parade. Although he referred to Kansas CITY a number of times this one slip was akin to saying that Maynooth and Kilkenny were in the same parish. We were gently reminded that we were in Kansas City, MISSOURI and not the State of Kansas. A lesson learned. Bed beckoned weary bodies with one heck of a St. Patrick's Day to come and the lights went out in more ways than one.

St. Patrick's Day March 17th:

Today, an eleven month old dream became a reality at 10.00 a.m. when we boarded our coach for 27th Street and the start of the Kansas City 25th Anniversary St. Patrick's Day Parade. When we left home last Sunday we said we would be thinking of you all in the Maynooth Parade on the 17th. We genuinely meant it but we hadn't reckoned on the 6 hour time difference so unfortunately we were all snoring our heads off at 5.00 a.m. Kansas time just as you were leaving Greenfield Shopping Centre. We hope you had a great Parade. As we neared 27th Street the scene reminded us of back home with floats in the process of completion, finding starting positions and still keeping on the right side of the KCPD (Kansas City Police Department). The one obvious difference was the colour green. It was everywhere!! People wearing it sitting on it, driving it, drinking it and playing it - one band had an enormous Sousaphone painted green!

As we neared our start position little did we know what lay in store for us. We finally got there to be greeted by the Parade Marshall, Dave, sporting a white baseball cap with "The Boss" inscribed in green (a great idea for Freda Kelleher next year). Dave's problem was our pleasure. The Band of the US Marine Corps in Louisiana had met travel problems and couldn't make it to lead the parade. As we were the only Irish Band there could we stand in for them? NO PROBLEM, Boss! What an honour! Slight problem though when he asked us to play the Irish and American Anthems before the start of the Parade. Fortunately, our conductor, Niall O'Connor, had borrowed the music for the American Anthem but we had never actually played it as it was not required for our visit. Following two quick runs through on our coach we were depending on the 'luck of the Irish' and the prayers of Fr. Supple as we lined up, Paddy Boyd proudly flying the Tricolour between the Colour Party of 4 US Marines on one side and crew members of the Kansas City Fire Department on the other. Very difficult for the boys and girls to play the American National Anthem with lumps in their throats and shivers running up their spines but we did. Maynooth proud with an outstanding rendition, as good if not better than any Marine Band. A huge cheer greeted our own Anthem as spectators sang along with it.



Chairman Paddy Boyd receiving the special citation from a member of the Jackson County, Missouri, Legislature. St. Patrick's week was nominated St. Mary's Band Maynooth Ireland week throughout the entire Jackson County.

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Finally, the Parade got underway and without exception it was the greatest thrill for a Band member to lead the 2nd largest Parade in the US down the widest street we have ever seen. Crowds roared appreciation once they realised we were Irish and not the Marines, and it was a feeling we will cherish for ever. Our hearts went out to the Band members back home who could not make it here. They will never really appreciate what they missed. As with every Parade there was a reviewing stand, but this one came with a difference. It was occupied solely by Parade Adjudicators. Not a politician in sight. The second difference was for the benefit of the battery of TV Cameras stacked beside the stand. "Mr. Band Major (Cliff Murphy), you have 45 seconds to perform your piece." Followed quickly by "You have 20 seconds left". Talk about precision TV? Having accomplished their directions we wound our way to the Parade end and relieved ourselves of our instruments to Hilton's (Hilly's) coach. We could then watch the finish of the spectacle in peace and what a show! Talk about Jack's Green Army! You could not enter a float without green and they really went to town. Once again, we were lucky with the weather. All the long underwear purchased before departure was not really needed. The 'Ponchos' (raincoats), distributed to the Band by Mary Lewis' brother, were thankfully not pressed into service but we did make use of an amazing little accessory given to us called "HOT HANDS HAND WARMER". It looks like a tea bag. You shake it up and it will heat up any part of your body (Now, Now!) up to 63°F for up to 10 hours. A great little gadget altogether. We'll have to see about getting a consignment of them sent over to us for next year's Parade in Maynooth.

This entire week was full of surprises. With the Parade over our coach whisked us back to the gigantic Marriot Hotel where we were invited to join the Parade Committee in suite 22 on the 20th floor for a buffet reception and drinks. We were the ONLY Parade entry there and we were treated regally. The view from the windows was a sight to behold and the green waterfall in front of the hotel was a spectacular sight which was captured by what seemed like 1000 cameras. When we finally broke away we headed back to base satisfied that we had flown the flags of Maynooth, Kildare (thanks to Council Chairman Liam Doyle), Leinster and Ireland with pride and distinction and rewarded all those back home whose support had helped to make this St. Patrick's Day possible. We know you will reap the benefits through talking to the people of Kansas City. They will come to Ireland in their hundreds over the next 2 to 3 years. Honour follows honour by the hour here and Mary Lewis and her committee invited the "over 21" Band members to join their Post-Parade Thank You coach tour of the restaurants and pubs who had supported the event while the other half of the Band wound down with a relaxing visit to a shopping area, amusement location and to finish - well at least that was our plan - with a well earned meal in a Chinese or

Italian restaurant. Parts 1 and 2 passes with flying colours but part 3 didn't follow the script. Because Americans start work early most eateries close early (9.00 or 10.00p.m.) so it took 3 visits before we found a place for 18 hungry souls to dine, and guess what it was called, DENNY'S DINER and not a rasher in sight. A lovely meal and drinks were soon disposed of but when our tabs appeared our waitress obviously felt Mark McCarron looked the part of the wealthy Paddy and charged him for a more expensive meal which he didn't have. Following intervention by the CIA the matter was settled and he headed off to 'round up' the other posse. We eventually located the group in Harding's on 57th, but they were only warming up! Cliff Murphy (of all people) on the Band Stand with Eoin Field and Tom Clarke were belting out Irish Camailles to beat the band to a tear-filled, beer-filled Paddy's Day Audience. One for the record lads. Not to be outdone at a previous restaurant Vewronica McCabe exchanged her clarinet for a tin whistle and produced jigs and reels to match the St. Mary's Band "Riverdance Dance". It went down a bomb with the Americans. Dependable Hilton made sure we got home to St. John's at a reasonable hour for St. Patrick's Day but there

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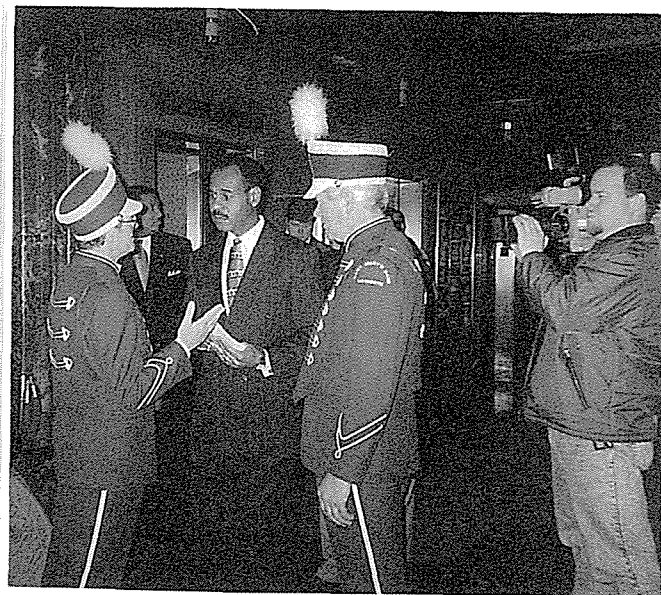
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were naturally a few seasoned campaigners who felt that they still had the 6-hour time difference to get them home before midnight. It sure was a day to remember. Shucks! I almost forgot the most important announcement of the day! At O'Dowd's during the presentation awards afterward we were named 'Best Band' in the Parade - what a singular honour and an award we will cherish.

Wednesday 18th March:

Alarm clock call for 9.30 a.m. to make Hilly's coach date for a 10.15 a.m. trip back to O'Dowd's for an invited lunch and reception with whispers of a sort of presentation in the wind. We arrived to find Mary and some of her committee accompanied by a tall distinguished looking man who introduced himself as a senior legislator from the Jackson County Legislature. Kansas City is mainly in Jackson County (equivalent to Kildare) and we were gobsmacked when he presented us with two framed and legally sealed citations from Jackson County. The really significant paragraph proclaimed that "St. Patrick's Week beginning 15th March 1998 had been declared 'St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band, Maynooth Week' in the entire Jackson County". You cannot follow that! Following the lunch we stretched our legs, did a little window and 'genuine' shopping and returned to Hilton to change into our marching uniform - *IN THE MIDDLE OF KANSAS CITY IN BROAD DAYLIGHT*. Sure, we've had plenty of practice in Limerick. The star act was Seamus O'Reilly (The Full Monty) who won pants, sorry, hands down.



Meeting Mayor of Kansas City. Chairman, Paddy Boyd presents a shamrock filled Irish crystal bowl to the Mayor of Kansas City at City Hall, on right Michael Dempsey Vice-Chairman.

This change was of course for the second most important part of our visit. A meeting with the Mayor of Kansas City at City Hall. This really was a much higher profile event than we ever anticipated. As the Band assembled in the Rotunda of the City Hall to play for the Mayor, time ticked by but no Mayor. It seemed his TV interview in the Conference Room on Floor 26 was running over and his Security Guard would advise us as soon as he entered the lift. While we waited we entertained visitors and staff alike with some Irish music which sounded absolutely fantastic in the Four-Courts-like, high ceilinged, marble surroundings. When the lift doors finally opened to reveal the Mayor closely watched by two heavy LA like 'Mindere', he was greeted warmly by Vice-Chairman Michael Dempsey, who introduced him to Chairman Paddy Boyd. He seemed genuinely pleased to meet the Band and spoke to them of visitors opting for New York or Los Angeles but tending to forget a little the warmth of the people of Mid-America. He thanked the Band for travelling such a long distance for this 25th year and was presented with an Irish Crystal Bowl filled with Shamrock. Even though a day late he was so delighted to receive real Irish Shamrock for the first time and proudly held it up for the photographers and TV Crews from 3 TV channels. We were knocked out by this. We had asked in advance for media coverage to put Maynooth on the map but this was really something else. Paddy asked if he had been to Ireland before, to which he replied "No, but I'm going to London in April".

An ideal opportunity for Paddy to mention that we were only 50 minutes from London by air and would love to have him visit Maynooth. He asked when we were returning to Ireland and when informed "the following Monday", he promptly announced that he would contact Mary Lewis next week and *WOULD MAKE TIME* to visit Maynooth in the first or second week of April. What an honour for the *BAND AND THE TOWN OF* Maynooth. Fingers crossed that he keeps his word, but by the time you read this hopefully his visit will have already taken place. This visit was a wonderful experience for all concerned and we really hope he does come to Maynooth as he is a very warm and welcoming person and typical of Kansas City and its surrounds. The visit over-ran by more than 45 minutes so plans for the remainder of the day once again required alteration. Just time to do a little more snack shopping (no paper or plastic this time) and back to St. John's to shower and change for our next hospitality stop. An invitation meal in a restaurant, opened after hours specially for us, and hosted by the Irish Historical Society, a group 300 strong (and growing) dedicated to establishing a museum of Irish Art, Literature and Culture for the Irish Community. Fortunately, this was a pre-arranged reception and we were

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delighted to present them with the March Kansas City Edition of the Newsletter, a copy of Cannonballs and Croziers, the History of Maynooth by Mary Cullen and an accompanying Celtic Design Card beautifully inscribed by Elaine Bean, our artistic Treasurer. So overcome were they with these gifts that they asked for them to be signed by the Band to show visitors to the museum that we donated them on our visit in March 1998. Another piece of publicity for Maynooth in the USA.

Meal finished and presentation made, we were taken to an outdoor ice-skating rink by two wonderful hosts Pat O'Connor and his wife Marlene. The non-skaters in the party were in tough luck as the Jazz Club to which they drove was closed on Wednesdays. They returned to the Fabulous Crown Center Hotel next door to the rink for a few drinks to await the more energetic, braver and insaner of the Band members. Photographic evidence will show who falls into which category. Again, a change of plans of a more serious nature. Assistant Treasurer Jennifer Quigley really 'skated on thin ice' with a couple of falls on the ice. Unfortunately, the second fall was a hard one and Pat O'Connor, our Health and Safety Expert Elaine Bean and Resident Nurse Tara Boyd effected some temporary assistance before travelling with her to a local hospital. Jennifer spent some time in the company of some extremely friendly hospital staff before learning that she actually had a fracture of her left wrist. She left the emergency department in a sling and was treated royally for the rest of the night. Poor Jennifer. Hope she'll be back in action soon. So that totally changed plans for the rest of the night which finished off with a diversity of entertainment. Video watching in the enormously spacious and comfortable lounge, a friendly game of cards off the kitchen or a sit-on-the-floor-in-the-corridor drink and chat session. A perfect end to a wonderful day. Wednesday over. We set off tomorrow on the last part of the so far memorable visit. This looks like being a lower, more restful profile period to prepare us for the long trip back home. However, things keep constantly changing here so we won't make too many plans.

Thursday 19th March:

The pace is now starting to tell on us. Bodies refuse to accept e-mails from the brain and we just have to switch the video to freeze frame a little more often now. The first and most frantic part of our visit has been completed and we "play it by ear" from here. This morning was very much a lie-in situation, although some heroes rose early and were seen walking round the blocks around 8 o'clock, fully dressed even. Hilton was on hold until 11.45 but he liked us so much he joined us for coffee and a video at 11 o'clock. The desire for a wider range of food takes us to the 'Crown Center', a beautiful upmarket shopping area, for brunch before meeting Bishop Boland of Kansas City at 2.30 p.m. We arrived at the Bishop's offices to be greeted by

a tall man in clerical attire holding the door for us. Those passing through to meet the Bishop were taken aback when this man casually announced "I'm the Bishop". We had a most relaxed and friendly meeting with him as he announced that he was born in Ireland and "brought his mother to America when he was 3 months old". He studied at All Hallow's College in Dublin and knew most of Maynooth College Professors at that time. He was genuinely delighted to meet us and hoped to hear us play on Friday in the Ward Parkway Center. We presented him with the Bi-Centenary History of Maynooth College by Dr. Corish which really touched him. A wonderful reception by a Truly wonderful Bishop. We headed out of his offices into a flurry of snow which meant the cancellation of an open-air recital at the Country Club Plaza Outdoor Courtyard. Just an hour for a brief shopping stop at the Crown Center and back to St. John's to shower and change for our meal at the Italian Garden Restaurant, which was part paid by the genial owner who came to meet us during the evening. It went down a treat with everyone. The day finished off with a return visit to O'Dowd's where we had been asked to provide some music during the evening.

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Unfortunately, lack of P.A. curtailed our performance but it gave members an opportunity to "mingle" with the members of the Parade Committee who once again were on hand to make us feel welcome. 11.00 p.m. saw a tired Band back in Hilton's hands heading back for rest. Spare a thought for Michael Dempsey who could not share Thursday with us due to a bad chest infection. Hope he'll be back to normal tomorrow

Friday 20th March:

Today the sun shone for the first time since we arrived, and appropriately, it was our last day of official functions. Tomorrow is our first totally free day since our arrival. We set out at 11.00 a.m. for a spellbinding tour of the Kansas City Chiefs Football Stadium and the Kansas City Royals Baseball stadium, both of which impressed all of us - a visit not to be forgotten. It was an exciting opportunity to see a photo of FRED ARBANAS in the Chiefs 'Hall of Fame'. He is one of the signatories on our Jackson County citation presented to us on Wednesday. Just a quick bite and a visit to the sensational IMAX THEATRE near the zoo. This was a special experience and we would definitely advise you to visit the IMAX Cinema when it opens in Dublin in July. Film over, just a quick change into our concert uniforms and off to our last official recital in the Ward Parkway Plaza Center where we were due to play for one hour. A large and very receptive audience ensured that our programme extended beyond that hour and concluded with a standing ovation. An extra bonus for us was the presence of Bishop Boland who stayed for the entire recital. Obviously a very busy man, he had told us during our visit on Thursday that he would try to make the recital if he could, depending on his schedule. And he was more than true to his word! As an expression of his pleasure with our performance he offered to celebrate a special Mass for us on Sunday morning before leaving for home, an honour indeed.

Just a few minutes to pack up and head for our next official function - a Reception and tour of the Boulevard Brewery, one of the main sponsors of the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Kansas City. This proved a very interesting experience, a real test for our experienced 'TASTERS' who were greeted with pints of their full range of beers. With some of our members it required a little more than one pint (so they tell us) before they could give the beer a rating. It went down well with most, though not up to the standard of our REAL Guinness drinkers. (Never again do I want to try and get our members out of a brewery!! - Secretary). We then headed back in the coach to St. John's for an extremely quick shower and change before being taken by Mary Lewis and our co-hosts for an experience to remember at the Station Casino. That is, except for the 21 affluent members who splashed out a whole \$14 each to travel there in style in two STRETCH LIMOS. Doesn't it take your breath away. Seamus O'Reilly looked like he owned one of

these fabulous cars in a previous life, knew the location of all the controls and dressed like a 'Mafioso' specially for the trip. Walking through the Casino doors was like stepping back to another era. Saloons with the expected music pouring through the doors and the Riverboat Casino dominated a scene which was over-looked by the most genuine-looking indoor sky we have ever seen. All round was a choice of restaurants to satisfy the most demanding tastes, while there was a special area reserved for those under 21 years of age in our party. We knew of this in advance of setting out of course. The big story of the night was the refused entry to the Riverboat Queen of Deirdre Stynes, Eoin "Blamey" Field and Jennifer Quigley for being "Under - 21 - Suspects". - "Sorry Gals and Guy, we must see your passports." Which as Murphy's law would dictate were back at St. John's as they did not think they would be required. Amazing! Deirdre under 21? She'd love that in years to come. Eoin? Well it must be a record to at least find something that he couldn't talk his way out of. Of course, with Jennifer they were obviously concerned about what she might be carrying under her sling. Thanks to the generosity of Danny, "The Leprechaun" O'Mara, they were whisked back to St. John's and thankfully they passed the test second time around. Naturally, again thanks to Danny, they were allowed stay later than the 11.00 p.m. curfew so they could sample the atmosphere for another while at least. Atmosphere was the operative word tonight. We had a party of "gapers" rather than gamblers - except of course for the high rollers Seamus and Doc, who won a few dollars but felt a little guilty and gave it back. This was not a night of high stakes gambling, just a terrific two hour visit to another world. At 11 bells on the Mississippi, Secretary, John Curran, dutifully put his hand in his holster and drew out by now famous check-list. 'Heads' were counted and back on the bus.



Presidential Candidate Dana with her Band 'Choir' on the steps of our Accommodation following special Mass on the Day of Departure.

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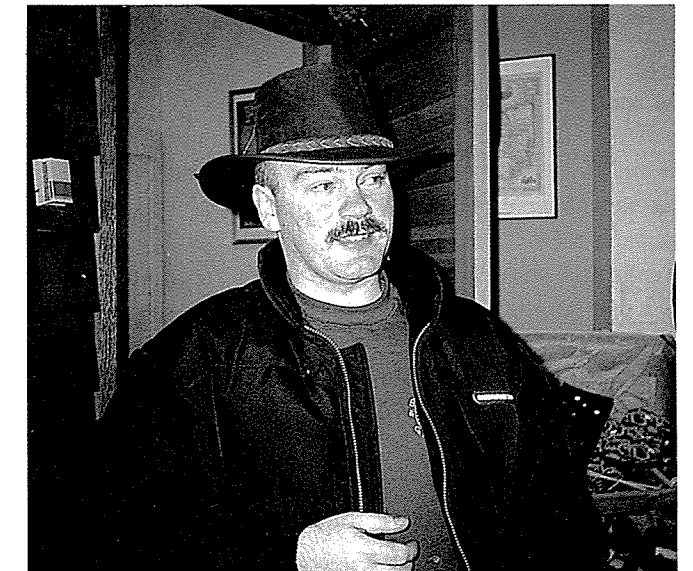
At last a complete rest day and a chance to get the pressies to bring back home to show Mams, Dads, sisters and brothers that we did not forget them while in K.C. Got back to St. John's for a pre-arranged game of basketball at the gym next door, then a quick shower and change to go down to a fabulous meal provided for us in St. John's by our hosts for the week. Barbecued steaks, baked potatoes and salad were the perfect end to a perfect week. Mary Lewis, Bob and Patty, Danny O'Mara, Steve Lewis and Carol Lillis are names that will live on with us long after we have returned home. Chairman Paddy Boyd and Secretary John Curran were totally taken aback by the surprise presentations made by the Band members in recognition of the work they had done before and during the visit. Mary Lewis also made a presentation to the band of two lovely framed pictures of Kansas City. A wonderful evening, was shared by both hosts and guests and we all retired to pack for the journey back home and for Bishop Boland's special mass tomorrow morning.

Sunday 22nd March:

Tired bodies were dragged from their beds at 8.30 a.m. to prepare for the Bishop's 9.00 a.m. Mass just across from our accommodation. Got all those weary Band members together and headed to the small but beautiful church to experience yet a further surprise. Seated in the front seat of the Church was none other than Presidential Candidate Dana, accompanied by her husband Damien, and her sister and sister-in-law. We were honoured to have them share our private Mass with us. The readings were shared by our own Cliff Murphy and Dana who sang the Responsorial Psalm with us and she later sang a beautiful Communion Reflection showing that she still retains a wonderful quality in her voice. The Bishop's Homily was of the highest quality and throughout the Mass he made no secret of his affection for the Band and his extreme pleasure with our visit. After Mass Dana greeted and chatted with all of the Band members and posed for photographs with them despite the prospect of a long car trip to her home in Birmingham, Alabama. She left a lasting impression on more than a few of us. Just an hour left to catch up with breakfast (a Patricia/Eoin special of good red rashers, sausages and eggs). The smell was something else and the nearest we felt to home all week. Fortified, fry-filled bodies then settled down to the difficult and sad task of hauling cases and instruments to Hilton's waiting coach which today was joined by a slightly smaller and more unusual looking bus which he called a "Charlie", specially brought along to deal with our overflow of luggage. (Hope to let you all see a shot of this most unusual looking vehicle in the Newsletter.) All present and correct and then straight to K.C. Airport for final sad farewells. Unfortunately, all did not run smoothly at check-in where red tape appeared to be taking over when it came to checking in our instruments. Visa cards were on standby as frantic phone calls were made to Aer Lingus in

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Chicago to confirm their willingness to waive excess baggage charges. At last the visas vanished as approval arrived and we could breathe easily again. Then the saddest task of the day - Goodbyes! Tears and hugs were in abundance as we said our goodbyes to the many friends we had made during a wonderful week. Bord Fáilte's ears were surely on fire with the number of firm promises from our hosts to visit Ireland, and Maynooth in particular, within the next couple of years. The remainder of the journey was completed in relative silence shared between TV, newspapers and sleep until we finally touched down on home soil at 8.45 a.m. A great week and an experience never to be forgotten. Our sympathies went with teachers John Curran and Veronica McCabe who had to take their jet lag directly into the classroom with them. No chance to catch up for Kansas City but they'll surely sleep soundly tonight!



Preparing for shootout at Kansas City. John Curran tries a hat for size

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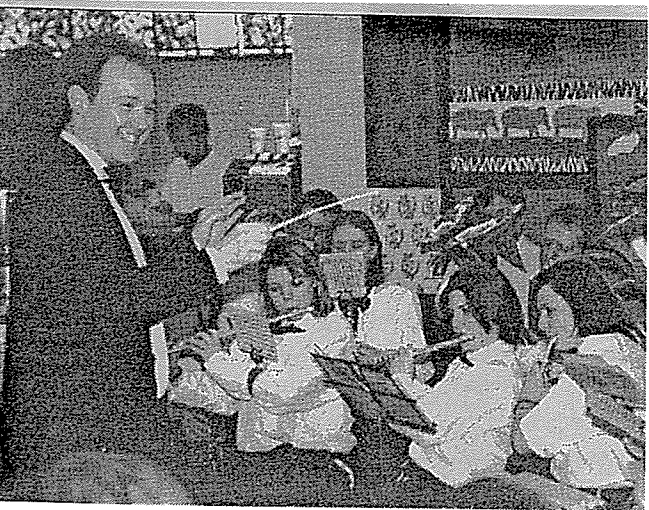
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Kansas City Summary

Eleven months of planning, fund-raising and dedicated practice reaped a rich reward on this, the first visit of the Band outside the country. Thanks to the tightly-knit action team of Mary Lewis, John Curran and Paddy Boyd, things went mainly like clockwork and there were few, if any, complaints during the trip. I think its only fair to single Mary out for special praise for the amount of work she put in before our visit and her time and effort during our stay to make sure we had a memorable visit. This trio was backed up by a first class 'Home Team' of Carol, Bob, Patty, Steve and Danny to name but a few who spared no energy or cost to ensure that we were happy at all times. On the more positive side we feel that your faith in us has been totally justified and we in turn have repaid the business people of Maynooth by the promises of many visits to the town. On a wider scale we have given Maynooth, Kildare and Ireland the exposure in Kansas City which we had never dreamt about a week ago. The capacity Rockhurst Concert, extensive TV coverage of the Band during the St. Patrick's Day Parade, the TV Cameras again at City Hall for our meeting with the Mayor of Kansas City, - hopefully when you read this he will already have come to visit Maynooth - and the Press coverage of our meeting with the Bishop on Thursday all provided the highest profile possible for the visit, both in Kansas City and at home. We have no doubt that there will be spin-offs from our visit and those who supported us will reap the benefits within the next couple of years. As far as the Band is concerned, after success at this level where can we go from here? It'll be a really hard act to follow! We would like to extend special congratulations to all the members of the Band who behaved impeccably throughout the visit and were a credit to Maynooth, Kildare and Ireland. They did us all proud!



Kansas City Newspaper Photo showing Conductor Niall O' Connor with shirt sleeved Band at Ward Parkway recital on Friday March 20th

It is appropriate at this point to list the following who have given so much financial support to the visit, without which it could never have been possible.

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May Day, the spring holiday, goes back at least to the ancient Roman flower festival of 'Floralia'. Poles decked with flowers were carried through the streets, and posies of flowers were given out to loved ones. May Day is also 'Workers' day celebrating the demands begun in 1890 for an eight hour working day. In honour of this breakthrough we take a full day off work. Happy bank holiday weekend.

STUDENTS SUMMER JOBS SCHEME '98

Maynooth Community Council will again this year sponsor the Students' Scheme. The scheme is necessary every year for the successful running of the Maynooth Summer Project.

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Who can participate in the Scheme?

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Will be completing a course of study at the end of the current academic year.

Are getting a Third Level Allowance, or other Social Welfare or Health Board payment.

Are a mature Student, that is, age 23 or over on 1 January of the year you commenced your current course.

Will be completing a Post Leaving Certificate course at the end of the current academic year.

Are on a career break.

Have an entitlement to Unemployment Benefit.

Are not disqualified from claiming Unemployment assistance under Section 126 of the Social Welfare. (Consolidation) Act, 1993.

Students must get written approval from the Department of Social Community and Family Affairs before the work/project commences.

Eligible Students will be given a Job Certificate - see section 5.2 across and a booklet of Approved Sponsors.

Responsibility for contacting the sponsors and seeking work rests with the student.

Working arrangements are a matter to be agreed between the student and the sponsor.

If you are interested in a position from 1st June

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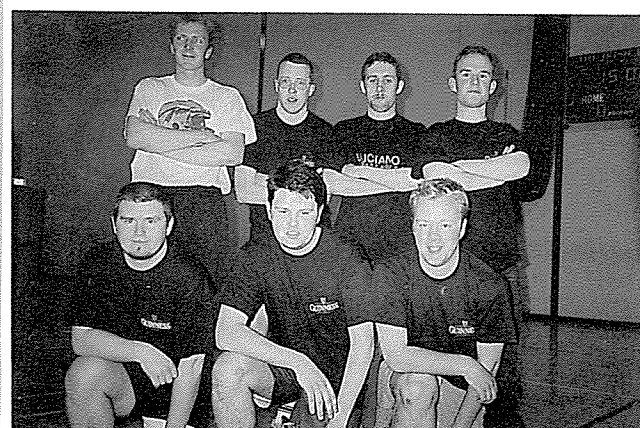
MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY 5 - A SIDE SOCCER

The Community 5 - a - side soccer took place during April in the Students Union Sports Hall. The teams involved were Super Valu, Glenroyal Hotel, Students Union, Enda's Heros and Maynooth Guards. This is the second year to run the competition and it is hoped that it will be an annual event. Thanks to the Students Union for the use of the facilities and it certainly helps in closing the gap between students and the community.

In the semi-finals the Maynooth Guards beat the Glenroyal Hotel and the Students Union beat Enda's Heros. The final between Guards and Students Union was a very exciting one with the Guards winning by a goal in the last minute of the match. The final score was 3 goals to the Guards and 2 goals to the Students Union. The presentation of Prizes took place in the Glenroyal Hotel.



Maynooth Guards team - winners



Students Union team - runners-up

DOG RELATED OFFENCES LITTER POLLUTION ACT 1997

A number of residents have commented on the problem of stray dogs and dog litter in Maynooth. The following is the relevant Act.

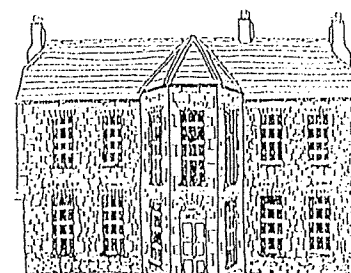
1. Where faeces has been deposited by a dog in any place to which this subsection applies, the person in charge of the dog shall immediately remove the faeces and shall ensure that it is properly disposed of in a suitable sanitary manner.
2. Subsection (1) applies to a place that is -
 - (a) a public road
 - (b) land forming part of a retail shopping centre
 - (c) a school ground, sports ground, playing field or recreational or leisure area
 - (d) a beach
 - (e) The curtilage of a dwelling the occupier of which has not consented to the presence of the dog in the curtilage, or
 - (f) such other place as may be prescribed.
3. Subsection (1) does not apply in respect of -
 - (a) a guide dog kept and used for the guidance of a blind person
 - (b) a working dog being used:-
 - (1) for the herding of livestock
 - (2) by a member of the Garda Síochána or the Customs and Excise service in connection with the official functions of the member, or
 - (c) a dog in such other circumstances as may be prescribed.
4. A person who contravenes subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence.

Part V - Enforcement

Offences involving, and powers of litter wardens etc.

- (1) A person who obstructs or impedes a litter warden or a member of the Garda Síochána who is exercising functions under this Act shall be guilty of an offence.
- (2) A litter warden or a member of the Garda Síochána who:-
 - (a) has reasonable grounds for believing that a person is committing or has committed an offence under this Act, may request the person to give his or her name and address, and may request that the information given be verified, and
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PUBLIC BACKS TASK FORCE STRATEGY

Maynooth's Co-Ordinating Task Force has been very active over the past couple of months as the group continues its work on devising a strategy for the town's future development. In March the group published an outline of its strategy and 3,000 copies of the document were distributed to households in Maynooth. Over 300 residents attended a public meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on March 30th to consider the strategy. The meeting proved to be a tremendous success - the turnout indicating that lots of Maynooth people are concerned about the future development of their town.

Choosing a Future

The Task Force have titled their strategy 'Maynooth: Choosing a Future' so that the focus of the plan is on the active participation of the people of Maynooth in shaping the future of the town. This approach emphasises that we can have more control over our own destiny, that the town can develop the way we want it to rather than being shaped by external influence. In making the groups presentation at the Glenroyal meeting, Task Force member Tom Moore stated that there were risks associated with attempting to implement an ambitious plan for the town but, on balance, there were greater risks associated with sitting back and doing nothing. He pointed out that Maynooth had grown rapidly in the past two decades and that there was a real risk of urban sprawl and a weakened sense of community unless positive action was taken.

Integrated Strategy

The strategy, as outlined in the Task Force document and at the Glenroyal meeting, is broken down into seven sections, each of which represents different facets of the town's life. Up to this point the group have proposed a set of outline proposals under each of the headings - Character, Employment, University, Infrastructure, Heritage, Tourism, Sports, Leisure, Amenity and Administration. The group have emphasised that the final plan must be an integrated one, addressing the whole range of issues which affect the town. It is argued that adopting this integrated approach will result in a properly balanced plan, giving the best chance of success.

Partners to Strategy

Over the past six months the Task Force have held a series of meetings and discussions with a variety of bodies, both local and national. In addition, a number of key partners to the strategy have played an important role in developing the proposals. In fact one of the more significant achievements of the Glenroyal meeting is that it brought under one roof many of the people who play a key role in making Maynooth the town it is today. Representatives from each of the partners addressed the Glenroyal meeting. Community Chairperson Tom McMullon welcomed the strategy and indicated that the Community Council, as a body representative of all the people of Maynooth, was supportive of the plan which addressed many of the town's problems. Dr. Seamus Smyth, president of N.U.I. Maynooth, also expressed support and pointed out some of the real challenges and opportunities which the future held for the town. Monsignor Dermot Farrell, President of St. Patrick's College, in welcoming the plan described the long relationship between the town and the College. Local Co. Councillors John McGinley, Senan Griffin and Cathering Murphy all commented on a large turnout at the meeting and saw this as a positive sign for the future of Maynooth. Brendan McGrath, the County Enterprise Officer and Ray Bonnar, Kildare Co. Council's Sports and Recreation Officer also represented the Co. Council at the meeting. Maynooth Chamber of Commerce was represented at the meeting by Mary Houlihan who expressed support for the strategy on behalf of the Chamber.



Task force Committee
L-R Front Tom Moore, Peter Connell, Sharon Geoghegan, John Sweeney
Back Row Liz Stoll, Paul Croghan & Dermot Nangle

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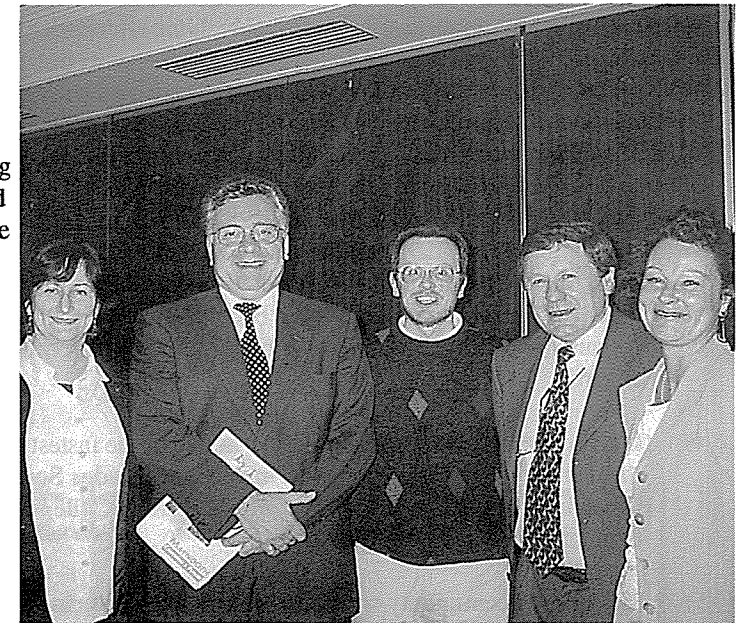
PUBLIC BACKS TASK FORCE STRATEGY (Cont)

Public Contribution

Over the past few months the Task Force has received a number of submissions from interested groups and individuals in the town. At the Glenroyal meeting there were about 20 contributions from the floor, several of them pointing out the poor level of facilities in the town for young people, the elderly and the disabled. It was also emphasised that students should not be excluded from discussions on the future of Maynooth and the Task Force has undertaken to meet representatives of the Students Union to consider the strategy. Another speaker stressed the need to include Carton as part of any future plans for the town and the Task Force have undertaken to consider this issue.

Future Plans

The work of the Task Force continues with a series of meetings being arranged with public representatives and local groups for the next few weeks. With widespread support evident for the outline strategy the group is now committed to developing a plan for the implementation of the strategy which will include detailed phasing of the plan, the setting up of a limited company to manage the strategy and the identification of projects and related funding. The public reaction to the choosing a future document and the turnout at the Glenroyal meeting bodes well for the success of the strategy as, at the end of the day, its fate will rest on the support and enthusiasm of the people of Maynooth. If you would like to make your views known to the Task Force please write to Dr. John Cullen, Main Street.



Attending the task force meeting in the Glenroyal
L-R Freda Kelleher, Bernard Durkan, Dominic
Nyland, Senan Griffin and
Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin

MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

Maynooth 2008 The View Backwards

Welcome to the year 2008 and to this retrospective glance back at the town of Maynooth!

The last twelve years have seen Maynooth grow very rapidly from its 1996 population of 9,292 people to reach 15,000 people. A large part of this increase was inevitable and resulted from the development of 86 acres left unused at the beginning of 1998 from the 1985 Maynooth Development Plan. The remainder came from the 1998 Development Plan, which, with the benefit of hindsight, involved unnecessary rezoning of lands on the environs of the town. The bulk of the population increase however came from the large numbers of children which now characterise mature estates such as Parklands, Rockfield and Moyglare Abbey. The population structure of Maynooth in 2008 continues to reflect the influx of commuters and, as was the case at the end of the 1990's, about 80% of new residents originated outside of Co. Kildare. The signs that the post EMU depression is ending is expected to fuel more rapid growth in the years ahead, particularly from other acres of the enlarged European Union. Although it has grown more slowly than Kilcock or Enfield, where acute pressures now exist, Maynooth faces a number of problems which its 66% growth in 12 years has been implicated in"

- (1) Now with more than 3,000 extra primary school children, the schools' accommodation crisis has reached a new peak. The new school at Ballygoran has for long been overcrowded and a further two primary schools are urgently required. There is a possibility that the former reservoir at Ballygoran may be used as a site for this now that water supplies have been piped from Lough Derg on the Shannon. (The quality of this water continues to be unpopular with the people of north Kildare). Despite promises from politicians it appears that the construction of further school accommodation will have to await the 2009 Book of Estimates. Meanwhile primary school children will continue to be taught in the Sports Centre and Parish Hall. Second level pupils are currently just about catered for in the new secondary school, though the prospect of several hundred more second level students in the next few years will mean more bussing of pupils to Mullingar and Athlone than presently occurs.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE (Cont)

- 2) Traffic in Maynooth eased considerably in the aftermath of the new interchange at Kilcock in 2002 and the Intel-Hewlett Packard Parkway also resulted in less heavy traffic going through the town. However the growth in car numbers due to the development of the new estates has again resulted in the clogging up of Main Street. This problem has been a feature of the town now for over a quarter of a century. The huge flow of traffic from the Parson Street and Moyglare Road areas in particular has been criticised recently by the Chamber of Commerce as not being conducive to businesses in the town, expecially now that parking meter charges are in excess of £5 per hour.
- 3) The continued popularity of the town for tourist stopovers has transformed the retail structure of the Main Street, particularly close to the newly restored castle. Parking is difficult though and the use of the university grounds as a overflow car park at weekends has become necessary. Souvenir shops and coffee chops have replaced the fast food restaurants which proliferated during the 1990s, and former small retail businesses have been displaced to the town suburbs.
- 4) The University has continued to grow at one of the fastest rates in the country, though the recent fall in the birth rate threatens to slow down its growth in the next decade. Some 6,000 students now study there. Many students are accommodated in older estates such as Kingsbry, College Green and Beaufield which have many empty rooms since their children have grown up and left.
- 5) The sense of community which once was so characteristic of the town is still just about discernible, though events such as the annual Festival are no better supported than in the past. Competing leisure distractions and digital television have meant that recreational facilities often lie under-utilised despite the huge teenage population.
- 6) Despite achieving Urban District status in 2001, Maynooth still lacks the ponoply of a modern town. A twinning with a Spanish and Maltese town has helped in fostering overseas contacts for townspeople, but the commuterisation of the town has not helped kindle a demand for daytime activities. The Old Folk Club near the Harbour is one of the few placed wher informal chats and a cheap cup of tea may be had.

With the benefit of hindsight, older Maynooth residents think a number of mistakes were made in the 1990s. Perhaps things would have turned out differently if the following had been done:

- i) Steps should have been taken to preserve the ambience and character of the town more effectively, by allowing population growth to proceed more slowly. Growth rates similar to those applying in the Third World did not help retain social cohesion. A 20% growth rate over the past 10 years would have allowed much of the infrastructure to keep pace, while retaining the free-standing character of the town. We would have gone for more orderly growth.
- ii) Planning further ahead for should demand should have been undertaken, and planning for infrastructure before, and not after, housing developments occur should have been stressed. It was certainly necessary to plan road links in anticipation of further growth, but not wise to use housing as the primary means of financing roads and amenities.
- iii) Amenity and recreation needed very careful planning. The poularity and participation rates in various sports changed radically over the past ten years. A sports strategy should have been carried out in the late 1990s to identify where, and what kind of, facilities were necessary.
- iv) Passive recreational amenities became much more important as the age structure of Maynooth changed. Walking areas required much more protection in the 1990s. We didn't protect the surrounding areas of the town as well as we should have.
- v) Mostly though, Maynooth people should have got involved more in planning its future. Maybe with greater involvement we could have avoided some of the worst excesses and a different town might have resulted.

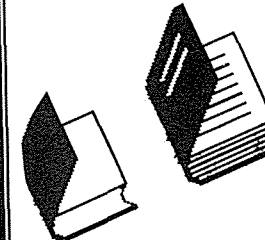
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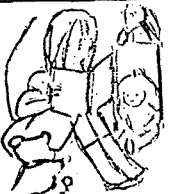
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'BUG' GETS SET TO INVADE EARTH

Humanity has been virtually dependent on computers for less than 30 years. But imagine life without them - no airplanes, alarm clocks, a.t.m. machines, telephones, or even worse case scenario, no electricity. Far - fetched as this sounds it could be a reality.

Only in the last 2-3 years have experts in the field become aware of this possible disaster - the 'Millennium Bug'. This 'bug' has the potential to weave a web of destruction across the entire nation.

It all lies in the way in which computers read and store data information. To save storage space, initially designers abbreviated the year from 4 figures to 2 figures, (eg, 1998 to 98) unwittingly giving computers a shelf - life of only 100 years.

This would be fine until it comes to the time to change clocks from the year (19) 99 to (20) 00. Therein lies the problem. Computers that don't believe its(19) 00 again will simply get confused and shut down. This could cause great catastrophes, such as, airplanes dropping from the sky, power stations shutting down or life-support machines and heart monitors ceasing to function and, not to forget, cars breaking down because the electronic ignition won't start. Central heating not switching on due to the timers not working or traffic lights not operating, to mention but a few!

Fortunately most large companies and public services realised the consequences of the bug' a few years ago. They have started the process of eliminating it by examining and altering lines of computer codes, and not only one computer, but whole computer networks. This is a costly affair but a necessary one, unless they want to face enormous ruin and damage, both financially and technically.

PREVENTING THE INEVITABLE

If you or your family own a P.C. at home, you probably have no need to worry. Most, or all, P.C.'s bought during the last 2 - 3 years have had the 'Millennium Bug' exterminated. However, if in doubt, check with your local dealer (or wherever you bought your P.C) to see if it's already been modified.

Digital Equipment Corporation operate in Dublin and they have set up a time-saving process which mends affected programmes automatically. Yet, it is already thought to be too late, with little more than 1½ years to go.

Without doubt, the reality will be a lot less dramatic. It is imperative that we, as a nation, act now. For who knows what January 1st 2000 will bring with it!. This 'bug' is preparing to take a huge bite out of this planet, so don't let it, bite back!!.

HERBS - THE NATURAL OPTION

I read with interest your feature on Herbs in the April '98 issue of the Maynooth Newsletter, as my family raise a glass each morning to toast the properties of herbal remedies.

The healing properties of herbs is well known and indeed still practised in rural parts of Ireland. I'm sure that we all know, or, 'know of' someone who has the cure for sties, boils, burns etc.,

My own grandmother included many homegrown herbs in her stews including nettles for their iron content, a frightening prospect to a 4 year old child, as I thought Nadla's dinner would sting the mouth off me! Sadly the knowledge of herbal remedies and cures seems to be 'dying off' with our older, wiser generation.

So it was with a mixture of scepticism and fond memories of the past that I tried a herbal blend purely as a 'pick me up' tonic. Little was I to know the major effect it was to have on my life and that of my family and friends.

After three weeks of taking the herbal drink I experienced a significant increase in energy and I was somewhat less sceptical. So I figured that it might boost my childrens' immune system, as both of them had suffered over the prolonged winter with colds and chest infections. At times it seemed to me that one cough bottle etc., was literally running into another (and costing a fortune into the bargain!) I am delighted to say that even with the changeable inclement weather of March - April, neither of them have experienced so much as a runny nose.

After 4-5 weeks I suddenly realised that I hadn't experienced any PMT, cramps, backache, bloatedness - symptoms that I would normally put up with during the course of the Menstrual Cycle. This for me was a major breakthrough and so it was with confidence that I told my family and friends. To date all have gained relief from conditions such as arthritis, low energy, insomnia, bronchial problems. I have met others who have had relief from asthma, gout, depression, eczema.

There are no claims to cure illness, but it helps the body to regain its natural balance. Our bodies can be thrown out of balance by many things, including stress, unhealthy lifestyles, polluted living environments, unhealthy eating habits. All of these rob our bodies of nutrients which help it function harmoniously and when our bodies are not in balance, then we are prone to be ill.

This is not a new concept, herbs have been used in the East for centuries as health remedies and indeed, had I listened, I could have learned a lot at my own grandmothers' knee!

If after reading this article you know of anyone who may benefit from taking this unique herbal blend please contact me.....Liz at 01 - 6289801

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MAYNOOTH TELETHON

Telethon Concert for People in Need The Glenroyal Hotel, Wednesday, 15th April.

The number who attended did not match the expectations of the organisers, despite being advertised widely and at Sunday Mass.

Danny Carthy compered, and the concert lived up to his opening promise that the supporters would get a quality night.



Noel and Sandra in action

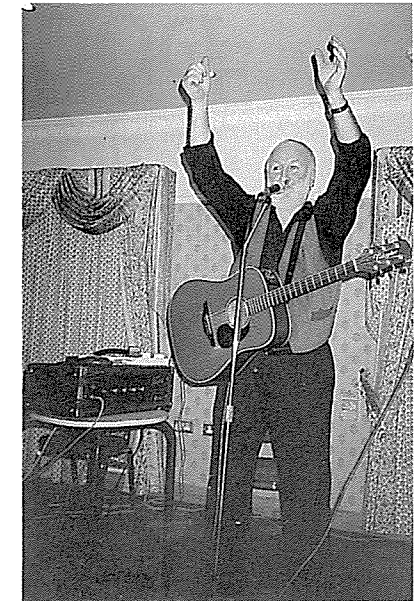
The Maynooth Folk Group opened with group harmonies, followed by individual contributions, which included excellent renditions of 'Past the Point of Rescue', 'Proud Mary' and a sympathetic treatment of the Foundations old British hit 'Baby, now that I've found you'.

'Push for Porter' followed with traditional Irish. The group comprised Joe Buckley (violin) and friends, Jonathan (guitar) Peter (accordion) and Paddy (banjo).

Noel and Sandra Brady were the third act. Both are well known in the North Kildare area, and the range of repertoire grows all the time, like the strong crystal clarity of Sandra's voice.

John Deegan, former lead singer with Napper Tandy, entertained with a masterful range, opening with The Sean Bhean Bhocht and concluding with an Oasis number.

Danny Carthy wound up the concert with song and anecdotes from his Fiddler Green days with Noel Brady and others.



Danny Carthy entertaining the audience in the Glenroyal

Last month's Newsletter had an article from Derek Davis about Danny. Read it again, it's true. Danny's contribution went across the spectrum of emotion in song, with many self-penned.

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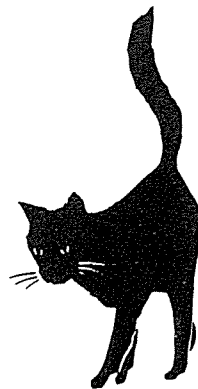


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VIDEO REVIEW

L.A. Confidential (18's)

Based on the novel by James Ellroy, this story takes place in Hollywood in the 1950's when the dream factory was in its heyday with glamour and corruption being the order of the day. When a cop is killed in an armed robbery at a café, his two young fellow policemen set about tracking down the killers. One of them finds and kills three black junkies thought to be guilty of the murder. Meanwhile the other one traces a young woman seen in the dead cop's company to a high class prostitution ring specialising in supplying hookers that look like famous film stars. He very quickly finds himself falling in love with a Veronica Lake look-alike (played by Kim Basinger in her Oscar-winning role). From there, the story really takes off.

This is a terrific film with a great cast, including Kevin Spacey and Danny DeVito. It captures brilliantly the atmosphere of tinsel town in the 50's and the overall effect is very like Jack Nicholson's 'Chinatown'. It is one of the most enjoyable, intelligent and witty thrillers Hollywood has produced in a very long time.

Verdict: A Cracker!

The Game (15's)

From the director who gave us Seven comes this bleak and menacing story of a mysterious game that knows no rules. Michael Douglas plays a millionaire tycoon who lives alone in his late parents' mansion. On his forty-eighth birthday his younger and wilder brother (Sean Penn) pays him a visit, issuing an invitation to take part in a game that's tailor made to suit each individual player. When his world starts to turn upside down, Douglas begins to suspect that the game is really no game at all.

Dark and broody, The Game is one of those films that just screams out for an ending with a big twist in the tale. And boy! does it get it, in spades. This one will keep you guessing right to the very end - will he, won't he, is it, isn't it? This is very definitely a classic thriller in every sense.

Verdict: Terrific!

A Simple Wish (U)

Mara Wilson who starred in Matilda, is the motherless little girl in New York in this adventure story. She makes a simple wish that her father will get the part in a Broadway musical he so desperately needs in order to keep them both financially solvent.

When she makes her wish her fairy godmother appears, except 'she' turns out to be a 'he' in the shape of Martin Short.

Other Hollywood luminaries such as Kathleen Turner, who plays the part of a wicked witch, also appear in this magical tale.

Director Michael Ritchie does a very good job, and manages to conjure up just enough sparkle to keep the kids interested. A Simple Wish is an excellent, if unoriginal story that will appeal to children of all ages.

Verdict: Most enjoyable.

DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

All - Ireland's Dance Championship at the R.D.S

Congratulations are in order to Catherine Maher and her school of Irish Dancers for their recent success at the All-Ireland's Dance Championships held at the R.D.S. during Easter.

With approx 160 competitors in each section from all over Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales, it was a great achievement for Tara Nolan to win gold in her solo reel section since it was her first time to enter the All-Irelands.

The Maher school are now the All-Ireland champion



Tara Nolan Old Greenfield gold medalist at the All-Irelands' held at the R.D.S.

holders in the mixed four - hand reel with Marina Hannifin Siobhan Mulligan, Maurice Flynn and Stephen Kineally and also the two - hand reel with Maurice Flynn and Pamela Flannaghan. Maurice Flynn did very well in his solo section coming 10th in the boys championship.

It is a credit to Catherine Maher that so many other dancers were placed in their team events or highly commended in their solo section and we wish them continued success.

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LADYCHAPEL GRAVEYARD

Ladychapel graveyard can be found approximately 3 miles outside Maynooth on the Rathcoffey Rd. The graveyard is clearly signposted to the right of Ladychapel Church.

The Tombstone inscription in graveyards like Ladychapel and Laraghbryan are an important source of local history as we have few official records of the time before 1850. These inscriptions are invaluable as many of the families concerned have vanished from the localities where they once held sway. The church of Ladychapel cemetery may have been in existence in 1179 and may have taken its name from the Mother of God or it may have been connected with the Lady Kildare of the Fitzgerald family owners of the Castle, Maynooth, and surrounding areas.

In 1560 all churches in North Kildare became the property of the newly established Protestant Church. In a lot of cases there were not sufficient members of the Protestant faith to support these churches, which quickly led to the descent of the buildings to ruin. Local people deprived of their right to practice their faith in Ladychapel continued to bury their loved ones in the surrounding graveyard.



Ladychapel Church

The oldest headstone in Ladychapel cemetery is on the grave of Gurrett Reilly who died in 1723 and is buried inside the walls demonstrating that the church was then in a ruinous state.

A Monument to the Turner family recalls a young man Richard Turner, killed in the battle of Ovidstown in 1798. Looking at the remains of the old Church one sees two fine Romanesque openings that may once have held bells. The style would seem to indicate 12th century.

In Feb 1987 a group of people from the Maynooth area, met with a common awareness of local historical importance of Ladychapel cemetery and its then neglected state. A committee was formed, Chairman John Behan, Honorary secretary Hilda Dunne. With the help of a Fás scheme you will find Ladychapel graveyard fully restored with the on-going work of the committee and near neighbours, the graveyard is kept in a pristine condition.

In summation, we have a wealth of history in Ladychapel Cemetery and we must all work hard at preserving our local heritage and keeping it in its restored state.

Within the surrounds of the Cemetery is a well. People of the 17th - 18th century held a belief if their dead were buried near water their spirits lived in the water and for eternity.



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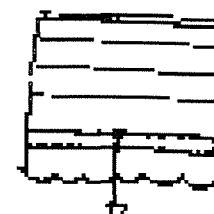
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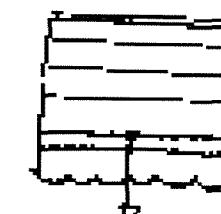
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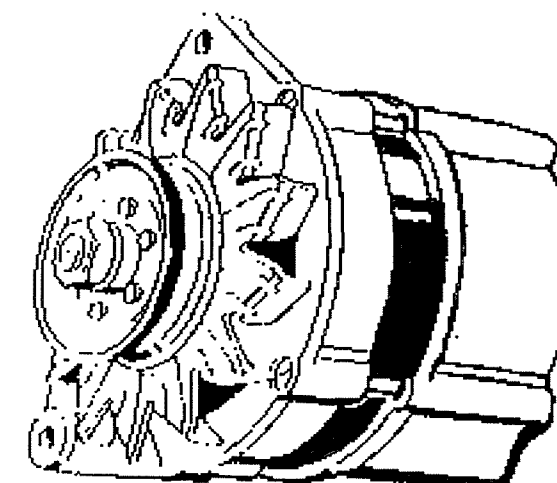
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LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

Laraghbryan Cemetery is situated approximately 1/2 mile from the Town centre, on the old Kilcock Rd. This burial ground serves all surrounding areas, combining old and modern day monuments. Its Irish name was Laithreach Briúin, the place of sanctuary of the O'Briúin or the O'Byrnes. It was named after the chieftain on whose land it stood. Laraghbryan suffered heavily in cross border skirmishes, due to its close proximity to the Meath Border. The site was plundered in 1036 and 1040. It never recovered after the second occasion until the arrival of the Geraldines. Once a Parish centre, the remains of the church are still standing. This Graveyard dates back to the early 17th Century. Buried near the remains of the church is a



Cane Family Crypt - Laraghbryan

former parish priest of Maynooth, Rev Fr Ashe who died in 1816.

Other earlier plots date from 1878 including the Care family Monument. A Parish Doctor is also interred near the church - Dr Pat Canning M.A died 14th Jan 1908.

The work of the Laraghbryan Restoration Group is self evident on entering the new and old areas of the grounds. Underground tunnels are common in our area. Local historians believe a series of tunnels link Laraghbryan and the Castle, Crew Hill together. One might wonder is there another "Newgrange" in our midst.

The Committee includes Chairman Lenny Murphy and Secretary Helen Johnson. Helpers are always welcome Saturday mornings.

Annual Mass and blessing of graves takes place, further notice in the **Newsletter**.



New Section - Laraghbryan Cemetery

MISSION EAST TRUST

It's ladies night out Thursday May 21st at 8.30pm. "The Chain Gang" Europe's most talked about Male Erotic Dancers are coming to Enfield. It's all in aid of Mission East Trust.

Medical supplies are needed in the Ukraine to stop the pain and suffering of both children and adults being operated on without anaesthetic - that is what the Trust is about.

If we as a society approaching the 21st Century can help in anyway, let's stop talking about it and do something.

So if you wish to enjoy a good night out for a good cause then join us in the Well's Hotel Enfield Co. Meath Thursday May 21st at 8.30pm. Tickets are just £6 each, available from the Well's Hotel.

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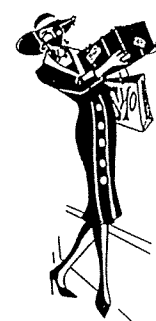
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CELBRIDGE BUILDING LAND MAKES £250,000 PER ACRE

Coonans of Maynooth last week achieved by auction a record £250,000 per acre for 10.5 acres zoned land at Celbridge, Co. Kildare.

The price of £2,620,000 was the highest price ever achieved for a property of this nature in Co. Kildare to date and the agent stated they had 5 bidders for same with a total of 20 individual enquiries.

The property opened at £1.5m and went on the market at £2.3m and was knocked down by Willie Coonan for the selling price of £2,620,000.

The lands were within a 1/2 mile of Celbridge village on the Ardclough Road and the agents described the price as an excellent one and reflecting the current scarcity of building land in the Kildare area.

They mentioned each of the other 20 enquiries and 7 bidders were extremely anxious to obtain development land and they accordingly require several similar type properties for their clients.

Solicitors acting for the vendor were Becker Tansey & Co. and Solicitors acting for the purchaser were Farrell Solicitors.

MY TIME IN THE CONGO BY JOE FITZPATRICK

Some notable Maynooth residents fought in the Congo in the early 1960's. The following is an excerpt from Joe Fitzpatrick's book 'My Time in the Congo'. 'It's thirty eight years now and still no honour by Government or Army. How long do we, the people have to wait.?'

Here is a detailed account of my time in Niamba. I joined the army at Cathal Brugha Barracks, Rathmines in 1959, I was 19 years of age. I volunteered to go on a peace-making mission to Katanga in August 1960. This was a troubled area in the newly Independent Republic of the Congo. By the end of August I was in Africa and touched down at a hugh Air-Base in Katanga. Air-Base Kamina was in the suburbs and our accommodation consisted of two storey houses. Unaccustomed to the heat and having to eat horse meat was a daunting task. The big blue veins and the blood on the plate, was just revolting. Although we were hungry we did not eat for some time, but to survive we got used to the horse meat.

Social life was something to look forward to, enjoying the local beer "Simba" which came in big wine bottles like our whiskey and it sure blew your head off. The Belgians would purchase one bottle and five glasses, but we, Irish used to buy five bottles. We were weaned on Guinness! We still wore our green bullswool uniform, it was sometime before we got the tropical uniform and were we delighted. Duty consisted of twenty-four hours at the airport or firepicket or stand-to for patrol out to the fighting area. There was no shortage of work, no time to get bored. There were different nationalities in the U.N. Force, soldiers from India, Gurkas, brave and faithful soldiers. Their national weapon is the 'Kukri' a knife with a curved blade that broadens towards the point. The Indonesian soldiers were small in size. It was said their knives always got their target.

The Pakistani soldiers were Muslims and prayed five times a day. The Congolese Gendarmerie, the local police, helped us overcome the language barrier.

A favourite song sung by Private Gerry Killeen was "The Auld Triangle", before we went to sleep at night. While in Kamina, on patrol out in the bush, I remember a gendarme giving us some home brew, it tasted like milk. Albertville is on the shores of lake Tanganyika. On the night of the full moon, 6th November 1960, we were waiting to be attacked. There was an air of fear and terror. The sound of distant drums would set you mad. It was rumoured that the Baluba tribesmen were burning the village on the way to Albertville. The Baluba never came. The following day, our destination was Niamba. Ten of us went under escort. Trooper Anthony Brown and Private Thomas Fennell were the escorts. Arriving in Niamba Sergeant Hugh Gaynor was there to meet us with two vehicles, a landrover and a Volkswagen pick-up truck. I was in the back of the truck as we drove up from reedy grass or fibres of plants. The round roofs reminded me of our thatched cottages at home. In Niamba there were bungalows, a bicycle shed, shops and an hotel.

AMBUSH.

Tuesday 8th, November Lieut. Gleeson gave instructions for us to clear the road from Niamba to Manono. We loaded up our two vehicles with shovels, picks, axes, saw chains and railway wooden sleepers for driving over craters in the road. There was an eerie feeling in the jungle. Corporal Liam Dougan was with us. He served in the British Army, had seen action in the jungles and rubber plantations of Malaya and he had no fear. I felt reassured because he was with us. Meeting two 'Balubakats' men on the road with bow and arrow the Lieutenant greeted them with the customary phrases of friendship.

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MY TIME IN THE CONGO BY JOE FITZPATRICK (Cont)

'JAMBO—— we greet you in peace '. They ran off into the bush. They were about one hundred warriors. Lieut. Kevin Gleeson told us to take cover in the bush. I had to cross the Luweyeye River with the arrows flying over my head. Private Gerry Killeen said, "Fitz, take cover ! " We will all be killed". Kevin Gleeson got an arrow through his left arm and another arrow in his knee. He dropped his Gustaf and went down on his knee. I had to take cover in the Bush and felt it was the valley of no return. I met Private Fennell roaring, " Fitz, I have been hit by a poisoned arrow". I sought refuge in a swamp, with big green water leaves. I knelt down in a firing position with my 303 rifle.

The jungle was a hive of Baluba moving around the bush with their bows and arrows over their heads. Crowds of tribesmen got behind the vegetation not a hair's breath from me. Suddenly, Private Gerry Killeen was beside me. " Fitz, help me," he moaned. " kill me, I've been hit by a poisoned arrow ". I could not do that. He whispered, " Fitz, pray for me," and he died. I must have dozed off because when I woke it was to the sound of bullfrogs and crickets. The drums had stopped. I felt that I was there for three days by the time the troops would come from Albertville. I camouflaged myself in the bush to await the arrival of our patrol searching for the injured and dead. I had to get out of there. I crawled on my stomach. There were bodies everywhere.

An Irish comrade, Private Matty Farrell, lay on the ground, his face beaten in, his head a mass of blood. Matty was a Medical Orderly, our knight in shining armour. I was still crawling making my way to Luweyeye. I thought that was the end of me. I thought of my father and mother, my brother, Des. I prayed to God. The Baluba came to get me. I opened fire once —— twice. He fell. I was blinded by the elephant grass. I knelt down for a long time waiting to die. Then a man burst through the bush with a bow and arrow. I shot him. He was moaning. I shot again. Fear gripped me as the heavy rain fell. How could I survive? I prayed to Our Lady.

It was about 4 o'clock I heard a gun go off. Someone else of my patrol was alive. I blackened my face with mud as I had done years before in the F.C.A. in Gormanstown on night manoeuvre when we used to crawl in the icy grass and cow dung

Surviving

I eventually got to the river and while crossing it fell down a big hole in the river bed. My .303 rifle got full of water. I got to the other side of the bank with difficulty and lay down under the trees. To my great surprise came the United Nations Troops, Ethiopians and Irish. Private Jim Campton hailed me. "Hello Fitzy" We escaped as quickly as we

could. They drove me back to Niemba. Soon after, the Balubas started attacking Niemba. The following day, 10th November 1960, a patrol brought back dead bodies. Another victim was found soon after, "57 Kenny Sir"(that was his nickname) A U. N. soldier was on guard duty in our room as the hospital was open to the bush and anyone could have come in and killed us. The White Sisters in the Catholic Mission were in charge of the running of the hospital. The Army took away my rifle from me. Soon, we were moved to Elizabethville by plane over the green forest jungle. Here I was in hospital again, sharing a room with a Corporal James Lynch who suffered from a nervous ailment. Elizabethville was a lovely capital city of the province of Katanga in S.E. corner of the Belgian Congo. It was rich in copper and radium.

While there, I was introduced to General Sean MC Keown. After that I was invited to a V.I.P. party and enjoyed lots of wine and cheese.

President Moise Tshombe attended a parade the following day. It was like Saint Patrick's Day in Eire. We flew back to Kamina air-base on Christmas morning. Lieut Leo Hogan informed me that my mother died the previous night.

Home coming

In January 1961, we were on our way home through Leopoldville. We stopped overnight in Nigeria under canvas tents. We flew home and touched down in Baldonnell Airport, Eire. To meet us was the Press and the Minister of Defence, Mr. Boland. There were cameras flashing in the night, bringing excitement and joy to be home. For me, it was "Mother Ireland, I love you".

They held a press conference for me. I told them the truth as I knew it, and then went home to my father and brother Des.



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LENNY'S RETIREMENT PARTY

Congratulations to Lenny Murphy who celebrated his retirement on the 1st April in the Leinster Arms. A special thanks to Brendan Kelly and the Firemen who arranged the party. Many thanks to all who joined in the celebrations who are too numerous to mention individually. Grateful appreciation for all the presentations made to him on the night from his friends and associates. Well done to the Management and Staff of the Leinster Arms for the excellent food and service provided on the night. The party was in full swing with all the Murphy clan in good spirits including his wife Lilly, his six children, his mother Annie, brothers and sisters. Celebrations continued until the early hours of the morning with many a sick head the following day.



Lenny with his wife Lilly following the presentation at his retirement party

RACHEL'S 50TH BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Rachel Cassidy who celebrated her surprise 50th birthday on the 4th April in the Kildrought, Celbridge. Well done to her husband Tom and family who succeeded in keeping it a secret and put a lot of hard work into making it a most enjoyable night.

Thanks to her two sisters who travelled over from England to celebrate the special occasion with her and also to her family and friends. A special word of thanks for the beautiful presents and flowers.

Well done Rachel!



Rachel and Tom dancing the night away at her 50th birthday party



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WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Women - the fastest growing business sector in the world

It's official, according to Angela Leigh Doyle, Manager, Women in Business, Bank of Ireland, "The world's fastest growing business sector is women setting up their own enterprise".

In the US women are establishing business at twice the rate of men and there is evidence to suggest that this is also the case in Ireland.

She was speaking at a conference "Women in Business", sponsored by Kildare County Enterprise Board, which is part of their special initiative to foster and encourage more women in business start-ups.

Stephanie Conroy, Managing Director of The Conroy Collective, presented a case study on the challenges she faced in getting her business up and running to where she is now - a successful business woman, an exporter and a winner of a Forbairt award for new product.

Also speaking, was top author Marion Keyes, about her career path to being self-employed. Marian emphasized the importance "recognising your own worth in a business situation and never to undersell yourself". Be prepared to sacrifice some popularity if you wish to succeed in business.

Valerie Pierce, the modern philosopher in the market place, has made the concept of clear thinking the cornerstone of her managerial approach. Valerie, who runs her own business, stressed the importance of selling your ideas in a way that makes sense to others.

Excerpt from speech by Mr. Charlie McCreevy TD, Minister for Finance, at the opening of a conference and exhibition of "Women in Business" in the Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge, Co. Kildare on Sunday 29th March 1998.

It is a pleasure to be invited to officially open an event of this nature. When the event happens to be in my own constituency, you might say that it allows me to combine business with pleasure.

The topic of "Women in Business" is rapidly turning into an industry in its own right. Last July, I was present at the announcement by the Bank of Ireland that it was providing £50,000 worth of sponsorship to NETWORK, the organisation for women in business.

I must also put on the record that in December last AIB launched a task force to assess the requirements of women in business. The so called Celtic Tiger would long ago have come to a halt but for the increasing levels of participation in the workforce by Irish women and especially by married women. While we still lag behind our continental counterparts in this regard, almost 40 per cent of mothers now work outside the home. Moreover, married women now account for half of the female workforce. This is increasingly due to a desire to pursue a career and/or maintain independence rather than out of economic necessity.

Women have, of course, been innovative in finding ways of

combining work with their other responsibilities. In the public service and elsewhere women have long enjoyed job-sharing or other forms of part-time working. In the private sector, in particular, employers have been looking at new ways of working, with the aim in particular of retaining skilled and experienced female employees. One particular option which will undoubtedly expand significantly over time is working from the home via computer link-up with the work place.

I've touched upon a topic dear to the hearts of mothers in work and in business, namely childcare. The question of the state's role in childcare is a difficult and complex one. It could also be, potentially, a very expensive one. That is why it is important to approach the issue in a careful and considered way. Some of you will be aware that the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform set up a working group under Partnership 2000 to devise a national framework for the development of childcare services.

My colleague John O'Donoghue, the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform recently announced an Equal Opportunity Childcare Programme. The programme will mainly assist women in disadvantaged areas to avail of work, training and education opportunities. The programme has a number of elements including assisting community childcare projects to upgrade or enhance their facilities, provide funding for full-time childcare workers in 25 community childcare projects etc. One element I might draw particular attention to here today is the Employer Demonstration Childcare Initiative with funding of £560,000. It is being developed in partnership with IBEC and its aim is to stimulate employer interest and involvement in supporting equal opportunity childcare facilities.

There is now a very extensive structure of supports in place to assist micro enterprise, including not just the City and County Enterprise Boards but also the Area Partnerships and Leader programme. I understand that some 40 per cent of all business start-ups are set up by women entrepreneurs and that some 20% of SME's are now run by women. The SME sector is a major source of employment growth, Creating some 50,000 jobs a year, and it is gratifying to see that women are playing an increasing role in helping to drive this engine of growth. Nevertheless, women promoters are still grossly under-represented in terms of usage of the CEB's services. This is apparently due in part to a lack of awareness on the part of local women of the services offered by the Boards and further underlines the importance of a pro-active approach along the lines of today's event. I hope it will lead on to greater female participation in the area of new venture creation and across a much wider spectrum of economic sectors than women have tended to be involved in to date.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB SPRING SHOW

The members of Maynooth Flower and Garden Club kept to their very high standards for their Spring Show. Great praise is due to them as it must be very difficult to achieve such a high standard: The giant hailstones, snow and frost played havoc with the flowers in my garden, but not so for the exhibits at Loftus Hall in Maynooth College on Saturday 18 April 1998.

The aroma from the newly picked flowers and the buzz of all the artists working away from 10.30 a.m. was evident. The judge Mrs Nancy McKeever had a difficult task as all the exhibits were worthy of a prize.

The Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup for best exhibit in show was won by Susan Mulvihill.

Best in show very imaginative using exotic foliages in particular woven phormium leaves, formed aspidistra into roses.

The Bradshaw Perpetual Cup for best exhibit in plant section was won by Sarah Angel.

The theme of the show was 'The year of the ocean'.

The classes were

1. The beach - this was confined to those who have not won 1st. prize at any show.

Flower Pot Perpetual Cup - Moira Baxter

1. Moira Baxter
2. Barbara Meyers
3. Pat Dalton

2. European Cruise Confined to those who have not won 3x1st. Prizes.

Satchwell Perpetual Cup

1. Maureen Fagan
2. Esther Morris
3. Mary Weld.

3. Sailing

R.H.S.I. Silver Spoon

1. Felicity Satchwell
2. Noeleen O'Brien
3. Rosemary Smith

4. Titanic

1. Maureen Fagan
2. Susan Mulvihill
3. Noeleen O'Brien

5. Where Oceans Meet - foliage to dominate

1. Susan Mulvihill
2. Noeleen O'Brien
3. Sarah Angel

Class 5. No 2 Noeleen O'Brien

Arum lilies - palm leaves - phormium and artichoke leaves. Accessories are shells and exotic seed pods.

6. Seaside Treasures

1. Felicity Satchwell
2. Sarah Angel
3. Aileen Howard

7. From the deep

Aoifa Perpetual Cup

8. An exhibit in my favourite container

1. Luke Stand
2. Megan Germain

All the above classes had to be the unaided work of the exhibitor.

The following classes had all to be grown by the exhibitor.

9. One stem of flowering Shrub.

1. Sarah Angel
2. Moira Baxter
3. Noeleen O'Brien

10. One daffodil or narcissus.

R.H.S.I. Silver spoon

1. Pam Acton
2. Moira Baxter
3. Aileen Howard.

11. 3 daffodils or narcissi.

1. Sarah Angel
2. Pam Acton
3. Moira Baxter

12. Cut flowers from the garden.

1. Sarah Angel
2. Pam Acton

13. 3. Tulips

1. Maureen Fagan
2. Una Kiernan
3. Aileen Howard

14. 3 stems of spring flowers.

1. Carmel Owens
2. Imelda Desmond
3. Joan Gibson

15. A collection of herbs in a jam jar.

1. Aileen Howard
2. Imelda Desmond
3. Anne Walker

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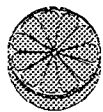
Cheesy Floats

60g / 2 oz grated cheese
1 heaped tsp chutney
salt
freshly ground black pepper
slices of buttered french bread
900 ml 1 1/2 pints soup of choice

Mix the grated cheese and chutney.
Season to taste.
Divide mixture between the bread slices.
Place slices under a hot grill for a few minutes until cheese melts.
To serve, pour hot soup into bowls.
Top with one or more cheesy floats.



Chicken À L'Orange



Serves 6

6 chicken breasts, thighs, or drumsticks, skinned and boned
30g / 1oz flour
2 tbsps sunflower oil
2 tbsps tomato purée
1-2 cloves garlic, chopped
2 oranges
2 level tbsp brown sugar
2 tbsps brandy
1 onion, sliced
2 carrots, sliced
1/2 tsp dried thyme or oregano
1 tsp sugar
300 ml / 1/2 pint red wine

Make a marinade for the chicken by mixing the onion, carrot, herbs, grated rind of one orange, 1 tsp sugar, and all but 3 tbsps of the red wine. Season with freshly ground black pepper. Pour over the chicken and leave in fridge overnight.
Remove chicken from marinade and dry. Reserve the liquid. Toss chicken in the flour and sauté, in batches, until brown. Remove with slotted spoon. Put in casserole and sprinkle with salt.
Strain the marinade and heat, together with the tomato purée, garlic, juice of one orange, the sugar, and the wine. Pour over chicken. Cover and cook in oven at 190°C/375°F/ Gas 5 for 35 - 40 minutes until chicken is fully cooked. Thicken sauce if you wish with cornflour. Stir in brandy. Garnish with slices of orange.



Classic Vanilla Ice-Cream



This creamy vanilla ice-cream is made with a custard sauce. It's delicious on its own, or makes a great base for other flavoured ice creams.

Serves 8

Preparation time: 20 minutes, plus freezing time.
Cooking time: 5 minutes.

16 fl. oz / 475 ml milk
1 tsp vanilla essence
6 egg yolks, size 3
4 oz / 100 g caster sugar
8 fl oz / 225 ml double cream

1. In a pan, heat the milk and vanilla essence to boiling point. Remove from the heat.
2. In a bowl, whisk the egg yolks and sugar together for 3 min. until light and thickened. Gradually stir in the hot vanilla milk (1). Mix well.
3. Return to a clean pan and heat gently, stirring with a wooden spoon, until the mixture has thickened slightly and leaves a clear trail when you draw a finger across the spoon (2). Don't let the custard boil or it will curdle.
4. Remove from heat and strain into a cold mixing bowl (3). Cover with dampened greaseproof paper to prevent a skin forming. Leave to cool.
5. Pour the custard into a freezer-proof container and freeze for 2 hours until slushy.
6. Lightly whip the cream until softly peaking. Turn the custard into a cold mixing bowl and lightly beat with an electric or hand whisk to break down any ice crystals. Fold in the whipped cream, combining thoroughly. Return to the container, seal well and freeze for 3 hours until solid.

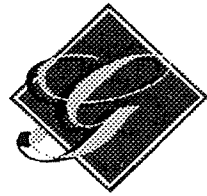
Tips:

1. An hour before you start, set the freezer to fast-freeze. The quicker the ice-cream freezes, the smaller the ice crystals will be and the smoother the texture of the ice cream.
2. The more times you whisk the ice-cream during the freezing process, the better its texture will be.

Secrets of Success:

1. Take ice cream out of the freezer and pop it into the fridge about 30 minutes before serving. This will allow it to soften slightly.
2. For maximum flavour, let ice cream mature in freezer for a day before serving. It can be kept for a month in the freezer, but tastes best if eaten within 2 weeks.

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MAY IN THE GARDEN



Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Hedging plants should be pruned and trimmed this month if necessary. Wall shrubs and climbers should have their new growths tied. Remove the dead flowers from rhododendrons.

Cut out the dead, weak and unwanted shoots from evergreen shrubs and trees. Any overgrown trees or shrubs can be cut back hard in order to produce fresh shoots from the base. If roses have produced several shoots from the points above the pruning point, cut out the unwanted shoots now.

Flowers:

Remove any spring bedding plants that have finished flowering. Discard plants such as wallflowers and forget-me-nots, but heel-in bulbs and polyanthus in a spare part of the garden where they can complete their growth and be ready for planting again in the autumn.

Fork over the ground after lifting plants and work in a general-purpose fertilizer. Tread the soil firmly and rake.

Plant summer bedding plants, which have been hardened off, towards the middle or end of this month.

Plant out hardened-off rooted cuttings of chrysanthemums, dahlias and fuchsias.

Continue to plant gladioli for a succession of blooms.

Support taller-growing flowering plants with stakes or short pea sticks. Tie in new growth where necessary. Add a general-purpose fertilizer and hoe shallowly in order to remove weeds. Add mulch when the soil is wet.

Fruit:

Fruits should be sprayed against diseases and pests, before flowers are fully open, or when they are over. Cover strawberry flowers with cloches in order to protect them from late frosts.

Vegetables:

Thin out seedlings sown in April or transplant them from the seed-bed to their growing position. Remove cloches from vegetable crops. Sow sprouting broccoli, outdoor cucumbers, marrows and swedes. Continue sowing of green vegetables and salad crops. Liquid feed all outdoor vegetables and water soil during dry spells. Hoe the soil regularly and mulch. Tie in beans and peas to supports. Spray plants regularly against diseases and pests.

Under Glass:

Stand pots of half-hardy chrysanthemums in the open for the summer; stake, feed and water them. Pot-on earlier sowings and cuttings of greenhouse plants, such as geraniums and fuchsias. Cut out the sideshoots of tomatoes, and water and feed them regularly, as soon as the first flowers appear. Put into frames any plants that may need hardening off before being planted in the open at the beginning of June. Water all the plants regularly. Ventilate and shade the greenhouse. Water and feed indoor plants. Apply pesticides regularly.

General:

Mow lawns regularly. Water newly sown or turfed lawns regularly. Apply weed killer to established lawns, if required. If frost threatens, protect young plants just set out by covering them with cloches or hessian. Plant water plants in position in the pools.

Patios:

Paving: Any paved area in the garden can be converted into a patio or a patio can be made from scratch. The choice of paving material is very important. Real stone paving is perfect in any garden but is expensive. Old brick paving is warm and friendly but is hard to come by. Modern brick, in dull shades of blue, ochre and purple-brown shades are a good alternative. Precast concrete paving slabs make a very acceptable patio.

Once the floor space has been decided the next priority is to screen against wind and draughts and to hide any eyesores in the garden. Walls should be at least six feet high.

Lighting: Lighting adds an extra dimension to a patio. A spotlight trained on a nice, well-grown, tree or shrub will give it glamour. The laying of cables and wiring of outdoor lighting should be left to a professional.

Barbecues: A metal grid over bricks can be put together quite simply to make an inexpensive barbecue. Many ready-made barbecues are also available in shops and garden centres.

Furniture: A table and chairs are the basic requirements. A giant sunshade will give the patio extra colour.

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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

Kilcock Road

Following a request by Cllr Senan Griffin, Kildare County Council have now removed the mound of top soil at the National School/Parochial Hall and he has now requested that grass seed be laid so as to enhance the approach to the town.

Rathcoffey Road/Newtown

Cllr Senan Griffin has placed a motion before the Area Committee of Kildare County Council demanding that the developer reinstates the Rathcoffey Road so that it is made safe for all road users and pedestrians who have no alternative but to use this road which is now extremely unsafe.

Joan Slade River

Cllr Senan Griffin has requested Kildare County Council to clean up the Joan Slade River from Meadowbrook to Parson Street. The river now receives surface water at an increased rate which could eventually create a flooding situation. The best method to prevent such an occurrence is to anticipate the possibility of flooding and Cllr Griffin is now demanding that the river be cleaned as a matter of priority.

Back & Side Streets

Cllr Senan Griffin has submitted a motion to Kildare County Council requesting that the back and side streets of Maynooth be re-surfaced and that where required an upgrading of the surface water piping be carried out. The condition of the road surface at Buckley's Lane, Fagan's Lane, Double Lane and Pound Street is deplorable and urgently requires upgrading.

Barberstown Road

Kildare County Council have recently announced the allocation of funds to update a number of roads in the North of the county. The Barberstown Road will receive a grant of £100,000, the Maynooth/Leixlip Road at Kellystown (Intel) £314,000. A number of local roads in the Celbridge Area have been allocated funds under the restoration programme such as:

Moyglare Road	£30,000
Ballygoran/Pikes Bridge	£50,000
Back Road at Ballygoran to the Motorway	£30,000

Discretionary Improvement Grant

The total grant under this scheme is £232,000. Cllr Senan Griffin is alarmed at the size of the allocation (£63,000) to the Celbridge Area Committee. This sum is totally inadequate considering the problems to be resolved in the area and Cllr Griffin will be requesting that the Celbridge Area be given a more equitable portion of the grant. Cllr Griffin is of the belief that more funds will have to be made available to correct the problems now arising in the estates built in the 70's and early 80's.

Main Street

Cllr Griffin has expressed concern to Kildare County Council at the delay in completing the works on the Main Street in Maynooth and is now requesting that the work be completed as a matter of urgency.

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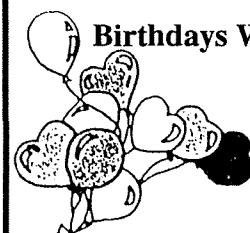
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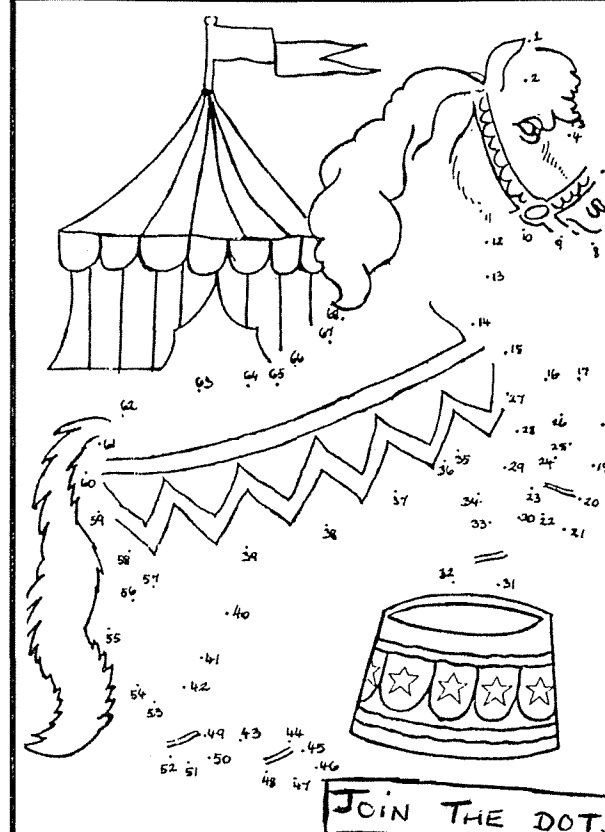


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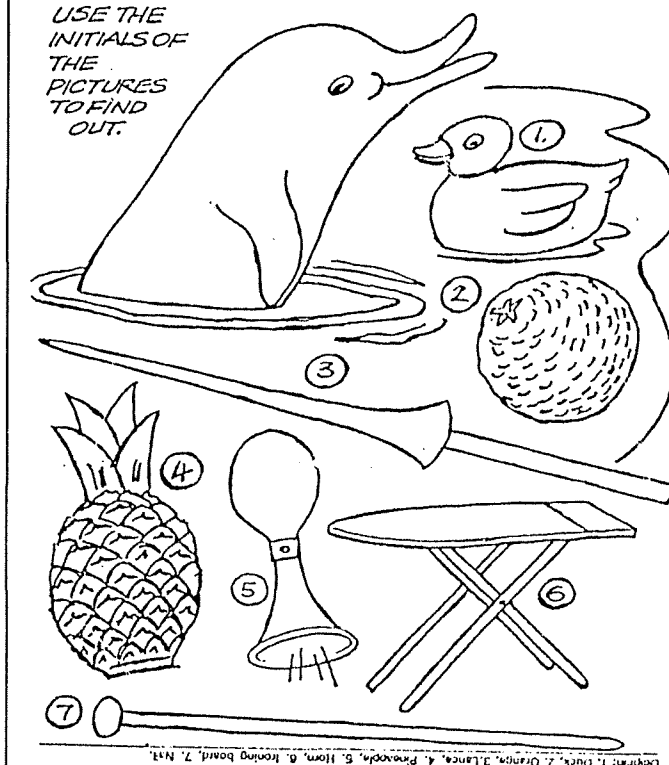
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Niall Doogan,
9, Beaufield Close,
Maynooth.

3rd Prize

Helen Downes,
8 Parsons Ldg,
Maynooth.

Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

Population targets for Maynooth were agreed on a 3 to 2 vote of the Celbridge Area Councillors at their meeting on March 23rd. It is difficult to understand the two votes against as this approach was agreed unanimously at the previous Council meeting.

The population targets recommended by the Senior Planner for Maynooth and agreed by the Area Councillors are as follows:

Existing Per Census	Year 2001	Year 2003	Year 2006
1996	10,000	11,500	11,500
8,528			

The figures (and those for the other towns) will form part of the Draft County Plan which will go before the full Council for adoption in June. If adopted the Public Display period will be July/August and September. Consideration of submissions will then take place in October.

Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been involved in negotiations with Solicitors acting for Carton Properties with a view to securing the ownership of the Geraldine Hall and Harbour field for the use of the people of Maynooth.

A figure has now been arrived at whereby the Council can purchase both the Hall, Harbour field and a number of open spaces in Maynooth Town. The intention is that the Council would then grant long term leases on the facilities to Maynooth Community Council at nominal rents.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have held discussions with Council Officials on this matter and will continue to press for the finalisation of the deal to secure these areas for Community use.

Litter

Kildare Co. Council approved a Litter Management Plan for the County at its last meeting. It proposes tackling this serious problem through Education Information, Community Involvement, Enforcement and Recycling.

In order to promote public awareness of the responsibility of individuals to keep their property (including footpaths and grass margins outside same) free of litter, the Council is arranging to have a leaflet 'LITTER AND THE LAW' printed and distributed to householders, businesses and schools in the County to remind the public of their duties under the Litter Pollution Act, 1997.

Assistance To Residents Associations

1. The Councils Grant scheme which assists with funding of trees, shrubs, lawn mowers, clean up operations etc. has now been extended from Council Housing Schemes to all other Housing Schemes.

2. A free skip scheme will operate from May to September.

3. A clean up week will also be organised in May with skips again provided free of charge.

4. The Tidy Estates Competition will also be extended to all housing estates.

Controlling Litter

It is not Kildare County Council who litter our streets and roadways. It is we the Public who do so. Kildare Co. Council has increased its street cleaning budget from £206,000 in 1997 to £337,000 this year. Maynooth probably suffers more from litter than any other town in the County. While this needs to be tackled at source to overcome the problem, street cleaning seven days per week is required. With this in mind Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion to the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:-

"That Kildare C. Council use part of the 63% increase in this years street cleaning budget to provide street cleaning seven days per week in Maynooth following completion of the Main Street Improvement Works"

Cllr. John Mc Ginley wishes to publicly acknowledge the excellent work carried out by the Tidy Town volunteers in cleaning the Main Street and approach roads every Sunday Morning.

Auctioneers Signs

Thankfully our local auctioneers have stopped the practice of putting 'for sale' signs on poles. However, the new entrant to the market Matt Bruton appears to be unaware that this practice is illegal. It is hoped that he will now take down his signs and not have to force the Council into taking more serious action.

Replacement of Public Lights

The E.S.B. have advised Cllr. John Mc Ginley that the replacement of all the mercury (white) lights will be completed in Celbridge, Maynooth, Leixlip, and Clane by the end of May.

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Party Political Notes

Labour Party Notes Cont.

100 FOOT-MAST AT GARDA STATION

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John Mc Ginley were pleased that Kildare Co. Council refused Planning Permission to Esat Digifone for the 100 foot mast at Maynooth Garda Station. Regretfully Esat Digifone have appealed this decision to An Bord Pleanala. Deputy Stagg and Cllr John Mc Ginley have been assured by Council officials that they will fight tooth and nail to ensure that their original decision is not overturned.

Among the reasons given for the original decision to refuse permission was the desire of the Council 'to protect and preserve the area at the College Gates and at the Geraldine Castle'.

It is quite extraordinary that Esat Digifone should wish to put such a high mast in the centre of our town and in such a sensitive location. Afterall there is no shortage of existing masts just outside the Town which would adequately serve their needs.

Resurfacing Roads in Housing Estates

Sadly Kildare Co. Council have only allocated £20,000 for this purpose in 1998. This is enough to do the overlay on an estate with about 150 houses.

Cllr John Mc Ginley is hoping that his fellow Councillors in the Celbridge Area will agree to allocate funding from the Discretionary Grants to allow overlay to be carried out at Carton Court and Cluain Aoibhinn in Maynooth.

Telecom Eireann Manhole Covers

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Telecom Eireann to restore the level of their manholes along the Straffan Road which at present are above the level of the footpaths.

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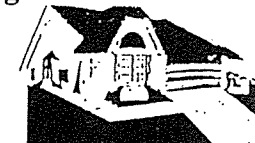
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

Date	Level	Result
29.3.98	Minor Football League	Maynooth 2 - 10 : Leixlip 1 - 6
29.3.98	Senior Football League	Rhebain 1 - 10 : Maynooth 0 - 9
1.4.98	U/16 Hurling League	Maynooth 2 - 6 : Coill Dubh 1 - 0
5.4.98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 1 - 7 : Monasterevin 0 - 6
6.4.98	U/13 Football League	Maynooth 5 - 8 : Celbridge 3 - 6
10.4.98	U/16 Football League	St. Cocas 2 - 11 : Maynooth 0 - 3
12.4.98	Minor Football League	Maynooth 0 - 10 : St. Edwards 1 - 3
14.4.98	U/14 Football Feile	Sarsfields 4 - 10 : Maynooth 4 - 6
15.4.98	U/16 Hurling League	Ardclough 5 - 5 : Maynooth 2 - 4
16.4.98	Minor Hurling League	Eire Og 4 - 4 : Maynooth 1 - 7
17.4.98	U/14 Football League	Sarsfields 4 - 6 : Maynooth 2 - 6
19.4.98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 1 - 9 : Eadestown 2 - 6

Please note training and coaching for juvenile players continues on Saturdays at 10.15 a.m. for hurlers and at 11.30 a.m. for footballers. New players including beginners are very welcome.

Sunday 29th March, 1998 was a proud night to remember for Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

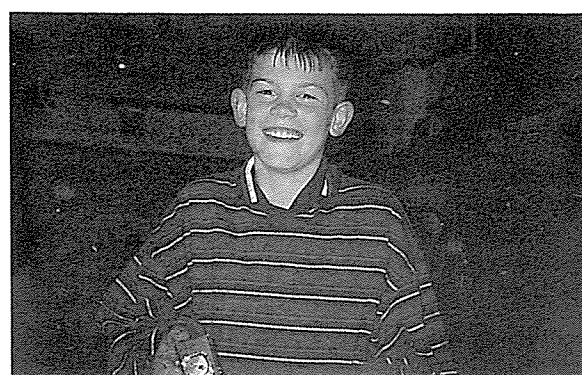
Outstanding Kildare G.A.A player and current All-Star Davey Dalton was present to make presentations to Maynooth players honouring their success in 1997 as (1) under 21 Football Champions captained by Paul Flood, (2) Minor League winners captained by Eamonn Gallagher and also as Intermediate B. Champions led by Mick Faherty. The managers and selectors of these teams were also honoured namely Sean Molloy and Mick Faherty (minor) Derek Murray (Intermediate B) Pat Nevin and David Mahoney (under 21).

A further presentation was made to members of the Maynooth 1960 Minor Team who became Kildare Champions in that year.

The panel of players were as follows:

D. Malone, M. Kelly, J. Connors, T. Flood, Noel Farrelly, Brian Redmond, P. Boyd, J. Curavay, C. Sullivan, T. Branagan, M. Tobin, L. Reilly, J. Nevin, S. Nevin, J. Browne, J. Leonard, C. Flood, J. Brady, T. Dempsey.

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David Commerford at G.A.A. Presentation



Winners of the Talent held in Glenroyal are Jennifer Darcy and Liam Dennehy

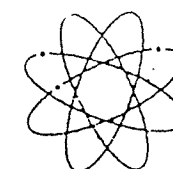
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Sports

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. (Cont.)

Senior Football League Division 2 Maynooth Suffer First League Defeat Rheban 1 - 10 : Maynooth 0 - 9

Maynooth succumbed to a strong Rheban outfit on Sunday 29th March 1998 at Rheban. In truth the better team won as Maynooth found it difficult to penetrate the Rheban defence. An early goal set Rheban on the right road and while Maynooth had some fine points in the first half from Paul Garvey, Mark Nugent and Joey Riordan, Rheban seemed always in control and led at half-time by 1 - 3 to 0 - 4 points.

The second half followed the same pattern as the first and while Killian Fagan and Ronan Murphy fought hard to gain supremacy at midfield the hard working Rheban defence were in no mood to give any space to the Maynooth forwards and they held out for a four point victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Niall Byrne and David Malony in defence, Killian Fagan at midfield and Mark Nugent, Paul Garvey and when introduced Johnny Nevin in attack.

Teams and Scores:

Sean Molloy, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Niall Byrne, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, David Malony, Killian Fagan, Ronan Murphy.

Eamon Dunne, Joey Nevin (0-1), Mark Nugent (0-1), Paul Garvey (0-5), Paul Flood (0-1), Joey Riordan (0-1),

Subs: Tom Farrell for Eamon Dunne, Johnny Nevin for Eamon Gallagher (injured), Hugh Nevin for Mark Nugent,

Senior Football League Division II Maynooth 1 - 7 : Monasterevin 0 - 6

It is a credit to both teams that they served up some fine entertaining football despite the very heavy pitch and intermittent rain showers.

Monasterevin were the quicker to settle and had scored three points inside the first ten minutes without any reply from Maynooth. However, Paul Garvey got Maynooth on the scoreboard with a pointed free and midway through the first half the same player scored a goal to put the winners ahead. Both teams exchanged 2 points each to leave the half time score Maynooth 1 - 3 : Monasterevin 0 - 5.

Maynooth had by far the better of the exchanges in the second half and restricted Monasterevin to one point in the 20th minute.

The winners added on a further four points through Paul Garvey (2) and one each from substitute Johnny Nevin and William Farrelly.

Best for Maynooth were Sean Molloy in goal, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis and Paul Stynes in defence, Peter Burke at midfield and in attack Hugh Nevin, Eamon Dunne and Paul Garvey were always to the fore.

Teams and Scores:

Sean Molloy, Alan Nugent, Stephen Noonan, Niall Byrne, Pascal Ennis, Paul Stynes, David Malony, Peter Burke, Killian Fagan, Mark Nugent, Hugh Nevin, Daren Naughton, Paul Garvey (1-5), Eamon Dunne, William Farrelly (0-1).

Subs: Johnny Nevin (0-1) for Peter Burke, Joey Riordan for Darren Naughton, Darren Naughton for Pascal Ennis (injured).

Minor Football League Forward power the key to Maynooth success Maynooth 2 - 10 : Leixlip 1 - 6

In a game punctuated by many frees Maynooth got the better of neighbours Leixlip played at Radley Park on 29th March, 1998.

The first half was evenly balanced with Peter Kinsella getting Maynooth's first score, a point from play after two minutes. Leixlip levelled matters in the fifth minute and took the lead a few minutes later with a further point. Damien Doyle levelled matters in the 11th minute with a long range point from play. Leixlip began to dominate at midfield and took the lead midway through the first half with a well worked goal. Peter Kinsella had his second point from play in the 18th minute and further

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points by Karl Ennis and Peter Kinsella from play left just a point between the sides. Darren Naughton levelled the scores in the 26th minute with a pointed free leaving the score at half-time: Leixlip 1 - 3 : Maynooth 0 - 6.

The winners had the advantage of a slight breeze in the second half and following good work by Peter Kinsella, Karl Ennis was unlucky not to score a goal which resulted in a 45. Darren Naughton converted the 45 to put Maynooth ahead.

Following a foul on corner forward Adrian Boylan, Darren Naughton pointed the resultant free in the fifth minute and the same player converted another free 2 minutes later. Following good interplay between Peter Kinsella, Damien Doyle, Karl Ennis, Chris Arthurs got inside the Leixlip full-back line. His first shot was blocked well by the goalkeeper but Arthurs followed up to boot the ball to the net.

Midway through the second half Maynooth had their second goal when Karl Ennis got inside his opponent and beat the goalkeeper with a low ground shot.

Leixlip got their first point of the second half in the 20th minute but this score was cancelled out by Peter Kinsella 3 minutes later when he was put through by Darren Naughton. Leixlip tried very hard in the remaining time to reduce the deficit but their only reward were two points to leave Maynooth impressive winners.

Best for Maynooth were Rory Kelly, Chris Arthurs, Niall Byrne and substitute Alan Geoghegan in defence. Damien Doyle worked hard at midfield and in attack. Peter Kinsella, Daren Naughton and Karl Ennis excelled.

Team and Scores: John Fagan, Barry Doyle, Darragh Carr, Rory Kelly, Chris Arthurs (1-0), Niall Byrne, Gearoid Higgins, Damien Doyle (0-1), Conor Diggins, Peter Kinsella (0-4), Darren Naughton (0-4), Danny Byrne, Adrian Boylan, Sean Brady, Karl Ennis (1-1).

Subs: Alan Geoghegan for Sean Brady, Seamus Cumins for John Fagan (injured).

Comfortable Win for Maynooth Minors
Minor Football League
Maynooth 2-8 : Na Fianna 1-4

Maynooth got back on the winning track when accounting for Na Fianna at Maynooth on Sunday 22nd March, 1998. In truth Na Fianna were flattered to loose only by seven points as the winners dominated for most of the game and were it not for some wayward shooting by their forward line the winning margin would have been far greater.

Maynooth got off to the ideal start when Chris Arthurs goaled after 2 minutes of play. Damien Doyle added a point from play 4 minutes later before Na Fianna got on the scoreboard with a point for play. Although Maynooth dominated the exchanges for the remainder of the half with Damien Doyle and Conor Diggins commanding the midfield area they were slow to turn this superiority into scores and had a number of wides from good scoring positions. Na Fianna got their second point of the half after 20 minutes before Chris Arthurs scored a point from play in the 25th minute and Gearoid Higgins concluded the first half scoring with a point from a free leaving the half-time score Maynooth 1-3 : Na Fianna 0 -2.

The losers reduced the deficit with 2 points from play early in the second half but Maynooth extended their lead in the 39th minute when Chris Arthurs had his second goal.

Danny Byrne and Chris Arthurs added on further points in as many minutes but Na Fianna got a badly needed goal midway through the second half and created a number of further scoring opportunities but the Maynooth defence held firm with Barry Doyle and Rory Kelly particularly outstanding at keeping the losers forwards in check. Maynooth finished the stronger with their high level of fitness and better support play and Chris Arthurs added a further two points, one from a penalty and Karl Ennis completed the scoring in injury time with a fine point.

There is no doubt Manager Sean Molloy, will be encouraged by this performance from his players particularly after their narrow defeat by Kilcock the previous week.

Best for Maynooth were: Barry Doyle, Rory Kelly and Niall Byrne in defence, Damien Doyle and Conor Diggins were a tour de force at midfield and in attack scorer in chief Chris Arthurs proved an able deputy for Darren Naughton and Danny Byrne and Sean Brady were impressive.

Teams and Scores: (13 A-Side) John Fagan, Barry Doyle, Darragh Carr, Rory Kelly, Niall Byrne, Gearoid Higging (0-1), Damien Doyle (0-1), Conor Diggins, Peter Kinsella, Chris Arthurs (2-3), Danny Byrne (0-1), Karl Ennis (0-1), Sean Brady (0-1).

Sub: Seamus Cummins for Sean Brady.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. (Cont.)

U/16 Hurling League
Maynooth 2 - 6 : Coill Dubh 1 - 0

Maynooth overcame the challenge of Coill Dubh in St. Mary's Park on 1st April, 1998. The winners dominated the game from start to finish with their defence in outstanding form and their forward line had much the better of the Coill Dubh defence. Maynooth led at half time by 1-4 to 1-0. Coill Dubh tried hard but were unable to penetrate the winners defence and even on two occasions when they did, Septhen Kelly proved his worth as a goalkeeper with splended saves. Alan Sweeney scored a fine opportunist goal midway through the second half to put the result beyond doubt. The scoring was concluded with points from Sean Brady and Morgan Sweeney. Best for Maynooth were Stephen Kelly, Joe Brennan, Peter Sheehan, Tommy Masterson , Pierre Ennis, Peter Guinan, Mikey Gleeson and Sean Brady.

Team and Scores: Stephen Kelly, Sean O'Flaherty, Joe Brennan, Brendan Coffey, Peter Sheehan, Tommy Masterson, Aidan Molloy, Pierre Ennis, Morgan Sweeney (0-1), Alan Sweeney (1-0), Damien Travers, Peter Guinan (0-1), Mikey Gleeson (1-3), Sean Brady (0-1), Ronan O'Brien.

Subs: Jason Newton for M. Gleeson, Colin Cusker for R. O'Brien, Cris Flynn for B. Coffey.

U/16 Football League
St. Cocas 2-11 : Maynooth 0-3

Maynooth were well beaten by their neighbours in this game played at Kilcock on 10th April, 1998 but their cause wasn't helped by the unavailability of six of their regular first team squad. St. Cocas were much stronger than their opponents particularly in the central positions and led at half time by 2-3 to 0-2 with their goals coming in the 10th and 22nd minute. Pierre Ennis and Sean Brady got on the scoresheet for Maynooth.

In the second half Maynooth improved their performance particularly in defence and at midfield but they lacked scoring power and only scored one point in the second half from Pierre Ennis. Best for Maynooth were: Alan Sweeney in goal, Barry Doyle, Peter Sheehan and Patrick King in defence, Pierre Ennis at midfield and in attack Killian Carr, Patrick O'Rourke and Sean Brady tried hardest.

Teams and Scores: Alan Sweeney, Martin Dolan, Barry Doyle, Peter Sheehan, Patrick King, Shane Devereux, Brian Downey, Pauge O'Sullivan, Pierre Ennis (0-2), Colin Cusker, Killian Carr, Patrick O'Rourke, Fergus Devereux, Sean Brady (0-1), Morgan Sweeney.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. (Cont.)

Hard Fight Win For Maynooth Minor Football League Maynooth 0-10 : St. Edwards 1-3

Maynooth had to show all their battling skills in order to overcome St. Edwards at Maynooth on 12th April, 1998. Darren Naughton opened the scoring for Maynooth after 3 minutes when he pointed a free after a foul on Karl Ennis. The same player added a second point two minutes later when Peter Kinsella was fouled and he converted the resultant free. Maynooth were rocked back on their heels a few minutes later when St. Edwards scored a goal after Chris Arthurs lost possession.

Following a marvelous run by Alan Geoghegan, Peter Kinsella pointed after a foul on himself to level the scores. Five minutes before half-time Karl Ennis got a splendid point for Maynooth following good interplay between Alan Geoghegan and Peter Kinsella.

St. Edwards got their first point 2 minutes from half-time for a free to leave the half-time score Maynooth 0-4 : St. Edwards 1-1. St Edwards had a great chance of a second goal early in the second half but the shot from their full forward went narrowly wide. Adrien Boylan got the first score of the second half with a point from play. Maynooth began to dominate at midfield and Darren Naughton pointed two frees both for fouls on Peter Kinsella. Midway through the second half right half back Chris Arthurs pointed for Maynooth when a free for Darren Naughton dropped short but was only partially cleared by the losers defence.

In the 20th minute Peter Kinsella broke through the opposing defence passed to Damien Doyle who duly pointed. A heavy snow shower coincided with a revival by St. Edwards and they had two pointed frees in a five minute spell to reduce the deficit to 3 points. Maynooth began to tire and St. Edwards had a number of opportunities to level the scores but their forwards were very inaccurate in their shooting. Darren Naughton concluded the scoring with a pointed free to give his side a deserved victory.

Best for Maynooth were John Fagan in goal, Barry Doyle, Darragh Carr and Alan Geoghegan in defence. Damien Doyle and William Farrelly had the better of the midfield exchanges while Peter Kinsella was the most impressive forward on view ably assisted by Darren Naughton and Karl Ennis.

Team and Scores: John Fagan, Barry Doyle, Darragh Carr, Alan Geoghegan, Chris Arthurs (0-1), Gearoid Higgins, Rory Kelly, Damien Doyle (-1), William Farrelly, Peter Kinsella (0-1), Darren Naughton (0-5), Adrien Boylan (0-1), Karl Ennis (0-1), Sean Brady, Trevor Naughton.

Subs: Danny Byrne for Trevor Naughton, Seamus Cummins for Sean Brady.

Under 14 Football League Sarsfields 4-6 : Maynooth 2-6

After their defeat in the Feile competition on 14th April, 1998 at the hands of Sarsfields, Maynooth were keen to make amends against the same opponents on 17th April, 1998 at Maynooth. However, in spite of a very spirited performance victory eluded the Maynooth boys in a very entertaining game. Sarsfields had slightly the better of the exchanges in the first half and led by 3 points on a scoreline of 1-5 to 1-2. For the first 15 minutes of the second half Maynooth were dominated in most sectors of the field and at that stage had taken a one point lead thanks to a goal from Gary McMahon and point from D.J. Canning. Against the run of play Sarsfields scored two goals in the last five minutes and they held out for victory. The dismissal of Kevin Gannon for striking 10 minutes from the end of the game did not help Maynooth's cause but the players battled bravely with impressive performances from Alan Sweeney in goal, Fergus Devereux, Fintan O'Donoghue and Tadg O'Corcaire in defence, Daniel Adderly at midfield and D.J. Canning, Gary McMahon and David Comerford in attack.

Team and Scores: Alan Sweeney, Stephen Curran, Brendan Coffey, F. Devereux, Fintan O'Donoghue, Tadg O'Corcaire, Colm O'Neill, Daniel Adderly, Brian Downey, Fergal Molloy, D.J. Canning (0-3), Kevin Gannon, Derek Redmond (0-1), Gary McMahon (1-2), David Comerford (1-0).

Subs: Stephen Healy for F. Devereux, Stephen Broderick for Redmond.

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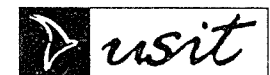
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U/16 Hurling League
Ardclough 5-5 : Maynooth 2-4

Maynooth suffered their first defeat in the League campaign at the hands of Ardclough on 15th April, 1998. In retrospect the result could have been so different if Maynooth had taken their scoring chances in the first half. Despite dominating the game in the first half they only had a two point advantage at half-time 1-2 to 1-0 with all the scores coming from Mikey Gleeson. In the second half Ardclough got the upper hand at midfield and in the half back line and three goals in a ten minute spell left Maynooth with an uphill struggle. Alan Sweeney gave them some hope with a goal ten minutes from time but they were unable to build on the score and Ardclough held out for a deserved victory. Best for Maynooth were Stephen Kelly, Joe Brennan, Colin Cusker, Peter Sheehan, Mikey Gleeson, Fergie Molloy and Alan Sweeney.

Team and Scores: Stephen Kelly, Paraic Nevin, Joe Brennan, Colin Cusker, Brendan Coffey, Peter Sheehan, Chris Flynn, Aidan Molloy, Sean Brady, Mikey Gleeson (1-4), Damien Travers, Fergal Molloy, Ronan O'Brien, Alan Sweeney (1-0), Morgan Sweeney.
Sub: Peter Guinan for Morgan Sweeney (injured).

U/14 Football Feile
Sarsfields 4-10 : Maynooth 4-6

Maynooth despite fielding without some key players gave a good account of themselves before going under to a physically stronger Sarsfields outfit at Maynooth on 14th April, 1998. Sarsfields had the better of the exchanges in the first half and led by 6 points at half time 2-9 to 2-3 with Maynooth scoring two splendid goals from Brian Downey and Fergal Molloy 2 points coming from Downey (2) and Fintan O'Donoghue (1). Maynooth reduced the deficit to just one point inside the first 3 minutes of the second half with a goal from Gary McMahon and two points from Fergie Molloy and David Comerford. Despite sustained pressure by Maynooth Sarsfields held firm and added two goals and one point to their tally in the second half. Gary McMahon had a further goal for Maynooth and a point coming from Brian Downey. This was an encouraging performance by Maynooth with impressive displays by Alan Sweeney in goal who made a terrific penalty save in the second and thwarted the Sarsfields attack on many occasions. Tadg O'Corcaire was simply outstanding at centre back ably assisted by Colin O'Neill and Stephen Currin. Brian Downey tried hard at midfield while Fergal Molloy, David Comerford and Gary McMahon tried hardest in attack.

Team and Scores: Alan Sweeney, Brendan Coffey, Setphen Currin, Stephen Healy, Kevin Gannon, Tadg O'Corcaire, Colin O'Neill, Brian Downey (1-3), Fintan O'Donoghue (0-1), Fergal Molloy (1-1), Derek Redmond, David Comerford (0-1), Ciaran McCullagh, Damien Adderly, Gary McMahon.
Subs: Fergus Devereux for S. Healy, Paul Broughan for K. Gannon.

Senior Football League
Maynooth 1-9 : Eadestown 2-6

It was a game Maynooth should have won but in the end they were lucky to earn a share of the spoils on their home pitch. Maynooth opened smartly with two points from Paul Garvey inside five minutes. Darren Naughton had a great opportunity to score a goal after being put through by Paul Flood but his shot went agonisingly wide with the Eadestown keeper well beaten. Eadestown had their first score a point from a free in the tenth minute. With Killian Fagan holding supremacy at midfield Maynooth quickly increased their lead with three excellent points from Joey Riordan. Paul Flood further increased their lead with a point from a free before Eadestown completed the first half scoring with another pointed free leaving the score at 0-6 to 0-2 in favour of Maynooth.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. (Cont.)

Eadestown were a transformed team in the second half and had two early points from frees. However Paul Flood got a vital touch to a long range shot from Paul Stynes and the ball ended up in the Eadestown net. A further pointed free from Paul Garvey left 6 points between the sides with fifteen minutes left to play and it looked at that stage as if Maynooth would emerge winners. However Eadestown had other ideas and had a goal and two points in a 7 minute spell to leave a single point between the sides. Eadestown took the lead for the first time when the Maynooth full back line got sucked out of position and Sean Molloy was unable to prevent the ball entering the net. However Maynooth showed their fighting qualities in the final 3 minutes with two pointed frees from the accurate boot of Paul Garvey to level the scores. Best for Maynooth were Alan Nugent, Paul Stynes and David Mahony in defence, Killian Fagan had an excellent first half and in attack Darren Naughton, Paul Garvey and Joey Riordan were prominent.

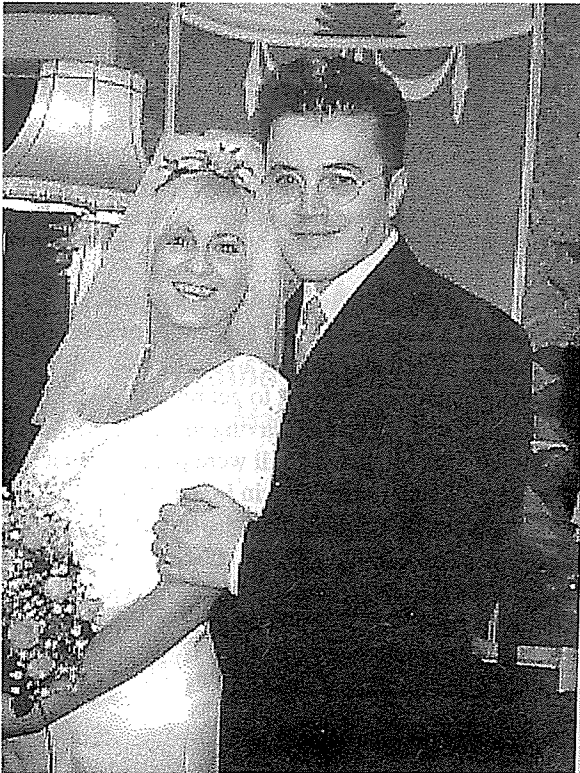
MAYNOOTH G.A.A. LOTTO RESULT

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HANDBALL HAPPENINGS

Paul Hand travelled to Castledermot to play the semi-final of the junior county championship doubles with partner Declan Quigley. He was understandably apprehensive as he was facing Paddy Reilly, who had defeated him in his own backyard in the singles semi-final, and this game was being played in Paddy's home alley. Declan Quigley, on the other hand, (Excuse the pun) was facing into the game with his usual positive attitude "we are going down to win this game for ourselves and for our club." Billy Whelan was Reilly's partner. Not long into the game Declan's positive attitude rubbed off on Paul and they both played some exhibition handball to advance to the junior county final. The Nurney pair were held to fourteen points in the first game and they made only twelve in the second game. Paul and Declan now await the outcome of the other semi-final between Leixlip's Seamus Brennan and Tony Walsh and Moone's Andy Cullen and Eddie Byrne. If they perform in the final as they did in the semi-final they stand a great chance of bringing home the gold.

Mick Duffy was disappointed when he and partner Niall Leavy received a walk-over from Anna Wrynn and Fiona Healy. Anna had defeated him in a very closely fought singles game and he was hoping to get revenge in the doubles. But it was not to be. Having received the walk-over from the girls Mick and Niall were pitted against local pair Daragh Kelly and Mick Galvin in the Quarter finals. I was looking forward to this game, with the undoubted handball talents of Kelly and Duffy on the left and the determination of Leavy versus the cool calm and collected Galvin on the right I felt that this had the makings of a real good game. Duffy and Leavy got off to a great start and were six nil ahead after one hand.

Kelly appeared to be stuck in second gear and was twelve two down before he got into the game. Meanwhile Galvin had done what he could to keep them in the game. Slowly but surely they played their way back to level at fifteen each. Then Duffy and Leavy, who had become somewhat complacent because of their good lead, upped the pace and reached twenty before losing their serve. When Kelly and Galvin won the serve, trailing by fifteen to twenty, they threw caution to the wind and went for all the shots. This system paid off as they not only won the first game by the single point but they also gained an important psychological advantage. While Duffy and Leavy fought as hard as they could in the second game they never looked like winning it and conceded game, set and match 21 - 20 21 - 8.

The Maynooth pair had to travel to Leixlip for the semi-final. Once again Kelly got off to a slow start and it looked like the Leixlip pair might win the first game until they levelled at fifteen each. Then Kelly and Galvin completely outplayed the Leixlip teenagers and booked a place in the County Novice Final. The final is the first ever county final to be played in Maynooth. A date has not yet been fixed for the game. The pity is that only a few spectators will get a chance to watch this game. The opposition will once again

come from Leixlip. David Jordan and Pat Hilliard will be their representatives. Jordan and Kelly also meet in the singles final which will be played in Leixlip on a date yet to be decided. Kelly accounted for the very stylish, Leixlip lad, Shane Carthy in the semi final. Jordan defeated Shane's brother Damien in the other semi-final.

Maynooth are contesting three county finals in what is only their second season. Best of luck to all on their big days.

Juvenile players Mark Cummins and Fergal Molloy represented Maynooth in the National Schools handball championships which took place in Leixlip recently. It was their first time to compete at this level and they show great promise when defeating Confey in a play off for third place. They were defeated by a very strong Ballymore Eustace team in the semi-final. It is with a view to improving these and other juvenile players within the club that five adult players from the club are going to attend a coaching course in Leixlip on Saturday May 16th. National coaches Sean McEntee and Jimmy King are running the course. It is expected that the handball played in Kildare will improve greatly as a result of all the expertise gained on the coaching course.

Mark Ball

NORTH KILDARE JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB

The Spring season commenced on Sunday 19th April, when the club held an open day for all members, past members and anyone interested in joining the club. Despite the bad weather there was a great turn out. Tennis activities are now back in full swing for all members every Sunday, and we are delighted to welcome back Keith Bannon who is Senior activities organiser for the 7 - 16 year old section. The Mini Tennis continues at the usual time for the up and coming members!

We are also delighted to announce that COACHING is again being provided by Judy Smyth. Demand was so great this season that all sessions were booked out early and additional sessions had to be organised for Saturday afternoons. The current coaching session runs for eight weeks from April 26th - June 28th, (excluding the May and June bank holiday weekends).

Membership Fees

The North Kildare Club operates its year from 1st September to 31st August each year. The fees for 1st child are £30 and second child £25. Outstanding fees for the 1997/98 year and fees for new members will be accepted any Sunday at the club.

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NORTH KILDARE JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB (Cont.)

Leinster Provincial Towns Council.

Our congrats go to Barry Keenan who was selected for Round 2 of the Provincial Towns Tennis Coaching at the Riverview Club.

Activities Programme for 26th April - 28th June, 1998.

10.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	Age 7 - 9 years
11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Age 10 - 11 years
12.00 noon - 1.00 p.m.	Mini Tennis and Age 12 years +

New members are always welcome and any enquiries can be dealt with any Sunday morning at the Club with any Committee Member or with Helen O'Brien at 6289214 or Aine Hearn Kennedy at 6286760.

North Kildare Junior Tennis Club Committee

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Macs The Man In Moate

The second outing of the year took place to Moate Golf Club on Saturday 18th April. Played on one of the best days weatherwise the testing Midlands course proved a tough test for all and just like the "Masters" it was one of the older brigade who came through with 36 points to snatch victory. Playing in the last two-ball Gerry McTernan thanks to a 20 points back nine came home the winner. Congrats to the handicap Secretary.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ted and Alverne Keogh - Coffee House and Restaurant - for their generous sponsorship of our Easter Egg Raffle.

18th April, 1998 Moate Golf Club

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3rd	-	R. Delemere	33 pts.
4th	-	B. Cassidy	32 pts. (back 9)
5th	-	K. O'Brien	32 pts.
6th	-	P. Ryan	31 pts. (back 9)
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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C. NOTES

D.D.S.L. 8A1 Sunday
Maynooth Town 2 - Kilnamanagh Boys 7

A very strong Kilnamanagh side visited the Harbour Field for the under 8’s encounter. Maynooth conceded a goal in the opening minutes and did well to hold the visitors to 1 - 3 at half time. Kilnamanagh started the second half as strong as they had finished the first and wasted no time putting the game beyond Maynooth. Home team manager Bill Gannon gave the full squad a run out and with some as young as 6 years old the experience will do them good.

D.D.S.L. 9B Sunday
Maynooth Town 3 - St. Paul’s Artane 0

The Harbour has thrown up some good encounters in the past but this under 9 clash was up there with the best of them. The final score may have looked one sided but it was a fine display by the Maynooth keeper that kept the Town in the game in the first ten minutes. Despite the bright start by St. Paul’s it was the home side that went into the break ahead with Brendan Doogan finding the net in the first half. The second half continued to provide some classic football and a solid Maynooth defence along with excellent goalkeeping kept the visitors at bay. Goals from Shane Travers and a second for man of the match Brendan Doogan gave Maynooth a well-deserved victory.

D.D.S.L. 11A1 Saturday
Swords Celtic 2 - Maynooth Town 2

A hat full of missed chances saw the Town earn only a single point after the long trek to Swords for this under 11 encounter. Despite having the best early chances Maynooth went behind having failed to clear the ball properly. A David Prendergast goal saw the sides level at the break and having gone behind again in the second half Maynooth leveled the match within two minutes with Prendergast again popping up to save the day. Swords were lucky to get a point with only the woodwork saving them from going behind. David O’Haire could have wrapped it up for the Town but a bad bounce in the six yard box saw his effort going over the bar. Maynooth kept the pressure on and Swords were glad to hear the final whistle. A good all round performance by Maynooth with two goal hero David Prendergast and centre half Sean McAllister sharing the man of the match award.

Maynooth: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Declan Bambrick, Sean McAllister, Gavin O’Connor, David Prendergast, David Baxter, Luke Daly, Tadgh Moriarty, Gary Fox, Shaun Doogan, David O’Haire, Barry Harney and Dara Sweeney.

D.D.S.L. 11A1 Saturday
Maynooth Town 4 - Hillcrest 1

The signs that the football season is drawing to a close were signalled by the first evening kick-off of the year. The largest crowd of the season saw Maynooth run out the easy winners. A clash of heads that put two of the Town’s defenders temporarily out of the game gave the visitors their only goal. Maynooth put the early set back behind them and thrilled the crowd with a fine display of attacking football. Two goals from Shaun Doogan and one each from Luke Daly and Sean McAllister saw the home side cruise to an easy victory. McAllister’s goal came from an indirect free kick on the edge of the Hillview penalty area. David O’Haire laid off a perfectly weighted ball and McAllister’s strike bent around the wall (Brazilian style) into the top right-hand corner. A sure contender for goal of the season. A good all round team performance that saw Maynooth climb to 5th place in a very tough division.

Maynooth: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Declan Bambrick, Sean McAllister, Gavin O’Connor, David Baxter, Luke Daly, Tadgh Moriarty, Gary Fox, Shaun Doogan, David O’Haire, Barry Harney and Dara Sweeney.

Under 9A1 Fr. McCabe Cup
Maynooth Town 3 - St. Joseph’s Boys 3 (after extra-time)
St. Joseph’s Boys Won 3 - 4 on penalties

Football can be a cruel game but it was seen at its cruelest in this cup match between two well-matched sides on a wet sunday morning in the Harbour Field. The visitors took the lead with just 6 minutes on the clock but Maynooth wasted no time getting back into it when Joey Glynn equalized just four minutes later. St Joseph’s struck again in the 15th minute but a fine

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C. NOTES (Cont.)

strike from Sean Sinclair three minutes later saw the sides level at the break. The Town went behind again in the second half before Conor Canning levelled for the home side to take the game into extra time. Both sides had chances to seal the victory but the heavy ground was sapping the strength from these young legs. The regulation five penalties still could not split the sides and the match went to sudden death. The visitors converted their first and only a fine save by their keeper saw St. Joseph’s progress to the Quarter-Finals.

Other D.D.S.L. Results

Under 10B Saturday	Wayside Celtic 2 - Maynooth Town 3
Under 8B Sunday	Leixlip United 2 - Maynooth Town 4
Under 9B Sunday	Maynooth Town 8 - Mount Merrion 2.

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

22-Mar-98 One Jackpot Winner for £400

29-Mar-98	9,15,22	£300	James Cumiskey	E.Mitchell	B. Desmond	J. McGinley	Orla Murphy
5-Apr-98	1,7,10	£325	Frank Desmond	Marg. Gillick	Don Foley	Spin Nolan	N. Donovan
12-Apr-98	8,24,26	£350	Ger Horgan	Mary Reynolds	Sean O’Neill	O & L Murphy	C. Burke
19-Apr-98	16,28,29	£375	Perry Twomey	Brendan Togher	R.Scanlon	Patsy Leavey	Colm Neary

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PARKLANDS OVER 35’S WIN
MAXOL/ARDIFF TOURNAMENT


Congratulations to Parklands Over 35 team who won the Maxol/Ardiff 5-a-side football tournament at Leixlip amenities Centre on Saturday 4th April.

The Maynooth side beat Eden Aluminium from Leixlip by 4 goals to 1 avenging their 0 - 1 defeat by the same opposition in the 1997 final. The Parklands team consisted of ex-College Green F.C. (remember them) stalwarts Tony O’Connor, Paul “Peter Pan” Broughan and Ciaran “Fly” McGroarty, ably assisted by local lawman Peadar Haran, Celbridge resident and former Meath great Aidan Critchley, and Parklands Rise’s Sean “Chopper” Sinclair. A seventh member of the panel Simon “Dan Pretrescu” Williams was unfortunately injured for the final but his goals in the earlier rounds of the tournament proved invaluable.

It seemed like “deja vu” when Eden Aluminium raced into a 1 - 0 lead after two minutes of the fifteen minute final.

However two lightening strikes by McGroarty at the start of the second half and a third by Haran shortly after put paid to Eden’s effort. Critchley scored a fourth to wrap up proceedings and the cup was on its way home to Maynooth.

A good night was had by all who attended the presentations at the Springfield Hotel afterwards.



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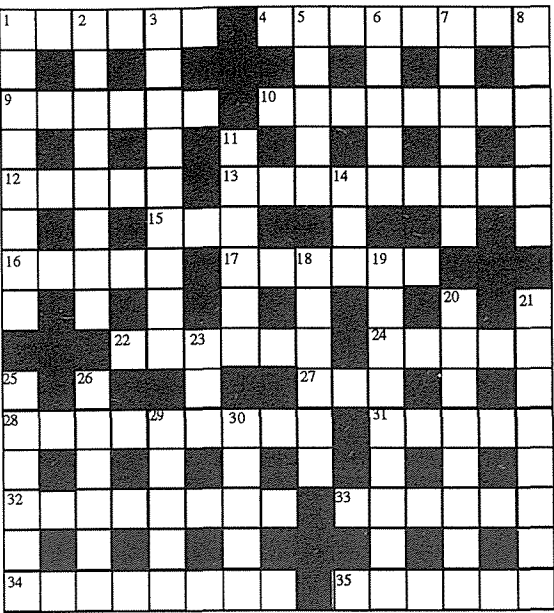
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Crossword No. 126



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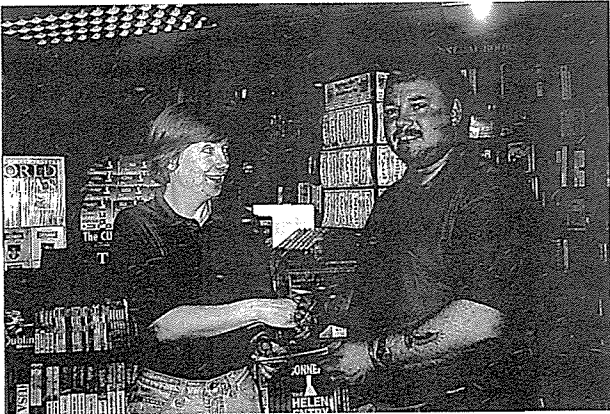
Across:

- 1. Time to come (6)
- 4. Scandalous (8)
- 9. Widow (6)
- 10. Spender (8)
- 12. Craze (5)
- 13. Evasion (9)
- 15. Doctrine (3)
- 16. Vapour (5)
- 17. Drink (6)
- 22. Thigh (6)
- 24. Wading bird (5)
- 27. Time (3)
- 28. Cowardly (9)
- 31. Hazy (5)
- 32. Arm again (8)
- 33. Estate (6)
- 34. At present (8)
- 35. Savage (6)

Down:

- 1. Cardinal (8)
- 2. Accomplished (8)
- 3. Salvager (9)
- 5. Russian rebel (5)
- 6. Ms. Garson ? (5)
- 7. Wily (6)
- 8. Diatribe (6)
- 11. Stoat (6)

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- 14. French mate (3)
- 18. Command (6)
- 19. Conduct (9)
- 20. Aromatic (8)
- 21. Intrinsic (8)
- 23. Slippery swimmer (3)
- 25. Drug (6)
- 26. Cushion (6)
- 29. Antelope (5)
- 30. Coarse material (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 125

Across: 1. Insist; 4. Stammers; 9. Torpid; 10. Inertial; 12. Reach; 13. Attention; 15. Tim; 16. Aisle; 17. Behest; 22. Strewn; 24. Farce; 27. Elf; 28. Tigercubs; 31. Oscar; 32. Flamenco; 33. Hatred; 34. Extremes; 35. Seared.

Down: 1. Interval; 2. Sargasso; 3. Slightest; 5. Tenet; 6. Moron; 7. Elixir; 8. Saline; 11. Gamble; 14. Ewe; 18. Honest; 19. Suffocate; 20. Procurer; 21. Debraded; 23. Roc; 25. Stifle; 26. Aghast; 29. Reeve; 30. Uncle.

Winner of Crossword 125: Michael O'Sullivan, 1183 Old Greenfield, Maynooth.

Acknowledgements

Burke: The family of the late Mary Burke, 15 Parson Street, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal, Mass and Funeral and who sent Mass Cards and Floral Tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. Sinnott, Fr. Supple, Fr. Paddy Joe O'Connor and Fr. Joe Gallagher (Mullingar) for their kindness and also Dr. Maurice Cowhey and the doctors and nurses of Blanchardstown Hospital. Many thanks to all our wonderful neighbours in Parson Street and all our friends. The Holy Sacrifice of Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Martin: The wife and family of the late Bernard (Benny) Martin, Maynooth and late Ballyjamesduff wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who sent mass cards, letters of sympathy or telephoned, to our neighbours and many kind people who called to the house personally. A special thanks to Fr. Supple, Fr. Sinnott and Dr. O'Rourke for their long time care and support and the medical staff in St. James Hospital for all their kind attention to the local Garda and the Nurses. To all the friends and colleagues from Maynooth College, Intel and Trintech who called to the house, travelled to the funeral and sympathised. We hope this will be accepted by all as a token of our sincere gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Lawler: The husband and family of the late Breda Lawler, Laurence Avenue, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who attended the removal mass and funeral and those who sent mass cards and floral tributes. Thanks also to Fr. Brendan Casey, Divine Word Missionaries, who officiated at the funeral, Fr. Supple, Fr. Sinnott, Dr. Gaffney, Mrs. Dr. Hanlon, the nursing staff of St. Benedict's Ward in the Mater Private Hospital, and the Home Care Nurses affiliated to Kildare Hospice. A special word of thanks to their neighbours and friends who organised the catering following the funeral, and to the G.A.A. Club for the use of their facilities. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Nolan: The family of the late Mick Nolan, 3 The Green, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad loss; those who sent mass cards, messages of sympathy, floral tributes, telephoned, called personally, attended the removal, mass and funeral. A special word of thanks to Fr. J. Sinnott, Fr. B. Supple, Fr. J. Dunne and Fr. P.J. O'Connor and all his friends in Kavanagh's Mill and also the local G.A.A. To all the kind neighbours who helped in any way. We trust this acknowledgement will be accepted by all as a token of our grateful appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Lennon: The wife and family of the late Eamon Lennon Newtown, Maynooth would like to thank all who helped us through our recent bereavement. Those who attended his removal, Mass and Funeral. Those who sent wreaths, Mass Cards, Sympathy Cards or any other gestures of sympathy. The local clergy for their great help in our grief. The local Gardai for their assistance, The GAA, LCVP for the guard of honour. The Choir from the girls school. Thanks also to Peter O'Brien, The K Club, Orange Tree Restaurant, The Leinster Arms, The Staff of Naas General Hospital and last the Staff of Peamount Hospital who gave us great support.

SYMPATHY

With deepest sympathy to the wife, sisters, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends of Patrick (Paddy) Kavanagh, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk formerly Newtown, Maynooth.

With deepest sympathy to the wife, sons, daughters, brother, sister, grandchildren, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Frank Reilly, Leinster Park, Maynooth.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to: James and Una McDermott of The Square on the 50th Anniversary of their marriage on the 21st April which they celebrated on Easter Sunday with their children, grand-children and son-in-law. BEIR Bua!

Congratulations to: Carmel and Ted Farrelly, Kilcock Road, who celebrated their 27th Wedding Anniversary on March 31st and to daughter Audrey Happy Birthday, March 30th from all your family and friends.

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Birthday wishes to: Ciara McDonnell, Cluain Aoibhinn, age 17 on the 24th May. From Dad, Mam and Kevin.

Happy Birthday: to Neil Kavanagh who will be 21 on the 11th May, from Mam, Karen, Mark, Ian, Niamh, Declan and Jennifer.

Happy Birthday: to Mark Kavanagh who will be 16 on the 13th May, from Mam, Ian, Niamh, Neil, Karen, Declan and Jennifer.

Birthday wishes to: Triona Cahill, Leinster Park, age 13, April 17th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, sister, brother and all your friends.

Birthday wishes to: Gearoid McTernan, Parson Street, April 18th. Best wishes from all the family.

Birthday wishes to: Ted Connolly, Greenfield, April 14th. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

Birthday wishes to: Pat Burke, Newtown, April 14th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, brothers, sisters and all your friends.

Birthday wishes to: Mark McEvoy, Greenfield, April 8th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and all the family also to Jamie, grandson, age 3.

Birthday wishes to: Kitty Thompson who celebrated her 98th birthday on the 5th April. Best wishes from family and friends.

Birthday wishes to: Paddy (Ginger) Malone, Double Lane, April 18th. Best wishes from all the family.

Birthday wishes to: Mary Harty, The Maws, Kilcock, age 18. April 10th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and brother Patrick.

Birthday wishes to: Gillian Donovan, Greenfield, age 10, April 15th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and brother Stephen.

Birthday wishes to: David Newton, Greenfield, age 19, April 9th. Best wishes from Dan and Babby.

Birthday wishes to: Mark Lennon of Killmacredock, Maynooth who was 14 on the 26th April, from his Mam, Dad, Kenneth, Brendan and David.

Birthday wishes to: Leona Murphy, Coarsemoor, Straffan, who will be 14 on the 10th May. Love from Auntie Margaret and Uncle Michael and all her cousins.

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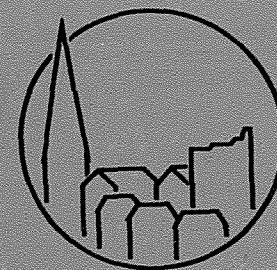
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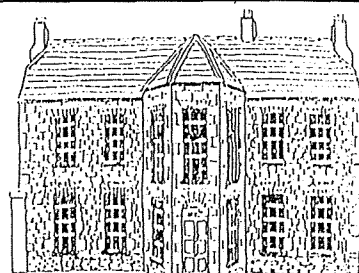


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DIARY DATES

Thursday 4th June I.C.A. Monthly Meeting 8 p.m.

Thur. 4th Fri. 5th Sat. 6th June I.C.A. Womens' World Show R.D.S. 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday 6th June Community Games County Swimming Finals, Athy Pool 10 a.m.

Sunday 7th June Fr. Supple's Months Mind Mass 6 p.m.

Wednesday 10th June Closing date for bookings of Senior Citizens Summer Outing.

Saturday 13th June Community Games County Finals Pitch & Putt Dunboyne Road 10 a.m.

Sunday 14th June Swimming Club Junior Gala

Sunday 14th June Scoil Uí Riada Open Day 2 p.m.

Saturday 20th June Senior Citizens Summer Outing leaving Greenfield Shopping Centre 2 p.m.

Sat. 20th & Sun. 21st June Community Games County Finals Athletics, Newbridge

Sunday 21st June Swimming Club Senior Gala

Wednesday 24th June Swimming Club A.G.M.

Thur. 25th June Closing date Senior Citizens Morning Club

Saturday 27th June Swimming Club Family Swim

Tuesday 7th July Summer Projects Enrolments ICA Hall 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.

Friday 17th July Summer Festival Launch Glenroyal Hotel 10.30 p.m.

Wednesday 22nd July to Sunday 26th July Summer Festival

EDITORIAL

Fr. Supple - An Appreciation: Throughout this months **Newsletter** contributions from a wide range of community organisations expressing their sadness at the passing of Fr. Brendan Supple. They all refer to his contribution to the community life of Maynooth. His work with the schools reflected his interest and commitment to the young people of Maynooth while the Senior Citizens committee pay a glowing tribute to his involvement with the elderly. In the last few weeks many have referred to his humanity and personal kindness, particularly in relation to the sick and infirm. Fr. Supple was proud of Maynooth and especially proud of its achievements, whether on playing fields, in concert halls, through the schools or local organisations. Maynooth will be a poorer place for his passing.

Examination Time: As we go to press Leaving Cert and Junior Cert students in the Post-Primary school will be hard at work preparing for this years examinations. The school and its students have a tremendous record in these exams but that will be no consolation to students this year who view the approach of that first exam with growing trepidation. All we can do to reassure them at this stage is to say that there is life after the exams and that those who work hard and prepare well have nothing to fear. Best of luck to all.

Vandalism on Main Street: Main St. looks its best at this time of year. Visually, the streets greatest resource is the two lines of trees and their covering of new leaves which appear at the end of April every year. It's a resource which no money can buy and which other towns are rightly envious of. Such a gift obviously deserves the most careful husbanding. It is very annoying to report, then, that one of these trees was recently vandalised. Generally when we talk about vandals and vandalism we think in terms of unruly youths smashing windows or defacing buildings with graffiti. In this case, however, the tree (outside Travel Options - who were in no way responsible) was defaced by a so called responsible adult who should have known better. We have reproduced a picture of the tree, whose shape has been completely destroyed, elsewhere in the **Newsletter**. Maynooth's trees are protected by law. We hope justice will be done in this case.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Fr. Brendan Supple P.P.

Community Council Chairman, Tom McMullon at the May meeting of the council led the tributes paid to Fr. Supple P.P. whose death shocked his many friends in the town. Fr. Supple spent 23 years in Maynooth, firstly as a curate and in 1983 became Parish Priest.

Community Council's opinion on EU Funding for the Development of Carton reviewed

The May meeting focused exclusively on the Community Council's decision to write to the E.U. Commission to express concern regarding the use of European funding on this project. Parties on both sides of the argument addressed councillors and a subsequent vote was tied. On the casting vote of the Chairman, the decision was taken not to write.

Community Council Meetings

Community Councillors have been advised of the dates for the meetings planned for the rest of 1998. It is hoped that this will help members to plan to be available to attend.

Paul Croghan
PRO

COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

The Maynooth Festival will take place from Wednesday 22nd July to Sunday 26th July.

The launch will be on Friday 17th July in the Glenroyal Hotel, starting at 10.30 p.m. to the Guinness Jazz Band and will be followed by a Disco till 2.00 a.m. with bar extension.

The Committee felt it was necessary to shorten the Festival week as the earlier part of the week has not been very successful over the past few years. So we are expecting the whole of Maynooth to turn out for the Shorter Festival.

It will be an action packed 5 days, with the Guinness Soccer getting into action some weeks earlier. Entry forms elsewhere in this Newsletter. Ongoing will be Football, Pitch and Putt and Guinness Barperson along with the Soccer. There will be live entertainment in the Square each night or Glenroyal Hotel if weather is bad. There will also be Senior Citizens Cabaret, Table Quiz, Music Nights, Baby Competition, Childrens Entertainment and Picnic.

A full Programme of events will be in July Newsletter.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

We extend our sympathy to the brother and members of the family of Fr. Brendan Supple. Fr. Supple was the President of Maynooth Tidy Towns and always showed a great interest and support of our work. He will be greatly missed.

The Committee have been very busy putting together project plans for Fás and the Annual Entry for the Department of the Environment National Tidy Towns Competition. Our Annual house to house collection takes place towards the end of June. Please watch out for notices and announcements as details are not available as we go to print.

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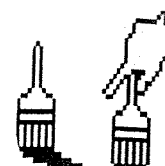
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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Weather wise, May began a little disappointingly however, Sunday the 10th things started to improve. How does she remember that? I hear you ask. Well that was the day we held our "Bealtaine Festival", while at the same time the Tony Smith memorial walk took place. The "walk" as you know is organised by the Labour Party in association with our committee. The proceeds of this exercise will be presented to us at our Cabaret night in Caulfields on July 23rd during festival week. This money will be spent this year on security systems for those older and more vulnerable people in our community. Many thanks to all who contributed or supported this event in any way. Your support is vital to the success of our work.

Having given the "walkers" a good send off at 3pm we continued with our festivities, starting as usual with Mass which was celebrated by Fr. Pat O'Connor. Having enjoyed the tea that followed, the entertainment got underway, during which Breda Cunningham tackled the difficult task of judging the many artistic endeavours on display. These included Macrame, quilting, knitting, crochet, drawing, writing and photography. After much deliberation, Breda awarded the top four prizes to, Betty Farrell for her Macrame lampshade, John O'Reilly for photography, Chris Feighery for her "knitted teddies" and Margaret Walsh for her drawing, all of whom received a piece of Tara china for their efforts. Many thanks to Emmet Stagg who remained with us to present the awards,

[Although some say it was to recover from the walk!]. And a big thank you to Breda for her time and expertise. This most enjoyable evening came to a sad and sudden end as the news began to filter through of the death of our beloved Parish Priest, Fr. Brendan Supple. The news sent shock waves through our gathering of Senior Citizens to whom he meant so much. Many were visibly upset. Some spoke of his visits to their homes, of his prayers while they were ill or indeed the many hours he spent visiting his parishioners in hospital. He also held a special place in his heart for the disadvantaged in our society. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him, the volume of people at his funeral said it all. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family and fellow priests.

May he rest in peace.

Our Summer outing will take place on Saturday June 20th and those who wish to join us, should have their names in by June 10th. The bus departs at 2pm from Greenfield Shopping Centre. There will be two pick-up points, Old Greenfield and the bus stop opposite the Glenroyal Centre. Please note the change of bus stops.

Our Cabaret night already mentioned, takes place on Thursday July 23rd. The annual holidays in Kerdiffstown are from Aug 16th to Aug 22nd. Our morning club will close for the Summer recess on June 25th and will re-open Sept. 1st. In the meantime happy holidays, wherever you are.

Josephine Moore.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Well boys and girls its nearly time for Maynooth Summer Project '98, and we have a full programme organised for you all again this year. Registration date is Tuesday 7th July at the I.C.A. Hall from 10.30 - 12.30 p.m.

Programmes of events will be given to the schools for each child.

We have lots of trips away organised as well as our at home events. Included in the time table are the usual Crafts, Bingo, Quiz, Soccer, Pitch & Putt, Mixed Games, Hike, Drama Work Shop to name but a few events. Don't forget and take note of registration day and be there with a parent or guardian.

The over 12 year olds must also register that day for their events and book accordingly. Looking forward to seeing you all on July 7th at the I.C.A. Hall.

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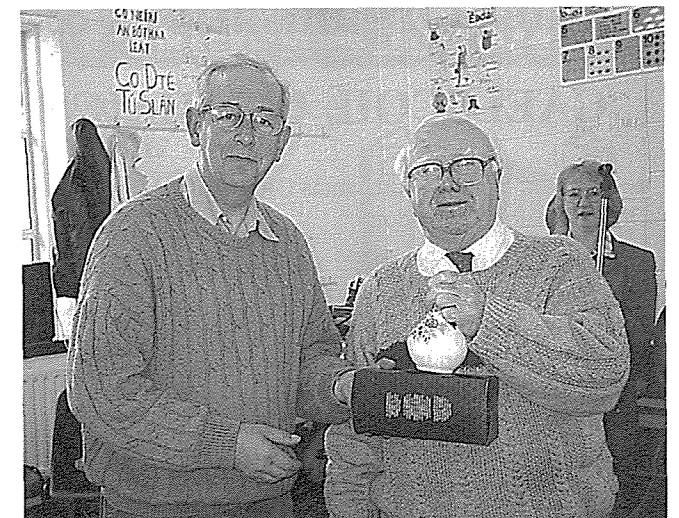
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Mr. Reilly receiving his prize for photography at the Senior Citizens Party



Margaret Nolan & Michael Kelly who were recently married at Ladychapel Church



L-R Freda Kelleher & Breda Gormally conferred with NCIR Certificate in Community Workplace Management. Freda is Supervisor with Maynooth Community Council & Breda with Maynooth Citizens Information Centre.



Javelin Community Games
L-R 4th. Aisling Bean, 3rd. Carol McCartin, 1st. Emma Fleming 2nd. Awut Ni Mhuruchú



Community Games Long Puck
L-R 3rd. Shane Judge, 1st. Michael Gillick & 2nd Brian Bean

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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

1. Ar gCéad Bliain le Aitheantas Oifigiúil/ Our first year with Official State Recognition.

We can now safely say that "Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich" is firmly established in Maynooth and is an integral part of our community. During our first "Official" year we have made great progress and are very proud of our achievements. We wish to say "Go raibh maith agaibh" to all those who have supported and encouraged us especially the parents of the children attending the school without their help we would not be where we are today.



6 Chle: Meadhbh Ní Bhraonáin, Grainne NicGiolla Chomail.
Nicola Ní Bhraonáin, Lauren Ní Mhurchú, Imogen Ní
hEalaí, Tomás Garnett, Fiachra ó Fearceallaigh

2. Ríomhairí / Computers.

The children in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich are rapidly becoming 'computer literate' thanks to the generosity of Intel. Both Máirín and I have been attending a most informative computer course in Intel which we find, is invaluable in the classroom. Intel have also very kindly donated 2 P.C.S. to us which are now up and running in each room. Ar Míle Buíochas le gach duine in Intel atá ag cabhrú linn.

3. Bord Bainistíochta Nua / New Board of Management.

A new Board of Management has been selected to represent the school for the next three years it is comprised of:

Chairman	Colm ó Cearúil
Príomh Oide	Máirín Ní Chéilleachair
Treasurer	Betty Ní Tr
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Parents Rep	Gearóid Mac Giolla Phádraig
	Ber Uí Mhuirí
	Paula Ferrari
Community Rep	Eamonn ó Muircheartaigh

4. Lá Telethon / Telethon Day

Friday 24th of April was National Telethon day and the children of Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich held their own fundraising events for this worthy cause. The "Lá Telethon" was a great success and we all thoroughly enjoyed it. This would not have been possible were it not for the help of Ger Scanlon and Rita Uí Dhúill. Ger provided her time and expertise when she came in to paint each child's face, with wonderful results! Rita provided great entertainment with her céilí in the afternoon. Míle buíochas libh beirt Ger and Rita as ucht bhúr gcabhrach? Altogether the children raised £100 for Telethon. Maith Sibh!

5. Enrolments for Sep '98 and succeeding years. If you have not already enrolled your child for next year and wish to do so you can contact Máirín (Principal) in the school any day from 8.30am to 3pm at 6290667.

6. Junior Summer Camp "as Gaeilge"

This year we are running our first "Campa Samhraidh" in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich. The camp will run from 29th - 6th to 3rd-7th and will cost £35per child (with reductions for 2 or more children from same family). Activities will include art, computers, sport, music, Irish Dancing and Drama. Further information is available from the school @ 6290667.

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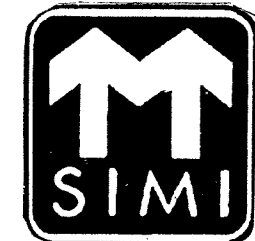
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SCOIL UÍ RIADA

Lá Oscailte (Open Day)

An Open Day for parents of children who are enroled in Scoil Uí Riada for Sept. 1998 will be held in the school on Sunday 14th of June from 2.00 p.m. onwards. This will give parents/guardians an opportunity to view the school, to look at the facilities and activities in which the school is engaged. In addition the plans for the forthcoming extension will be on view. Members of staff and Board of Management will be at hand to answer any queries. Light refreshments will be served.

Campa Samhraidh (Summer Camp)

Start the holiday in the Scoil Uí Riada Summer Camp from June 25th to July 10th with activities and Irish Classes for boys and girls from 6 to 14 years. The purpose of the Campa Samhraidh is to allow children to mix, mingle and play in a happy atmosphere through the medium of Irish. Children will be encouraged and helped every step of the way. The older children will be expected to make a determined effort at learning and using the language while at the Campa Samhraidh. Appropriate classes will be provided and children will be grouped according to their ages and abilities. Campa Samhraidh charges an all-inclusive fee of £75 for the two-week course, associated activities and tours. A reduction of £5 for second and each subsequent child from the same family applies. The children are supervised at all times. The course and its activities are fully insured. The Camp will provide buses to and from school subject to demand. Cost £6 per family. Application forms are available from the school and must be returned before June 20th.

Leinster G.A.A. Coaching Development Programme
Scoil Uí Riada pupils were the grateful recipients of a weeks coaching from Paul Flood (from Maynooth). Paul is completing a Diploma in Coaching Development in Maynooth as part of the Leinster G.A.A. Coaching Development Programme. He is among a group of eight who are currently involved in the course. As part of his Diploma he spent a week in Scoil Uí Riada recently teaching and coaching the skills in Gaelic football from infants to sixth class. The pupils certainly enjoyed their sessions with Paul. The Board of Management would like to thank Paul for the time and effort he put into the coaching sessions.

Condolence

The Board of Management of Scoil Uí Riada would like to offer its condolences to the relatives, colleagues and friends of the late Fr. Supple. *Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.*

Golf Classic

Held at Knockanally Golf Club on the 15th May 1998. The beautiful weather made the day. Many thanks to Noel Lyons and Board of Management for giving us time on the course.

Thanks also to the members of Knockanally who supported the day either by entering teams or buying tickets in the raffle. Thanks to the course staff for the excellent job they're doing on the course and to the catering staff for the beautiful meal. Thanks to the bar staff especially George Manzor who did the score cards, also to the professional Martin Darcy. Thanks to everyone who played on the day. I think everyone enjoyed themselves even if they didn't win.

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The winners were:

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- 2nd Declan Gibbons, Alec Loughnane, Richard Morris, Ciaran Lynch.
- 3rd Ray Lynch, Michael Gaynor, Terry Martin, Michael Dignan.

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SCOIL UÍ RIADA Cont

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- 1st - David Reilly - Cobra Car Alarm.
- 2nd - Ollie Naughton - £100 voucher for Monaghan Fields Menswear.
- 3rd - Jennifer - £40 voucher for O'Keefes.
- 4th - Declan Gibbons - £20 voucher for Gildeas Chemist
- 5th - Paddy Foy - £15 voucher for John Ryan Meats.
- 6th - Robbie Donohue - Jug Kettle from Clerys Hardware.
- 7th - Carmel Clarke - Hamper from Johnson and Johnson.
- 8th - Tom Walsh - Hamper from Johnson and Johnson.
- 9th - Mick Byrnes - Parasol with base.

Thanks to Opel (Dennis Logan) for the golf balls and Tara Bothers (Austin Withers) for the free minerals. Thanks to Brian Higgins. We could not have done it without you. Thanks also to Tom Walsh and Joe Walsh for the music - they were a brilliant band (for Folks Sake).

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A.
NOTES

Maynooth Irish Countrywomens Association held its A.G.M. in the I.C.A. hall on Thursday May 7th at 8p.m.

Marion thanked the outgoing Committee for all their hard work over the last year in the Guild. Marion has now stepped down as the President and newly elected President is Rosemary Hanley. The rest of the ladies of the new Committee will be made known in the June notes.

The Annual Sub for membership for the year in the I.C.A. is £20.00, and the list of activities which you can take part in and enjoy are very varied. There is something for everyone.

Congratulations were extended by Mary Dean to the ladies who came third in the A.I.B. competition. Betty Farrell had a very successful coffee morning on May 1st in the I.C.A. hall. Betty raised £340.00 for Alzheimers and she gave her thanks to all the ladies who supported her. Marion gave her word of thanks to Madeleine Styne who holds the keys of the I.C.A. hall. Madeleine did an excellent job.

The Guild Competition winners are as follows.....

1st Rosemary Hanley (free membership for one year £20.00)
2nd Marion Souhan and Mary O'Gorman, (jointly), £10.00 each.

3rd Mary Halton ...£5.00.

Upcoming events...

Saturday 9th May... Training day in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth 10.30a.m.4p.m

Central Office A.G.M. on the 13th May in Hudson Bay Hotel, Athlone. Crafts Display at PuncHESTOWN Festival 16th and 17th May. Kildare Federation meeting on Wednesday 27th May in the Athy G.A.A. Hall. Cookery demonstration run by Odlums on the 28th May in the Glenroyal Hotel at 7.45p.m..... Tickets are £5.00. International night on the 5th June in Robertstown Hotel. Women's World show in the R.D.S. on the 4th, 5th and 6th June from 11a.m. to 8p.m.

Badminton continues every Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Parish Hall from 10.30a.m. to 12m.d. The badminton will continue until the end of June.

Guild Raffle results....
1st. Betty Farrell.
2nd. Maryse Killian.
3rd. Grainne Kelly.

The next monthly meeting will be on the 4th June at 8p.m. I would like to congratulate and wish every success to the new P.R.O. on her appointment.

May Haren
P.R.O.

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BAND BULLETIN

On Sunday 10th May last St. Mary's Band, Maynooth lost one of its most ardent admirers with the death of our Joint President Fr. Supple. His love for the Band began on his arrival in Maynooth 23 years ago and was most apparent at our Annual Mass for deceased members when he reeled off all the important events and dates in the Bands History without reference to a single note. Indeed he helped in no small way to remind the people of Maynooth that the Band was one of the oldest and most important organisations in the town. Perhaps his proudest moment came in 1996 when he was asked to fill the vacancy left by the death of our previous Joint President Fr. Fergus O'Higgins and our framed souvenir of his appointment occupied a place of honour in the Presbytery. Our major regret was that he was not spared more time to a role which he thought so much of and spoke of many times during his illness. We are honoured to be associated with the Parish Month's Mind Mass for him on Sunday 7th June at 6 o'clock.

Our last Bulletin was entirely devoted to our Kansas City Diary and we thank the Editor of the Newsletter for allowing so much of his valuable space to this marathon record of the events in the U.S.A., a product of many late nights out there putting on paper all the happenings as they unfolded. A special thanks also to those who complimented us on the content of the Diary "which painted a marvellous picture of St. Patrick's Week in America, it was almost like being there ourselves". Its nice to know now and again that someone reads **the bulletin**. One disappointment though was the poor attendance at our Homecoming Concert in the Glenroyal Hotel. This was planned as an appreciation for all your generosity in making Kansas City possible and the nominal admission charge was just to cover costs of the concert. I guess our event suffered from the same complaint as the Telethon Concert and the Summer Project Disco - a severe bout of **couldn't care itis**. We really appreciate your financial support but we would appreciate it even more so if you came to our recitals because it makes a good Band sound even better.

The **Bulletin** is shorter than usual this month - writers cramp from last month - but I'm sure I've got plenty of flexitime worked up from the Kansas City Diary. Just two things to mention before I finish. One is get well soon to our Joint Treasurer Jennifer Quigley - the same Jennifer who fractured her wrist in Kansas City - and then just a few weeks later was involved in a car accident in Leixlip. She really has been through the mill. We're all thinking of you Jennie, come back soon. Secondly on the subject of engagements, our Diary for the next three months is filling up rapidly so if your organisation requires the services of the Band for your function please book now by contacting our Secretary, John Curran, 34 Beechdale, Dunboyne, Co. Meath. Tel. 8252445.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

We are now in the last term for this year. Fees are now due and can be made payable to any committee member or supervisor on the bus.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Junior Gala - 14th June
Senior Gala - 21st June

Our AGM will be held on June 24th in Caulfields back room. It is important that as many parents as possible attend this meeting for the on-going success of the club which is run on a voluntary basis.

We would especially like to have parents of children on the lengths bus represented, as without parental supervision on this bus, the lengths bus will have to be discontinued as from September. This is our 30th year running successfully, and we hope with the co-operation of parents and Committee members we can continue to run for the next 30 years.

Hope all our members have a great and safe summer and we shall see you all in September.

P.S. Family swim is on 27th June. There will be no transport for this swim.

Application forms will be given to the children to fill in for Sept. 1998 and need to be returned as soon as possible if they wish to keep their places.

*Patricia Moynan,
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8TH KILDARE MAYNOOTH SCOUTING NEWS

Hi again.

Sorry we missed you in last month's issue, but here's all our news since we last checked in.

On Monday the 13th April, our Maynooth Cub Scouts along with Leixlip Cub Scouts headed for Galway City - the city of the tribes - for the Annual Cub Scout Camp. Mind you though, they didn't have to rough it! They all stayed in the Great Western House Hostel, so there were no cubs or leaders dying to get home to fall into a nice comfy bed - they had it for the duration - and better still, didn't have to carry it!



Club Scouts out and about having fun in Galway

On Tuesday, they put their scouting skills in action, and went on a treasure trail around Galway City - in which they were very successful. After which, they went to Peter Pan Funworld - where kids literally do fly - down slides, through tunnels, up nets - and of course through every escape way possible when its time to gather up and leave. And the freefall slide was definitely a number one with the cubs.

On Wednesday, they went to Leisureland in Salthill with its three separate swimming pools, water-slide and jacuzzi. Don't worry, everyone got wet behind the ears, (or at least the neck), including the leaders. Then later on, they met up with local Galway Cub Scouts and went on a hike through Merlin Park Woods - that's a good stretch of the legs by anyone's standards! Everyone was very glad to hit the hay that night.

On Thursday, they went on a trip through Connemara, where they visited the filming locations of The Quiet Man, Ros na Rún and then on to Kylemore Abbey.

Then Friday came, and it was time to go - but not before everyone went shopping and had a meal in McDonalds - then everyone got back on the bus and hit off on the rocky road to Dublin - next stop - Maynooth.

C.S.I 8th KILDARE MAYNOOTH SCOUTS

Rye Valley Region

On the weekend of April 24th, our Scouts sent a team to represent Maynooth at this years Regional Shield in Larch Hill, C.S.I.'s National Activities Centre.

Believe me, this great outdoors, really is great - fresh air, clean water - and indoor plumbing with showers. Everything you need for a great camping trip.

The Regional Shield is an annual event in which scouts are tested on their camp craft, first aid, map, compass and nature skills, along with scout engineering and leadership skills.

It's all in the spirit of team-work and fun - and having an iron stomach - ah no. That's not fair. Our Scouts are, in fact, very good cooks. Plus very entertaining - each team had to do a sketch at the end of the second night.

Maynooth Scouts set up their camp-site with a swinging gate and they went out swinging too on entertainment night with their tribute to Fr. Ted.

We would like to thank Paddy Perry for all his help, and we wish Gemma Haren a Happy 21st Birthday!!!

We'd also like to congratulate the Kilcock Patrol on winning the Shield and wish them good luck in the National Finals.

Yours in Scouting,

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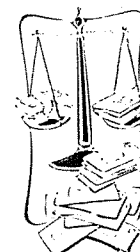
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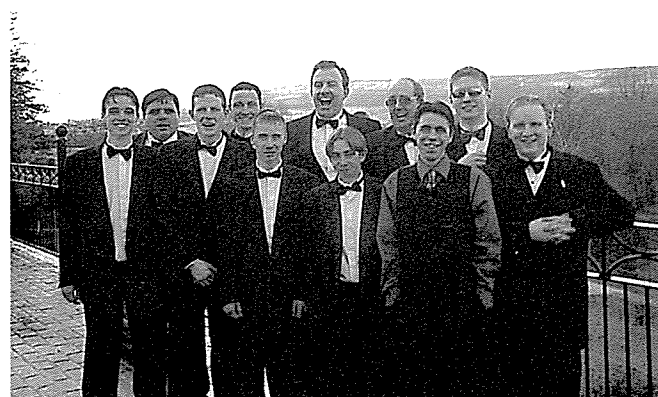
MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB.

Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club travelled to Carlow on Saturday 18th April 1998 for the National Youth Awards which, this year, were hosted by Baltinglass No Name Club. Over 30 Hosts and Hostesses including Adult Leaders travelled to The Dolmen Hotel for a most enjoyable evening. Special thanks to everyone from Baltinglass Club for hosting the event. Congratulations to all the finalists and especially Aine Geraghty from Kilkenny and Alan Malone from New Ross, both of whom were the winning Host and Hostess for this year.



Adult Leaders and Hostesses Enjoying the Awards Night in Carlow

The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club sponsored its Annual Interscholls Basketball Tournament on Friday 24th April in the Sports Complex of Maynooth College. A great sporting day was enjoyed by all teams from Maynooth Post Primary, Scoil Dara Kilcock,



Adult Leaders and Hosts Enjoying the Awards Night in Carlow

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Today I am tired, having spent yesterday 17/5/98 in the G.A.A. field at the Community Games Athletic Competitions. A beautiful day, a long programme but a poor turnout. There are approximately 1,200 children in Maynooth between the ages of 4 and 16, (on the last census figures) and I reckon there are more by now, but where are you all? 39 girls and 26 boys plus about 20 tots competed.

Results of Community Games Athletics

Boys U-8 60m	80m
1. Gavin Doyle	1. Colmán O Muruchú
2. Colmán O Muruchú	2. Michael Fahey
3. Michael Fahey	3. Gavin Doyle
4. Andrew Kavanagh	4. Conor Bean

U-10 100m	200m
1. Owen Curran	1. Owen Curran
2. Patrick Comerford	2. Michael Barry
3. Michael Barry	

Tots 3/4 yrs	Tots 5/6
1. Diarmuid O'Muruchú	1. David O'Connor
2. Sean Higgins	2. Sean Higgins
3. Philip Murphy	

U12 100mts	600mts
1. Declan Bambrick	1. Declan Bambrick
2. Sean MacNamara	2. Sean MacNamara
3. Brian Bean	3. Michael Gillick
4. Shane Judge	4. Brian Bean

U-14 Long Puck	U-14 100mts
1. Michael Gillick	1. Patrick Robinson
2. Brian Bean	2. Simon Fagan
3. Shane Judge	3. Sean Kennedy
4. Paul Clerkin	4. Kevin Comerford

800mts
1. David Comerford
2. Kevin Comerford
3. Sean MacNamara

Boys U-14 Shot Putt	U-13 Walk
1. David Comerford	1. Kevin Comerford
2. Simon Fagan	2. Sean MacNamara
3. Sean Kennedy	3. Patrick Robinson

U-16 100mts	1500m
1. Donal Houlihan	1. Donal Houlihan
2. Derek Judge	



Community Games Gymnastics Competitors at Maynooth Finals

Fun Relay: 1st Team

Mark Quigley, Edward O'Reilly, Patrick Robinson, Michael Fahey.

2nd Team

Donal Houlihan, Sean MacNamara, Sean Kennedy, Michael Brennan.

3rd Team

Larry Comerford, Kevin Comerford, Richard Judge, Michael Gillick.

Fathers 100m

1. Seamus McCartan
2. Michael Barry
3. Norman Kavanagh
4. Michael Fahey

Girls U-8 60mts 80mts

1. Elaine Houlihan	1. Ailbhe Flynn
2. Claire MacNamara	2. Elaine Houlihan
3. Ailbhe Flynn	3. Claire MacNamara
4. Nicola Murray	4. Therese Barry

U-10 200mts

1. Shonadh Crosbie	1. Arek Ní Mhuruchú
2. Arek Ní Mhuruchú	2. Niamh Molloy
3. Eimear Flynn	3. Shonadh Crosbie
4. Niamh Molloy	4. Grace Kennedy

U12 100mts

1. Ciana Ennis	1. Ciana Ennis
2. Jennifer Halton	2. Jennifer Halton
3. Alison Judge	3. Alison Judge
4. Una Campbell	4. Orla Bambrick

U-12 600mts

1. Ciana Ennis	1. Ciana Ennis
2. Jennifer Halton	2. Jennifer Halton
3. Alison Judge	3. Alison Judge
4. Orla Bambrick	4. Orla Bambrick

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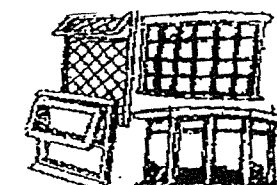
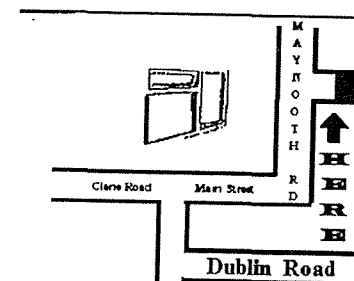
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U-14 100mts

1. Muire Ennis
2. Edel Barry
3. Muireann O'Sullivan
4. Paula Curran

U-14 800mts

1. Muire Ennis
2. Elaine MacNamara
3. Awut Ní Mhuruchú
4. Muireann O'Sullivan

Long Puck

1. Elaine MacNamara
2. Muireann O'Sullivan
3. Carol McCartan

Shot Putt

1. Awut Ní Mhuruchú
2. Elaine MacNamara
3. Edel Barry

U-13 Walk

1. Muire Ennis
2. Muireann O'Sullivan
3. Edel Barry

Girls U-16 100mts

1. Michelle Murray
2. Emma Fleming

1500mts

1. Michelle Murray

Girls U-17 Javelin

1. Emma Fleming
2. Awut Ní Mhuruchú
3. Carol McCartan

Fun Relay

1st Team: Muire Ennis, Elaine Keenan, Elaine Houlihan, Nicola O' Hurley.

2nd Team: Ciana Ennis, Una Campbell, Aisling Bean, Arek Ní Mhuruchú.

3rd Team: Elaine MacNamara, Eimear Flynn, Alison Judge, Emer Connellan.

Mothers 100mts

1. Fiona O'Connor
2. Mandy Murphy
3. Mary Curran
4. Geraldine Corscadden

Tots 3/4yrs

1. Gillian Judge
2. Niamh Corscadden
3. Katie Curran

Tots 5/6yrs

1. Claire MacNamara
2. Therese Barry
3. Eileen Ryan

On Saturday 9th May the Pitch and Putt Competition took place on Bean's Pitch and Putt Course on the Dunboyne Road for Boys & Girls U/16. Poor turn out also although there were a large group missing from the town that weekend (gone on the 1st Years School Tour).

Pitch and Putt Result

Boys

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|-----------------|----|
| (1) Brian Bean | 59 |
| (3) Cian Byrne | 68 |
| (5) Alex Wall | 76 |
| (2) Alan Baxter | 63 |
| (4) Fintan Daly | 74 |

Girls

- | | |
|------------------------|----|
| (1) Emma Cullinane | 63 |
| (3) Suzanne Butler | 70 |
| (5) Orla Clerkin | 82 |
| (2) Anthonine Rossiter | 69 |
| (4) Aisling Bean | 70 |

These two sets of players now form the Boys and Girls teams to compete in the County Pitch & Putt Finals on **June 13th at 10a.m.** in Maynooth Pitch & Putt Club, Dunboyne Road.

By the time you are reading this article the county finals of the Gymnastics will be completed. Also the finals of the Volleyball, Variety, Basketball, Rounders, Table Tennis & Soccer. The Project team and the Quiz team took part in the National Finals in Mosney on the weekend of the 15/5/98. The Quiz Team were 7th overall and the Project were 13th overall. This is a fine performance, considering each county could send 2 teams on a thirty two county basis. Well done boys & girls.

Still to come are the county Swimming Finals in Athy pool on June 6th starting at 10a.m. and the County Athletic finals on Sat 20th & Sun 21th of June in Newbridge V.E.C. school grounds. I would like to thank all those who have helped in any way during this season. If I begin to name names I could get into a mess by omission so thank you all. When all the finals are complete we will be figuring out the 'Best Competitor' and the best 'Family Performance'. Watch this space.

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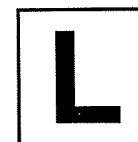


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MAYNOOTH REMEMBERS '98

This year marks the bi - centenary of the rebellion of 1798. The months of May and June in 1798 marked the high point of the rebellion and in this month's Newsletter we mark the bi - centenary by publishing a special feature on '98. The Maynooth area has some particularly strong links with the rebellion including 'Citizen' Fitzgerald of Carton who helped mastermind the insurrection in Leinster. The battle of Ovidstown, near Kilcock, was a decisive battle for military control of the region and, as outlined below, a commemorative walk to the site takes place on June 21st.

Extract from pamphlet by Liam Chambers

Preparation for Rebellion

During 1797-98 the United Irishmen in Leinster were strengthened. In Kildare alone they boasted an army on paper of 11,000 members. Kildare was a crucial county in pre-rebellion plans given its close proximity to Dublin. Within the overall strategy it appears likely that north Kildare United Irishmen were expected to link with west Dublin forces in an attack on the city. Jottings found on Lord Edward Fitzgerald when arrested suggest as much: "Suppose R force divided into three columns. The left of the Kildare line to ... [assemble at] Cloncurry, or between it and Clonard Bridge; a detachment to be sent to Clonard Bridge as soon as possible; that body [column] to advance by Kilcock, Maynooth, Leixlip and Chapelizod towards Dublin." Further south, attacks on Naas and Kilcullen would assist in isolating Dublin and when combined with projected assaults on Monasterevan, Kildare town, Athy and Castledermot, vital communication routes to south Leinster and Munster would be effectively severed.

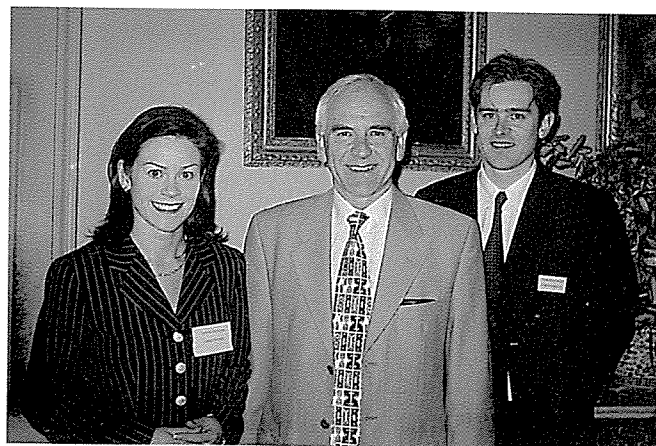
The ongoing plans for rebellion faced a serious threat when the government proclaimed the country under martial law on 30 March 1798. Disturbed areas of the country were forcibly pacified and disarmed, notably Kildare, Queen's County and King's County (modern Offaly), often with great violence, for example under Colonel Campbell at Athy. Generally the heightened military activity posed problems for the United Irish army, particularly their procurement of weapons, though pikes were quite easily manufactured and hidden. By April the cautious Abercromby was replaced by the uncompromising General Lake as the commander in chief of the Irish army. The forced disarming appeared to be working by May, for example the midlands commander Dundas believed Kildare had been pacified by 15 May. The disarming process reached North Kildare only days before the outbreak of rebellion. On 21 May Louisa Conolly of Castletown described a familiar scene: "This last week has been a most painful one for us. Maynooth, Kilcock, Leixlip and Celbridge, have had part of a Scotch regiment quartered at each place, living upon free quarters, and every day threatening to burn the towns ... Maynooth held out yesterday, though some houses were burnt, and some people punished ... We have fortunately two humane officers that do not do more than is absolutely necessary from their orders."

Lord Edward Fitzgerald

These problems for the rebels were exacerbated by the arrest of a number of leaders just before the rebellion: Lord Edward Fitzgerald on 19 May; John and Henry Sheares who had been sidelined within the movement a few days later; and Samuel Nielson, on the night of 23 May while trying to rescue Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald was an important loss as the masthead of organisation, its leading military commander and a powerfully symbolic figure in the Fitzgerald heartland of Kildare.

The 1798 Rebellion

The rebellion planned to begin on 23 - 24 May 1798 was a United Irish one. The United Irishmen had created a vast, politicised, underground army. Thus the rebellion was not a peasant revolt against harsh economic conditions and the military repression of Irish Catholics. The ultimate objective of the 1798 insurgents was the overthrow of the existent Irish administration and the creation of a non-sectarian, separate and French inspired Irish Republic. To suggest that every rebel participated for such lofty motives would be simplistic, but as an organisation this was the ambition of the United Irishmen. An unorganised peasant revolt would surely have erupted before 1798, given the military pressures of the previous years. When the rebellion arrived it demonstrated both coherence and organisation. Maynooth was involved in the rebellion and much of the conflict occurred in the surrounding area where rebels in the Bog of Allen threatened the key route into Dublin (via Maynooth) from the west.



Deborah and Conor Mallaghan with their father Lee Mallaghan owner of Carton at the 1798 Night in Carton recently. Cont.

MAYNOOTH REMEMBER '98 (CONT.)

Leinster, May 1798

One of the most important reasons for the overall failure of the 1798 rebellion was the fact that the Dublin element of the rising failed to materialise. The rising was set to begin on the night of 23 May. In Dublin, Samuel Neilson had provided United Irish leaders with instructions hours before his own arrest. In fact the government received information concerning the intended insurrection and mobilised their own forces first which effectively prevented any disturbance within the capital. However outside the city, the rebellion proceeded as planned, and around Dublin the rebels attacked a series of positions. Between 24 and 26 May the rebels occupied large areas of south Meath and Kildare, forming huge camps at Tara Hill, Timahoe, Kildare Town, Ballitore and Kilcullen.

The rebels had gained their first victory in the village of Prosperous, a few miles from Maynooth, where they quickly decimated the small garrison of Ancient Britons and Militia under Captain Swayne and proceeded to plant a tree of liberty in the main street. Meanwhile rebels under Michael Reynolds suffered a severe setback at Naas and fell back to form another important camp at Blackmore Hill in north Wicklow. These large United Irish camps posed a serious threat to Dublin, but they faced a serious tactical problem. The Dublin United Irishmen had been unable to attempt a second rising and were puzzled by the silence of their Ulster associates. This left the rebels outside the city stranded and wondering what to do next. The "outer" counties of King's, Queen's and Westmeath had failed to rise at all.

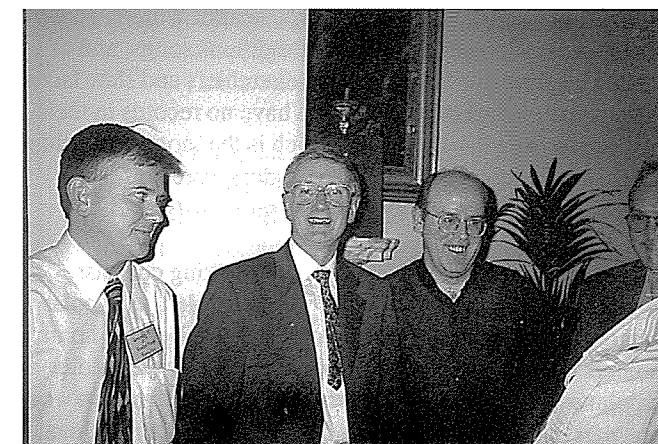
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Similarly North Kildare, the scene of much disaffection since 1795, also failed to rise effectively. As noted, it is possible that Lord Edward Fitzgerald's projected march on the capital was to begin in north Kildare along the Galway-Dublin road, therefore his arrest left the region in confusion. A letter written by W. Wilson from Maynooth on 24 May illustrates the level of panic in the area: "This day I am informed the mail from Dublin was [sic] stopped at Lucan [sic] by a numerous set of people armed [and] robbed of all the mail and letter[s] for this [town] ... from this town all is confusion ... it is hard to say what may not be the case in this and the adjoining country [sic]." However only in the subsequent days did low level skirmishes occur near Maynooth, in Kilcock, Leixlip and Lucan as some rebels from north Kildare apparently travelled north to the camp at Tara.

Defeat

The stranded nature of the rebellion outside Dublin resulted in its gradual disintegration from its military high point on 26 May. Some rebel bases were picked off by forces from outside the area. Tara rebels were defeated on 26 May, Rathangan was retaken on 28 May and rebels at Blackmore Hill were dispersed two days later. Rebels at Kilcullen were encouraged to surrender, and did so to General Dundas on 28 May. The camp outside Kildare town negotiated a similar surrender but the proceedings were prevented by the unexpected arrival of a force from Limerick under General James Duff, resulting in the massacre of 350 rebels on the Curragh. Rebels in the Ballitore area also attempted to negotiate with the hard-line Colonel Campbell at Athy, but they dragged on for days before Campbell (with Athy secured) forcibly pacified South Kildare. Moreover the rebels had suffered a huge defeat at Carlow on 25 May.

This disintegration did not mark the end of rebellion in North Leinster. A key camp emerged at Timahoe in North Kildare where rebels, secure within the vast Bog of Allen, threatened a crucial route into Dublin and effectively controlled a swathe of territory in north Kildare. If the ultimate rebel objective was Dublin the United Irish activity of this area was fundamental to success or failure in June.



Attending Carton Evening L-R Michael Quinn, Chairperson of Maynooth 1798 Group. Dr. WJ Smyth, President NUI Maynooth and Prof Kevin Whelan, University of Notre Dame.

MAYNOOTH REMEMBER '98 (CONT.)

PARTNERS IN STRUGGLE: THE WOMEN OF 1798

Mary Cullen

Although relatively little dealing specifically with women and 1798 has been published so far, yet it is clear that women as well as men were active in all aspects.

Many women participated in the political debate about republican government which drove the United Irish movement. Among others these include Martha McTier, sister of William Drennan, Mary Ann McCracken, sister of Henry Joy and Margaret Bond, wife of Oliver Bond, also famed for smuggling documents into Kilmainham gaol in freshly baked pies. We also know that at least one of these women, Mary Ann McCracken, challenged the United Irishmen to include women as equals in their plans. Women took part in United Irish organisation as members of Societies of United Irishwomen who organised aid for imprisoned United men and their families, as couriers and intelligence carriers and as recruiters.

Recruiting could be done in various ways including persuading militiamen to change their allegiance or by exerting moral pressure on young men. Charles Teeling wrote: In many of the higher circles, and in all the rustic festivities, that youth met with a cold and forbidding reception from the partner of his choice, who, whether from apathy or timidity, had not yet subscribed to the test of union."

Much of our information on the activities of women in the organisation of the United Irishmen and their allies the Defenders comes in scattered reports, hear of women going through towns and villages singing seditious songs, and of women wearing green ribbons, handkerchiefs and shoe laces to show their allegiance. So far we have no records in their own words from these women, which is the more frustrating as research is showing that the Defenders were far more politically aware and motivated than previously realised.

Regarding the rebellion itself there is a striking contrast between United Irish ideology of women's role and popular memory. They first portrayed women as symbols, as heroic mothers or as beautiful maidens endangered by the soldiery. Popular songs and ballads remember individual women who took part in physical combat as heroines, and often as Joans of Arc leading the men into battle.

Best known is Betsy Grey who fought and died at the Battle of Ballynahinch in County Down. She is remembered as a "beautiful girl, dressed in green silk, mounted on her gallant mare, and brandishing her burnished sword above her head, while side by side with Munroe she led one victorious charge

after another." Molly Weston who fought and died at the Battle of Tara is also remembered as a leader, rallying the pikemen and leading repeated charges. Her four brothers were reported killed but Molly Weston was never seen again. At the Battle of New Ross when the rebel army was reduced to a tattered remnant the only piece of rebel artillery to survive was saved by the initiative of Mary Doyle. Nearer home Ruth Hackett was killed at the the battle of Prosperous in County Kildare. Many other women whose names are lost also fought and died. At Vinegar Hill, for example, many women fought with the men, and a number were found dead among the fallen.

The work done by women in the rebel camps has yet to be recorded in a systematic way but Anna Kinsella writes that cutting the cross belts from the bodies of fallen dragoons was "a common task for camp followers, many of them apparently women", and that women also appear to have made gun powder in the camps. Such activities as acquiring and supplying combatants with food, arms and other supplies, carrying messages and gathering information, providing hiding places and safe houses, the dangerous harbouring and hiding of rebels on the run, collecting and burying dead bodies from the field of battle are all seen as part of soldiers' work when done by men in all-male armies. Many cases of all these activities being carried out by women are remembered in various parts of the country.

Richard Turner

In our own area Richard Turner who died in the battle of Ovidstown is buried at Ladychapel and local memory tells that his mother went to the battle field with a handcart, found her son's body and brought him home. The work going on during this bicentenary year in compiling local knowledge and folk memory should provide the basis for a more systematic record.

It is clear that asking what women did in 1798 increases our knowledge of the United Irish and Defender movements and of what actually happened in 1798. It broadens the focus from a relatively small number of male leaders to include the large numbers of men and women who took part in the thinking, the political organisation and the rebellion itself.

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MAYNOOTH REMEMBERS '98 (CONT.)

THOMAS RUSSELL (1767-1803)

The man from God Knows Where

The subject of Florence Wilson's eponymous ballad was born Thomas Paliser Russell on 21 November 1767 in Drumahane, near Mallow, Co. Cork. His parents were gentle, tolerant Anglicans who favoured political reform and fair treatment for the Catholic majority. Russell became a Gaelic scholar and was attached to the great liberal causes of the time, including anti-slavery. He was to become one of the founders of the United Irishmen and to pay with his life for his unrelenting dedication to that cause.

In 1783, he decided to follow his father and brothers into the army and was posted to India. In 1786, he returned on half-pay to Ireland and in July, 1790 he met Wolfe Tone. They became firm friends and on political matters their views were to fuse and develop. Russell resumed his military career, stationed in Belfast. As a personable and handsome officer, with a keen mind, he soon was drawn to the McCrackens, the Simms, the Templetons, the McCabes and other families who were to play prominent roles in the United Irish movement. With these new friends he developed ideas of parliamentary reform to include the bulk of the people, Catholic emancipation and even the question of separation from England. By July 1791, he was out of the army.

In May 1795, Wolfe Tone and family set out for America, facing imprisonment if he remained. He informed Russell, Neilson, Simms and McCracken of his plans at the historic meeting in McArt's fort on the summit of Cave Hill, overlooking Belfast. There they entered into a pact "never to desist in our efforts until we had subverted the authority of England over our country and asserted out independence."

In 1796, Russell published his pamphlet *A Letter to the People of Ireland on the Present Situation of the Country*, a powerful analysis on the gathering revolutionary opportunity and especially strong on the ploys of the administration to split the Catholic leadership from the radical Dissenters. Russell, Neilson, McCracken and other leaders of the Movement were rounded up and remained imprisoned without either bail or trial, a form of indefinite internment. While the great events of before and after 1798 were to unfold, Russell remained incarcerated in Newgate prison, where he endured many hardships including tending to the wounded Lord Edward Fitzgerald and the trauma of Wolfe Tone's death. In 1802, he was finally released having spent six years in prison. He spend the next nine months in revolutionary preparation in France. He slipped back into Ireland in disguise. By May of 1803, he was in hiding in Butterfield Lane, Dublin formulating plans with Robert Emmet and Michael O'Dwyer of Wicklow for another uprising. These ill fated plans were to lead to his capture and execution by hanging at Downpatrick jail on 21st October 1803.



Quartet from Music Dep-Maynooth College provided Music for '78 evening in Carton

*Into our towlan' on a night of snow
rode a man from God knows where;
None of us bade him stay or go
nor deemed him friend, nor damned him foe,
but we stabled his big roan mare;*

*..... For a wheen o' days we sat waitin' the word
to rise and go at it like men,
but no French ships sailed into Cloughy Bay
and we heard the black news on a harvest day
that the cause was lost again*
*..... By Downpatrick gaol I was bound to fare
on a day I'll remember, feth;*
*..... For the sodgers were standing grim an' tall,
round a scaffold built there foment the wall,
an' a man stepped out for death!*

*I was brave an' near to the edge of the throng,
yet I knowed the face again,
an' I knowed the set, and I knowed the walk
an' the sound of his strange up-country talk,
for he spoke out right an' plain.
Then he bowed his head to the swinging rope,
whiles I said 'Please God' to his dying hope
and 'Amen' to his dying prayer
that the wrong would cease and the right prevail
for the man that they hanged at Downpatrick gaol
was the man from God knows where!*

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MAYNOOTH REMEMBERS '98 (CONT.)

Lord Edward Fitzgerald Evening in Carton a Big Success

The attendance of 450 people on 3 April at the first event in our programme was a wonderful indication of public interest and support for commemorating 1798 in Maynooth and North Kildare. The very size of the attendance also displayed the enduring allure of the character of Lord Edward Fitzgerald and the desire of so many to learn more of his life and times.

And we were not to be disappointed, as we were treated to an engrossing lecture from Professor Kevin Whelan of Notre Dame University.

He revealed that Lord Edward, one of the great heroes of the 1798 rebellion, was born into the ascendancy family of the Geraldines at Carton; joined the Sussex Militia and while fighting for the British against the American Independence forces was seriously wounded in the battle of Utah; his life was saved by a runaway slave, Tony Small, who remained his life-long friend and companion; having spent some time living with native Americans in New Brunswick and returning to Europe and revolutionary France, he decided to dedicate himself to promoting Equality, Liberty and Fraternity; relinquished his title married Pamela, the daughter of a "revolutionary chic" French family; returned to Ireland in 1793 and threw in his lot with the leading United Irishmen.

By 1798 his inspiring personality and military training ensured that he played a major role in masterminding the United plan for an insurrection in Dublin, to be supported by crescents of attack and defence from Kildare and Leinster. After the arrest of most of the leaders at a meeting in March '98 on the betrayal of information by Kildare man Thomas

Reynolds, Lord Edward was obliged to go into hiding. Despite a £1,000 (£5ml. today) reward on his head he evaded arrest until 19 May. He was trapped by Major Sirr, who shot him in the arm, after Lord Edward killed one of his attackers with a dagger; he was held captive in Newgate Prison, and there he died in great pain, from septicemia, on the 4 June 1798, despite the best medical attention available at that time.

After this hour long lecture, delivered with engaging style, enthusiasm and panache, Professor Whelan entered into a lively questions and answers session. His performance drew a warm and sustained applause from the appreciative audience.

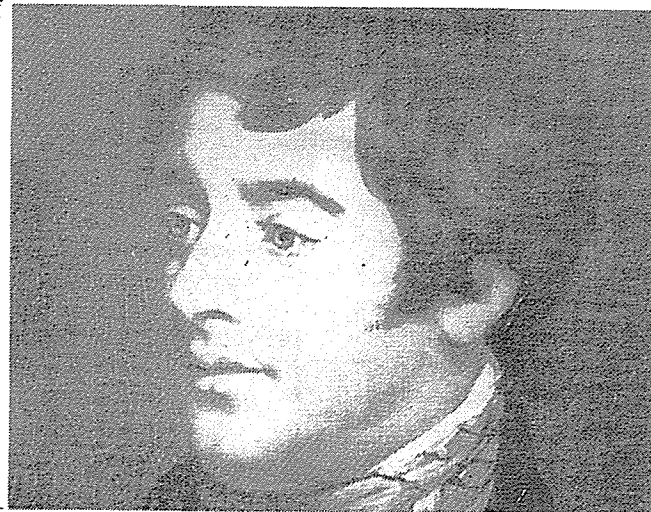
The evening was officially opened by the President of Maynooth College, Dr W J Smyth who, in applauding the

hosting of the event, stated "If society understands its place in history and geography, they can understand much better their place in late 20th Century Ireland, as we enter the 21st Century. The future will be informed by a proper understanding of the past".

The success of the evening has ensured that our Group is now in a strong financial position to complete our commemorative programme, including the publication of a pamphlet on Maynooth and the events of 1798.

Many thanks to the Mallaghan family who made the house available to us so readily and thanks also to our sponsors:

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Lord Edward Fitzgerald (National Gallery)



Pamela, wife of Edward (National Gallery)

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MAYNOOTH REMEMBER '98 (CONT.)

Battle of Ovidstown Commemorative Walk Sunday, 21st June

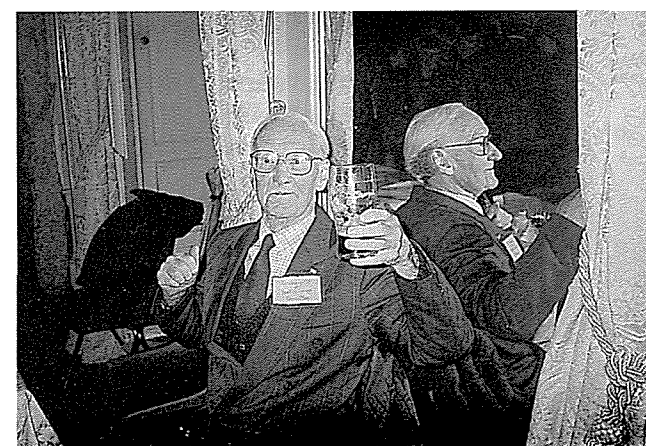
There will be a formal walk or procession from Ladychapel graveyard for Maynooth residents converging upon the site of the battle near Kilcock, a distance of 6 miles approx, near Tirmaughan school.

There we will meet up with similar groups organised by the various local commemorative committees in Kildare for a remembrance service and lecture on the details of the battle.

We will assemble at Ladychapel graveyard at 11.00 a.m. on that Sunday Morning, intending to arrive at Ovidstown for the start of the ceremony which is timed for 2 p.m.

Of course, those wishing to attend the ceremony may do so without taking part in this walk and it would be advisable to arrive at the site of the ceremony early (1.30 approx) because a large crowd is expected.

Below we publish two poems concerning the battle, "Caith Bhaile Oibhid", as Gaelge, and translated to English by an tSiúir Fintan, Kilcock; and a poem by another Kilcock poet, Stuart Lane, on Richard Turner, a young man killed in the battle, whose mother recovered his body in a hand-cart and brought him to Ladychapel graveyard where he is buried.



Gearóid Mac Teighrínín enjoying himself at '78 Night in Carton House

Richard Cassels

The man who designed Leinster house (now Dail Eireann) and redesigned Carton House, Richard Cassels, - or Castle - is buried in Maynooth. He died at Carton House in 1751.

Cassels was born in Hesse - Cassel, Germany about 1690 and came to Ireland about 1727. Eventually, he settled in Dublin where some impressive results of his work are to be found to-day: for example, Tyrone House in Marlborough Street (now the Department of Education H.Q.) and the Printing House in Trinity College. He also designed the Hall (lost in the nineteenth century) in Fishamble Street in which Handel's 'Messiah' was first performed in 1742. Further afield, Cassels was responsible for Powerscourt House in Enniskerry as well as many other notable structures. He had been commissioned by the 19th Earl of Kildare in 1739 to reconstruct Carton House from its then Tudor origins.

Michael O'Dwyer

Michael O'Dwyer, from the Glen of Immal, was a rebel leader who remained at large in the Wicklow Mountains, conducting a sort of guerrilla warfare for almost six years until he surrendered on favourable terms (subsequently flouted) in 1803 and was detained in Kilmainham Jail. In August, 1805, he was transported with his wife and two children aboard the 'Tellicherry' from Cobh to New South Wales, a voyage of 174 days. After many trials and tribulations there, he was permitted to settle down peacefully on a farm at Liverpool, near Sydney where subsequently he became Constable of the district. He died in 1825 aged 53 years, probably of dysentery, and was buried at Redfern Cemetery. His wife died in 1861 and was buried with him.

It is said that O'Dwyer was brought together with Robert Emmet by Thomas Russell (see elsewhere in this supplement). The Luke Cullen manuscripts give an account of a conversation between Emmet, O'Dwyer and others at Emmet's house at Butterfield Lane, Rathfarnham. According to this account, O'Dwyer was asked about his views as to the reasons for the failure of the '98 rebellion. O' Dwyer is reported to have said -

"I think there was more than one cause .. First, the affair exploded without a proper signal. Kildare flew to arms for want of a proper foresight .. they took to the field on their own level plains, where horse, foot and artillery could act. I would have done the same as they did, but not now. I would have assembled in the first of the night and made a rapid march for about six hours towards the mountains of Wicklow, or to the Bog of Allen By encamping on the heights near Blessington, they could have mountains at their

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rear and to their left and right to protect them from charges of Cavalry their numbers would be increased by the rest of Kildare, the west of Wicklow, and a large portion of Carlow - this done on the 25, 26 and 27 of May. On Tuesday the 29 intelligence would have reached the camp of the news of the gallant men at Oulart This camp would have menaced Dublin and kept the troops at it in check until the Wexfordmen would have completely possessed themselves of their own county, overrun Carlow and made a passage into Kilkenny, Tipperary and Waterford. I look on this as the first mistake".

According to Cullen's reconstruction, he then mentions the lack of proven leaders in the field, leading to "a want of proper discipline" and a shortage of arms and ammunition. He was also critical of what he saw as the "failure to act a manly part" of comrades in Munster and Ulster whom, he thought, had waited too long before making any moves to support the Rising in Leinster.

The Battle of Ovidstown

At Ovidstown on a bright summer day
Our ancestors bravely entered the fray
Under Aylmer's command, the men of Kilcock
Tried to grasp freedom from the Yeoman stock.

Our heroes didn't make half of their best
In trying the cannon from their foes to wrest
With dirt of pike and goading cheers
Many (twenty) feats were theirs in spite of fears.

But despite our forces act of valour
They failed to capture the enemy's armour
The mighty guns on them were trained
And the Murdering Ditch became their grave.

In reverence now let us take our stand
In the field where they fell, for their native land.
We pray that heaven long since be their bed
And may we never forget the deeds of our dead.

An tSr. Fionntan (aistrithe ón Gaeilge)

Wolfe Tone, often called the father of Irish Republicanism, whose family came from the Clane area, was born in Dublin on 20th June, 1763. He spent his honeymoon in Maynooth, having eloped with his young wife, Matilda Witherington, who lived in the house of her grandfather in Grafton Street, Dublin. He first met her in 1785, when he was a student and she was still fifteen years old. Tone describes the affair thus

"She had a brother some years older than herself, and, as it was necessary for my admission to the family that I should be first acquainted with him, I soon contrived to be introduced to him and as he played well on the violin, and I was myself a musical man, we grew intimate, the more so as it may well be supposed I neglected no fair means to recommend myself to him and the rest of the family with whom I soon grew to be a favourite. My affairs now advanced prosperously. My wife and I grew more passionately fond of each other, and, in a short time, I proposed to her to marry me, without asking consent of anyone, knowing well it would be in vain to expect it. She accepted the proposal as frankly as I made it and one morning in the month of July, we ran off together and were married. I carried her out of town to Maynooth for a few days and when the first eclat of passion had subsided we were forgiven on all sides and settled in lodgings near my wife's grandfather".

CATH BHAILE OIBHID

Lá geal samhraidh i mBaile Oibhid
Throid ár sinsear go fearúil cróga,
Fé cheannas Aylmer bhí feara Chill Chóca
Ag iarraí saoirse ó na céadta Yeomen.

Leath dá ndícheall ní dhearna na sár-fhir,
Ag iarraí an chanóin a bhaint dá námhaid,
Le beartú píce is le hiomad gártha
Rinne siad gaisce is fiche an lá sin.

Ach in ainneoin calmacht is croí ár bhfórsaí,
Theip ar a n-iarracht arm a thógaint;
Díríodh ortha na gunnaí móra
Is b'í Clais an Mhurdair a n-uaigh bhrónach!

Seasam inniu le hómós dílis
San pháirc 'nar thit siad ar son a dtíre.
Leaba ar Neamh, sin é ár nguí dóibh,
Is ná ligimís choíche a ngníomh as cuimhne.

*An tSr. Fionntan
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VERY REV. BRENDAN SUPPLE R.I.P. AN APPRECIATION

On Monday morning the 11th May when teachers and pupils gathered for school it was different from every other Monday. Fr. Supple was gone to his Home in Heaven. Parents expressed sympathy and teachers and pupils were numbed at the thought that Fr. Supple who for years had been such a familiar figure around our school was no longer with us. Almost every day of the school week, we, in Scoil Mhuire na Toirbhirte had a visit from Fr. Supple P.P. our beloved Chaplain and Chairman of our Board of Management. We know he enjoyed his visits and we, the Staff and pupils, appreciated his deep interest in the running of the school and his love of all the children. He knew every child personally and could call each one by name, spoke to each one about her home, her parents and grandparents. He was a special friend to any child who was anxious, upset or sad and had a unique way of dealing with little crises in children's lives.

Pupils preparing for First Communion and Confirmation got special attention from Fr. Supple. He prayed with them regularly and shared with them his love of the Word and the Sacrament. He instilled in the pupils for Confirmation an interest in and a love of the Saints whose names they chose. He encouraged them to pray daily and to have devotion to Mary the Mother of God.

Seeing children receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time on First Communion Day was the highlight of the year for him. It was always in the month of May and his favourite Hymn "When Creation was Begun" was always sung.

He was very particular that the Mass servers - boys and girls - had their annual tour and that it would be an enjoyable outing. I'm sure they will always remember last years visit to Cobh, his anxiety that they would enjoy "McDonalds" and his enjoyment of the "shoot out" with cap - guns on the rock of Cashel on the way home. He never missed his monthly meeting of the Board of Management. His interest and dedication was tireless. He was anxious that the

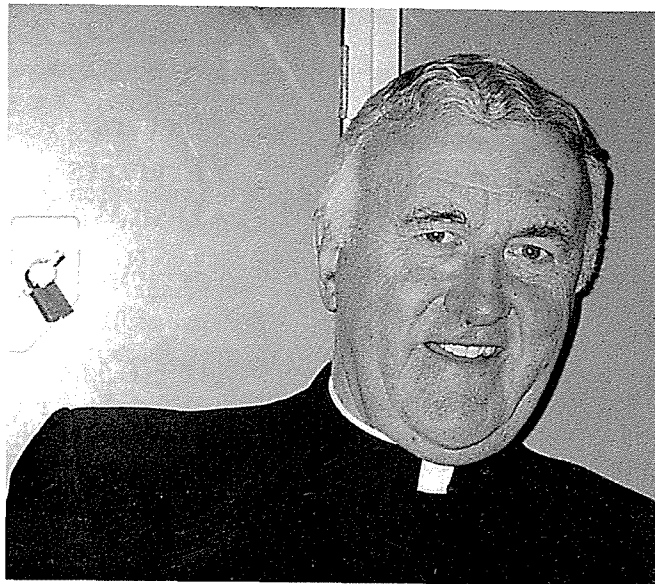
concerns of parents were considered and was always supportive of the Parents' Association and the work they did on behalf of the school. The school walk, which he always led, was another highlight.

On Monday afternoon we held a Prayer Service in the school hall to pray for him, and to celebrate his life and work among us. We prayed for the members of his family and the people of the Parish of Maynooth for whom his death was such a shock.



The children forming the Guard of Honour in the Square on the evening his remains came to Maynooth was impressive. His brother Fr. Des thanked the school very specially and was moved by their silent presence.

The Funeral Mass and burial on Tuesday was a fitting tribute to a gracious and holy Priest, a great friend of the school and an untiring worker in God's Kingdom.

*Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dillí.
Sr. Catherine Brosnan*



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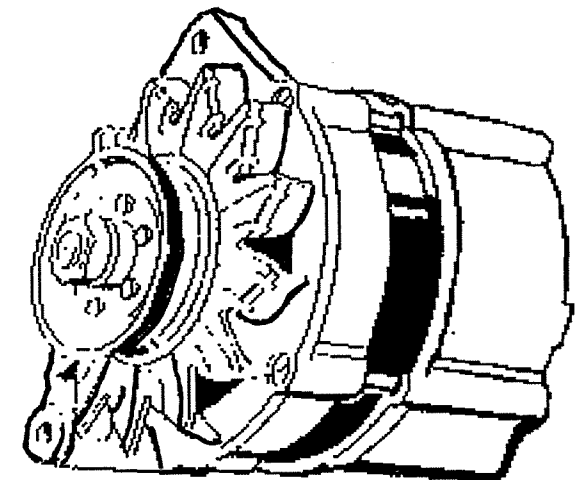
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SUMMER HOLIDAY

Sunshine, sunshine here we come
To brighten up all our day
You just cannot beat the sun
And all of its golden ray
Lets forget about winter gloom
And be a forgotten memory
Out to the coast we be soon
To explore the beauty of the sea.

Live it up and be carefree
Let your worries down the drain
Let summer fill your heart with glee
A time with all to gain
Sunshine with its gentle heat
No one knows of your source
Good weather you cannot defeat
With sunshine and all its force

Pack your bags and away
Lets have a mighty time
Make the best of our day
Everything will work out fine
You can easily economise
It can be cheaper than at home
Plenty of fresh air and exercise
An adventure to call your own

The boring routine of the day
Can really get on top of you
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CREDIT UNION NEWS

Since our last Article published in this Newsletter, a lot of things have passed in this credit union, like our primary schools quiz. More than two hundred school children and parents enjoyed a fun night out and a winning team from each school went on to represent us at Credit Union chapter's stage of quiz.

Our poster competition produced some excellent art work. The winners went forward to the I.L.C.U. competition stage. We had a winner in the special category section and this entry will be part of the league's new calendar. These events were enjoyed by the children, who took part in them. This is evidently proven by the huge number of entries and we hope parents will continue to encourage their children to partake in any event that we sponsor in the community.

Most people in Ireland now know about Credit Unions especially after all the media coverage. We now have our own Credit Union Act, which although restrictive in part, in its entirety is an improvement and benefit for both credit unions and members.

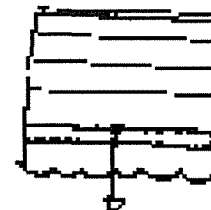
The Finance Bill, that caused some concern to credit union members, i.e., the matter of taxation after all the booms and gaffs by both sides was eventually clarified
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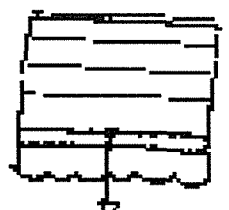
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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

The Maynooth Development Plan - An exercise in Moving the Goalposts

First the good news! Celbridge Area Councillors have agreed population targets for Maynooth for the period up to 2006. A population estimated at 8,528 at the 1996 Census is planned to grow to 10,000 - by 2001, to 10,500 by 2003 and to 11,500 by 2006. These are the figures recommended by Council planners and constitute a sensible and realistic approach to the future development of the town. The rate of growth, though continuing to be substantial, is very much reduced from the horrendous prospect which was laid before the people of Maynooth in the Amended Draft Plan of 1996. Maynooth Planning Alliance congratulates our councillors, who voted unanimously at full council level to adopt these target figures.

Now the bad news! The actions which councillors propose to take to achieve these objectives are not by any stretch of the imagination likely to contain the population growth to the limits specified. In fact, the reality is that the headline population targets, while they may assuage the people of Maynooth, or (at first glance) the Minister for the Environment, are irrelevant if the land allocations currently under discussion materialise. The Plan as it currently seems to exist is the product of a set of fudges.

Fudge No. 1 - Ignore the fact that the population and land availability information are from different periods.

Any plan has to have a starting date for both population and land availability. These should ideally be based on the same date. The population of Maynooth has been growing by an average of 7% a year over the past seven years, with the most recent count being the census of April 1996. The starting point for the calculations of land availability needed for the forthcoming plan period is an inventory of land carried out in November 1997 - some 18 months after the population census. The true population of the town was therefore likely to have increased quite substantially in the intervening period. Indeed the Council's own figures show 20 acres of residential land were used up in the year immediately preceding November 1997. Together with natural population growth in the town this means an additional 5-700 people were probably resident in Maynooth at the commencement date on which the proposed plan is based. So we start from over 9,000 people, not 8,528. This should reduce the land requirement in the proposed plan by at least 20 acres if the population targets are to be met. If this point is fudged the Plan's targets are an exercise in virtual reality.

Fudge No. 2 - Extend the time horizon so that you can rezone not for one plan period, but for two

The Planning and Development Acts require that each Development Plan is reviewed after 5 years. The Maynooth Plan currently dates from 1985. Planning for a period out to 2006 provides a facility for rezoning beyond the period during which a statutory review is required. Once rezoned it is very difficult to slow development during an economic boom to span the full period of a development plan. However, the Minister for the Environment has recently indicated that, following a study on the growth of the Greater Dublin Region due next year, binding requirements may be imposed on local authorities to alter their Development Plans in accordance with its recommendations. Maynooth would certainly be an important component in any such exercise. Attempting to rezone to 2006 for Co. Kildare could be construed as actions designed to pre-empt the orderly planning of the entire region.

Fudge No. 3 - Overzone on a scale appropriate to a depression while in the middle of a property boom

To meet a target of 10,500 by 2003 a residential land requirement of 94 acres is needed. This is at a low density of 21 people to the acre and probably overestimates the land needed somewhat. Currently Maynooth has 86 acres remaining unused from the previous Plan. You might think therefore we need another 8 acres rezoned for the period to 2003, and, using similar logic, about 55 acres for the period to 2006 to achieve the specified population targets. What is being proposed however is that we should have 55 acres for the period to 2003 and 125 acres for the period to 2006. The logic underpinning this is hard to fathom. But it is essentially based on a supposition by councillors that you have to rezone 150 acres or more to get 100 acres developed. This may have been reasonably sound logic in recessionary times such as the 1980s, but realistically does anyone believe that rezoned lands will lie vacant in the vicinity of Maynooth today for a period of 8 years? Times have changed, and the recent actions taken by the government in the light of the Bacon Report on house prices make it unattractive for landowners to sit on zoned land for several years. The end product of course is that such overzoning will grossly inflate population, taking it to over 13,000 and resurrecting the spectre of the kind of growth rate Maynooth Planning Alliance has sought to oppose.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE (Cont)

Fudge No. 4 - Don't consider what is happening immediately outside the town boundaries

About 800 people live in the environs of Maynooth, but are not counted as part of the town population. Many of these people are connected to the same water supply, sewage services etc. which are part and parcel of planning considerations. Schools, roads, sports facilities in Maynooth are also utilised by residents just outside the town boundary, and because they have historically constituted a relatively small number they have been considered as rural housing, not part of the town Development Plan. This situation is however about to change considerably as the proposed development of Carton Estate occurs and the numbers of residents effectively in but administratively out of Maynooth increases substantially. On 100 acres in Carton, 140 private houses are planned for construction during the next few years, in addition to the extensive hotel development. This gives a population commitment of another several hundred people who must be accounted for in any Maynooth Plan. Effectively this is an additional urban development which cannot be divorced from Maynooth by any arbitrary boundary line. Again, if population targets for the towns of North Kildare are to be founded on realistic criteria (e.g. waste water treatment capacity), such developments must be incorporated and town population targets adjusted downwards to reflect their presence.

One hopes that it is not too late for these issues to be addressed by our councillors. Certainly the people of Maynooth will not be deceived by a plan which is not practical in terms of achieving its population objectives. It is after all only three years until the next census would find out how much of a fudge the present plan is. The issue is not so much where would we go from there if the 2006 figures had already been breached, but what kind of problems would have been created in the meantime by actions taken in 1998 which had destroyed the opportunity of achieving sensible and sustainable growth.

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MAYNOOTH SIGNWRITING

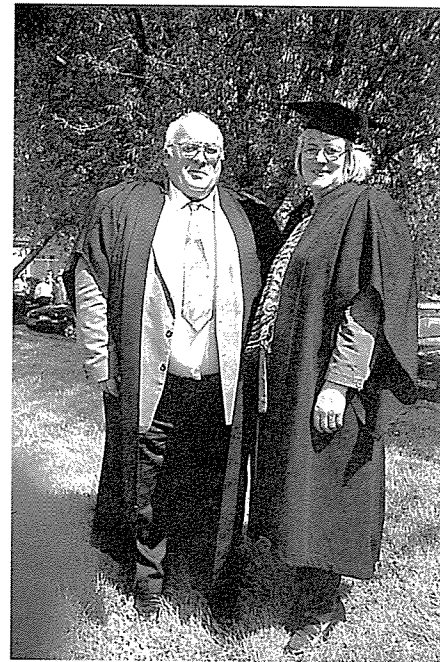
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Competitors at Maynooth Community Games - Pitch & Putt



*U/10 100M Community Games
L-R 1 Owen Curran, 2 Michael Barry 3 Patrick Comerford*



*600M Maynooth Community Games
-R 3 Michael Gillick, 1 Declan Bambrick, 2 Sean MacNamara*



*Long Puck Community Games
L-R 2 Muireann O'Sullivan, 1 Elaine MacNamara & friend Awut Ni Mhuruchú*

Communion Day



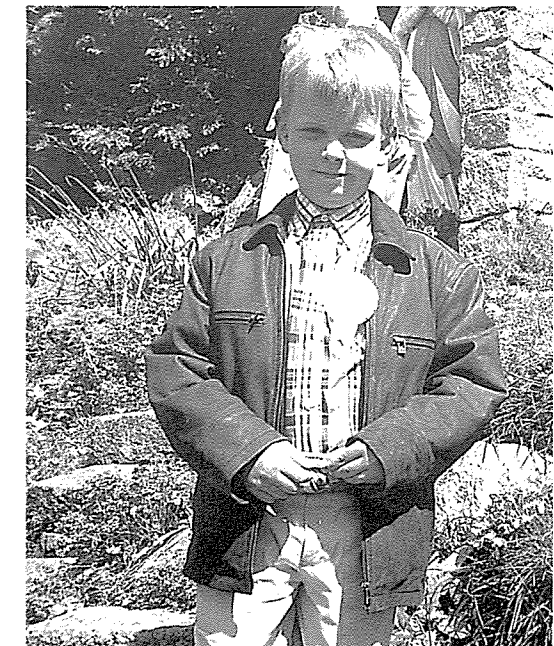
Rachel Tallon



Wayne Swords



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Task Force Plans Ahead

Recent meetings of the Maynooth Task Force have been concentrating on considering the submissions it has received since the Glenroyal meeting in March and in planning the setting up of a number of working groups which will be asked to bring forward specific proposals for Maynooth's future development. At this stage it is proposed to set up four working groups in the following areas:

Physical Development

This group will be given a brief to consider proposals relating to the future development of the town and the enhancement of its physical appearance.

Commercial Development

The creation of additional employment in Maynooth through attracting new industries to the town, promotion of tourism and the growth of the retail and service sectors will form the basis of plans to be brought forward by this group.

Social & Cultural, Sports and Amenity

This group will be asked to draw up an audit of facilities in these areas and bring forward detailed proposals as to how Maynooth's current facilities can be developed and how new facilities can be acquired.

The particular needs of the town's young and elderly will be considered together with the development of community based services to meet the needs of the unemployed, those seeking adult education and the disadvantaged.

Management and Administration

The drawing up of a strategy for Maynooth's future is only the first stage in realising a better future for the town and its people. A working group is being set up to advise on the setting up of a limited company to manage the implementation of the strategy. The working group will be asked to devise forms of participation and lines of communication which will facilitate the widest possible involvement in the various projects.

Over the next few weeks it is also hoped to form a committee which will look at ways of developing links between the University / College and the town.

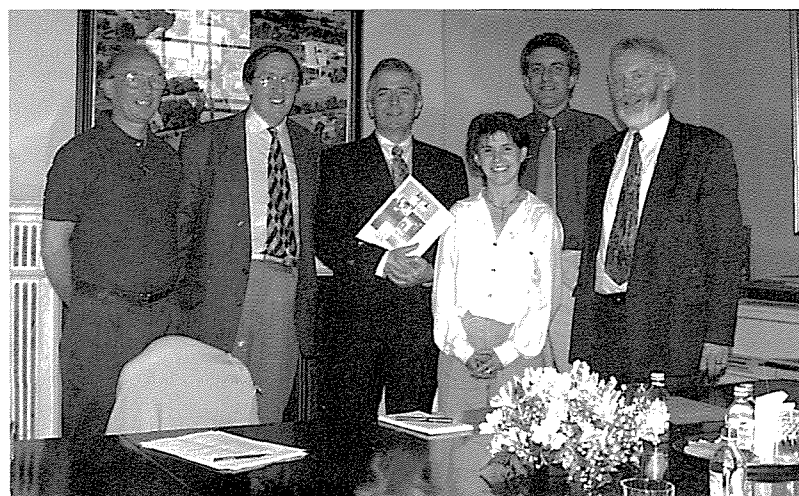
A number of university staff have expressed an interest in getting involved in this area and it is expected that the committee will be able to identify a number of projects which

will draw on the resources of the university and the town.

One idea which has already been floated is the setting up of a drama group in Maynooth. Anyone interested - please drop a note to Task Force coordinator Dr. John Cullen, Main St

Meeting with Minister McCreevey

The Maynooth Task Force recently held a very useful meeting with Minister for Finance and local TD, Charlie McCreevey. The Task Force briefed Mr. McCreevey on its work to date and the Minister expressed strong support for the overall thrust of the plan. He stated that Maynooth had the potential to be a showcase town in Co. Kildare and committed himself to assisting the Task Force in any way he could. The Task Force plans to meet other local representatives in the coming weeks.

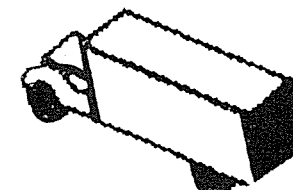


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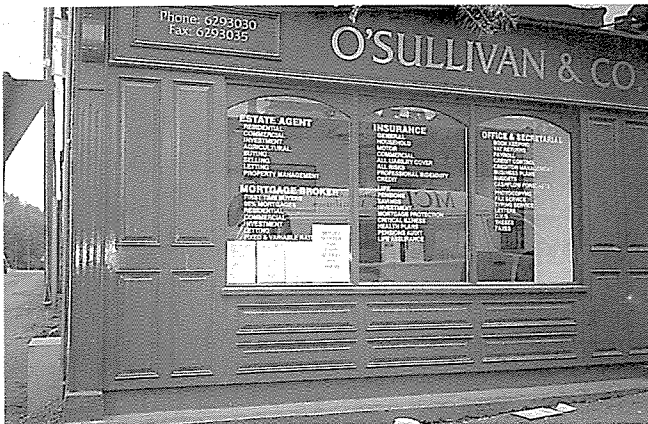
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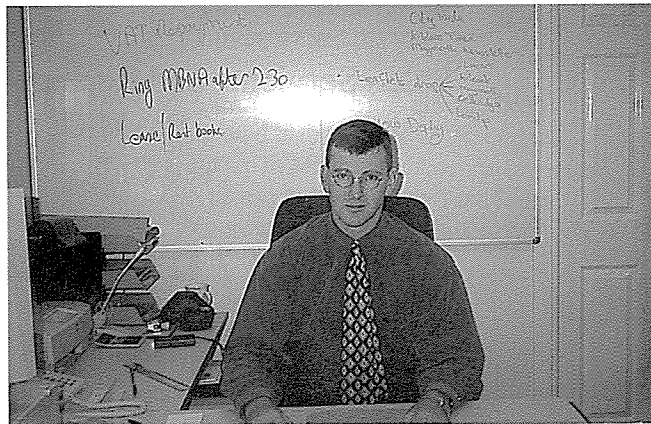
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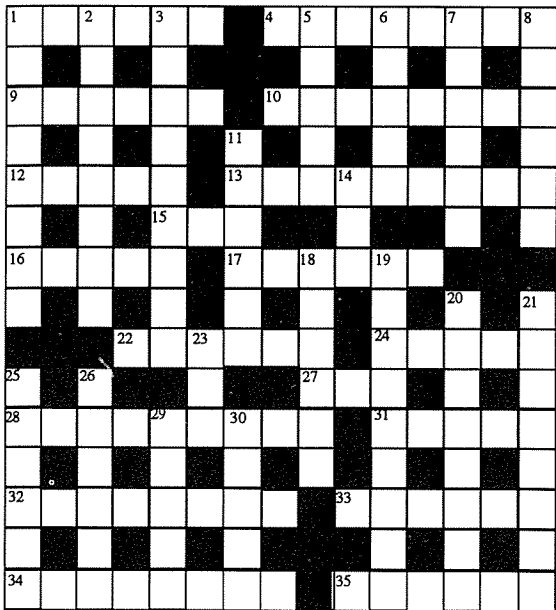
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Crossword No. 127



Entries before Monday 22th June

Name _____

Address _____

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Across:

- 1. Hollow (6)
- 4. Water Sport (8)
- 9. Debated (6)
- 10. Spread (8)
- 12. Blanched (5)
- 13. Secretive (9)
- 15. Man's name (3)
- 16. Lightweight feline (5)
- 17. Close (6)
- 22. Darn! (6)
- 24. Miss Doone (5)
- 27. Anger (3)
- 28. Boat (9)
- 31. Lessen (5)
- 32. Dormant (8)
- 33. Foot disorder (6)
- 34. Lovingly (8)
- 35. Meagre (6)

Down:

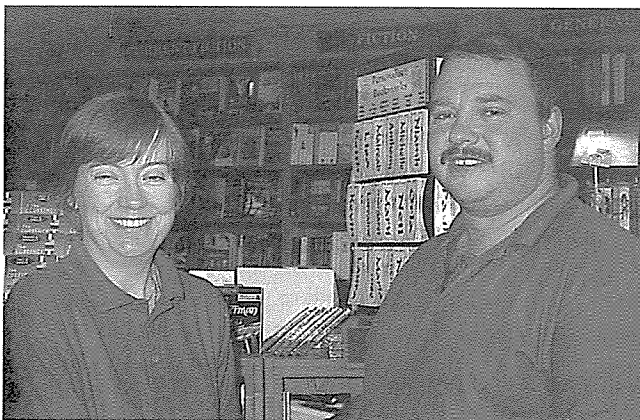
- 1. The greatest (8)
- 2. Watchful (8)
- 3. Best dressed (9)
- 5. Correct (5)
- 6. Greek author (5)
- 7. Sort of (2,1,3)
- 8. Avaricious (6)
- 11. Small basket (6)

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- 14. Listener (3)
- 18. In pain (6)
- 19. Siege (9)
- 20. Concocting (8)
- 21. Fatherly (8)
- 23. Women's organisation (3)
- 25. Film text (6)
- 26. Reach (6)
- 29. Cleric's headgear (5)
- 30. Adversary (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 126

Across: 1. Future; 4. Flagrant; 9. Relict; 10. Investor; 12. Mania; 13. Runaround; 15. Ism; 16. Steam; 17. Imbibe; 22. Breech; 24. Heron; 27. Era; 28. Spineless; 31. Vague; 32. Reloaded; 33. Domain; 34. Nowadays; 35. Brutal.

Down: 1. Foremost; 2. Talented; 3. Reclaimer; 5. Lenin; 6. Greer; 7. Artful; 8. Tirade; 11. Ermine; 14. Ami; 18. Behest; 19. Behaviour; 20. Fragrant; 21. Internal; 23. Eel; 25. Asprin; 26. Pillow; 29. Eland; 30. Emery.

Winner of Crossword 126:
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DESIDERATA

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Desiderata.

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible without surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story. If you compare yourself to others you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is as perennial as the grass. Take kindly the council of years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nurture the strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe, not less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be and whatever your labours and aspirations, in the confusion of life keep peace with your soul.

With all its sham and drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be careful. Strive to be happy.

(Found in Old St. Paul's Church - dated 1692).

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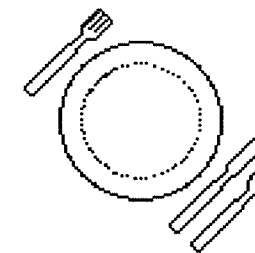
VEGETABLE BIRYANI

Preparation time: 20 Minutes

Total Cooking Time: 35 Minutes

Serves 4

1/4 Cup Veg Oil
1 - Medium Onion, Sliced
2 - Cloves Garlic, Crushed
1 - Teaspoon Curry Powder
2 - Cups Long-Grain Rice
1/2 Teaspoon Salt
1/2 Teaspoon Chilli Powder
2 - Medium Tomatoes, Chopped
2 - Potatoes
Small Slice of Ginger, Crushed



METHOD

1. Heat oil in a large heavy saucepan.
2. Add sliced onion. Cook for 7 minutes, over medium heat, until golden brown.
3. Add the garlic and ginger (crushed), cook 2 minutes.
4. Add the tomatoes (sliced) and stir them till the tomatoes get soft and juicy.
5. Add rice to pan, stir until well combined (6 minutes).
6. Add 2 1/2 cups of water, bring to the boil, reduce heat to low, 7 minutes.
7. Cut potatoes in to 6 pieces, then add the potatoes on top of the rice. Simmer for 15 minutes, with low heat, until the rice and vegetables are just tender.

Serve immediately

PUREE OF ONION SOUP WITH THYME LEAVES

1 1/2 oz or 3 level tablesp Butter
1 lb/4 cups Chopped Onions
5ozs/1 cup of Chopped Potatoes
1 teasp Fresh Thyme Leaves
1 1/2 pints or 3 3/4 cups home made Chicken Stock.

Peel and chop onions and potatoes. Melt the butter in saucepan, as soon as it foams, add the onions and potatoes. Stir until they are well coated with the butter. Add the thyme leaves, season with salt and pepper and cover with a saucepan lid, then sweat on a low heat for 10 minutes. The potatoes and onions should be soft but not coloured. Add the chicken stock, bring to the boil and simmer until potatoes are cooked 5-8 minutes approx. Liquidise the soup and add a little cream or creamy milk.

Garnish:

Fresh thyme leaves and a little whipped cream (optional)

PEACH AND RICE CUSTARD

4oz Long Grain Rice
1 1/2 Pints Milk
Pinch Salt
2 1/2 oz Castor (granulated) Sugar
2 Eggs
Few drops Vanilla Essence (extract)
5 Canned Peach Halves
2 tbsps Brown Sugar
1/4 Pints Double (whipping) Cream
Pinch Ground Cinnamon

Place the rice, milk and salt in a pan. Bring to the boil, stirring constantly. As soon as the mixture is boiling, cover the pan and simmer for 45 minutes. Remove from the heat and stir in the sugar until dissolved. Beat the eggs with the vanilla essence, add a little of the hot rice mixture then pour into the pan and mix well. Cook for 1 minute, stirring all the time. Turn into a buttered ovenproof dish. Arrange the peach halves on top and sprinkle with almost all the brown sugar. Place under a hot grill until the sugar melts but watch carefully to prevent burning. Cool. When cold, whip the cream and use to decorate the custard. Sprinkle with the remaining sugar and the cinnamon.

Features

HELPFUL HINTS FOR ALL YOU SUNWORSHIPPERS

Too often, people forget to protect sensitive spots like the tops of the ears, the hairline the V of the chest, the nose, the lips and the hands. The Skin Cancer Foundation says 80% of skin cancers occur on the head, neck, and hands. The lips are very vulnerable to sunlight also. A lot of skin cancers occur on the lips so use a lip balm with an S.P.F. of at least eight and re-apply often, and don't forget to keep your hat on. Canvas if possible rather than a straw one.

Avoid:

Be careful between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm. The sun's rays are most intense during this time of the day. So if you are outdoors during this time of the day cover up and wear plenty of sunscreen. Avoid drinking alcohol in the sun.

Remember:

Those with numerous moles should not sunbath. Look for these warning signs if your moles itch, moles larger than one centimetre, increasing size, irregular shape, irregular pigmentation, redness, crusting or bleeding. If one of your moles develops these changes - seek immediate medical advice on your return. Always remember if you get sun-burned, stop further exposure and seek advice immediately. Painful sunburn is a ruined holiday. Over exposure to the sun can cause premature ageing and wrinkles of the skin.

HOLIDAY SKIN CARE

Strong sunlight can cause freckling, thickening, wrinkling and premature ageing of the skin and skin cancer.

Change of simple moles and coloured birth marks into malignant melanomas.

Those with numerous moles should not sunbathe.

MALIGNANT MELANOMAS

These are aggressive cancers of the pigmented skin cells. They may arise on existing moles or pigmented birth marks. They seem to be triggered by unaccustomed bursts of intense sunlight, particularly sunburn.

Protect your child's skin:

Keep babies under six months old completely out of direct sunlight.

Avoid mid-day sun:

Keep children clothed with hats and close woven t-shirts while outdoors. Use a total sunblock (spf 15+) on a child's sun exposed skin. Remember children are very much at risk of sunburn. Supervision by an adult to limit sun exposure is essential.

SAFE TANNING TIPS

LOOK GOOD - FEEL GOOD.
AVOID THE DANGER OF SUNBURN - TAN SLOWLY - FOLLOW THESE TIPS.

SO

Whether you are at home or abroad the sun's rays can burn you severely. Apart from the immediate discomfort and soreness this causes it is now known that too much sun can have long term health risks as it can cause skin cancer (melanoma). Although most skin cancers are completely curable some can be fatal.

ALWAYS

Start sunbathing with a total sun-block (factor 15-20) re-apply cream after swimming or sweating. Use simple non-perfumed creams as aftersun moisturiser.

BEWARE OF

Cooling sea breezes which mask burning sun rays.

REMEMBER

Loose woven clothes, beach umbrellas, cloudy weather does not protect against the sun.

WEAR

Synthetic close woven clothes and wide brimmed hats.

PROTECT YOUR CHILD'S SKIN

Children are very much at risk of sunburn. Supervision by an adult to limit sun exposure is essential. Parents or those responsible must:

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FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS: WHAT ARE THEY?

Fair Trade Bananas:

The World Trade Organisation is forcing the EU to change regulations which favoured poor banana growers. The EU has been favouring bananas from the Caribbean, where 30% of the population depends on banana growing, and where it is mostly grown on five acre family farms. This deal has guaranteed a reasonable steady income for farming families. Now, the WTO says they must grant equal status to the bananas coming from the vast, multi-national owned plantations in Latin America. These plantations are strongly anti-union and use loads of pesticides. One quarter of Costa Rican plantation workers are hospitalised due to pesticides every year. Stephen Mahony of the Irish Mexico group visited Belize last December and reported on the continued ill treatment of banana workers in plantations owned by Irish multinational Fyffes. Workers who are suspected of being union members are sacked and bus loads of raw immigrants are brought in to replace them. Some sacked workers don't get their full pay back, and women who have to arrive at work early are not paid for the time they spend waiting, sometimes several hours, for the bananas to arrive from the fields. Wages are poor: Belize is about as expensive as Ireland, but for a six day week at 12 hours a day, they receive the princely sum of \$80 (about £50), and they only get a total of 55 minutes break each day.

Fair trade organisations see the prospect of EU reforms as an opportunity to introduce new systems and regulations which would be fairer to smaller companies and promote a more sustainable mode of production. Another big issue at stake is the staunch anti-union attitude of the big 4: Chiquita, Del Monte, Dole and our very own, Fyffes. Fair trade bananas will be introduced first in Germany and in the UK in the next few months and eventually in Ireland, so keep an eye out for them!

Fairly Traded Coffee:

Two brands of coffee are now available in Ireland which are fairly traded. They carry the "Fairtrade Mark", which is an independent guarantee to the consumer that third world countries have been paid a fairer price, work in safe and decent conditions and with respect for the local environment. One of the brands is "Bewley's Direct" the first fairly traded coffee roasted in Ireland. It comes from small farmers' co-operatives in central America. It is the first Irish brand to carry the "people friendly" Fairtrade Mark. The other brand is "Cafedirect" which comes from small scale farmers co-operatives in Latin America or Africa, and was the first widely available fairly traded coffee in Britain and Ireland. Twenty million people in the "third world" depend on coffee for their living. In the four years between 1988-1992 the prices paid to coffee producers fell by 80%. Fairly traded

coffee pays producers a guaranteed price, which has been as much as twice the market price. Because fairly traded coffee guarantees a fair price and advance payment to producers - however low the world market price falls - it costs slightly more than your usual brand... but not more than a penny a cup extra!

Other fair traded products available are: peanut butter and various nut spreads, tea, chocolate, and other exotic products.

You can find out more about the "Fairtrade Mark" and where your local stockist is by contacting:

The Irish Fair Trade Network at 17 Lower Camden St., Dublin 2.

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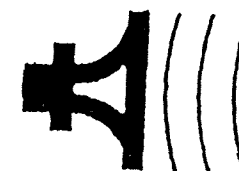
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VIDEO REVIEW

Face / Off (18's)

John Travolta and Nicholas Cage star in this brilliant action thriller. Directed by John Woo, it seems very peculiar that it didn't even get a mention at this year's Oscars. Travolta plays FBI agent Sean Archer, a man obsessed with tracking down terrorist Castor Troy, played by Cage. When the two finally come face to face, Troy is knocked into a coma in a shootout, and Archer thinks the case is closed. But then he discovers that Troy has planted a bomb somewhere in L.A. and the chase is on to find its location and (hopefully) disarm it. This is an extremely well crafted piece, with more than its fair share of twists, turns and red herrings. There's also enough special effects to keep the sci-fi fans happy.

Verdict: **Terrific!**

G.I. Jane (15's)

In yet another vain attempt at getting her flagging career back on track, the lamentable Demi Moore stars in this girl-in-a-man's-world piece of Hollywood hokum. She's the Jane of the title; the first female to train for the Navy SEALs. As well as the gruelling training regime, she must fight the prejudices of the men around her, not to mention the obvious sexism of her Master Chief. Familiar plot? I thought so! This two hours of twaddle is just like a TV advert for deoderant or chocolate or shampoo or any one of a number of things. It's directed by Ridley Scott, who should know better. The tagline in the advertising splurge claims that 'Failure is not an option' - wanna bet?! Ms. Moore should seriously consider a change of career (post person, refuse collector, pizza delivery) because this one is definitely the wrong one.

Verdict: **Awful!!**

The Peacemaker (15)

This is a moderately enjoyable action thriller starring George Clooney and Nicole Kidman. Clooney plays military agent Col. Thomas Devoe teamed up with Kidman, a nuclear scientist, to track down a number of nuclear warheads smuggled out of Russia. The film features a car chase that's out of this world. Indeed the movie is worth watching for this alone. However, it never quite delivers on its promise. In attempting to be an intelligent action thriller, with a live-and-let-live political message thrown in for good measure, it ultimately gets bogged down in technicalities. Nevertheless, as movies go, this one is by no means the worst of its kind.

Verdict: **Very enjoyable escapism**




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ALZHEIMER NEWS

Alzheimer Tea-day on May 1st was a very successful event.

I am happy to report, my final takings amounted to £342 which included Raffle Tickets sold on the day.

I am very grateful to the I.C.A. Committee for giving me the use of the Hall, to the many fellow members who supported me by bringing so many saleable articles for my Bric-a-brac table as well as spending their own money.

Thanks also to the Senior Citizens Committee and fellow members for their valued support.

To the Manager, Tesco Quinnsnorth, who support me each year, also A.I.B.

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Last but not least my sincere thanks to Mary Halton, Mary Brennan, Mary Deane, Imelda Delaney, and Betty Moore, for giving up their whole morning to help in so many ways.

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SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER (SAD)

9 ways to stave off the sadness

Few people look forward to the grey days and long, dreary nights of winter. In fact, most people feel better in the summer, when the days are longer, sunnier and warmer. We get out more, exercise harder and eat less. But for some people, the transition from summer to winter is much more than a slight disappointment. It is nothing short of a nightmare.

For these individuals, the change in seasons signals a marked change in personality - from happy and relaxed to depressed and tense. Getting out of bed in the morning becomes a major struggle, depression looms constantly, concentration becomes all but impossible, and irritability runs rampant. When Spring comes along they are suddenly back to their old selves again.

Until ten years ago, people suffering from this seasonal change in personality had no idea what was wrong with them.

As for what actually causes SAD, the experts aren't exactly sure. Just what is it about the light deficiency that creates the low mood is the question?

One such theory suggests that there is a delay in the timing of the body clock in SAD patients that causes their temperature minimum to occur at 6:00 a.m. rather than (at the normal time of 3:00 a.m.) As a result, they are attempting to wake up when physiologically it is the middle of the night. When these people were treated with bright light from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. their mood improved, there was also a shift in their temperature minimum to an earlier time. Using the light in the morning creates a phase advance. Another theory is that the secretion of the hormone melatonin is responsible for the low mood and lack of energy. Melatonin is only secreted in the dark and is very light-sensitive. During the long summer days, melatonin secretion is markedly reduced because the night care shorter.

But during the long winter nights, melatonin secretion increases. When melatonin is administered to normal individuals, it tends to lower their body temperature and cause drowsiness. So one initial thought about winter depression is that people who have it are secreting a lot of melatonin during the winter and not much during the summer. With this theory, the light therapy is thought to work because it shuts off the melatonin production.

These and other theories have yet to be proven. SAD can hit in varying degrees. For most people with SAD, it takes two or three days of bright sunshine to elicit a reversal of symptoms. Consequently, a tip off that you may have it is if you find great relief in your symptoms when travelling

towards the equator. Apparently no one group is immune to the condition. It is seen in men and women of all ages and races and in all parts of the country, but it does seem to occur in women more than in men, and specifically in women who are in their reproductive years.

So what can you do about SAD, short of taking a warm-weather vacation every few weeks during the winter months? The following strategies may help. If none of the remedies discussed here seem to work, it's time to seek the help of a professional - the National Organisation for Seasonal Affective Disorder. You can write to them for information at P.O. Box 451, Vienna, Virginia 22180, U.S.A.

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JUNE IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Continue to trim or cut hedges. Secure the shoots of climbers or wall shrubs. Early-flowering clematis species need to be pruned now. Old flowering shoots, and dead branches of shrubs, that have already flowered, e.g. flowering currant, broom and rock roses need pruning now.

Flowers:

Clear flower beds of remains of spring bedding plants. These may be replaced with permanent ones or summer bedding plants which have been thoroughly hardened off. Thin out sowings of hardy and half hardy-annuals. Tall growing flowers need continuous support and tie new growths to stakes. Mulch and water bulbous plants such as lilies or gladioli. Continue sowing hardy biennials and perennials in a seed-bed. Plant out dahlias, fuchsias, and chrysanthemums. Nip out the buds on the main growth to form bushy plants. If bulbs are overcrowded they can be lifted when the leaves have turned yellow. Clean and dry them and store in a cool and airy place until time for replanting in autumn. Water and weed all plants. Apply fungicides, fertilizers and insecticides.

Fruit:

Place polythene sheeting or straw round strawberry plants and cover them with netting to protect from slugs and birds. Remove runners or lift rooted ones for planting elsewhere. Thin the clusters on apples, pears and plums if too many fruits have formed,

after the natural June drop that occurs this month or early in July. Support the shoots of cane fruits. If too many canes have formed thin them out. Prune lightly red and white currants and gooseberries. Follow manufacturers instructions carefully when spraying fruit trees and bushes with insecticides and fungicides.

Vegetables:

Earth-up maincrop potatoes and start lifting early cultivars. Plant out hardened off leek plants and celery. Continue sowing green vegetables for late crops. Transplant young plants from seed-bed and plant in their permanent position. Thin out where necessary. Locate small sowings of salad crops among other veg. for continuous supply. Now is a good time to sow swedes for winter use. Hardened-off tomatoes may be planted out but cover them with cloches. Support individual plants, where necessary, with stakes. Support beans and peas and pinch out tops of broad beans. Feed and water vegetables regularly. Early herb sowings may be planted out now. Perennial herbs may be sown in a seed-bed to be transferred to their final spot in autumn. Marrows and cucumbers sown last month may need to be thinned out to give plenty of space to grow.

Under Glass:

Place cinerarias, primulas, azaleas, winter cherry, cyclamen and calceolarias in cold-frame for the summer and return them to the

greenhouse in autumn for winter and spring flowers. Make sure the plants are shaded from the hot sun and kept well watered. Water and feed tomato plants regularly and start picking the fruits. Remove sideshoots and continue to secure them to supports. Thin out grape bunches by about one-quarter. Check cucumber plants at desired height. Tie and support young shoots and remove flowers without embryo fruits behind (male). All growths beyond two leaves after fruits to be removed. Remove male flowers from melons and dust the pollen on to the female flowers to fertilize them. Keep all greenhouse plants watered as required. Dampen the floor to increase humidity and shade and ventilate according to weather and temperatures. Continue to feed and water potted plants in the home.

General:

Mow lawns regularly. Lift weeds and creeping stems with a rake so that the mower can cut them. Apply summer dressings of weedkillers and fertilizers. Now is a good time to start making plans for any changes in the garden.

Plants for Children to grow:

Antirrhinums can be great fun for nipping noses or by squeezing the sides can be made to 'talk'. Nasturtium leaves can be used to make dolls' hats. Sunflowers can be sown indoors at the end of May and transferred outside to a sheltered position. The children can have great fun measuring the growth of these flowers and later on eating the nutritious seeds.

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HOLIDAYS - A PERIOD OF TIME AWAY FROM WORK

A holiday is a modern invention. Down into the 18th century, the seaside holiday was generally distrusted as a dangerous and disagreeable element, and few people could swim. A change of attitude stemmed more from concern with health than with fun. The beneficial effects of sea water were promoted by seaside doctors, who also blew the trumpets for sea air and invigorating breezes.

From the 1840's on, as the railways spread to almost every corner of the country, people could reach even remote spots. Places with sandy beaches had a natural advantage - from the West of Ireland to the Eastern Regions. Landowners and developers moved to turn empty beaches and insignificant harbours into sources of profit. It was possible for ordinary working people to get away to the seaside for a day and, as holidays steadily lengthened, for a week or more.

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The worldwide network of hostels is Hostelling International (H.I.). In Ireland, the H.I. affiliate is An Óige, which operates 44 hostels countrywide.

An Óige hostels are in remote areas or small villages and seem designed mostly to serve hikers, long-distance bicyclists, anglers, and others who want to see nature.

YHANI (Youth Hostel Association of Northern Ireland). It operates nine hostels, all comfortable. Some H.I. hostels operate only from March to November, April to October, or May to September. The annually-updated An Óige Handbook lists, locates, and describes all the An Óige and YHANI hostels.

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1798 - PARISH PRIEST TRANSPORTED TO AUSTRALIA FROM THIS DIOCESE

Father James Harold was appointed to Rathcoole in 1794. Before Rathcoole he was priest at Kilcullen for five years. On the Sunday before the rebellion fifty five year old Fr. Harold exhorted his people in Rathcoole to forbearance and peace. He urged them to shun all disorder and discord. Then he went on to rebuke the yeomanry and military for the reckless barbarity they displayed. The military issued an order for his arrest.

Hazel Hatch

He managed to get to the house of a Protestant at Hazel Hatch. He eventually came out to say Mass for his people and was taken prisoner from the altar. He was allowed to finish Mass. It was an awful day in Rathcoole - Clinch convicted and the priest in jail.

Sentenced

Nearly eight months after his arrest Fr. Harold appeared before Judge Robert Day on 13th February 1799. He was sentenced to transportation to Botany Bay. A Timothy Mahony of Blackpool in Cork got a vestment box on to the ship. It consisted of a chalice, vestments and altar linen.

To Australia

In August 1799 Fr. Harold left Cobh on board the Minerva for Australia. They arrived at Rio de Janeiro on 22nd October 1799. Christmas 1799 was spent on the high seas. What a Christmas - exhausted, hungry, thirsty and without a decent sleep for many, many months. Sydney was reached on 11th January 1800. They arrived at Paramatta, Botany Bay after being at sea for almost 5 months. Later Fr. Harold was alleged to be involved with some United Irishmen in Paramatta so he was transferred to Norfolk Island in the Pacific. He was allowed to open a school there.

Tasmania

Some time later he was moved to Tasmania. He was the first Catholic Priest to arrive there, although he was not allowed to minister there. He applied to leave the Australian colony but he was refused permission to leave either for Spain, Portugal or Ireland. Sometime before 1810 Father Harold arrived in Sydney.

Liberty

He had succeeded in his efforts to be granted his liberty. On 14th July 1810 a notice appeared in the Sydney Gazette and

New South Wales Advertiser. The notice stated that 'All claims and demands on the Rev. James Harold are requested to be presented for payment, he designing to leave the country per Concord'. On the homeward journey the ship sailed up the east coast of South America. Fr. Harold spent some time in Rio de Janeiro.

Philadelphia to Kilcullen

Then they sailed up the East Coast of North America to Philadelphia. It seems that Fr. James kept in touch with his nephew Vincent, a priest, for on his departure from Australia he made his way to Vincent who by now was Vicar General for the Diocese of Philadelphia. Fr. James was received in Philadelphia by Bishop Egan, a Franciscan who was born in Limerick in 1761. He was the first Catholic Bishop of Philadelphia. Sometime after Fr. James arrived, the bishop decided he would move him to Pittsburg parish. Fr. James did not wish to leave his nephew nor did the nephew want to lose him again. Both Harolds protested and Vincent resigned as Vicar General. In April 1813 they both returned to Dublin. Fr. James was in his late sixties. He was appointed Parish Priest in Kilcullen.

Dominican Provincial

He visited Vincent in Lisbon in 1820 before Vincent was invited back to resume his post as Vicar General of Philadelphia diocese. By this time Bishop Egan had died. Vincent went back in 1821. He was the Provincial of the Irish Province of the Dominican Order from 1840-1844.

Later Years

The period in Australia had caused Fr. James much ill health. In his later years he lived with his cousin Michael Ryan at 21 Lower Dominic Street in Dublin. He died there on 15th August 1830 aged 85 years.

He lies in the old Richmond Cemetery beside the Grand Canal at Inchicore. Vincent (died 1856) lies with him and also another member of the family Rev. William D. Harold who died in 1830 aged 29 years. The inscription reads "Rev. James Harold was parish priest in this diocese for many years. He died on 15th August 1830 in the 85th year of his age. A faithful Christian and firm friend. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Features

KILDARE 98 MUSEUM

The Lullymore project, entitled "Kildare 98" consists of a colourful and informative museum and the John Doorly homestead and forge.

It is full of fascinating details about every town in the county which was involved in the rebellion. It is the most ambitious project to date, and has been supported by Kildare County Council, Kelt, Oak and Fás. It was officially opened on Sunday May 24th.

The John Doorly homestead and forge will bring to life these extraordinary times, and provides an insight into the life and times of the legendary rebel, Captain John Doorly of Lullymore. Captain Doorly became a well known leader following the battle of Rathangan, and he then went on to fight at Ovidstown, Clonard, and at other engagements in the country. He was eventually captured crossing the Boyne, and he was brought to Mullingar and hanged.

Visitors can relax and enjoy a cup of tea in the newly built tea rooms which can accommodate up to 100 people.

John Clinch 1798.

Madden in his lives of the United Irishmen mentions "a young gentleman named Clinch, of Rathcoole, the preparations for whose execution was the occasion of the excitement of poor Lord Edward Fitzgerald, which hastened his dissolution". The doctor attending Lord Edward said that Lord Edward had a fever and convulsions and on hearing the noise in the street below he shouted out "God look down on those who suffer. God preserve me and have mercy on me and those who act with me".

Twenty year old John Clinch of Rathcoole House, an officer in Captain James Ormsby's Rathcoole yeomanry corps, was arrested in the last days of May 1798. The Clinch Family had owned a lot of land in the Newcastle area. They were well known in legal circles. John was brought up in the Big House - Rathcoole House. His arrest caused a lot of alarm in the neighbourhood. He was court-martialed and convicted on Friday 1st June 1798. The following day he was executed.

On 7th May 1798 James Ormsby wrote to Dublin Castle alleging that pikes were stored in Newcastle chapel and that the priest's house in Rathcoole should also be searched. The rebels were allegedly training on Saggart Commons. John Clinch was arrested on the information of an informer.

The Freeman's Journal of 5th June said that Clinch of Rathcoole who was executed on Saturday confessed that he was sworn by a priest sometime ago against his king, his country and that God who has commanded subjection to the lawful and constituted authorities of the land. The Priest was the local Parish Priest - Fr. James Harold - who was transported to Australia the following year.

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By Patrick Murray

Residents Association

MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Kildare County Council supports Residents in quest for Boundary Wall

Following representations to Kildare County Council at a meeting with the Celbridge Area Sub-committee held on 24th April last, the Council has confirmed that they will only accept a wall as the boundary of Moyglare Village and the Moyglare Road. This decision was welcomed by the Residents of Moyglare Village at their meeting on 27th April.

Residents Association Fees for 1998

The fee for 1998 was agreed by residents at £30 for Moyglare Village members. Every household has been sent a request for payment and representatives of the association have been calling to their neighbours to collect.

Paul Croghan
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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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If you haven't paid your subscription yet please hand it in to a member of the committee as soon as possible. Committee members names are on the recent circular.

The owner of the Shopping Centre will be re-surfacing the car park in a few weeks time. Parking lines will be marked out and the grassed sections along the path will be concreted. The Residents' Committee has asked him to consider building a boundary, e.g. a low wall, around the car park, for safety reasons and also to improve the appearance of the estate entrance.

Half of Laurence Avenue fence has been repaired and awaits the finishing touches, but some repairs remain to be done on the other half.

A clean-up day will be held soon and residents will be notified of the date by circular.

Mary McGinley (Secretary)

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

MAYNOOTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN

An "In Committee" (Private) meeting of the County Council was held on April 27th to discuss progress on the Development Plan for the County. Your Labour Party Councillors decided not to participate and walked out of the meeting. They took this action because the Labour Party believe that the public have a right to know how decisions are made on their behalf and this is especially true when it comes to Development Plans and rezoning.

Kildare Co. Council has now decided to rezone lands to accommodate population targets to the year 2006 i.e. an 8 year plan instead of the statutory 5 year plan. Present indications are that the pro-rezoning councillors will force through an additional 200 acres of land for housing in Maynooth. Emmet Stagg T.D. and your local Councillor John McGinley will do everything possible to stop this madness.

TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk was held on Sunday May 10th. It is expected to raise £2,500 for the Senior Citizens Committee. Maynooth Labour Branch would like to thank all those who sponsored our walkers.

SPORTS AND AMENITY GRANTS

15 applications have been submitted for the Council's Sports and Amenity Grants Fund of £200,000. A final decision on the award of the grants will be made shortly.

BLACKLION AMENITY SITE

Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to draw up an Action Plan to develop the amenity site at Blacklion. The drawing up of the Action Plan to develop the 10 acre site will include liaison with Maynooth Community Council.

PROTECTION OF MAIN STREET TREES

The recent butchering of one of the trees on Main Street will not be tolerated. Emmet Stagg T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley have requested the Council to take appropriate action to ensure that the persons responsible for same are held legally responsible.

MAYNOOTH PARKING REGULATIONS

On the proposal of Cllr. John McGinley it was agreed that the New Draft Parking Regulations for Maynooth would go

on public display in Maynooth Library for the month of May. Anyone can make submissions to the County Secretary on the proposals. The area Committee will consider the draft regulations and the public submissions in June and then finalise matters.

STRAFFAN ROAD LANDSCAPING

Tidying up of the landscaping will take place within the next month as a result of Cllr. John McGinley's motion. Replacement trees and shrubs will be planted in the Autumn. Residents Association's should advise Veronica Cook in Kildare Co. Council of their particular requirements.

MOYGLARE VILLAGE BOUNDARY WALL

Following a presentation on a deputation from Moyglare Residents Association the Area Committee agree that the Council should call in the £10,000 bond on the estate and request the developer to build a boundary wall in line with residents' wishes.

REFUGE ISLAND ON STRAFFAN ROAD

The Council's traffic and pedestrian count shows that pedestrian lights are not required at the Straffan Road exit from Greenfield. Instead the Council propose putting a refuge island in the middle of the road. This will make it easier for pedestrians to cross this wide road. In addition the island will be lit front and rear so that motorists can easily see it.

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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES (Cont)

MAYNOOTH MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT WORKS

Work on the new footpaths will start in early June and will take 4 months to complete. A further grant of £180,000 has been received from the D.T.O., so the new footpaths and public lighting will be extended to Kavanagh's Mills.

John McGinley will press for further funding to carry-out similar improvement works at Dunboyne Road, Carton Avenue, Doctors' Lane and along all of the lanes off Main Street.

MAYNOOTH SUBURBAN LINE

Emmet Stagg T.D. has welcomed comments by the Group Chief Executive of C.I.E. Mr. Michael McDonnell, that investment of £35 million in the Maynooth Suburban line represents the best value for money project in the Dublin Area for C.I.E.

The upgrading of the Maynooth Line is comprised of three principal components:

- (a) The upgrading of signalling in the City Centre to facilitate increased levels of service which is a prerequisite for the other components.
- (b) The upgrading of trackwork including the doubling of the line from Clonsilla to Maynooth
- and
- (c) The provision of additional Rolling Stock.

Labour will press the Minister for Public Enterprise to ensure that E.U. monies now available because of the Luas decision are spent on the upgrading of the Maynooth Suburban Line.

Any decision to transfer the £114 million in E.U. funding to non public transport infrastructure will be resisted.

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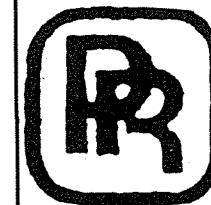
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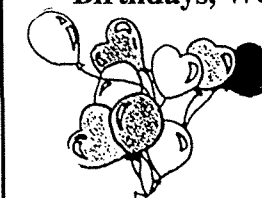
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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

Maynooth Castle

Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed his concern at the delay in validating the planning permission to update Maynooth Castle. The delay could jeopardise the money allocated to carry out the restoration work at the Castle. Deputy Bernard Durkan has endorsed his concern and has brought the matter to the attention of the Minister.

Old Greenfield

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin have requested Kildare County Council to repair the footpath at houses 821 - 855 which are now in a dangerous condition to pedestrians.

The Maws

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested that Kildare County Council carry out immediate repairs at the Maws Road to the Canal. The road is currently severely potholed and a danger to the residents.

Overcrowding at Naas Hospital

The issue of overcrowding at Naas has been raised once again by Deputy Bernard Durkan with the Minister for Health and Children, and the following reply issued recently:

"In 1997, the Eastern Health Board undertook the following initiatives to alleviate difficulties experienced at Naas Hospital. These included:

The provision of a dedicated Day Ward (6 beds) to enable more efficient and effective use of in-patients beds.

The provision of an Observation Unit adjacent to the A & E with accommodation for up to 13 patients.

The appointment of a Bed Manager to ensure the most effective use of the acute hospital bed resource.

The creation of two additional consultant posts and two non-consultant hospital doctor positions to enhance medical cover at the Hospital.

The Nursing staff complement of the hospital was increased by 13.

The revised Phase II Development Brief for Naas Hospital has now been approved and incorporates a number of additional provisions. The capital cost of this construction (incorporating these changes) is £18m. The detailed planning of this major development is on-going and I am

assured by the Eastern Health Board, that this work will be progressed as quickly as possible.

I am confident that when Phase II of the hospital development is completed, the problems being currently encountered will be addressed".

Local Authority Housing Loans.

Some important changes have recently been announced which will affect Local Authority Housing Loans with effect from 23rd April 1998. Cllr. Senan Griffin was advised in recent correspondence from Kildare County Council:

The following is a brief summary:-

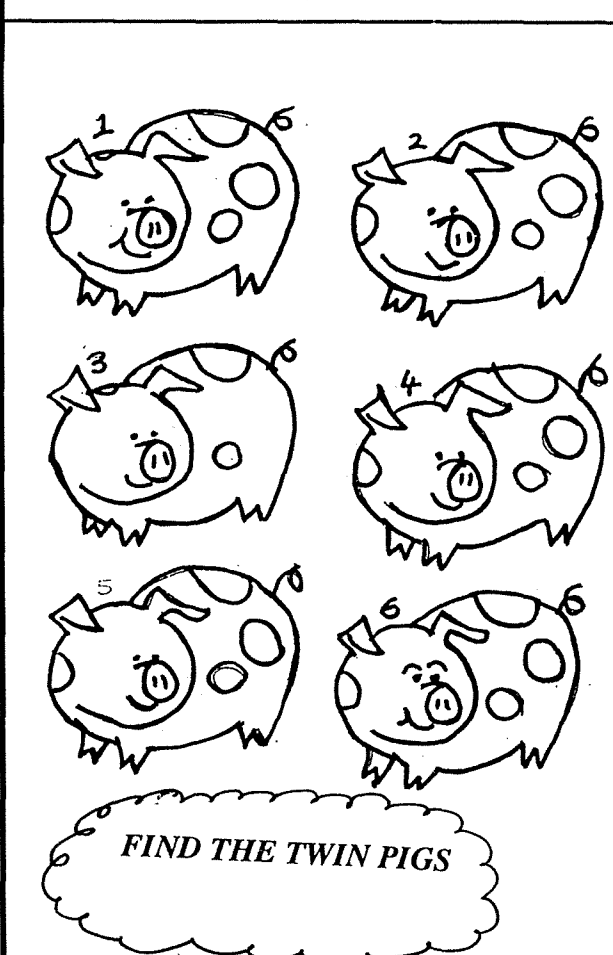
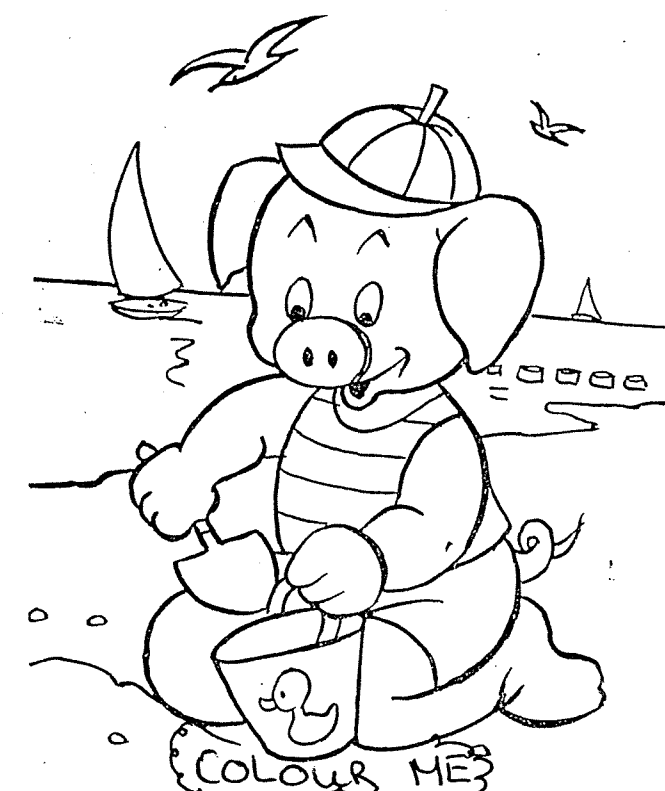
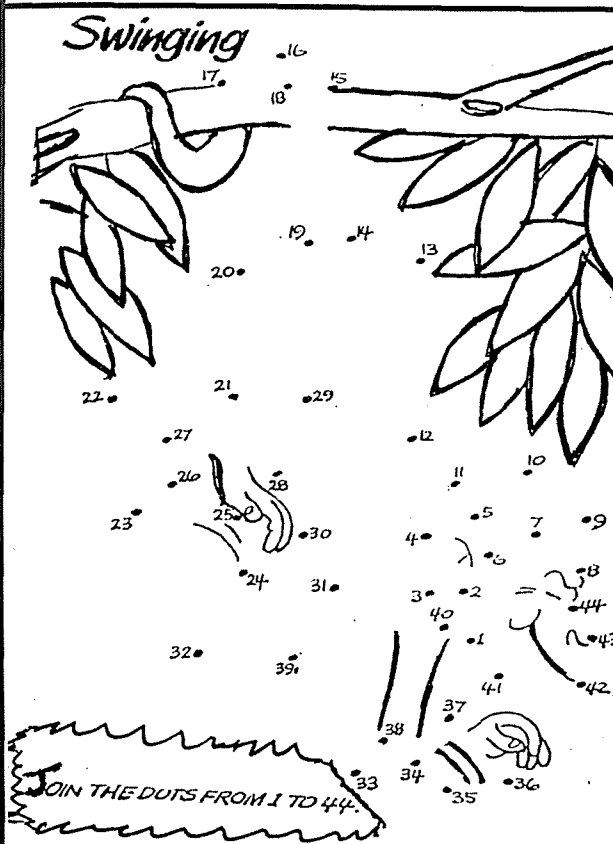
- An increase in the maximum housing purchase/construction from £38,000 to £50,000.
- The changes will apply, in the case of house purchase loans, to houses, the contracts for acquisition of which are entered into on or after **23rd April 1998**, or in the case of applicants building their own houses, where the foundations are completed on or after that date. In relation to house improvement loans, the increased income limits will apply where works commenced on or after **23rd April 1998**.
- An increase in the income eligibility for the schemes (Annuity Loan, Shared Ownership Loan and Reconstruction Loan) for single income households from £15,000 to £20,000. Eligibility will be determined in accordance with the existing formula approach. However, in the case of a joint application with effect from 23rd April 1998, the product of the formula $2\frac{1}{2} A + B$, must not exceed £50,000 in the preceding tax year. Evidence of loan refusals from two other lending institutions still applies.
- Reduction in the rent payable by shared owners who enter into their transaction on or after 1st May, 1998, from 5% to $4\frac{1}{2}$ % of the Local Authority's equity.

Note: These improvements to the housing loan schemes will obviously generate extra demand. The new income limit will allow more people to apply to the Council for loan approval.

Depending on the applicants income, it is likely that the Shared Ownership Loan could increase to approximately £60,000 (each case will be individually assessed).

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin are available to discuss any aspect of the new schemes with constituents, or answer any queries on the matter.

Children's Corner



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3rd Prize	3rd Prize
Ailbhe Flynn 169 Kingsbry Maynooth	Sallyann O'Reilly Mariaville Moyglare Rd Maynooth

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

The club would like to thank Bord Gais and all our other sponsors, without whose assistance it would not be possible to continue to provide competitive soccer for the youth of Maynooth. The Club will shortly be looking for sponsors for some 15 sides that will be required to meet the demand for the game next season. Anyone interested in sponsoring a team or getting involved in the running of the club should contact Gerry Folan (6286994) or John Doogan (6289720) for further information.

Hillcrest 2 Maynooth Town 3

D.D.S.L U- 11A1 Saturday

Maynooth travelled to Lucan on a wet evening to play on a pitch that would have been more suited to mud wrestling than soccer. In a match that was played at a feverish pace the Town were always ahead thanks to two goals from David Prendergast and a third from Shaun Doogan. The final 15 minutes saw some disgraceful tackling by the home side and Maynooth's appeals for a penalty were denied when Shaun Doogan was hacked down in the Hillcrest area. The other goalscorer, David Prendergast, also felt the force of some rash challenges throughout the game. With the home side scoring in the last ten minutes of normal time Maynooth defended well and held on despite the referee playing 6 minutes extra-time. Man of the match went to Sean Mc Allister for another fine display at centre-half. The Club wishes Sean the best of luck in his forthcoming trial for Kildare schoolboys.

Maynooth: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Declan Bambrick, Sean Mc Allister, Gavin O' Connor, David Baxter, Luke Daly, David Prendergast, Tadgh Moriarty, Gary Fox, Shaun Doogan, David O' Haire, Alex Wall, Barry Harney and Dara Sweeney.

Maynooth Town 0 Park Celtic 3

D.D.S.L. U-11A1 Saturday

Maynooth lined out short of a couple of key players and put up a lackluster performance to concede an easy victory to Park Celtic. A string of poor home performances continued in this game only for Niall Doogan the Town's keeper, the final score-line could have run into double figures. Maynooth won only 3 out of 10 home games this season, a record that will have to improve if this side is to seriously compete at this level next season.

Maynooth: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Declan Bambrick, Sean McAllister, Gavin O' Connor, David Baxter, Luke Daly, Tadgh Moriarty, Shaun Doogan, David O' Haire, Alex Wall, Barry Harney and Dara Sweeney.

Homefarm 7 Maynooth Town 0

D.D.S.L. U- 11 A1 Saturday

The last game of the season was to produce the worst result. Maynooth travelled to Mobhi Rd short a couple of key players for this encounter with the league champions elect. A well disciplined Homefarm side played some attractive flowing football and despite some bright spells from the town, the home side was 3-0 ahead at the break. The second half was to produce more of the same with a final scoreline of 7-0 Maynooth were shown what is needed to lift any honors at this level. Despite this disappointing final result this under 11 side will finish in 4th or 5th place when all the results are in.

Maynooth: David Baxter, Cian Walsh, Declan Bambrick, Sean McAllister, Gavin O' Connor, David Prendergast, Luke Daly, Tadgh Moriarty, David O' Haire Alex Wall, Barry Harney and Dara Sweeney.

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Players Names (Block Capitals)

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6	_____
7	_____
8	_____
9	_____
10	_____

On behalf of the above team I agree to abide by the rules of the Competition and the Committee's decisions at all times.
Each player must be resident in the Maynooth Area at least 3 months and must not have played competitive soccer in 1998.

Signed: _____ Team Captain/Manager

N.B. Completed Entry Form together with entry Fee of £20 must be lodged with John McGinley 6285293 not later than Friday 3rd July

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C. (CONT.)

With the season coming to a close the under 11's headed to Lansdowne Road for the friendly International between the Republic of Ireland and Argentina. The now customary end of season treat was a great success despite the result on the night. Many thanks to Edenland Inc. of Straffan, Co. Kildare who sponsored the trip and to Leo Prendergast and Noreen Doogan who supplied the extra transport. Our thanks also to the regular band of parents who have supplied cars and support throughout the season. Team managers Joe Walsh and Martin Bambrick also deserve a word of thanks for the time they have devoted to the side for the last 3 years.



L/R Back Row: Gareth Hamilton, Adrian Harpur, Bill Gannon, Stephen Byrne, Patrick Prendergast, Fintan Daly, Shane McBride, L/R Front Row: Sean Murphy, Peter Murray, Eanna Walsh, Dara Walsh. Manager - Bill Gannon

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

26-Apr-98	One Jackpot winner for £400								
26-Apr-98	3,18,27	£400	Sean Tracy	Tony Mc Mahon	Ben Tobin	Darren Moran	Geraldine O'Rourke		
3-May-98	12,16,22	£300	Dan O'Driscoll	Joey Dempsey	Macker	John Mills	Pat Walsh		
10-May-98	18,19,25	£325	Frank Conlon Snr.	Miley Scanlon	Spin Nolan Snr.	Mary Nolan	Orla Murphy		
17-May-98	3,21,28	£350	Sean Durack	Martin Fahey	P.J. Mc Mahon	Harry Flood	Eddie Halligan		

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

Date	Level	Result
22.4.98	U/16 Hurling League	Maynooth 0 - 9 - Clane 2 - 3
24.4.98	U/14 Football League	Naas 2 - 11 - Maynooth 1 - 8
26.4.98	Senior Hurling League	Maynooth 3 - 15 - Castledermot 1 - 6
30.4.98	Junior Hurling League	St. Bridgets 3 - 7 - Maynooth 0 - 5
1.5.98	U/16 Football League	Maynooth 1 - 13 - Clane 3 - 6
3.5.98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 1 - 9 - Raheens 0 - 9
5.5.98	Junior Football League Div 2A	Maynooth 1 - 10 - Two Mile House 1 - 3
5.5.98	Junior Football League Div 3B	Ardclough 1 - 8 - Maynooth 1 - 5
6.5.98	U/16 Hurling League	Eire 6g/Correcheill 2 - 6 Maynooth 2 - 4
8.5.98	U/16 Football League	Maynooth 1 - 11 - Athy 2 - 4
10.5.98	Minor Hurling League	Celbridge 2 - 6 - Maynooth 0 - 3
10.5.98	Minor Football League (North Final)	Carbury 4 - 9 - Maynooth 0 - 8
13.5.98	U/16 Hurling League	Celbridge 5 - 11 - Maynooth 2 - 5
15.5.98	U/14 Football League	Maynooth 10 - 12 - Clane 0 - 3
16.5.98	U/12 Hurling League	Celbridge 4 - 4 - Maynooth 0 - 3
16.5.98	U/14 Hurling League	Celbridge 4 - 8 - Maynooth 1 - 5

Senior Hurling League
Maynooth 3 - 15 - Castledermot 1 - 6

Maynooth got their league campaign off to a satisfactory start with an impressive victory over Castledermot on 26/4/98 at Castledermot. The winners got off to a flying start following a free from Fergal Scully which was only partially cleared by the Castledermot Defence, Padraig Ward was on hand to whip the sliotar in to the net. John O' Brien quickly added a point from play after receiving a pass from Mick Bennett. In the seventh minute Vincent Coughlan won possession passed to Mick Bennett who duly pointed. Castledermot had their first score of the half when Eamonn Kelly pointed from a free Hugh Nevin got in on the scoring act when he scored a fine long range point from 70 yds. John O' Brien had his second point in the 20th minute from play following good interplay between Stephen Brennan and Jim O' Mahony. Castledermot got their second point from a free by Eamonn Kelly but Stephen Brennan extended Maynooths lead with a similar score from play. Eamonn Kelly had his third point from a free for Castledermot but Maynooth finished the first half very strongly with Vincent Coughlin snapping up a pass from Jim O' Mahony and pointing and the same player goaled 2 minutes from half time when Jim Curran the Castledermot goalie was only able to parry a shot from Stephen Brennan and Vincent was on hand to blast the sliotar to the net leaving the half time score Maynooth 2-6; Castledermot 0-3. Maynooth were first to score in the second half when Killian Fagan struck over a lovely point from 50 yds after receiving a pass from Vincent Coughlin. Mark Deering had a point from play for Castledermot in the fifth minute before Fergal Scully pointed from an 80 yds free after a foul on himself. Vincent Coughlin restored Maynooths' advantage with a pointed free and John O' Brien had his third point from play midway through the second half. Castledermot had two points from Dan O' Keeffe and Mark Deering. Michael Doyle got a consolation goal for Castledermot but by then the game was over as a contest and further points by Vincent Coughlin 3, Conor Diggins 1, and Stephen Brennan stretched Maynooth's lead and to cap it all Vincent Coughlin won possession 21 yds out from goal and struck an unstoppable shot to the net. Best for Maynooth were Mick Gahan, Fergal Scully and Jimmy Cahill in defence, Killian Fagan, Vincent Coughlan and John O'Brien were most impressive. Best for Castledermot were Jim Curran, Seamus Phelan, Mick Mc Namara, Eamonn Kelly and Mark Deering.

Team and Scores
Matt Carroll, Brian Nevin, Stephen Noonan, Mick Gahan, Eoin Nevin, Fergal Scully (0-1) Jimmy Cahill, Killian Fagan (01) Hugh Nevin (0-1) Mick Bennett (0-1) Jim O' Mahoney, Stephen Brennan (0-2) Padraic Ward (1-0) Vincent Coughlin (2-5) John O' Brien (0-3)
Subs: Connor Diggins (0-1) for Jim O' Mahony Karl Ennis for Padraig Ward, Rory Kelly for John O' Brien.
Scorers for Castledermot:
Eamonn Kelly (0-3) Mark Deering (0-2) Michael Doyle (1-0) Dan O' Keeffe (0-1)

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

U/16 Hurling League
Maynooth 0-9 Clane 2-3

Maynooth played away below par in their league encounter with Clane at Maynooth on 22/4/98. Maynooth dominated the first half but had to rely on ace free taker Mikey Gleeson for their scores as they had a number of bad wides. Maynooth led at half time 0-6 to 0-3. In the second half the Maynooth defence lost their shape and conceded two rather soft goals. In the end Maynooth were lucky to earn a share of the spoils thanks to the accuracy of Mikey Gleeson. Best for Maynooth were Stephen Kelly in goal, Joe Brennan, Peter Sheehan and Tommy Masterson in defence. Morgan Sweeney tried hard at midfield and in attack Mikey Gleeson, Sean Brady, Damian Travers tried their hardest.

Team and Scores:
Stephen Kelly, Colin Cusker, Joe Brennan, Padraig Nevin, Peter Sheehan, Tommy Masterson, Chris Flynn, Morgan Sweeney (0-1) Aidan Molloy, Mikey Gleeson (0-7) Sean Brady (0-1) Peter Murray, Damian Travers, Alan Sweeney Brendan Coffey.
Subs Fergal Molloy for Peter Murray, James Mullarkey and Ronan O' Brien (not used)

U/14 Football League
Naas 2-11 Maynooth 1-8

An understrength Maynooth side failed to get the better of a strong Naas side played on 24/4/98. Naas had always the upper hand in the first half and led at half time by 1-6 to 1-3 with David Comerford scoring the Maynooth goal. The Maynooth side known for their fighting qualities had reduced the deficit to one point with 10 minutes remaining. However Naas weathered a strong onslaught from the Maynooth forward line and their second goal five minutes from time ensured victory. Best for Maynooth were: Alan Sweeney in goal Stephen Healy, Tagdh O' Corcaire and Fintan O' Donoghue in defence. Pierre Ennis was the best midfielder on view and D.J. Carrey, Fergie Molloy and David Comerford caused problems for the Naas defence. Maynooth Scorers: Pierre Ennis (0-6) David Comerford (1-0) D.J. Canning (0-1) Stephen Broderick (0-1).

Junior Hurling League.
St. Bridgets 3-7 Maynooth 0-5

Maynooth junior hurlers suffered a heavy defeat in their first League match of the season at Rathangan. However the winning margin was not a true reflection of the losers performance and were it not for some wayward shooting the result would have been much closer. Two fortuitous goals in the first half helped St. Bridgets to a half time lead of 2-5 to 0-2 with Maynooth's scores coming from Eamonn Toomey and Seamus Cummins. Maynooth played with a new sense of urgency and greater determination in the second half and early points from Andrew Fay and John O' Brien reduced the deficit to seven points. Seamus Cummins and Andrew Fay had goal scoring opportunities but on each occasion the ball went narrowly wide. Against the run of play the winners got their third goal (to ensure victory but Maynooth never stopped trying and Mick Bennett added a fine long range point from a free before the final whistle. Best for Maynoth were : Tony Mc Tiernan, Tommy Masterson, and Tom Mullarkey in defence. Rory Kelly at midfield and the best of the attackers were John O' Brien, Robert Hayes and Andrew Fay. Team and Scores: Karl Ennis, Gearoid Higgins, Tony Mc Ternan, Tony Masterson, Stephen O' Mahony, Tom Mullarkey, Brian Nevin, Rory Kelly, Mick Bennett (0-1) Andrew Fay (0-1) John O' Brien (0-1) Seamus Cummins (0-1) Stephen Kelly. Eamonn Toomey (0-1) Robert Hayes.

U/16 Hurling League
Eire Og/Corrachoill 2 - 6 Maynooth 2 - 4

Maynooth suffered their second league defeat at the heads of Eire Og/Corrachoill played at St.. Mary's Park on 6.5.98. In truth had it not been for some uncharacteristic wayward shooting by the forwards Maynooth would have emerged victors. Maynooth had the advantage of a strong breeze in the first half and Brendan Coffey set them on their way with a point from play. The lead was short lived however as Eire Óg equalised a minute later and took the lead soon afterwards with a goal. Damien Travers took advantage of slack defence play to finish the sliotar to the net to equalise and while Maynooth continued to dominate from there to the end of the first half their only reward was two points from Mickey Gleeson and Morgan Sweeney to leave the half time score Maynooth 1 - 3; Eire Og/Corrachoill 1 - 1.

For the first 15 minutes of the second half the winners were in total control and had scored a further goal and four points in that spell without any reply from Maynooth. It was only at this stage that Maynooth played with any sense of urgency and determination and a goal from Alan Sweeney and a point from Mickey Gleeson reduced the deficit to just two points. Mickey Gleeson and Aidan Molloy had a good goal scoring opportunities for Maynooth but were denied by the Eire Og defence who held out for a hard earned victory. Best for Maynooth were: Stephen Kelly, Joe Brennan, Peter Sheehan & Tommy Masterson in defence, Morgan Sweeney at Midfield and Alan Sweeney, Damien Travers & Brendan Coffey in attack.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

Teams & Scores
Stephen Kelly, Padraic Nevin, Joe Brennan, Colin Cushen, Peter Sheehan, Tommy Masterson, Chris Flynn, Mickey Gleeson (0-2) Morgan Sweeney (0-1) Alan Sweeney (1-0) Aidan Molloy, Brendan Coffey (0-1) Damien Travers (1-0) Sean Brady, James Mullarkey.
Subs: Fergal Molloy for J. Mullarkey, T. Flately (not used).

Minor Hurling League
Celbridge 2 - 6 Maynooth 0 - 3

This game was very evenly balanced in the first half with Celbridge leading by 0 - 4 to 0 - 3 the Maynooth scores coming from Conor Diggins (2) and Andy Gavin. Celbridge however had the edge on the score board leading by 0 - 4 to 0 - 3. Celbridge had increased their lead to five points inside the first ten minutes of the second half having scored a goal and a point in that period without any reply from Maynooth. Maynooth had plenty of possession in the second half but their full forward line were no match for the Celbridge full back line who thwarted attack after attack. In the latter stages of the game Celbridge added on a further goal and point to emerge deserved winners. Best for Maynooth were Seamus Cummins, Peter Sheehan and Tom Mullarkey in defence, Rory Kelly had an excellent second half at midfield while in attack only Conor Diggins and Ken Dooley can be reasonably happy with their performances.

Teams & Scores
Karl Ennis, Alan Nolan, Seamus Cummins, Geroid Higgins, Peter Sheehan, Tom Mullarkey, Aidan McCarron, Rory Kelly, Chris Arthurs, Conor Diggins (0-2) Ken Dooley, Andy Gavin (0-1) Sean Brady, Brendan Keogh, Aidan Molloy.
Subs: M. Gleeson for S. Brady, S. Kelly for A. Molloy.

U/16 Football League
Maynooth 1 - 11 Athy 2 - 4

An improved performance from Maynooth helped them to a four point victory over Athy played at St. Mary's Park on 8/5/98. Athy with the advantage of the breeze in the first half got off to the better start with a goal and a point inside the first ten minutes. Maynooth had their first point from midfielder Pierre Ennis. Both teams were evenly matched for the remainder of the half with Athy scoring a further two points while points for Maynooth from Patrick O'Rourke (2) and Tommy Masterson left the half time score Athy 1 - 3 - Maynooth 0 - 4. The introduction of Sean Brady at the start of the second half proved to be a shrewd move by Maynooth Manager Jack O'Rourke and Morgan Sweeney who lined out at corner forward was given a roving commission giving his marker a torrid time and created more space for the other forwards. In addition Paudge O'Sullivan and Pierre Ennis began to dominate at midfield and in a fifteen minute spell Maynooth had scored five points without reply. On two occasions when the Maynooth rearguard was breached Alan Sweeney came to the rescue with two marvellous saves. Athy did manage to get a second goal eight minutes from the end but a Tommy Masterson goal two minutes later sealed victory for Maynooth. Best for Maynooth were Alan Sweeney in goal, Barry Doyle, Patrick King and Peter Sheehan, in defence, Paudge O'Sullivan and Pierre Ennis dominated at midfield in the second half and in attack Tommy Masterson, Sean Brady and Morgan Sweeney were very impressive.

Teams and Scores
Alan Sweeney, Shane Pidgeon, Barry Doyle, Graham Quinn, Patrick King, Peter Sheehan, Shane Devereux, Paudge O'Sullivan (0-1) Pierre Ennis (0-2) Killian Carr, Tommy Masterson (1-1) Patrick O'Rourke (0-2) Alan Baxter (0-1) Colin Cushen, Morgan Sweeney (0-1).
Sub: Sean Brady (0-3) for Colin Cushen

U/16 Football League
Maynooth 1 - 13 Clane 3 - 6

Maynooth gained victory over Clane by the narrowest of margins in a very entertaining game played at Clane on 1.5.98. The first half was played at a very fast pace with both teams giving their best. A goal by Tommy Masterson midway through the first half helped Maynooth to a two point lead at half time on a scoreline of 1 - 4 to 0 - 5. The ability of the Maynooth forwards to take their scores when presented was the deciding factor in the second half and by the twentieth minute Maynooth led by five points. However two lapses of concentration by the Maynooth full back line presented Clane with two goals. Points by Tommy Masterson and Patrick O'Rourke ensured victory for Maynooth. Best for Maynooth were Shane Pidgeon, Barry Doyle and Shane Devereux in defence, Paudge O'Sullivan was the best midfielder on view and Tommy Masterson, Patrick O'Rourke, Alan Baxter and Colin Cushen played well in attack.

Scores for Maynooth.
T. Masterson 1 - 2, Sean Brady 0 - 4, Pierre Ennis 0 - 2, Patrick O'Rourke 0 - 3, Alan Baxter 0 - 2.

Cont.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

Junior Football League - Division 3B
Ardclough 1 - 8 Maynooth 1 - 5

This was certainly a game of two contrasting halves. Maynooth played with the advantage of a strong breeze in the first half and despite missing numerous scoring chances defended very well and were leading at half time by 1 - 4 to nil. The Maynooth scores came from Rory Kelly (2), John Farrelly, and Danny Byrne while full forward Barry Desmond took advantage of hesitancy in the Ardclough defence to fist home a goal in the 20th minute.

With the aid of the breeze in the second half Ardclough began to dominate at midfield and after 20 minutes of the second half Maynooths lead was reduced to a single point 1 - 4 to 0 - 6. Then disaster struck the Maynooth rearguard and Ardclough scored a goal despite the best effort of net minder Packie Carroll.

In the final ten minutes Ardclough added a further two points and despite a resurgence by Maynooth their only score was a point from Barry Desmond. Tommy Sullivan was an impartial referee.

Best for Maynooth were Declan O'Leary, Danny Grehan and Fergal Scully in defence, Peter Kinsella tried hard at midfield and in attack Danny Byrne. Rory Kelly and Sean Lennon tried hardest.

Teams & Scores

P. Carroll, D. Moran, D. O'Leary, Martin McTiernan, J. O'Mahony, D. Grehan, F. Scully, J. Farrelly (0-1), P. Kinsella, D. Byrne (0-1), S. Ralph, R. Kelly (0-2), S. Lennon, B. Desmond (1-1), D. Levins
Sub: G. Greally for D. Moran

Senior Football League
Maynooth 1 - 9 Raheens 0 - 9

The Maynooth senior footballers gained a rather fortuitous victory over Raheens played on 3.5.98. Despite being outplayed at midfield for most of the half, Maynooth managed to hold a one point lead at half time with their scores coming from Eamon Dunne, Joey O' Riordan, Paul Flood and two points from Paul Garvey. The Maynooth defence were put under strong pressure by the Raheens forward line in the second half and it looked as if defeat was staring them straight in the face until Eamon Dunne scored a vital goal late in the game to secure victory.

Best for Maynooth were Stephen Noonan, Eamon Gallagher, Niall Byrne, Ronan Murphy, David O'Mahoney, Paul Garvey and Paul Flood.

Team & Scores

Joe Rossiter, Alan Nugent, Stephen Noonan, Mick Nevin, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, Niall Byrne, Killian Fagan, Ronan Murphy, David O'Mahony, Eamon Dunne (1-1) - Derek Naughton, Paul Garvey (0-4) Paul Flood (0-2) Joey O'Riordan (0-2)
Subs: J. Nevin, Eamon Dunne, Joey Nevin, Joey O'Riordan, William Farrelly, Derek Naughton.

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(Cawley) Wife, Brother, Sisters, Nieces, Nephews, Relatives and friends of John Cawley, Kingsbry, Maynooth.

(O'Mara) Sisters, Brothers, Relatives and friends of Kathleen (Kay) O'Mara, Maynooth, late Quarry Road Cabra.

(Kelly) The family of the late Patrick (Sonny) Kelly, St. Marys Park, Leixlip, and formally of Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely those who were so supportive in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal, Mass and funeral and those who sent mass cards and floral tributes. Your support at such a sad time was very much appreciated you will be remembered in our Masses and Prayers.

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Birthday Wishes: to Pat Craig on his 40th birthday, lots of love from his daughter Lauren, also from Mammy, Bob, Liam, Cam, Jeffrey, Denis, Darren, and John Bull.

Birthday Wishes: to Nicholas Donovan whose birthday was in May. Age unknown from his friends in Bradys.

Birthday Wishes: to Barry McDonnell, who celebrates his birthday on the 6th June. Love from Kate, Ciara and Kevin.

Birthday Wishes: to Kenneth Lennon from Kilmacraddock Maynooth who celebrates his 18th birthday on 11 June, from Mam, Dad, Brendan, Mark and David.

Birthday Wishes: to Darragh O' Reilly who celebrates his 9th birthday on 30th June from his Mam, and his sisters Marcella and Anne Maire.

Birthday Wishes: to Sean Mc Ternan, Moyglare Village age 10 June 24th from Daddy, Mammy, sisters Aoife, Aileen, Grannies and Grandad.

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Birthday Wishes: to Tony Mc Tiernan, Silken Vale, June 7th From Nuala, Deirdre, Maeve, Mammy and Daddy.

Birthday Wishes: to Joe Richardson, Moyglare Village, May 4th from Maureen and family.

Birthday Wishes: to Alona Kelly, 3 Beaufield Grove age 10 May 25th from Mammy, Daddy, Aisling, Ruairi and all your friends.

Belated Birthday Wishes: to Charlotte Quinn who was 19th on the 26th of May from Mam and all the family.

CONGRATULTIONS

Congratulations from family and friends to:

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O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Spendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. O Star of the Sea help me and show me here you are my mother, O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity, there are none that can withstand your power, O show here you are my mother, O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times), Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands, (3 times), Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands, (3 times), O thank you for your mercy to me and mine, Amen.

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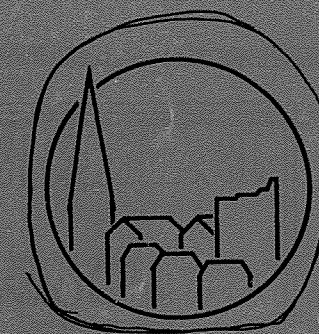
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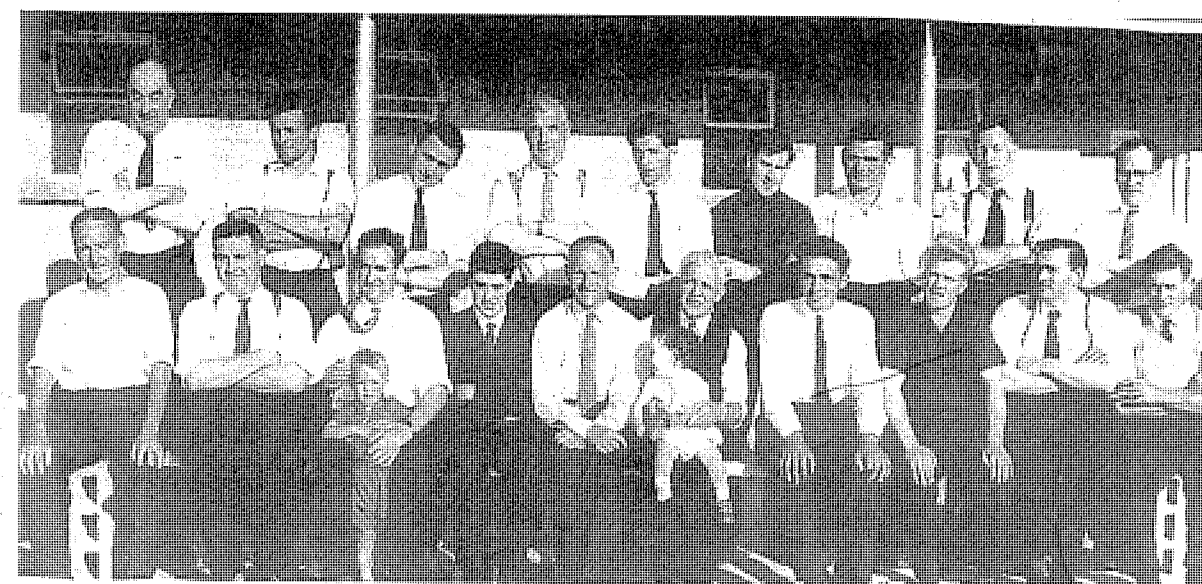


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EDITORIAL

Maynooth Festival

In a summer that has so far broken all records for rain, we have to hope that the weather improves in time for the Maynooth Festival this month. Details of the range of events and activities are listed elsewhere in this issue and congratulations to the Festival Committee for putting the whole thing together. Of course the success of the Festival depends on the participation of the local community. Events where only a handful of people who turn up is very dispiriting for all concerned. With new residents coming to live in Maynooth in increasing numbers - many of us don't even know where some of the new estates are located - it is important that the town's sense of community is strengthened by the success of events such as the Festival. So whether it's attending a music session or putting a team in the ever popular table quiz, whether you are fourth generation Maynooth or living here for a few months, we would encourage all to come along and join in.

Maynooth GAA

This month the Newsletter publishes a special feature on Maynooth GAA in recognition of the important place the organisation plays in our local community. Tremendous credit is due to all involved in both developing their facilities and in providing such a valuable recreational outlet for the young people of the town. As the World Cup draws to a close our television screens may be dominated by international soccer matches every other night but there is nothing that can match the passion generated by competitive sport at the local level. The scenes of joy witnessed among supporters when Kildare recently beat Dublin in the Leinster Championship had to be seen to be believed. During July games with Laois and Meath (probably) lie ahead ensuring a summer of high excitement.

DIARY DATES

Mon 29th June to Friday 31st July Parks Summer League Tennis (Registration 29th June).

Fri. 3rd July Benefit Night Glenroyal Hotel 10 pm to 2 am.

Tues. 7th July Registration for Summer Project 10.30 am in I.C.A. Hall.

Friday 10th July Official Launch of Miss Royal Canal 1998 in Glenroyal Hotel.

Sat. 18th July Golfing Society Outing.

Sun 19th July Cemetery Sunday in Grange William 7 pm. *

Wed. 22nd July Maynooth Summer Festival opens.

Sunday 26th July Maynooth Summer Festival closes.

Friday 24th July Miss Royal Canal Contest Glenroyal Hotel 9 pm.

Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council sets up new sub-committee

A new sub-committee has been established to deal with drawing up and progressing a plan for the Geraldine Hall site and the Harbour field. The sub-committee will also draw up a plan in co-operation with Kildare County Council for the 10 acre site at Blacklion owned by the Council. The new recreational, amenity and leisure facilities sub-committee will be chaired by John Doogan.

Community Council to write to Kildare County Council on litter problem

Following a proposal from Mr. Des Matthews, Maynooth Community Council is to write to Kildare County Council seeking information on the Council's intentions in implementing the litter laws in Maynooth. The Litter Acts became law one year ago on July 1st 1997.

Tree Pruning in Maynooth

Maynooth's Community Council is to write to Kildare County Council to clarify the Council's tree pruning intentions in Maynooth. This results from a number of unexplained tree fellings in Maynooth. Much criticism was also made of the recent unofficial tree pruning that took place on a tree in Parsons St.

Departure of Mrs. Connie Harpur

There was unanimous applause following the tributes paid to I.C.A. representative Mrs. Connie Harpur who announced her resignation from the Community Council. Ian, Connie and family have played a very active part in community life during their time in Maynooth. They are moving to Wexford in the near future. We wish them well in their endeavours.

Community Council - July Meeting

The July meeting of the Community Council will be held on Monday 13th July. A good attendance would be appreciated especially as the World Cup will be over by then and the Maynooth Festival will not have started.

Maynooth Festival

Maynooth Community Council members will receive invitations to the festival launch in the Glenroyal Hotel on July 17th. The Festival will take place from July 22nd to the 26th July. Full details can be found elsewhere in the newsletter and a brochure detailing the programme will be delivered to every house in the Town.

Paul Croghan
PRO

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Families claiming a social welfare (including Family Income Supplement) or Health Board payment are eligible for the scheme if they satisfy a means test, i.e. their gross income is below the thresholds set out below, which vary depending on the number of children.

Those taking part in a Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) or Third Level Allowance Scheme or in receipt of an area allowance in a Partnership area or those on a full-time non craft FÁS Training Course are also eligible.

The allowance is also available to those on Community Employment or Back to Work Allowance who retain their secondary benefits even though their income may exceed the threshold. (There is a restriction of £250 on total income for CE and BTWA applicants).

The Scheme runs from 1st June to 30th September and is administered by the Health Board as part of the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme. Families should apply to the Community Welfare Officer at their local Health Centre.

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RECREATIONAL, AMENITY AND LEISURE FACILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE.

At the June meeting of Maynooth Community Council a motion was passed to form a Recreational, Amenity and Leisure Facilities Sub-Committee with the following as it's priorities:

1. Draw up and progress a Development Plan for the Geraldine Hall.
2. Progress a Development Plan for the Harbour Field.
3. Draw up and progress, in co-operation with Kildare County Council, a Development Plan for the Council's 10-acre site at Blacklion.

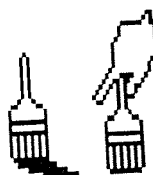
Prior to any decisions being made on any of the above a Public Meeting will be organised to receive input from all interested groups or individuals. To receive notice of the date and venue of this meeting a contact name should be sent to: The Recreational, Amenity and Leisure Committee c/o. Maynooth Community Council, Main Street., Maynooth.

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TIDY TOWNS THE FACTS NOT THE RUMOURS.

The termination of the Tidy Town's Committee sponsored FÁS Scheme, making nine CEP workers redundant, was beyond our control.

Having submitted plans and costings for an improved three year scheme with seven extra workers, we were foiled by the absence of a letter from SIPTU Athy branch stating that our proposed work did not usurp the local Co. Councils work.

This letter was refused pending the resolution of a dispute between Kildare Co. Co. and the Union. A similar refusal in 1997 resulted in Carton Avenue being overgrown despite appeals to our local T.D's and Co. Councillors of whom some did not acknowledge our representations.

The Tidy Towns Committee are a voluntary group of seven who are employed five days a week, who give their leisure time at weekends in service to tidy towns.

Over the years we have worked to improve our environs, which resulted in an increase of points each year in the National Tidy Towns Competition. This was achieved against the odds. Litter louts, vandals, public utility contractors who used our mown grass areas for stacking pipes etc, and sites we upgraded, for dumping clay and soil, did little to improve our ratings. One landlord undid our paintwork within 24 hours.

The assistance of the residents of all the housing estates contributed greatly to our success, as did the shop owners who improved their shop fronts and windows and all the residents who tended their immediate surrounds, the Royal Canal Group for their contribution.

THANK YOU ALL.

We wish to thank all who generously contribute to our annual collection, to Coonan Auctioneers, Gerry Mulcahy, Butcher in Greenfield and Super Valu, Maynooth for their sponsorship of annual awards, St. Patrick's Day Parade and many other expenses.

Finally a special thank you to the Sunday morning clean up volunteers, who in Winter and Summer, tidy the streets and Square, making the town pleasant, which normally lasts until the afternoon.

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*Chairman,
Maynooth Tidy Towns.*

Maynooth Community Festival 1998

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Festival Opening Disco - Glenroyal Hotel 12 - 2am

WEDNESDAY 22 JULY

Guinness 7 - a - Side Soccer- Harbour Field 6.45 pm
Street Theatre Group - Square 7.30 pm
Maher School of Irish Dancing - Square 7.30 pm
Poetry Reading / Music - Library 7.30 pm
Carton Avenue - Unveiling 1798
Commemorative Stone 7.00 pm
Guinness Table Quiz- Caulfields 9.00 pm
Pitch & Putt - Dunboyne Road Ongoing
Leinster Arms - Music 9.30 pm
Music - Sing - a - Long, Roost 9.30 pm
Smithwicks Festival Disco - Glenroyal 12pm-2am

THURSDAY 23 JULY

Guinness Soccer 7 a Side - Harbour Field 6.45 pm
Maynooth Brass & Reed Band - Square 7.30 pm
Whack-A-Do Concert - Parish Hall 8.00 pm
Smithwicks Promotion - LA- Hungry Buzzards 9.30 pm
Pitch & Putt Dunboyne Rd Ongoing
Leinster Arms Upstairs Lounge - Terry Martin 9.30 pm
Roost Nightly Entertainment 9.30 pm
Glenroyal Hotel - Conquerors 11.20 pm
Maynooth Senior Citizens Cabaret - Caulfields 9.00 pm

FRIDAY 24 JULY

Guinness Soccer 7 - a - Side harbour Field 6.45 pm
Traditional Music - Square 7.30 pm
Miss Royal Canal - Glenroyal - Sponsored
by Travel Options 9.00 pm
Leinster Arms - Gerry Baily 9.30 pm
Sing - a - Long - Brady's 9.30 pm
Pitch & Putt - Dunboyne Rd Ongoing

SATURDAY 25 JULY

Fire Brigade Display - Harbour 2.30 pm
Baby Show - Harbour Field 3.00 pm
Children's Balloon Modelling, Fun
and Games - Harbour Field 3 - 5 pm
Cú Glas - Archery & Spear Throwing 3.30 pm
Car Treasure Hunt - The Mall 4.00 pm
Cú Glas - Battle - Harbour Field 5.30 pm
Pitch & Putt - Dunboyne Road Final
Clare Tighes Hip - Hop Dance School, Square 7.30 pm
Grainne Feely's Dancing School - Square 7.30 pm
Sing - a - Long - Brady's 9.30 pm
Smithwicks Promotion, Roost, Danny Carthy 9.30 pm
Leinster Arms - Terry Martin 9.30 pm
Glenroyal Hotel - Bog the Donkey - Disco 11pm - 2 am

SUNDAY 26 JULY

Maynooth College Visitors Centre 2.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Mens Guinness Soccer Finals - Harbour Field 3.00 pm
Mens Guinness Soccer Trophies - Roost 6.00 pm
Presentation Pitch & Putt Trophies 6.30 pm
Presentation Guinness Barperson, Roost 6.30 pm
Doyle's School of Dancing - Square 7.30 pm
Carlsberg Festival Talent Competition - LA 9.30 pm
Adult Dancing - Glenroyal - John Hogan 9.00 pm- 12pm
Roost - Music - Sing along 9.30 pm
Festival Finale Disco Late Bar 12.00pm - 2 am

In the event of bad weather outdoor Square events will move to the Glenroyal Hotel.
Thanks to the Glenroyal for this facility.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The June meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 4th June at 8.00 p.m. Mrs Rosemary Hanley our new President welcomed the new committee which are as follows :-

President - Rosemary Hanley

Vice President, Timire and International Officer Mary Mac Namara

Secretary - Viva Kearins

Treasurer - Anne Broughan

Crafts Promoter - Theresa Brennan

Hostess - Maryse Killian

Contest Secretary and Arts Promoter - Helen Doyle

Sports Officer - Bernie King

An Grianan Teachta - Dorothy Dorman

P.R.O. and Entertainment Officer - Irene Matthews

Rosemary offered her sympathy to the family of Fr. Brendan Supple.

Mc CARTHY CUP

Kildare Federation Table Quiz took place on the 17th June in Kill G.A.A.

CLEAN UP

The hall clean up took place on Wednesday 10th June at 10.30 a.m.

The June "on the spot" competition was "word play with letters" and was won by

1st Anne Broughan

2nd Connie Harpur and Rosemary Hanley

3rd Margaret Houlihan

Rosemary thanked Connie Harpur for all the trojan work she has done for the guild in her various roles through the years. She presented her with a card and gift on behalf of the members and wished Connie and her family best wishes in their new life in Wexford.

The raffle winners on the night were :-

1st Madeline Stynes

2nd Mary Deane

3rd Betty Farrell

We wish all the members and friends happy holidays until we meet again in September.

Irene Matthews
P.R.O.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION BOYS SCHOOL

Congratulations to all the boys who made their First Holy Communion. Thank you to Mrs. Brennan, Miss. Buckley, Mr. Mullen and Fr. Sinnott who put so much work into the occasion, also thank you to all the ladies who made tea in the school.

We would like to wish good luck to all the boys from 6th class who are beginning in new schools in September and we hope they enjoyed their graduation night.

Finally we wish all the teachers, boys and parents a happy holiday. See you all in September.

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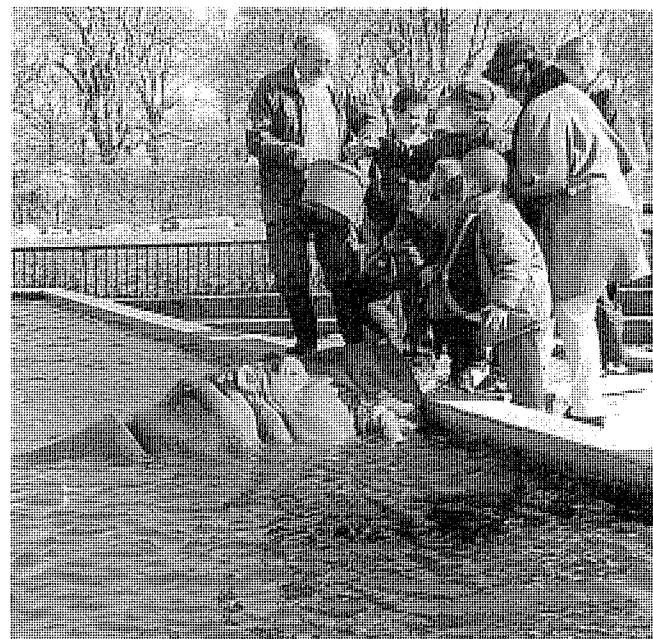
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Special class and their visit to the Zoo

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PRESENTATION CONVENT PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The Parents Association would like to thank everyone who attended the Odlums Cookery Demonstration. The night was very enjoyable.

We wish to express our thanks to:

Catherine Leyden and Odlums Ltd.

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The children really enjoyed the tennis coaching held during the last term. Our thanks to Phillipa Pentz from Tennis Ireland.

Fun was had by all on the School Sports Day on June 16th. We would like to thank the staff from the Amenities Centre in Leixlip for helping out on the day and McDonalds for the drinks and anyone else who came to lend a hand.

We hope the pupils and the staff enjoy the holidays and we wish the sixth class girls good luck for the future.

Bernie O'Meara, P.R.O.



All smiles at the sports day



Enjoying sports day at Girls School
Emma Murtagh, Sarah Fleming & Debbie McGovern



Enjoying Sports Day at the Girls School

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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Turas Scoile / School Tour:

We had a wonderful 'turas' on Monday when we visited Lambert's Puppet Theatre in Monkstown. It was an extremely child-centred show and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. We stopped for a picnic in Rathfarnham on the way home and 34 very weary children (and teachers) arrived back to Maynooth afterwards.

Lá Spóirt / Sports Day:

Congratulations are due to all the children who took part in our Lá Spóirt on Friday 19th June. All of us (parents included) thoroughly enjoyed the day. The following children who tried their best on the day got a certificate.

Rang Aisling

Eoghan
Niamh
Ruairí
Fiona
Tim
Muireann
Lúcás
Noel
Siobhán
Adrian
Daire
Tomás
Katie
Meggan
Shane
Emma



Rang Aisling ag an Lá Telethon

Rang Máirín

Fiachra
Dónal
Marco
Mícheál
Tomás
Shane
Conchúr
Eoin
Maedhbh
Nicola
Nicole
Sorcha
Imogen
Gráinne
Lauren



Rang Máirín ag an Lá Telethon

Campa Samhraidh / Summer Camp:

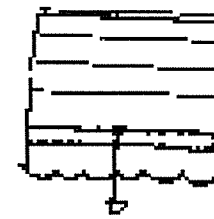
There are still some places left in our Junior Summer Camp which will be held from 29th June to the 2nd July. Anyone interested in enrolling can contact the school at 6290667 everyday from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

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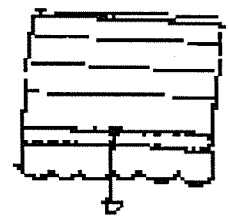
In September we will be moving our Scoil to an ideal location off the Harbour Road. We will now be in a four-roomed prefab which is located in a private garden. Each class will have their own room and the fourth room will be used as a computer room. We believe that this move will benefit both children and parents alike.

Tá súil againn i nGaelscoil Uí Fhiaich go mbeidh Samhradh suaimhneach, sláintiúil agaibh ar fad.

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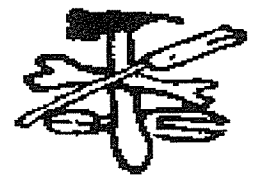
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BAND BULLETIN

Here we are again slap bang in the middle of the year - and still no sign of the real summer but we live in hope of delayed action sunshine before the winter closes in.

We were fortunate in meeting that rare animal, a sunny Sunday afternoon, when we visited Sandymount Green last month for a family Fun Day organised by Dublin Corporation to tie in with BLOOMSDAY Celebrations in that area. It was a fantastic day with a brilliant audience of all ages, some dressed in period costume and including a certain gentleman named Ronnie Delaney, an Olympic gold Medallist in Melbourne in 1956. Our Brass player Mick Murphy was quick to introduce himself to Ronnie as one of the few athletes who beat him before he scaled the dizzy heights of Olympic glory. As the song says Mick, you should have "kept on running".

That same Sunday - 14th June - was indeed a busy one as we also played for the Corpus Christi Procession in Maynooth. For decades this has been one of the most important events in the Band's calendar. In fact the boys Band made its first public appearance in the 1956 procession, but this year held a special significance in that it was the first time in 23 years that Fr Supple was not involved. I'm sure he was watching over it and made sure that we had a perfect evening for it. One fine day does not make a Summer and we were definite witnesses to this old saying when we visited Newtown in Kilcock on the following Saturday for their 1798 Commemoration Event. A beautiful morning turned to rain just as we departed Maynooth and we spent the afternoon dodging downpours and up to our ankles in soaking wet grass. Still, there is always someone worse off than yourself, the poor children re-enacting the Battle of OVIDSTOWN HILL had to lie in the wet grass when they had been shot by the British soldiers. As usual the organisers had planned the event so well but you just cannot arrange for fine weather.

One of the "unseen highlights" of last month was the first class end of term concert given for parents by the boys and girls in our junior classes. The fruits of the teachers work - and the pupils practice were shown to great effect and they really have made remarkable progress in the past year. We hope to promote a number of the advanced people to the Senior Band in September and move other individuals on to other instruments. We also hope to hold aptitude tests for new classes in mid-September, details of which will be advertised in all the local schools and in the Newsletter at the beginning of September.

Our July programme has been slightly disrupted due to the cancellation of two family days at the Hewlett Packard plant in Leixlip but we hope to replace those dates with a number of engagements elsewhere in the county. We are of course looking forward to our own recital for Community Week on Thursday 23rd July in the Square. It will be our first outdoor programme since our Kansas City visit and we hope to include some of the music which was greatly appreciated by our American friends. We hope to see a large crowd in the Square on 23rd. (or in the Glenroyal Hotel if weather is bad).

Finally on a sad note we report the departure of one of our shyest Band member s Eoin Field, who has been transferred back to Cork. Eoin played trumpet with us for a few years while he worked in Dublin and yes I jest about his shyness, sure have you ever seen a shy Cork man. He was a great musician , great craic and a D'unbelievable mimic as he showed in Kansas City. We will miss him very much but he has promised to drop back to see us now and then. Hope he doesn't leave it until Cork win a Munster Hurling Championship - Sorry Eoin.

Eoin was one of our newer residents who could play an instrument and joined the Band because he liked music. We have had others join us from Leixlip, Celbridge and as far afield as Carbury. If you have played with a Band before and have moved into Maynooth or the surrounding towns we would indeed be glad to meet you. You will enjoy playing with us.

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SCOIL UÍ RIADA NEWS

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Comhgairdeas to Scoil Uí Riada's under 12's Ceilí Band (Clár Ní Threasaigh, Caitríona Ní Chuinn, Marcus ó Brógáin, Breandán Mac Gabhann, Carly Nic Chuarta, Megan De Búrca, Tomás ó Báille agus Aindrias ó hUigín) who, under the baton of Musical Director Mary Jo Mac Gabhann, won the Ceilí Band section of Fleadh Ceoil Chill Dara in June. They now proceed to the Leinster Fleadh in Trim in July.

Pilot French Language Programme

The Department of Education and Science has selected Scoil Uí Riada to partake in a Pilot Programme to incorporate the teaching of French into the Primary School Curriculum. This programme will commence next September.

Céad Comaoineach Naofa

Glac 34 daltaí a gCéad Comaoineach Naofa ar an 23ú Bealtaine i Séipéal Naomh Chóca. Ba iad an t-Athair O Baoil agus an t-Athair McWey na sagairt. Bíodh Críost in éineacht le: Caoimhín Breannoc, Michéile Ní Fhóirréidh, Niall Mac Gearailt, Caoilfhionn Ní Lachtnáin, Briain Mac Cába, Siocfreadh Ní Lachtnáin, Dónal Mac Giolla, Cáit Ní Dhufaighbaltúin, Aibhistín ó Raleigh, Clodagh Nic Aogáin, Mícheál ó Gairbhí, Rebekah Nic Chonmara, Séan ó Duibhín, Emile Ní Chriotháin, Séamus ó Cearbhúill, Aifric Ní Dhorchaí, Séamus Mac Giolla Bhríde, Hannah Ní Dhufaigh, Niall Mac Riocaird, Sinead Ní Ghallachoir, Maitiú Rocfort, Róisín Ní Mhuirí, Cathal ó hUiginn, Bláthnaid Ní Scannláin, Caoimhín ó Broin, Megan Ní hEifearnáin, Colman ó Murchú, Clár Nic Chonmara, Briain ó Draighneáin, Eoin Mac Giolla Bhríde, Eoghan ó Muirheartaigh, Críostóir ó hAirtneacha, Jonathan ó Caoimh-Ahern, Críostóir ó Leabhraí-Trean.



L-R B. Mac Cába, C. Ó Murchú, A. Ó Raleigh,
J. Ó Caoimh-Ahern who received their First Holy
Communion

Summer Holidays

The Board of Management would like to wish our muinteoirí, parents and pupils a happy and safe Summer holiday. We look forward to seeing you all bright eyed and bushy tailed ar ais ar scoil on Wednesday September 2nd. To our sixth class students who are leaving us, we are confident that you will capitalise on the excellent education which you received in the last eight years and we hope that you found your time at Scoil Uí Riada both rewarding and beneficial. We wish you all the best in your future studies.

Miriam Ahern, PRO

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

July has come upon us again, and it is time for the Summer Project to begin. Registration day is 7th July in the I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour, at 10.30. am. Bookings for all day trips away must be paid for on that day.

All children must be at least 7 years of age to be registered with the Project. Don't forget there are also some events for over 12's at night.

Any parent or interested adult willing to give time to help out on the project please contact any committee member or the Community Council Office, at 6285922. We would be glad of your help.

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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Steam Train Sunday

The weather was again kind to us and the day was a success. The excursion included German and Japanese tourists, who had been staying in the Glenroyal, and people who had travelled from as far as the Louth - Meath border. Our thanks to our Supporters who turned up on the day to assist and to the staff of Iarnród Éireann, Maynooth.

Miss Royal Canal 1998

The Venue is the Glenroyal Hotel on Friday 24th of July, and the official launch is Friday 10th July. Tickets will be served on a "First come, First served" basis at our office at The Mall, Maynooth, during normal office hours. In recent years, all tickets had been sold in advance of the night and we expect that there will be no tickets available at the door on the night.

Last year, our advertising slogan was "Vote No.1 - For a real Party - The Miss Royal Canal Selection." This year, we hope the party will again be bigger and better.

Michelle Lynam from Tesco, Maynooth, was the 1997 winner and among Michelle's prizes was a weekend to Helsinki in Finland. Every contestant is a winner and there is an excellent prize for the contestant who brings in the highest sponsorship, so a contestant can also be a double winner.

John Dean, one of the stars of the Telethon Concert in April is this year's music performer.

Application to KELT

We have taken a decision, in principle, to make an application to KELT for assistance in preparing a feasibility study to investigate the building of boating services at the Harbour - toilets, launderette, pump house, stores, administration and office. We believe the potential may be there to make Maynooth the "Carrick-on-Shannon," "Ballinamore" of the Royal Canal system. The system is 90 miles long and when finally completed, it will attract a huge boating population, not only from Ireland but from Britain and Western Europe. Where boating enthusiasts are concerned, it is a totally unexplored Canal, and that's a very rare phenomenon.

KELT is Kildare European Leader II Tourism and based in Clane -045 861973.

Leader II is a European Union Initiative that supports local and rural development projects which includes all areas and towns in the County. Development Projects come under some of the following headings - Tourism, Enterprise,

Community Development, Alternative Agriculture, Environment and Heritage. Application may be made by groups or individuals. KELT will fund 80% of the cost of the feasibility study subject to a fixed financial limit. The study would be undertaken by a specialist firm.

Please call to our office at The Mall if you would like an explanatory leaflet from KELT.

New Member

Aedamar Kelly joined our Committee recently. Aedamar is a post-graduate student living in Maynooth for a number of years, and from County Cork. Our membership has now been increased by nearly 15% as a result.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES REPORT

Since the last issue of the Newsletter all the local and County Finals have taken place.

Results to date

Basketball:

Boys U/16 bronze in the county final.

Volleyball:

Girls U/16 silver in the county final.

Variety:

Boys & Girls mixed U/14 Bronze in the County Final.

Soccer:

Boys U/12 reached the quarter finals.

Soccer

Girls U/12 reached the semi-finals.

Rounders:

Girls U/15 unplaced in the county "blitz".

Table tennis:

Girls U/16 gold at the county level are now through to Leinster level.

Table tennis:

Boys U/16 silver at county final.

Gymnastics:

Girls U/16 gold medal won by Rachel Cunningham.
Girls U/14 silver medal won by Emma Higgins.
Girls U/12 silver medal won by Sarah Prendergast.

Swimming:

Girls U/14 bronze medal won by André Heslin.
Boys U/14 Mark Watson reached the final.



Silver Medalists at Volleyball Co. Finals.
Front L-R Sharon Cummins, Niamh Byrne, Emma Higgins
Back L-R Brid Ann O'Shea (Coach), Aileen Devaney, Emma Fleming, Tanya Millea, Emma Kennedy, Margaret Callaghan (Coach)



Medal Winners at Comm. games Local Quiz Competition
Back L-R Cian Duffy, B. O'Malley (Mgr) D. Judge & Stephen Burnell
Front L-R Shane Judge, Alison Judge, Marie Gleeson (C/Person) Laura Judge
Centre B. Bean, Missing J. Kelleher & A. Sinclair

Athletics:

Girls U/14 800m. gold medal won by Muire Ennis.
Girls U/16 Javelin gold medal won by Emma Fleming.
Boys U/16 1500m bronze medal won by Donal Houlihan.
Girls U/8 60m. Elaine Houlihan reached the semi final.
Girls U/8 80m. Aibhe Flynn reached the final.
Girls U/8 60m. Claire MacNamara reached the semi final.
Girls U/10 100m. Arek Ní Mhurchú reached the final.
Girls U/10 200m. Eimear Flynn reached the final.
Girls U/12 100m. Jennifer Halton reached the semi-final.
Girls U/14 Long puck Elaine MacNamara 4th.

Girls U/14 Long puck Carol McCartin 6th.

Girls U/14 Shot putt. Awut Ní Mhurchú 6th.

Girls U/14 Relay team 5th.

Congratulations to all the competitors who competed at both Local and County level. Their efforts and behaviour are to be commended. Commiserations to Muireann O'Sullivan who took a heavy fall in the 80m. hurdles. We hope you have fully recovered by now Muireann.

Thank you to all the managers, minders and sponsors for their help, without whom the Community Games could not take place.

Good luck to all who are heading for the National Finals in August/September. Watch out for notices of forthcoming social events and "Fund Raisers" to be run by the

Community Games Committee in the not too distant future.
Slán go foill.

Brighidin Breslin,
Sec/P.R.O

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COMMUNITY GAMES U12'S BOYS SOCCER

Maynooth 2 Leixlip 4

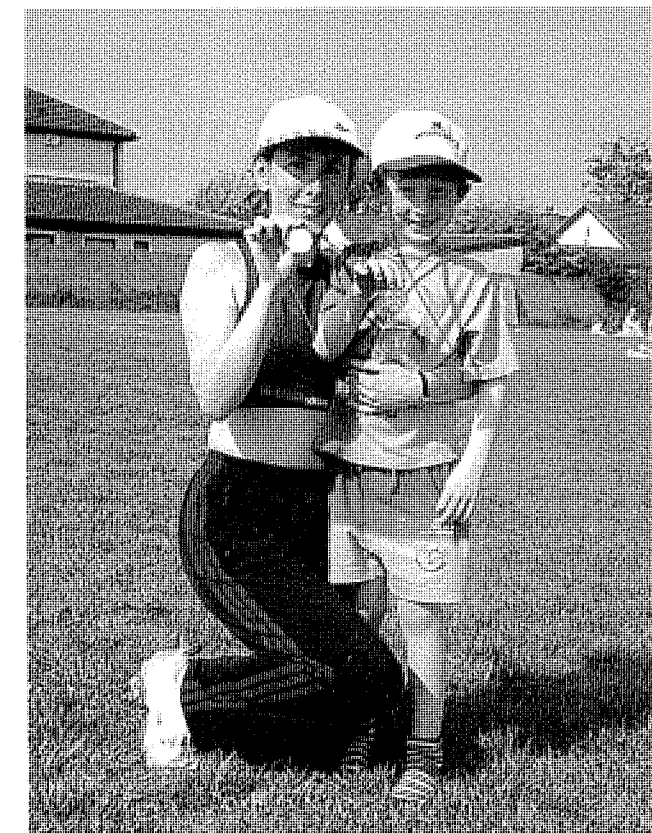
Leixlip travelled to Maynooth for this quarter-final encounter with the winner's prize a semi-finals place against Carbury. Leixlip got the early break when a high ball into the box ended up in the back of the net having given the home keeper no chance. Maynooth found it hard to settle after the early set back. Leixlip were awarded a penalty minutes later when their striker was taken down in the box and calmly converted to leave the home side trailing by 2-0.

A further goal before the break left Maynooth with an uphill battle. The home team re-organised at half time and looked a different side in the second half. Despite conceding a fourth Maynooth began to get into their stride and goals from Declan Bambrick and Niall Doogan gave some hope in the last fifteen minutes.

With the game put beyond their grasp in the first half Maynooth were unable to close the gap any further against a talented Leixlip side who played some very attractive football for lads of their age.

We wish them the best of luck for the remainder of the competition. Our thanks to Brid Breslin the games co-ordinator and Maynooth Town A.F.C. for the use of the kit and pitch.

John Doogan
Co-ordinator
Boys Soccer



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A SHORT HISTORY

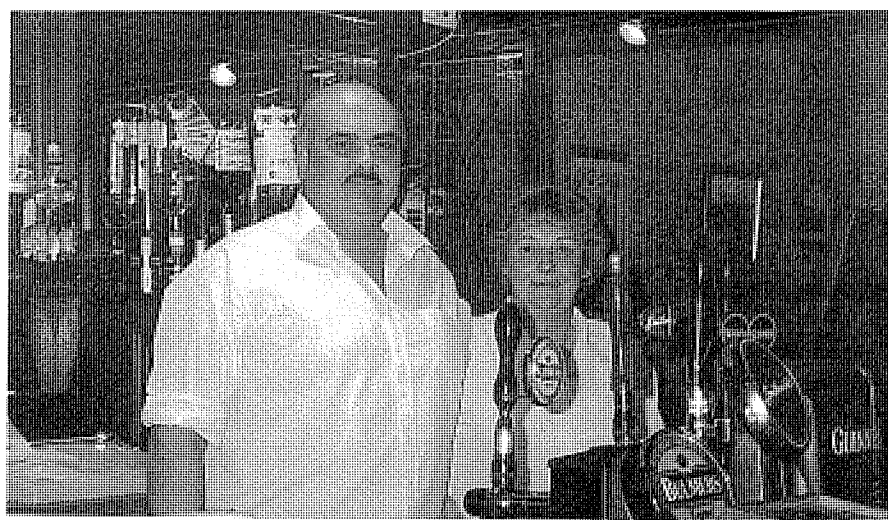
Maynooth is one of the oldest clubs in the country. Hurling was played in Maynooth in 1875, nine years before the founding of the GAA in 1884. Maynooth won their first Kildare Championship in 1896 and represented Kildare in the Leinster Championship that year. The team captain that year was Domhnall ua Buachalla, who subsequently took part in the 1916 Rising and afterwards he was sent to Knitsford Jail and Frangoch Camp. He was elected to the first Dail in 1918 and he was the last Governor-General of Ireland. He died in 1963 at 98 years of age. The playing of Gaelic Football in the town can be traced back to the same year that hurling started in the town. A number of challenge games within the parish have been recorded before the foundation of the GAA and since the start of official games within the county the club has never failed to affiliate a team. The footballers had to wait much longer for success than the hurlers, and did not achieve their first success until winning the County Junior Football Championship in 1913, a year in which the hurlers also succeeded in winning the Hurling Championship. This team went on to win the Club's only Senior Football Championship in 1914. Further success was denied to the club until they won the Minor Football Championship in 1927.

Team Colours:

The Maynooth Club jersey (black with a white sash) originated from a tragic accident in 1889. A young Maynooth player, Tommie Cullen, was fatally injured in a game against the "Blunts" of Monasterevan on 21st May, 1889. A monument to Tommie Cullen was erected by the club over his grave in Laraghbryan and the club jersey was changed in his memory.

THE GERALDINES

In 1958 Maynooth GAA Club set up a separate club - the Geraldine Schoolboys' Club - to cater for boys aged 10-16 years in football and 10-18 years in hurling. The Geraldines won the County Juvenile Hurling Championship in 1963 and the County Minor Hurling Championship in 1965. Three of that Minor team (Pat and Michael O'Brien and Brendan Edwards) won Leinster Minor Hurling Medals playing for Kildare in a special championship for weaker counties.



Noel Kerin and Madeline Styne behind the well stocked Bar in the GAA Clubhouse.

RECENT HISTORY

1976 was one of the most successful years for the Maynooth Club. The Club won the Junior Hurling League and the Junior "B" Football Championship. The footballers then went on to shock the Junior "A" championship, St. Kevins, in the Jack Higgins Cup final taking this trophy to Maynooth for the first time. The hurlers were beaten in the Junior Hurling Championship Final in 1976 and 1977 and finally won it in 1978, beating Moorfield 5-4 to 0-4 in the final.

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.)

RECENT HISTORY (Cont.)

The next major success came in the GAA Centenary year, 1984, when the Club again won the Junior "B" Football Championship and the Junior Football League. In recent years, until 1994, success in both hurling and football was confined to the Juvenile players. In fact for many years the club failed to field a Junior or Minor Hurling team. 1993 saw a resurgence of hurling in the Club with both a Junior and Minor team being entered in both League and Championship. The Minor hurlers won the Minor "B" Championship, bringing a Minor trophy to the Club for the first time in twenty eight years. 1994 was a very successful year for the Club. Our footballers contested three championship finals - junior, junior "B" and under 21. The highlight of the 1994 was the winning of the County Kildare Junior Hurling Championship. This victory moved our hurlers up to Division 2 Senior League and into the Intermediate Championship.

1995 brought long awaited success in football with the winning of the Junior Football Championship, and elevation to intermediate status.

The priority for the club in the coming years is the acquisition of additional pitches to cater for the growing number of youngsters interested in playing hurling and football. The Club is anxious to play its part in integrating newly arrived residents to Maynooth.

LADIES FOOTBALL

The Ladies Club was formed in 1995/96 season, under the management of Michael Kelly. We won the League title at our first attempt, lost in the semi-final of the Championship, to Eadestown who went on to win the final.

There were forty clubs from North, South, and England taking part. After all the games in our group were played we qualified for the Knock-Out stages of the shield. Two wins later we met Clanna Gaels of London in the quarter final. At full time the teams were level, so a penalty shoot-out followed.



Maynooth Ladies League Winners 1996

The 1996/97 season saw us back to our winning ways again. We won the Championship playing some great football, lost a reply in the league semi-final. We went on to represent Kildare in the Leinster Championship, but lost the second round to the Laois champions.

We took part in the Kildare 7's blitz. After a very hard and tiring day we came away champions. Our next task was to represent Kildare in the All Ireland 7's. On the wettest, coldest, day in October we went to St. Vincent's Club in Dublin for the finals.

Anto Mooney was put in goal and brought off save after save, as did the other keeper. When the five named players on both sides had taken their kicks, we were still level, so into sudden death. Anto brought off another brilliant save, from their first kick. Then up stepped Tracy (no nerve) Kearney and buried the ball in the Clanna Gael net, and on to the semi-final, against the Galway champions.

A penalty save by Anto after three minutes was the spur to put us into the final. Cont./

CLUB FACILITIES

The Club now boasts a fine club-house which is a welcome addition to social facilities in the town.

Our Lounge Bar is second to none in the area. Our trained bar staff offer quality service in a pleasant environment.

For those special sporting occasions we have a "large TV screen" on which all major sporting events are shown.

Our facilities are available for any of your special family occasions - Christenings, Birthday Parties, Retirement Parties, Resident Groups etc. Just contact Club Secretary, Noel Farrelly to make arrangements. The Club telephone number is (01) 6285020 and we are open every night from 8.00 p.m. and all day Sunday.

Pavillion membership (£17 per annum) is available to those who just wish to avail of our social facilities.

Features

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.) Ladies Football (Cont.)

We came up against a very good Rochfordbridge side, who expected to hammer us. At half-time the sides were level, but due to injuries we had no subs, and tired legs, and bodies, could give no more, and the 'Bridge' went on to take the honours. This was a wonderful day for all of us who, though soaked, and shivering, will remember for many a day.

With the football over we ran a very successful Poker Classic. We then went on to Progressive Twenty Fives, to raise much needed funds for the club, to buy equipment etc., to help training.

In the last two years our Club has had up to ten players on the County panel. It was a great honour for them to wear

a County jersey, and all of them have done Maynooth and Kildare proud.

Our aim for the future would be to increase the numbers of ladies playing, to defend our title, do well in the league, and maybe go one better in the 7's. We would love to start under-age girls, within the club, and form at least one team, so come on, join up, and be part of a winning team.

TRIBUTE TO MICK GILLICK



The name of Mick Gillick is synonymous with Maynooth GAA Club. He is currently chairman of the Grounds and Development Committee.

For twelve years up to the end of 1996, he was chairman of the Club. He presided over the development of the new Clubhouse and major grounds improvements.

He built up the club to one held in high esteem throughout the country. During his period as chairman the Club won many honours and went from junior to intermediate status in both hurling and football.

With the support of his wife Margaret, and his family, he gives generously of his time to promoting the games he loves. It can safely be said that without his energy and commitment our Club would not be able to cater for all those who want to play our games in the way that we do.

HANDBALL

Not a lot of people know this but there is a long tradition of handball in Maynooth. Not alone was it played extensively in the College but some of the first ever All Ireland Championships were won by a Maynooth Man. He won a Senior Softball Title in 1927 and he had won various other titles at Junior Level as far back as 1924. His name: Bill Maguire. There was also a gentleman by the name of Jim Doyle who won so many titles that I thought there must be two of him. This proved to be true and both of them worked in the College. One is no longer with us but the other can be seen most days in the College. They say he now plays golf and chess.

In 1969 Paul Hand, Joe Nevin and several others decided to eliminate the famous round corner in the Alley beside the canal. This done, handball got a new lease of life in the town and many players entered the county championships at that time.

In 1996, the Kildare County Council decided to demolish the old alley. As a result of this the new ultra modern alley was built in the GAA grounds on the Moyglare Road and Handball became an integral part of Maynooth GAA.

On the 9th of January 1997 a committee was formed to look after Handball affairs within the Club. Sean Donovan, Joe Rossiter, Declan Quigley, Paul Hand and Martin Bambrick constituted the committee

and Dinny Breen was an automatic choice as Honorary President. Having been ratified by the main Club the above committee set about putting Maynooth Handball on the map. The Club was affiliated to the County and Leinster Handball Boards and the players were registered with the National Handball Council of Ireland. They were now eligible to play for Club and County. Several players were entered in the County 40 x 20 Championships with a view to getting some competitive experience. Two of those, Darragh Kelly and Niall Leavy, reached the Novice Doubles Final. They lost narrowly to a very experienced pair from Leixlip.

1998 started out well with the Club hosting the Triton Shield Team of Six Competition. We won the competition but due to one of the players not being properly registered we lost the shield as a result of an objection lodged by the Moone Club. The players were very disappointed. However, four of the players involved in that team event had reached the Finals in the Country Championships and they used their annoyance at the petty objection to motivate them to achieve greatness in the Championships. All of which augers well for handball in the Maynooth GAA Club. Two players achieved Intermediate status this year and I predict that Senior status is not far away. The ideal situation would be for Handball and Football to arrive at Senior Level together.

Features

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.) CAMOGIE

SUCCESSFUL MANAGER



Napoleon is said to have asked for "lucky generals" going into battle. Applying Napoleon's logic to Maynooth GAA Club nobody fits the bill better than Pat Nevin. He has been involved with many successful teams of all ages over the years. He managed the 1994 hurling team that won the County Junior Hurling Championship and he was a selector on the Football team that won the Junior Football Championship the following year.

However 1997 was one of his most successful years. He managed the Minor hurlers to a league and championship double and then managed the Under 21 footballers to the Club's first Under 21 Championship.

This year he is a selector on the Intermediate football team

**Training for
under-age Hurling,
Camogie and
Gaelic Football
every
Saturday morning.
New players
welcome**

The Camogie Club was formed just three years ago under the auspices of Maynooth Hurling Club as it was felt that the girls in the area had no real sporting interests in the G.A.A. Club. In its first year the Club entered one team - an U16 team - which wasn't

their first taste of competition with the emphasis on playing for fun rather than winning the club entered an U12 blitz in North Kildare. This proved to be a great success.

This year the biggest number of teams



Back: M. Dowd, M. Farrell, M. Gillick, F. Cassidy, T. Hession, E. Mahony, P. Comerford, T. Duffy, L. Nevill, N. Mulreidy, J. Kinsella, R. Lillis, P. McCann, Front: N. Devereaux, G. Fahy, C. Duff, A. Farrell, E. Fahy, A. Comerford, G. O'Gorman, S. Cummins, C. Fahy, M. Callaghan.

very successful on the field but was certainly successful in getting interest going in the sport of Camogie in the town.

In 1996 two teams were entered into County competitions, namely Junior and U18. The Minor team was beaten in the County Final that year by just a few points.

1997 saw a big drive to promote the sport with younger children. The Club fielded in 4 County competitions, Junior U21, U18, and U16. Again success in terms of winning trophies was not to be this year but all fixtures were fulfilled and the teams gave of their best. For the first time girls aged between 8-12 were coached in camogie skills. To give these young players

have entered into competitions:- U13,

U15, U18, U21, and Junior. The 1998 season has begun very well for the Junior team but is depleted in numbers. The panel is currently operating on a skeleton number of players. The U13 team has played in the North Kildare league. The Club has a few representatives on the County teams at various grades and the Club's only referee has taken charge of the 1997 U13 North and U16 County finals.

The Camogie season usually runs from March to October and anybody interested in taking part as a player, coach, or administrator would be very welcome. Skill or a knowledge of Camogie is **not** a prerequisite, however enthusiasm in endless amounts is.

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.) HURLING

Co. Kildare Feile Champions 1996

We had a mixed year on the field of play with success at under 13 Level. This team was managed by Larry Comerford, Seamus Cummins and Tom Coffey. Our under 14's finished in the top half of their league managed by Tom Coffey. The under 15's and under 16's acquitted themselves well and finished in the top half of the league. These teams were managed by Brian Guinan, Tom Mullarkey and Kieran Diggins. This team also competed in the Killmacud Crokes 7-aside and while beating the home side in a very hard fought match eventually went out to the winners of the tournament, Mount Sion from Waterford.

The minor team was a roaring success with Pat Nevin in charge and ably assisted by Roddy Molloy, this team won the League and Championship and with nine of the panel under 18 for 1998 the future looks good.

We fielded our under 21 team made up mostly of our minors and lost to Naas in the championship. The junior team finished in mid table and would have finished higher if the panel was left intact, but unfortunately injuries to some



Back: K. McGuinness, M. Kavanagh, S. O'Flaherty, M. Gleeson, S. Brady, T. Masterson, D. Travers, C. Cushen, C. Flynn, R. Hammond, K. Diggins.
Middle: J. Brennan, D. McCarthy, P. Sheehan, P. Ennis, S. Kelly, M. Sweeney, A. Molloy, P. Guinan, P. Nevin.
Front: T. Flatley, K. Gannon, F. Molloy, B. Coffey, C. Murray.

of our key senior players caused six of this panel to be upgraded to the senior team prematurely.

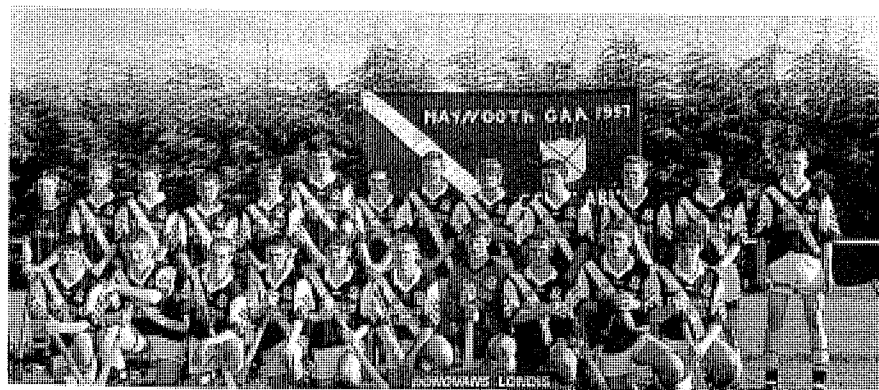
The senior team was devastated by injuries during the season. However we made the quarter final of the Championship which we lost to a very strong Coill Dubh team. We also reached the semi-final of the league and again we had a narrow defeat at the hands of Clane.

Joe Cooney, the Great Galway hurler, presented our Minor and Under 13 hurling teams with their county medals on Friday the 5th of June in the Club House.

Finally congratulations to our players who represent Kildare at various levels: Fergal Scully (Senior), Hugh Nevin, Tom Farrell (Under 21), Eoin Nevin ('97 Minors), Seamus Cummins, Rory Kelly, Conor Diggins (98 Minors) Tom Mullarkey, Conor Diggins, Tom Masterson, Karl Ennis, Michael Gleeson (Under 16), Tom Masterson, Michael Gleeson ('97 Under 15), Aidan Molloy ('97 Under 14), Morgan Sweeney, Aidan Molloy ('98 Under 15).

Finally, congratulations to Kieran Diggins who managed the County Under 14 team in 1996, and the Under 15 and Under 16 teams in 1997, and Ritchie Walsh who managed the Under 14 county team in 1997 and who went on to win a Leinster minor league with the 1998 Under 15 team, beating Meath in the final.

Minor League and Championship Winners 1997



Back: P. Ryan, C. Minogue, P. Carroll, M. Gallagher, G. Higgins, B. Keogh, J. O'Shea, T. Mullarkey, L. O'Brien, S. Cummins, A. Nugent, C. Diggins, S. Lennon. Front: T. Masterson, R. Hayes, R. Kelly, A. McCarron, M. McCarron, O. Nevin, K. Ennis, M. Gleeson, K. Dooley, C. Arthurs.

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.)

GAELIC FOOTBALL



Under 21 Football Panel 1997

By any standards 1997 was a successful year for Gaelic Football in Maynooth. The list of achievements is as follows:-

- Under 21 B Championship winners.
- Intermediate B Championship winners.
- Minor B League winners.
- Under 16B League winners.
- Under 14B Shield winners.
- Under 13B winners (Summer league).
- Under 13A winners (Winter league).

Other meritorious performances included being Minor B Championship runners-up, Intermediate B league runners-up and under 14B league runners-up.

The major disappointment of the year was the Intermediate A team's early exit from the championship at the hands of Rathcoffey. The A team also had a poor league performance and narrowly avoided relegation to division 3 after a play-off with Castlemitchell and Confehy.



Paul Flood, Maynooth Under 21 Captain receives the Championship Trophy. On his left is County Board Chairman, Jack Wall and behind, waving a Maynooth flag is Vice Chairman, Tommy Fay.

CROM ABU

Ba é an mana seo rosc catha na nGearaltacht, Cill Mocheallóg i gCo. Luimnigh tráth. Chuir Parlaimint Shasana cosc ar na manaf catha seo a bhíodh ag na Gaeil. Chlóigh na Gearaltaigh i Maigh Nuad leis an bhfoirm seo den mhana ach bhí orthu e a mhaolu go dtí:-

"Se Dieu plet Crom Abu"
(Crom Abu, mas é toil Dé é)

Cloíonn Cumann Lúthchleas Gael Mhaigh Nuad leis an leagan bunaidh den mhana agus is é an mfníú atá air inniu ná:

MAIGH NUAD ABU



This motto was the war cry of the Fitzgeralds. Croom is a castle in Co. Limerick which formerly belonged to the Fitzgeralds. "Abfi" means "To Victory", "For Ever" or literally "Defying". This is one of the many Irish gathering cries, the use of which was forbidden under pain of fine and imprisonment, by repeated Acts of Parliament. The Geraldines of Maynooth retained the motto but were forced by an Act of Parliament to alter the motto to:-

"Si Dieu plet Crom Abu"
(If God please Crom defying)

Maynooth Gaelic Athletic Association have retained the original version of the motto which means:-

MAYNOOTH TO VICTORY

Features

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.) PROFILES

KIERAN DIGGINS



Kieran Diggins, Chairman of the Hurling Committee. Married to Catherine with three sons, Kieran is originally from Galway, lived in Dublin for 15 years but living in Maynooth since 1982.

Hobbies: Doesn't have much spare time but when he does he likes to play golf.

MICHAEL GLEESON (Treasurer)



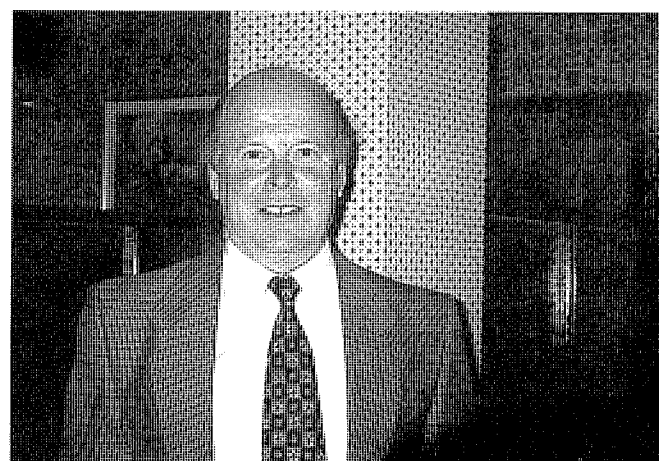
Michael is originally from Nenagh, Co. Tipperary, but is living in Maynooth for the last 29 years. He is married to Marie with three daughters and one son.

Hobbies: All sorts of sport.

DOMINIC NUGENT (Assistant Secretary)

Married to Ann with two sons, Mark and Alan. Dominic is living in Maynooth since 1968, originally from Skryne, Tara, Co. Meath.

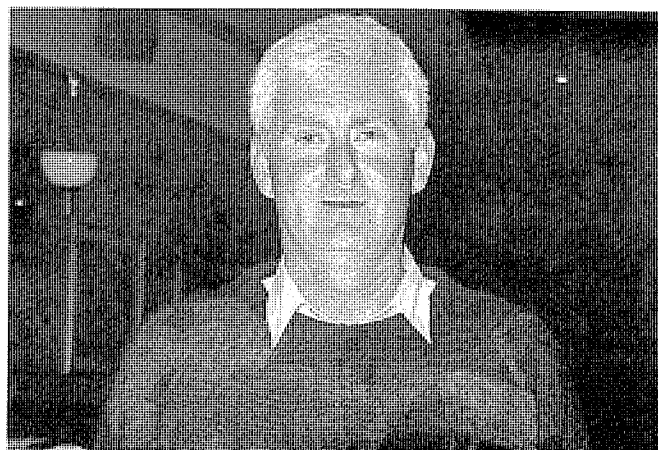
Hobbies: Horse racing, all sports but he dislikes boxing and wrestling.



TONY MOONEY (Manager of Ladies Football Team)

Originally from Kinnegad, Tony moved to Maynooth in 1970 with his wife Ann, who has since passed away. He has three daughters, one of whom (Antoinette) is very involved in Ladies GAA.

Hobbies: Ladies Football, shooting and he is a part-time fireman.



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MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.) PROFILES

MADELINE STYNES (Club Registrar)



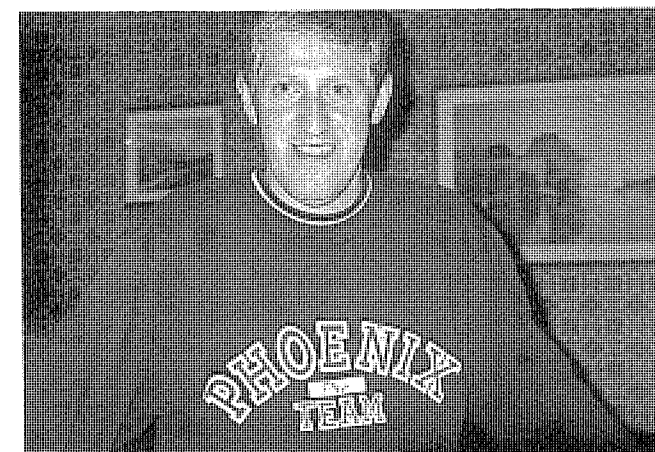
Madeline is one of the stalwarts of Maynooth G.A.A. Club "Come on Paul" is the refrain most heard as she cheers on her son Paul, who wears the no. 6 on Maynooth's team. Married to Michael with three sons and two daughters. Madeline has lived in Moneycooley all her life.

Hobbies: Gardening and reading.

TOM COFFEY (P.R.O.)

Tom is originally from Sligo but is living in Maynooth since 1982. He is married to Marion with one son and one daughter.

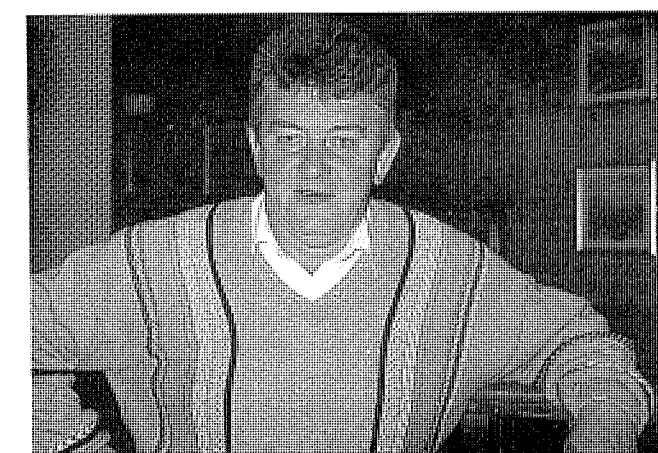
Hobbies: Walking, football, hurling and golf.



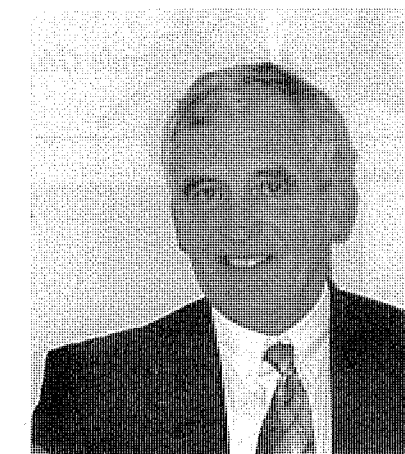
TOMMY FAY (Vice Chairman))

Tommy is married to Betty with one son and one daughter. He has lived in Maynooth all his life.

Hobbies: Golf, G.A.A. and all sports.



NOEL FARRELLY (Secretary)



Noel is a born and bred Maynooth man. Married to Mary with one son and two daughters. He is also a very proud grandfather of three.

Hobbies: Gaelic football and horse racing.

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB (Cont.)



Under 13 Camogie Team with mentors Ann-Marie Farrell and Naomi Devereaux.



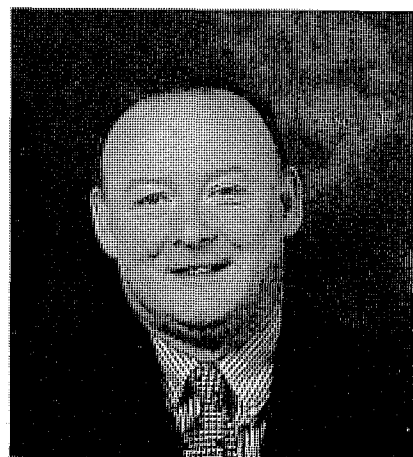
Gerry Lawlor who can be seen training the under-age footballers every Saturday from 11.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.



Rody Molloy outside GAA Club House

Gerry is originally from Delvin, Co. Westmeath, but is living in Maynooth for 15 years. He is married to Marie with 4 children, 2 boys and 2 girls.

Hobbies: Reading, Sport and Gardening.



RODY MOLLOY

(Club Chairman)

Rody Molloy is Maynooth GAA Club Chairman since 1997. Rody is married to Noreen and they have four children, Aidan, Feargal, Niamh and Cormac. He is a native of Birr, Co. Offaly and has lived in Maynooth since March 1991.

Hobbies: All sport.



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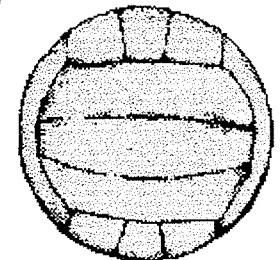
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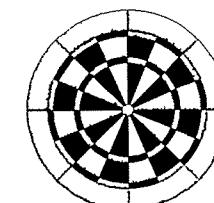
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CONCERN'S SUDAN APPEAL

On Sunday, 14th June last a Bring and Buy Cake/Jumble Sale was held in 110 Railpark, Maynooth in aid of Concern's Sudan Appeal.

We would like to thank everyone who helped us to raise the sum of £350.

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Secondly, the following people who helped on the day, and beforehand:

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Thank you to everyone who generously supported this worthy cause. The money has been lodged in the Bank of Ireland, Account No. 16322733, - the Concern Account.

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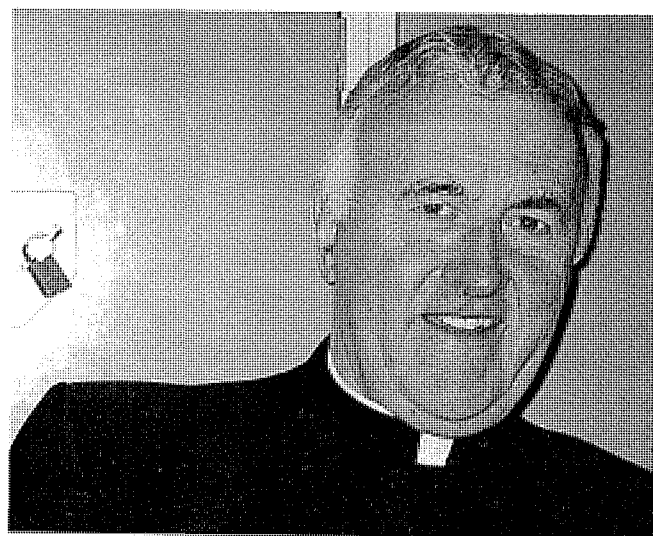
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FAREWELL TO FR. SUPPLE

On Sunday evening 7th June the people of Maynooth gathered with family members at St. Mary's Church to remember Fr. Brendan Supple. The celebrant was Rev. Denis Cogan, formerly of Maynooth parish, now Parish Priest at Porterstown. Fr. Cogan recalled the 14 years he spent here with Fr. Supple. They were obviously fulfilling years. "He would never ask you to do what he would not do himself", he said. He gave to the callers to his door even when he knew they were not genuinely in need - he would hate to miss out on somebody really in need. When Fr. Cogan mentioned something that Fr. Supple thought was a good idea he would always ask if he could use that idea in his sermon. Fr. Cogan spoke movingly about his late colleague. The Folk Group sang. The music of the Maynooth band, so dearly loved by Fr. Supple, reminded us of the Christmas mornings when Fr. Supple loved to stand at the Church gate and wish his parishioners a Happy Christmas. Ní bheidh a leitead ann arís. I measc na naingil go raibh sé.

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GLENROYAL LEISURE CLUB

The Glenroyal Leisure Club in Maynooth operates as a private club for members, and is now regarded as one of the best of its kind in the Country. Memberships to the club are available at present with the exception of Family memberships where names are taken in the club for a waiting list. Staff at the club encourage people to call in and view the Glenroyal, and further details are then given on membership prices.

The club boasts a beautiful 20 metre swimming pool, with added attractions such as a jacuzzi, steam room, sauna and a separate children's pool. Upstairs on the second floor is a very impressive Gym with the very best of fitness equipment. Treadmills still prove the most popular machines as people are seen striding out for an average of 20 minutes. Members after joining the club make an appointment with a member of staff for their personal assessment. This is where a qualified instructor at the club meets with you and discusses your health, exercise history and lifestyle. Tests are carried out such as blood pressure and body fat which are then recorded to compare with later tests. The club includes all fitness tests in the cost membership and members are advised to partake in this type of assessment every 8-10 weeks.

There is also a very bright and airy Aerobics Studio where a

wide variety of exercise classes are held on a daily basis from step aerobics to the latest craze in the fitness industry spinning bikes. This class is so popular that members have a booking system to allow everyone the opportunity of attending this class.

The club also employs a beautician and physical therapist who are open to non members. Patricia, our beautician offers fabulous treatments from French facials, pedicures, aromatherapy massage for both adults and babies and make up lessons. Maureen who is the resident Physical Therapist at the club treats people for relaxation massage and those with more serious complaints and injuries.

Members of The Glenroyal Leisure Club are

encouraged to participate in social outings outside the club and recently established activities are the starting of The Glenroyal Leisure Club Golf Society and Hiking groups. On the last Sunday of every month hikes to various mountains in the Dublin & Wicklow mountains are arranged and have proved very popular amongst all ages and fitness levels. We believe as a club people should try various activities while having a good time and of course meeting new friends.



A group of walkers from the Glenroyal Leisure Club on last month's walk up the Wicklow Hills

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A VISIT TO THE K GARDENS

It always seems to rain at the weekend but on a recent sunny Sunday afternoon, with time on my hands, I decided to visit the other half of Kildare and I headed for Athy. I decided to leave the N9 at Kilcullen and follow the signs for the K Gardens at Nurney.

On arrival I was greeted by Mr. P.J. Kirwan, the man who has patiently arranged the five acres of gardens over the last three years. One of the most interesting features of the gardens is the truly inventive imagination shown by P.J. in creating some of the garden features. On a visit you should look out for some of the garden seat designs as an example.

According to P.J., there are 6,000 plants in the gardens, which are laid out in a number of different designs. These include, a Rose Garden, a fabulous Rock Garden and a number of others including many interesting water features.

Shrubs, trees, heathers, conifers and herbaceous, all feature in the gardens. One of the master strokes that P.J. manages is to make a feature of the lawns, which meander into places that do not actually lead anywhere.

The Rose Garden with over 2,000 roses, including climbers, bed and dwarf, all planted in an attractive mix, earned P.J. a National Award for the Rose Garden in 1996. The gardens have also featured on the Garden Programme on RTE as well as several gardening magazine features.

However, P.J. is not resting on his laurels. When I was wandering around the gardens P.J. carried on the work tidying and keeping the on-going maintenance and upkeep in place. He also has a number of other projects started including a raised patio area which later in the year will be used as a backdrop to tropical plants.

To get to the K Gardens from Maynooth, go to Naas and take the Motorway to Kilcullen. Then follow the road to Athy watching out for the right hand turn about seven miles before Athy and follow the signs. With the roses blooming in July it is an ideal time to visit.

Paul Croghan

BENEFIT NIGHT

On the 3rd July "A Benefit Night" will be held in the "Glenroyal Hotel" for Sean Molloy, Kingsbry. There will be a Bar Extension and Live Music. A raffle will also be held with spot prizes throughout the night.
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Martina has also written *Livewire*, another teenage book which was published last September. Since then, both the French and German rights to the book have been bought up and it is at present being launched on the English market.

She hopes *Fast Car* will be as successful. The book tells the story of two misfits, Luke and April. April hates ER, she detests St. Elsewhere and she loathes 999, yet her folks have her pinned down as the next Dr. Bernard. Life gets worse when she's dumped on a laid-back soccer mad family that she doesn't know from Adam and it sinks beyond redemption when, despite the warnings, she falls for the wildest, maddest, craziest guy in town. But it's great when he falls for her. And so the story of April and Luke unfolds.

The book is a serious one, dealing as it does with bullying, both physical and psychological. It is however, laced with laughs. Martina says she simply couldn't write a relentless book of wrist-slashing proportions. So, you know what to do if you want your twelve plus year old out of your hair for a while. Head on down to Maynooth Bookshop, invest £3.99. Then, belt up, hang on and at a speed of two pages a minute, prepare them for the read of their lives.

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Don't be in other's cry
You are a man now
In life make a vow
To thrive to be sincere
Find a girl close and near
Life can be hard you know
Mum and Dad always love you so

Many changes happen in time
Our blessings work out fine
Tomorrow is a brand new day
In which you have your say
Make the best of life
Despite any kind of strife
Life does not always go your way
You have got to make it pay

Use your talents at your best
As I know they are blessed
Work hard each day
Your reward be your pay
Find an inner reason to live
That your heart give
Find a light to lead the way
To cope with each passing day

Build your own mountain my son
In which your heart be won
Remember your dreams are within
Now make a new dream begin
You are as good as the rest
you know what is best
We are always part of you
Our hearts for you are true

Patrick Murray

SCHOOL

Away your brains each day
One day prosperity shine on you
A good education will surely pay
Knowing your dreams are very true
What else is school all about
But knowledge boost your intellect
With determination is no doubt
To improve on each subject

But school is not the golden rule
To decide your life's fate
At school never feel a fool
And never feel you're of debate
Whatever in life you want to be
Is up to yourself at the end
To gain share of prosperity
No matter what examinations pend

Knowledge can be a joy to grow
When you converse with others too
Let all of your personality flow
Marvellous what education can do
Never be over anxious in school room
Your life really is not of test
Never feel yourself of doom
You also have talents that are blessed

Enjoy life when you are young
Never feel of school despair
When all is said and done
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He then proceeded to open his first Salon in Walkinstown which is up and running now for the last five years. Philip is originally from Tallaght but has lived in Celbridge for the past three years, with his wife Anne and his two children.



Staff of Philip Anthony's Hairdressing Salon

We would like to wish Philip and his team every success in his new branch in Maynooth. We also heard it through the Grapevine he has recently celebrated his 40th birthday. Congratulations.

Best of Luck!

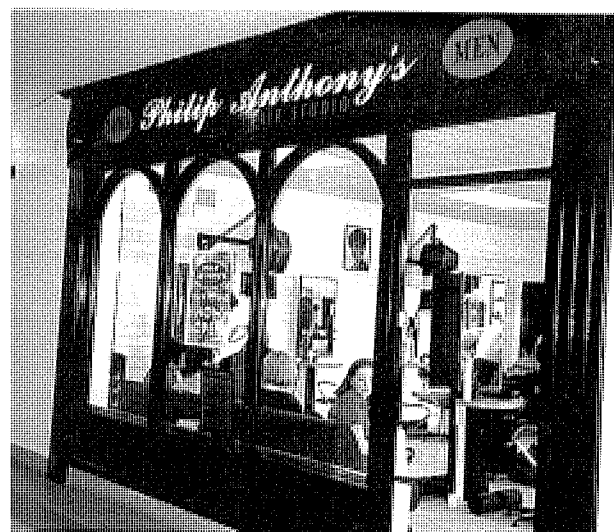
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Features

LORD EDWARD - THE MAN

On the 4th June 1798 Lord Edward Fitzgerald died in agony in Newgate Prison, Dublin - a failed hero to the United Irishmen, a murderous traitor to the ruling authorities, a tragic victim to his beloved mother, the Duchess of Leinster, and a loss to his revolutionary wife, Pamela and their three small children, who were dispossessed and had to leave the country!

What led Lord Edward into this situation? Born to the aristocratic grandeur of Carton House, what made him renounce his title and become Citizen Fitzgerald? What led him to choose to live in a small house in Kildare and mingle freely with the locals? After all he was descended from King Charles II through his mother, he was the brother of Ireland's premier peer, the Duke of Leinster and a first cousin of Charles James Fox, powerful in English politics.

What caused him to be different?

I would answer - his Rousseauian education and his travels - his friendship with a freed black slave, Tony Small, and his experience of living with native Americans in Canada!

Childhood - Carton

Born in 1763, probably in Leinster House (Dail Eireann to us!), the town house of his father, he was brought to Carton as a small baby to join his eleven brothers and sisters. His mother, Emily, daughter of the Duke of Richmond, English by birth and education, was to give birth to eleven more children - yes, that makes a total of twenty two! Carton of course, was big enough for them all! And there were plenty of nurses and servants to care for the Fitzgerald children, so that the Duke and Duchess were free to follow their own interests, foremost of which were the embellishment of Carton and landscaping of the park.

Education - Blackrock and France

There were enough children for the Duchess to set up her own school.

She wanted to engage Rousseau (whose philosophy was to help bring about the French Revolution, but he declined, and so a Scot called William Ogilvie, a follower of Rousseau, became tutor in the school set up at Frascati House, Blackrock (where Frascati Shopping Centre now stands).

Here the little Lords and Ladies were moved as soon as they were weaned. Lord Edward would have been about 5 when he went there. They grew up happily, taught and cared for by Ogilvie, and separated from their stern father. Bathing in the sea twice a day, gardening, hay making, carpentry and

needlework were an important part of their curriculum as well as the usual academic subjects. Eddie was the most loveable and the brightest of the children. To the end of his life he enjoyed gardening and probably found it therapeutic when he was 'on the run'. The children loved Ogilvie, who was easy with them, and believe it or not, so did the Duchess, who eventually married him after the Duke's death in 1773. She was to bear him two daughters.

When he was about 10 Lord Edward went to live in France in a chateau owned by his grandmother's people. There his mother and Ogilvie moved with the younger Fitzgerald children, after their marriage. Thus he learned to speak French as easily as English, which was very helpful when he was later negotiating with the French for help in the Irish rebellion.

Military Career and Adventures - North America

At fourteen Edward went to a Military School in Paris and a couple of years later joined the Sussex Militia. Hence he was to fight on the English side in the American War of Independence, where he got further ideas on liberty, equality and fraternity. Left for dead on the battlefield of Charleston (Carolina), he was found by an escaped black slave. The slave, seeing the possibility of getting his freedom through this British officer, nursed him back to health in his own hut. On recovering consciousness, Edward could not but admire the natural goodness of this 'noble savage'. He was to keep him as his paid servant. Tony Small was to accompany him on his journeys and enterprises for the rest of his life. They were, in fact, to become close friends, Tony becoming a type of mentor to Lord Edward.

After some years in London (where his mother and Ogilvie had come to live) and Dublin, Lord Edward became frustrated with politics and felt rejected in love. Accompanied by Tony, he again crossed the Atlantic to join his regiment, which was mapping regions in remote parts of Canada. There he experienced the simple but rough life, often sleeping in the open in snow-covered regions, fishing in frozen rivers, cutting wood for firing and coming in contact with people who were happy in a self-sufficient life, producing food by their own labour, building their own log cabins with no need for servants! He had never known such a life. His eyes were opened. He enjoyed it all as we know from letters written home to his mother and Ogilvie. In the backwoods of Canada he saw a way of life which was unknown in Europe where peasants were dominated and used by landlords and their class.

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Features

LORD EDWARD - THE MAN (Cont.)

Indian Chief

Here too, Lord Edward was to come in contact with the native Americans - mainly the Iroquois, from whom he learned more about a simple, natural lifestyle in a matriarchal society. In fact he was created a chief by one of the tribes, the Bear Tribe, in 1789! To him it all seemed a Paradise inhabited by perfect Adams and Eves.

Given leave from his regiment, Lord Edward decided to return home - not by the shortest route, but down the Mississippi to New Orleans, where he would embark. The journey took a year! A far cry from our speed! And during that year he was to learn more from his encounters with different people and cultures. Of course, Tony accompanied him, back through lands he may have known as a slave.

Marriage - France

By this time the Revolution had started in France. This pleased Lord Edward who was lapping up Tom Paine's "Rights of Man". In 1792 he swapped his hereditary title for the rank of Citoyen to the tune of the Marseillaise. In Paris he met the beautiful Pamela who was to become his bride. Pamela was of doubtful parentage, but grew up in the household of Philippe Egalite, a cousin of King Louis XVI, who was to be guillotined in the revolution. It was generally believed that Pamela was a daughter of Phillippe, who was also guillotined during the Reign of Terror.

After their wedding Citizen Edward and Pamela came to Ireland. To Dublin ascendancy Pamela was a symbol of the revolution, as she dressed in revolutionary fashion and walked the streets (instead of being driven in a carriage) with Edward. She didn't even go into mourning after the execution of Louis XVI, which Dublin aristocrats did!

Capture and Death - Dublin

Ireland was in a bad state at this time. The United Irishmen had been suppressed and became a secret society plotting to overthrow the government. Edward did not become a member of it until 1796, and was seen as a great addition because of his military experience and his aristocratic connections. Edward was convinced that with French help Ireland could become a democratic republic. In Hamburg and Switzerland he sought that help. We know that the French failed to land at Bantry and how later expeditions failed too.

Edward was an embarrassment to the government. They wanted him out of the country or captured. So he went into hiding in different parts of Dublin. No one knew his whereabouts, except, perhaps, Pamela, who at this time was

expecting their third child. Spies, greedy for the price put on his head, were not lacking. Edward was tracked down at a house in Thomas Street. He was in bed reading when troops burst into his room. In the scuffle which followed Edward was shot in the shoulder and he wounded one of the men, who soon after died. This left Edward open to the charge of murder.

He was imprisoned in Newgate and his family, no matter how important they were, were not allowed visit him. His condition deteriorated and from his festering wound he developed septicaemia, which caused him much pain with physical and mental suffering. He could easily have escaped the country but was determined to honour the cause for which he had given up his title, his lands and his family life, because at heart he believed that all men are equal with the same rights.

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earth. We all know that the human body cannot tolerate removal of a lung. Can the earth do the same? Did the Rio Earth Summit manage to halt this destruction? It would appear not - as it still goes on. At what stage will this destruction start to eat into the second "lung" of the earth? What will we do then? These trees take hundreds of years to grow to maturity. Is it enough that we do our part where we are and replant as we chop and cut? What sort of a legacy are we passing on to our children? Will we be able to say that we minded their world for them and took good care of it for them? Will we be able to say yes, we did our part!

The majority of people are very concerned about our world, the pollution, the waste, but don't know quite what to do about it. The problem seems so big and we seem so small. But change starts with one action, one small step.

One person who has taken such a step is Ciaran Ryan of Castleisland, Co. Kerry who has compiled and edited a Guide and Directory of Environmental Groups, called "Nurturing Nature". The Green Group in the European Parliament helped with the funding of this publication. This book allows for a rich diversity in outlook, necessary for a holistic and ecological approach. It contains many beautiful extracts from Herbert Giradet's "Earthrise" and other books written to raise environmental awareness.

Whatever area of conservation you are interested in, in this directory you will find a group to support your interests. (A

taxi at 5.45 am for the first... what an honour! In the film Ross's character pretends to pull a rope across the road with another boy in an attempt to fool the driver into thinking that there is a rope blocking the road.

His parents Jim and Florence are very supportive and encouraging towards Ross, "even though it was only ten minutes of screening we are very proud of his achievements at such a young age".

Well Done Ross!



Ross Cullinane

Features

PREPARING FOR THAT WELL DESERVED HOLIDAY

The secret to a trouble free holiday lies in good preparation, organise in advance. Those last few days before you go prepare a checklist of pre-trip activities. Tick off chores as your departure draws near. Your summer vacation actually begins now.

One month to go/or more!

- If you are travelling by package holiday you should by now have paid the final balance.
- Travel insurance needs to be purchased. Ensure the policy covers all your specific needs.
- Check that your car is insured i.e breakdown insurance on the dreaded accident.
- Check your passport is valid and any new additions to the family are included. If not, contact your nearest passport office. Depending on your destination, check whether a visa is required, the visa information line has details on 200 countries (087-501100).

Three weeks to go!

- Gather information on the area itself and places of interest to visit. Sometimes word of mouth works just as well.
- Check with your G.P for jabs and put together a First Aid Kit.
- Have the car serviced and check the spare.
- Check if old suitcases are fit for the journey, if not purchase new ones.

Two weeks to go!

- By now the travel agency should have forwarded your tickets. Check details on tickets are correct and what you required.
- Pay domestic bills so there is no risk of coming home to a dead phone or worse no electricity. Check credit cards are paid up. You might need the extra cash on your travels.
- Order your travellers cheques and some foreign currency. The banks may not be open when you arrive.

One week to go!

- Make a check/shopping list, most commonly forgotten items include the mains adapter, extra film and batteries for your camera. For self-caterers don't forget your favourite brand of tea etc.
- Leave in what has to be dry cleaned.
- If bringing a small toddler or baby, ensure you have enough bottles to carry you through in case of delay.
- Arrange with a friend or relative to check on your home, water plants, feed the pets. Leave a contact number in case of an emergency.

Three days to go!

- Don't buy any fresh food that cannot be used before you go.
- Cancel the milk and newspaper.
- Collect your dry cleaning, foreign currency.
- Book your taxi to the airport or if driving yourself, plan ahead. Allow for traffic.

One day to go!

- Get packing, lay the clothes out and see how you can save space, mix and match. You may want to bring it all but try carrying it!
- Label all luggage. Remember not to put your home address on the cases. Keep all hand luggage to a minimum, essential items e.g. sickness pills, baby food, sweater, walkman, reading material, passport, tickets, money and other valuables.

The day you leave!

- Tour the house making sure all necessary electrics are switched off and the house is safe-guarded.
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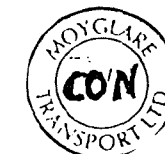


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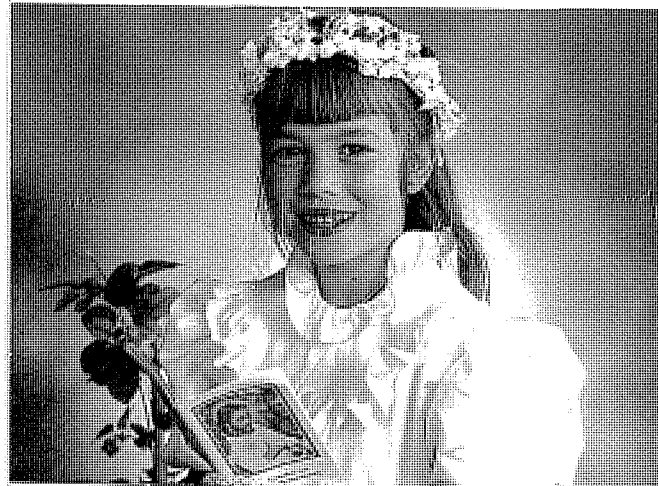
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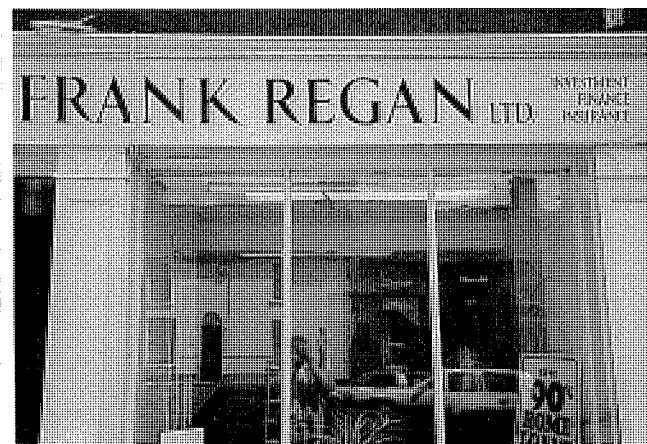
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MAGAZINE WRITES ON SIGNWRITER

SignCraft, the "World's Number One Sign Magazine" recently interviewed the local signwriter Kevin Freeney. This followed their coverage of a seminar/workshop held in Dublin last year which was attended by signwriters from as far away as Australia, Canada and the U.S.



Kevin is a fourth generation signwriter and some of his cousins are also in the business. His father had numerous articles written about him in newspapers and was interviewed by "In Dublin" and for a book on the craftsmen of Dublin. At the time of the interview for "In Dublin" they sent out a photographer to snap him on the job. They did use one photo of him lettering a van but the photographer declined to accompany the 60 year old signwriter up a scaffold to reach the clock-face of St. Patrick's Cathedral,



which he was gilding at the time.

Well known for his work around Dublin, Malahide and Maynooth, Kevin moved here ten years ago. Previously he had spent six years signwriting in France, where he gained invaluable experience. He, also, is well known for his gold work some of which can be seen on Maynooth Jewellers and



Cowhey Solicitors in Maynooth, Waterstone's in Dublin and Gibney's in Malahide. Every year, Golf Clubs, Corporations and Societies contact him to update their Honours' Boards with gold leaf, some of which were begun more than a century ago. Essentially a traditional signwriter, he likes nothing better than the experience of writing a fascia in the street and the comments from passersby. Usually the comments are about "a steady hand", e.g. "Hey, yeh wouldn't want Daley Thomson openin' a bottle of Lucozade behind yeh when yer doin' dah job" or; "Here's one for yeh now! Can yeh gimme a sentence with five "ands" in a row in it? Well a signwriter was doin' a shop for Murphy and Son! when the shopkeeper looked at the finished sign he said: "The distances between Murphy and 'and', and 'and' and Son are not the same!"

Kevin can often be seen around the town working and not alone signwriting. One of the illustrations he is most proud of is the current 'Top of the Crop' window and the 'troupe l'oeil' bookshelves at The Maynooth Bookshop. He has been responsible for quite a few festive windows at Christmas and St. Patrick's Day. Some of the more testing jobs he has undertaken are: creating a gothic brickwork effect on a corridor and spiral staircase in an old house in Enniskerry, reproducing in paint a 150 year old hand-printed French pattern when the hanger ran out of wallpaper or

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spending two weeks alone in an office of The Ministry of the Marine gilding an ornate plasterwork ceiling. There is much variety in his everyday work. Sometimes a job might only involve one word or, as in the case of the local Orange Tree Restaurant, it may be the design and execution of a complete range of signage.

Recently he has acquired the technology which enables him to produce vehicle lettering, graphics, logos, estate agent signs, banners etc. at a competitive rate. Partly due to a swelling family, the old van with Kevin Freeney Signartist on it is gone. "Some people found it hard to read the word Signartist. Was it Sig-nartist, Signar-tist or Sig-nar-tist!? Now he trades under Kevin Freeney / MAYNOOTH SIGNWRITING. If you see him on a plank take a step back before you attempt to open that Lucozade.



SUPERSTITIONS

REMEMBERING RICHARD TURNER (23) AT LADYCHAPEL CEMETERY ... 20th June, 1998.

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We collected in your name;

Sun on our spines,
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Back to the killing slopes of Ovidstown.

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We skirmished with cow parsley
and fled uninvited rains.

You and your mates, Richard,
The girls and boys
who dreamed adrenalin dreams
and dreamed our dreams,
and charged hired Highlanders
in red coats,
found boys who cried and died,
and cursed and killed
in a language quite, quite unknown.

Did you ever wonder where superstitions come from? Why its bad luck to walk under a ladder, or unlucky to open up an umbrella indoors?

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How about being told you are lucky if you see a black cat at night. Yes, you are lucky because if you can see a black cat at night it means you have very good eyesight.

How many people hate to see a magpie land in their garden or anywhere else for that matter? The old jingle "one for sorrow, two for joy" immediately comes to mind and they start to wonder what horrible fate is going to befall them. The "one for sorrow" refers to the magpie, not you. Magpies mate for life and if you see one alone it more than likely means they are without a mate, hence the one for sorrow, two for joy. Next time a magpie lands in your garden you may enjoy observing it, after all it is the nearest thing to an exotic bird that we have on this island.

So maybe it's worth looking at what superstitions you believe in and check out their origin, then perhaps you too can "knock a few of them on the head."

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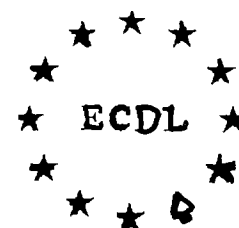
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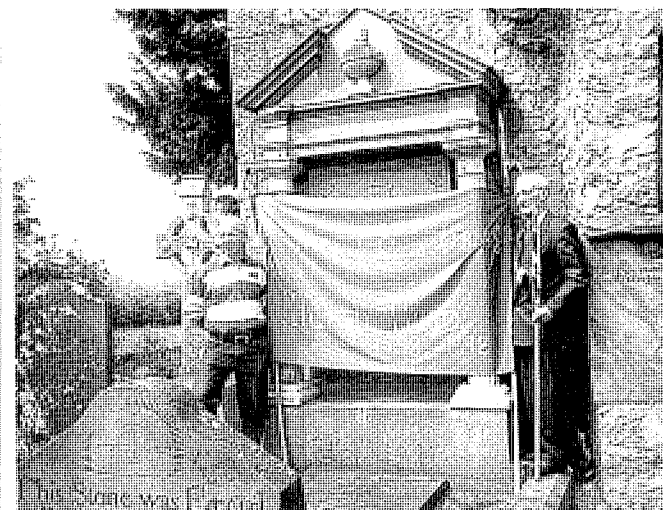
MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION GROUP COMORADH'98 MAID NUAD

Our series of events continued at a ceremony in Ladychapel Graveyard on Saturday, 20th June. The burial site of 2 known volunteers of the United Irish Army - Richard Turner and William Norris.



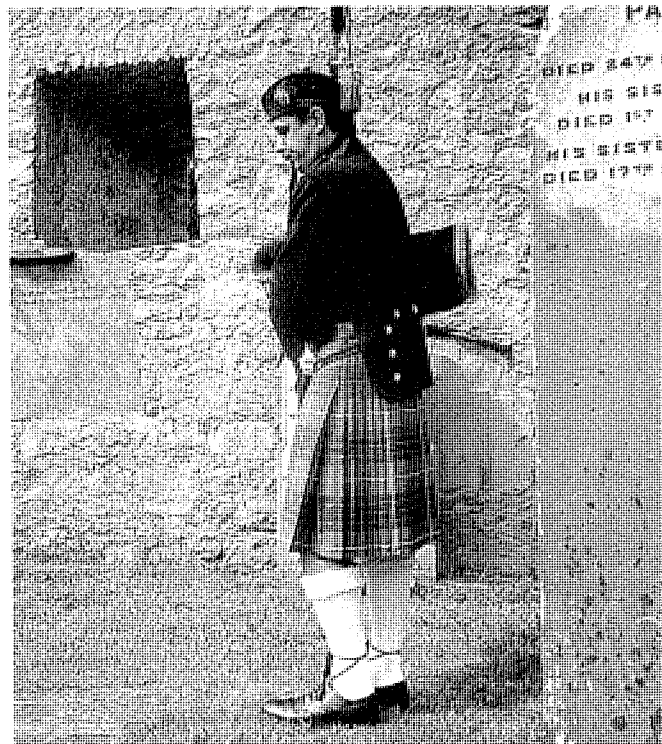
Pike Men re-enact the Battle of Ovidstown

The Ceremony began with a beautiful rendition of a selection of tunes on the bagpipes by Eoin Donovan of the Lord Edward Fitzgerald Pipe Band and a short account by Michael Quinn of the Historical Background and details of the battle of Ovidstown. This battle of 19th June 1798 was between the United Irish Army of North Kildare, numbering up to 5,000, and a Government army of Scottish



G. McTernan Junior and Senior at Ladychapel

Highlanders, Dragoon Guards and four troops of Yeomen Cavalry, totalling 500 men. Crucially, they had some cannon.



Eoin Donovan plays the pipes at Ladychapel Cemetery

The United Army had about 300 muskets and more had pistols, but not enough pikes for all with many hoping to pick up arms from early casualties. The commander was Col. William Amyler of Painestown and the Maynooth contingent included Yeomen who had come over to The United Cause.

Despite their advantage in numbers, the bravery of The United Men was no match for the murderous firepower of Government Cannon and Cavalry. Despite early successes in capturing one cannon the slaughter of 200 pikemen alongside a ditch by grapeshot from the cannon caused the United Army to flee back into the safety of Hortland Bog. The ditch has since been known as the "Murdering Ditch"

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and up to another 200 were cut down while retreating.

Tony Bean, Vice Chair of the Community Council, spoke on the Maynooth Volunteers being of the Maynooth Community of 1798; the role of women as participants at that time and of the non sectarian nature of The United Cause. Hilda Dunne, Rita Edwards, Maura Wilcox and Stuart Lane contributed with poetry and music and Deaglan O'Siochain, Sec. of the group read some poetry of John Montague and spoke of the great bravery of the young labouring men, like Richard

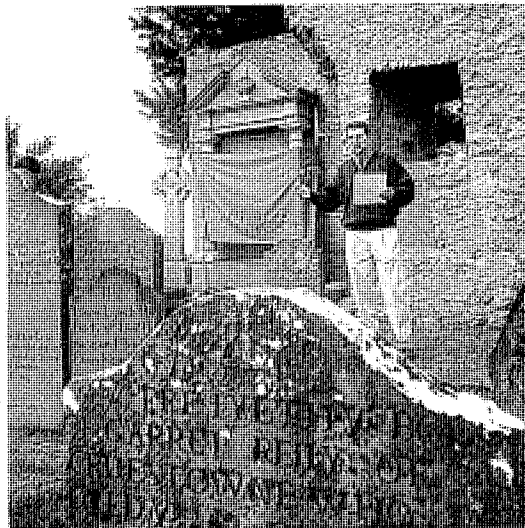
some more pipe playing.

Afterwards a group from the attendance participated in the 6 mile remembrance walk to Ovidstown and joined in the North Kildare official event commemorating the battle.

Our next event will be to unveil a commemorative stone at the entrance to Carton Avenue on Wednesday 22nd July, during Community Week. A display of submissions to our competition for school pupils will also be shown in the Library during Community Week.

Regard,

Michael Quinn.



Tony Bean, Vice Chairman, Maynooth Community Council addresses the visitors at Ladychapel Cemetery

Turner, who fought and died.

The ceremony then concluded with a wreath being laid at the Turner family headstone by Gearoid Mac Teighernan, and



Matt Kennedy and Declan O'Connor at the grave of Richard Turner, who was killed at the Battle of Ovidstown in 1798

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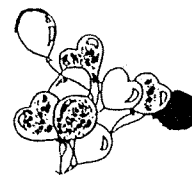
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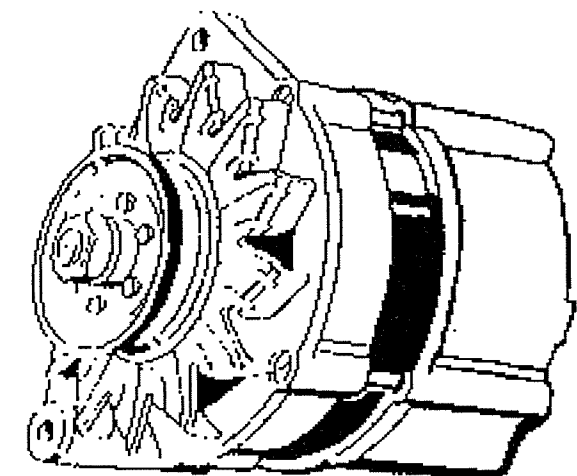
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on a plaster or dabbed on cotton wool and held in place with a plaster. Change frequently until the infection clears. This is the only other oil that can be applied neat. **A word of caution** - this oil is not suitable for babies and small children up to 5 years.

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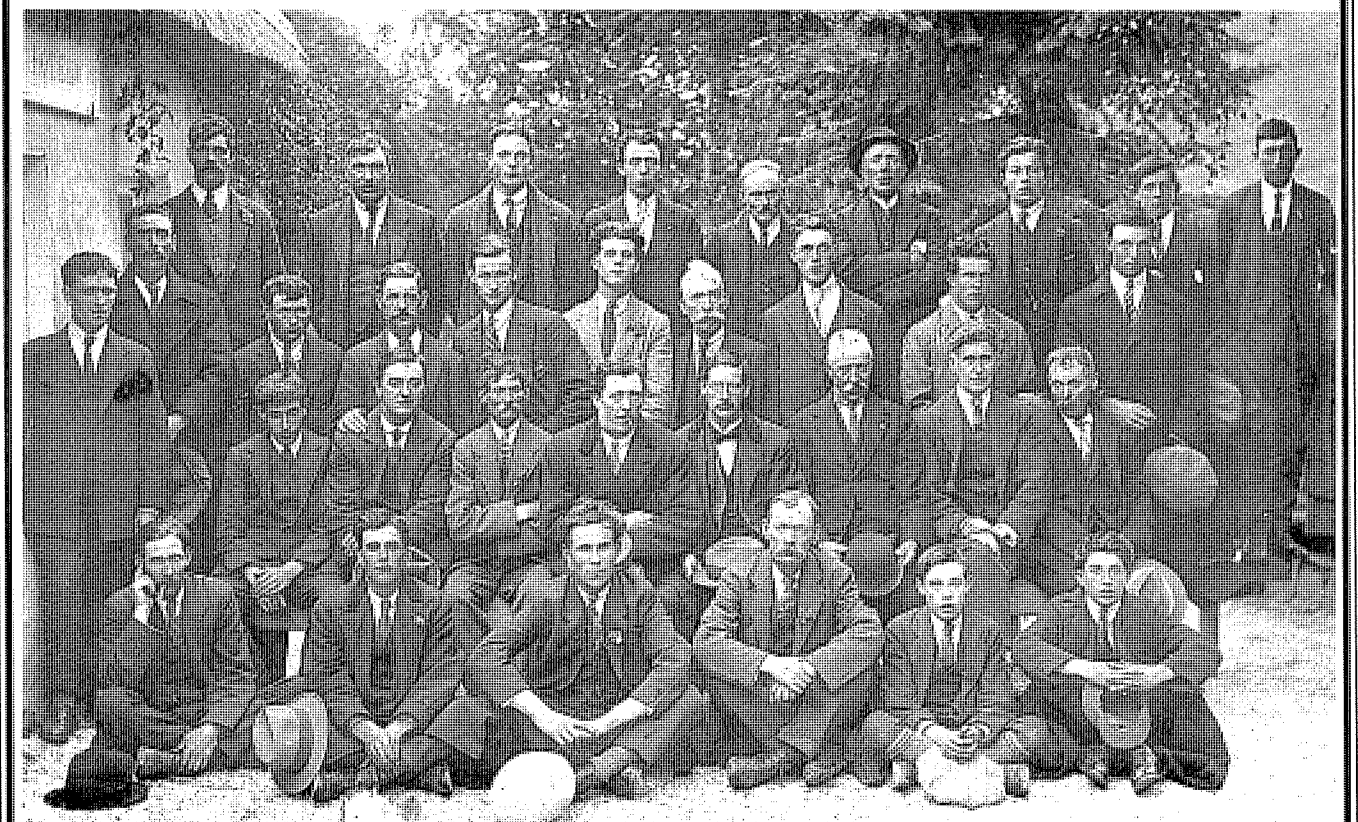
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VIDEO REVIEW

Tomorrow Never Dies (12's)

This latest Bond movie is even better than Goldeneye. Pierce Brosnan is James Bond, and seems set to make the role his own. Jonathan Pryce is a brilliant villain, a power crazed media mogul intent on world domination (aren't they all?). Better still, Bond is given a female counterpart in the form of Asian actress Michelle Yeoh, who is definitely not just there for the mushy scenes. It is, of course, typical Bond fare but if you like your super heroes to save the world whilst making out with beautiful babes along the way, then J.B. is definitely the main man.

Verdict: Super!

The Borrowers (U)

John Goodman plays a greedy real estate lawyer in this film adaptation of Mary Norton's book. Goodman hides the will of an old lady client so that he can evict her son and his family from their old home. But he isn't counting on the wee folk who live under the floorboards, the Borrowers, teaming up with the boy of the house, 10 year old Pete, to outwit the nasty lawyer and keep the old family home standing. This particular telling of The Borrowers is technically very good - the set designs evoking an enchanting feeling of other-worldliness - but the movie is let down by a heavy script, and the comedy is reduced to slapstick mania by the end. However, all in all it's a worthy effort and the kids will love it.

Verdict: Very good.

Snow White: A Tale of Terror (15's)

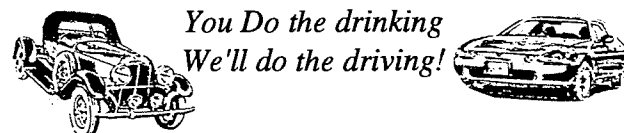
This one is definitely not for the kids, as Sigourney Weaver really is the wicked stepmother in this gothic telling of the old fairy tale. With all the Disney trappings stripped away, Ms. Weaver gets to be as spooky as she likes as she forces Snow White to flee for her life. Life with the seven dwarfs is not as nice as she would like it to be, and soon horror is once again knocking on her door. Actor Sam Neill makes an appearance too, with the end result being far closer to horror than to the popularly perceived fairy tale. A dark and sumptuous film, this is a frightening little shocker that's well worth seeing.

Verdict: Brilliant

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LARCHILL ARCADIAN GARDENS KILCOCK

Larchill Arcadian Gardens were officially opened by Mr. John Bruton, T.D., on Friday, 19th of June.

Mr. Michael de Las Casas thanked Mr. Bruton and his wife Finola, for their attendance. Mr. de Las Casas and his wife Louise bought Larchill four years ago and discovered soon afterwards, through an architect friend who came to visit, that he had in his possession a unique remnant of mid-eighteenth century landscape garden. It had been sadly neglected through the years and in his efforts to restore it, he was fortunate to receive grants from Bord Fáilte under the Great Gardens of Ireland Scheme, from the Irish Government through Fás Community Employment Project and from the National Heritage Council. The total restoration grant is in the region of £300,000 and he would like to take this opportunity to thank all those agencies for their wonderful support without whom we would not have this wonderful 18th century garden.

History of 18th Century Garden:

The most likely date for the construction of the ferme ornee at Larchill is around the middle of the eighteenth century. This was the period when Georgian Dublin was being laid out and throughout the country everyone who was anyone was building on an ambitious scale. In Kildare alone Castletown and Carton were built, the latter with exquisitely laid out grounds, including an artificial lake and a similar ornamented demesne was constructed at Belan near Moone.

A strong local contender for being the main inspiration for Larchill however is Dangan Castle, the family home of the Earl of Mornington, father to the first Duke of Wellington. Dangan is about eight miles from Larchill in the townland of Laracor and although not a ferme ornee in the strict sense, it was built on a scale which could not but command attention.

Though never on the scale of Dangan in its original state the ornamented part of Larchill was larger than it is now. For example at the end of the field beyond the lake (which field regrettably was not for sale when he bought the place) there is a small brook over which there is a folly called the Fish Hatchery. It is speculated that this was originally connected to the lake by means of an open canal and that eels swam up the canal to the lake and made their way from there to the eel house at the top of the hill. It was also located further away from the residential farmhouse. The present farmhouse, which sits atop the hill, was built around 1788 sometime after the ferme ornee was completed. The original farmhouse was located almost half a mile away and was known as Phepetstown house (which is still there). What this means is that for the master and mistress of Phepetstown the walk around their ferme ornee, beginning from their own house, would have been quite a bit longer than it is at present.

Other features which show the impressive extent of the original design are a sheep run, close to the eel house and the Fox's Earth and a number of substantial gateway pillars and walls which are spread throughout the farm. One of the largest of these can be seen beside the Feuille at the bottom of the hill but there are at least six others, five on the adjoining land and the other being the Haha gateway half way down the field. All of these gateways were built in the same style of stonework as the follies on the ferme ornee with rounded pillars and a distinctive comb cresting the walls (as in the Walled Garden).

Around the turn of the present century the farm was sold to the Barry family. Most likely the follies were already overgrown by then and they were left to remain in that condition. In the early seventies a decision was made to drain the lake (which had come to be called locally "Barry's Lake") and the southern bank was breached by a digger. It is not known if the land thereby reclaimed was worth the trouble or the loss of historical continuity concomitant with the drainage.



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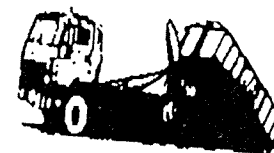
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Maynooth's 55 Acres

How the sums were done, and how the waters might still be muddled!

In the Amended Draft Development Plan of 1996, Kildare County Council proposed that Maynooth (population 8,528) should get an additional 325 acres of new residential lands to allow for a potential population of 21,189 people by the year 2006. A wave of protest followed. Similar pproposals in several North Kildare towns heralded the birth of people power throughout the region in the form of referenda, court actions, media campaigns and the formation of the various planning alliances. In the intervening two years much has been achieved, including 3 suspensions of Kildare County Council's functions in respect of town and county Development Plans by the Minister of the Environment. More importantly, though, politicians of all parties began to sit up and take notice that their electorate would no longer tolerate development-led rather than community-led planning. Proposals which merely provided for bloated versions of the towns and villages of the region without the necessary infrastructure or amenities were no longer acceptable.

On Monday 15th June the local councillors for this area proposed an amended plan for Maynooth, comprising 55 acres of new residential rezonings. This will now go for ratification before the full council as part of a country-wide set of proposals designed to achieve more modest strategic population targets. But how was this figure of 55 acres arrived at?

The initial phase centered on the need for acceptance that planning should be based on achieving certain populaton targets. This has always been a major concern of Maynooth Planning Alliance, conscious as it is of the 41% growth which the town has been forced to bear over the past five years. For the north Kildare towns, councillors agreed unanimously that a total increase in population of 4,000 by 2001 was desired for the period to 2001. However, when it came to allocating individual towns a proportion of this total many councillors did not feel able to constrain themselves accordingly, and sought to renege on the commitment. Thus a new strategy was adopted whereby not one, but two, planning periods were targeted, stretching to 2003 and 2006. For the former, a target population increase of over 6,500 was now to be allowed for, while for the period to 2006, an increase of 10,000 was to be allowed for. The pre-existing targets agreed earlier for 2001 did not seem to figure in terms of land allocations thereafter.

For Maynooth a target population of 10,500 was agreed for 2003, an increase of approximately 23% on its 1996 level. This needed approximately 94 acres of new residential land. At the time of the population census on which all the projections were based, Maynooth had over 106 acres of unused residential land. However councillors curiously chose to use a figure of 86 acra which was established 18 months later in November 1997. There was thus a mismatch of 18 months between the population starting point and the available land starting point. The missing 20 acres (equivalent to approximately 500 additional people) was quietly forgotten about in subsequent calculations.

A need for 94 acra and an availability of 86 acres gives a fairly straightforward sum, one might think. However, our local councillors have opted to multiply the 94 by an 'overzoning' factor of 150% giving a total 'need' of 141 acres. Subtracting the available 86 acres from this yields the 55 acres which was decided on. This overzoning factor is supposed to cater for land owners who want their land rezoned but then don't want to sell it for development. Such a practice, while a feature of the past, is not likely to be a feature of the future due to recent tax changes arising from the Bacon Report on House Prices. Should 141 acres of residential land become available in Maynooth it gives a potential population increase of about 3,000, far in excess of the targets intended, and equivalent to an increase of over 35%.

Not included in the land allocation calculations are the 100 acres of residential lands in Carton on which 140 5-bedroom houses are intended. This will provide a further 500 people who are not part of Maynooth, not part of Leixlip, though will contribute cars, demand water, sporting and educational amenities, and require waste water treatment facilities comon to both towns. But they also have been quietly forgotten about in the process.

Finally, it must be emphasised that even these projected rezonings were not unanimously accepted by all our local councillors. Some, it appears, may want even more. But surely it is to be expected that democratically-taken decisions at local level, however imperfectly arrived at, are respected at full council level? Otherwise we make a mockery of the democratic process. But then again, the history of the past few years show that there is always a possibility that the waters might still be muddled!

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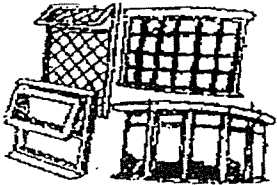
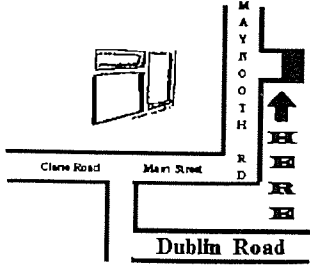
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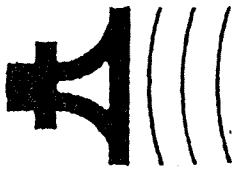
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Residents Association

BEAUFIELD AREA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Beaufield held their Annual Sports Day on Saturday, 20th June. Sixty-five children took part in the event and lots of fun was had by one and all.

There were races for all ages and a variety of events to suit everyone. There was also a Bouncing Castle, which was a great favourite. A BBQ was planned for the evening but, unfortunately, because of our typical Irish Summer weather (!) this could not take place. However, watch this space, as we hope to hold the BBQ at a later date.

We finished off the day with the T.S.B. Sports Person of the Year Award, which went to **Ciaran O'Shea**, from Beaufield Gardens. Well done. Everyone had a great day - rain and all!

The Organising Committee would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to all our sponsors and contributors and most especially, to our Chairman, Joe Geraghty and Treasurer, Grainne Kelly for all their hard work.

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MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Moyglare News

By now the latest edition of Moyglare News should have been delivered in Moyglare Village. The June edition focuses exclusively on the Moyglare Village resident's plans to enhance their estate.

Moyglare Village - Clean up Weekend

On the weekend of the 20th June the long awaited skip from Kildare County Council arrived for the estate clean up. The residents association had not been informed that the skip was going to be delivered, a month later than expected. Thanks to Dermot O' Hurley, Pat Curran, myself & Ray Mc Ternan, the major common areas were tackled. Even the World Cup could not deter them. Thanks to Rory O'Connor for the grass seed.

Moyglare Village - Clean up Night

At time of going to print it was planned to have a clean up night in late June or early July to give residents an opportunity to clean out their own gardens, World Cup permitting.

Moyglare Village - Boundary Wall

As noted in the June Newsletter, the residents are very pleased with the support of the Celbridge Area members of Kildare County Council in their case that the Council should insist on the developer building a wall as the only long-term secure boundary. Residents are adamant that no other form of structure meets their requirements of a permanent, low maintenance and primarily safe boundary.

Moyglare Residents Association - Fees 1998

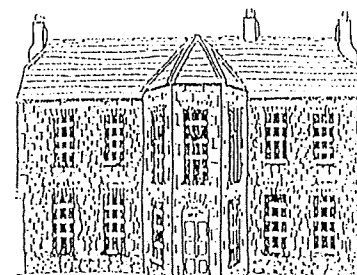
The contribution for 1998 remains unchanged for all areas except Moyglare Village, where the fee has been increased to £30 this year. The increase results from the residents' wishes to carry out a number of extra tasks this year such as extra planting and tree pruning.

Moyglare Village - Early Warning - Do not throw out those plants!

The practical sub-committee in Moyglare village will be developing some areas for plants and shrubs this autumn. One idea that has been put forward is that if residents find that some of their plants have outgrown their garden, they should consider making arrangements to donate them to the Residents Association for planting in the common areas. Any more good ideas would be welcome!

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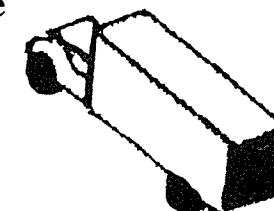


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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

CLEAN UP DAY

The Annual Clean Up of the Estate took place on Saturday June 13th. Residents are asked to continue the clean up by weeding the road edges near their own houses as there are some neglected places at time of writing.

Some gardens have hedges and trees which are overhanging the footpaths. We ask owners to trim these before they become a nuisance. We also ask owners who are carrying out building work to remove sand and such material from the roadside as soon as the work has been completed.

STRAFFAN ROAD LANDSCAPING

Kildare Co. Council has hired a landscaping contractor who will look after the landscaped areas along the road for the next two years.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Committee members have called to all houses for the Annual Subscription. If you haven't paid yet please give the money to a member of the Committee or the Treasurer. Landlords are also requested to please contribute to the upkeep of the estate by paying the subscription of £18.

LITTER LAWS ACT

Kildare Co. Council will be issuing information leaflets to all houses regarding the new Litter Laws. Dog fouling is a major nuisance and it is one of the offences mentioned in the Act. It is disgusting to have dogs fouling the greens, footpaths and gardens where children play and we ask dog owners to prevent their pets from fouling public areas.

We wish all Residents a happy and warm summer.

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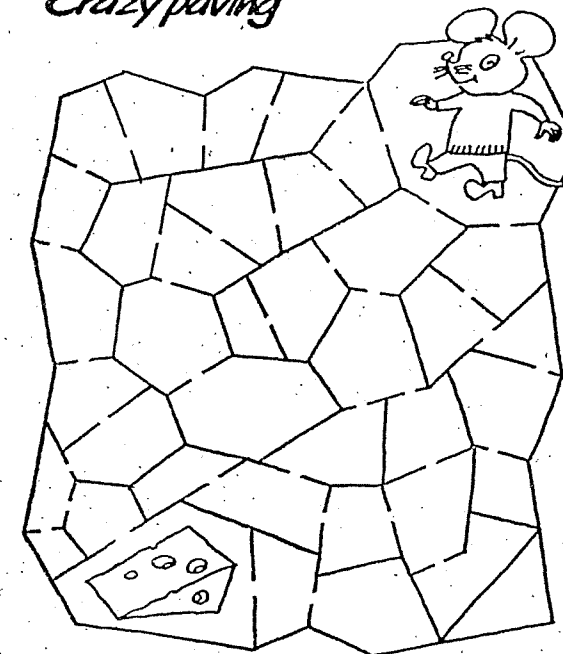
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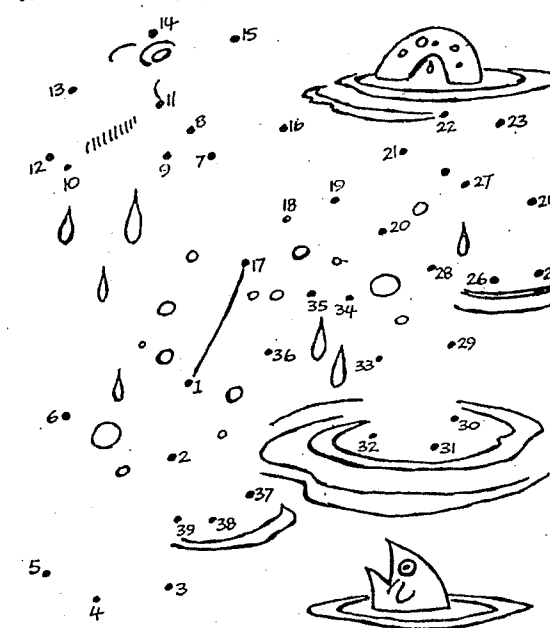
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Party Political Notes

FINE GAEL NOTES

Warning Lights - Moyglare Road:

Cllr. Senan Griffin obtained £5,000 to erect flashing warning lights which will inform motorists that they are approaching a school. Kildare County Council have given a commitment that these lights will be in place prior to the school children returning back to school next September. Cllr Senan Griffin has informed the Council that it should be policy to erect these flashing lights on approach to the majority of schools.

Railpark Estate:

A grant of £6,000 was made available by the Celbridge Area Committee to carry out essential repairs to footpaths at Railpark.

County Development Plan:

The County Development Plan is progressing very slowly considering the number of people now seeking to purchase a home at a reasonable price. Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed his concern to Kildare County Council about the plight of those earning between £11,000 and £15,000 p.a. and who are unable to purchase land, so that developed sites (known as private sites) can be made available to those people whose earnings prevent them from purchasing on the open market.

Moyglare Road:

Kildare County Council have recently extended the footpaths to the Nursing Home on the Moyglare Road, however, Cllr. Senan Griffin requested that they also complete the road from the entrance to Moyglare Village to the county boundary and he is now seeking that this work is completed as a matter of urgency.

Rathcoffey:

Cllr Senan Griffin has been assured that the engineering staff at Kildare County Council will pursue the developer to properly resurface the Rathcoffey Road. It is now half completed.

Maynooth Castle:

Having viewed a model of the proposed re-construction of Maynooth Castle, Cllr. Griffin is convinced that those people who have a genuine interest in the development should see the model. It is expected that this model will be on display at Maynooth Library in the near future.

Old Greenfield Footpaths:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested Kildare County Council to repair the footpaths and also to supply the residents with two skips for their annual clean-up. Cllr. Griffin has also requested Kildare County Council to upgrade Greenfield Lane from the entrance at Phase 1 to the bollards. Residents are now experiencing difficulties trying to gain access to their homes because of subsidence and flash flooding.

Fagan's Lane, Pound Lane and Back Lanes - Maynooth:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested that Fagan's Lane, Pound Lane and Back Lanes be resurfaced out of maintenance grant which Kildare County Council have at their disposal.

Straffan Road Maynooth:

Kildare County Council accepted a proposal from Cllr. Senan Griffin to paint and improve the quality of lighting at the traffic island on the Straffan Road, Maynooth. The cost is approximately £5,000 and the County Council are to seek the funding for the project.

Civic Amenity Site at Blacklion:

Cllr. Senan Griffin objected to the proposed location of this Civic Amenity Site on the grounds that it was locating beside a housing development.

Upgrading of Maynooth - Dublin Line:

Deputy Bernard Durkan has tabled a number of questions to the Minister for Public Enterprise regarding the upgrading of the Maynooth - Dublin line, the provision of new rolling stock and has requested that this project should be considered for EU Aid. The Minister in her reply stated she has had on-going discussions with CIE and this project is one being submitted for consideration for EU Aid. However, to avail of E.U. Aid the project must be contractually committed by the end of 1999 and completed by 2001 at the latest, she said.

New Station at Kilcock:

Deputy Bernard Durkan has been assured by the Minister for Public Enterprise that the station is near completion. The remaining work is scheduled to be completed by the end of August 1998 and will be operational as soon as possible thereafter.

Naas Hospital:

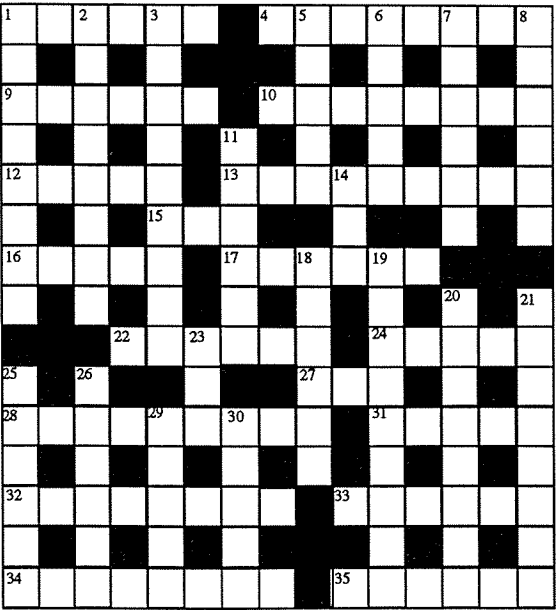
The continuing crisis at Naas Hospital was raised on the Adjournment Debate by Deputy Bernard Durkan with the Minister for Health.

The Minister has assured Deputy Durkan that "progress is taking place on a daily basis". He went on to say that "the Planning Application has been lodged with the County Council. Approval has been given to proceed to stage three of the planning process. The staff, management and patients at Naas Hospital have had to endure difficult conditions. However, we are embarking on a major £30 million development which will revolutionise the present service. I hope to report further progress over the coming months as this major project develops", he said.

Inclusion of VTOS Courses in "Back to Education Scheme":

Deputy Bernard has raised the issue of including VTOS courses in the "Back to Education Scheme" with the Minister for Education. The Minister assured Deputy Durkan in his reply that this matter is currently being considered by his Department.

Crossword No. 128



Entries before Monday 20th July

Name _____

Address _____

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Across:

- 1. Impression (6)
- 4. Gut feeling (8)
- 9. Forgive (6)
- 10. First (8)
- 12. Leaves out (5)
- 13. Welsh resort (9)
- 15. Neither (3)
- 16. Avoid (5)
- 17. Wayward (6)
- 22. Workroom (6)
- 24. Border (5)
- 27. Fasten (3)
- 28. Capital letter (5,4)
- 31. Wanderer (5)
- 32. Waterproofs (8)
- 33. Platform (6)
- 34. Tied (8)
- 35. Time (6)

Down:

- 1. Made better (8)
- 2. Disciple (8)
- 3. Lookout on board (9)
- 5. Scandinavian (5)
- 6. Cramped (5)
- 7. Number (6)
- 8. Gift (6)
- 11. Arranged (6)

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- 14. Health resort (3)
- 18. Anchored (6)
- 19. At no future time (5,4)
- 20. Overcame (8)
- 21. Robin Hood's gang (5,3)
- 23. Southern college (1,1,1)
- 25. Tower (6)
- 26. Race (6)
- 29. Rascal (5)
- 30. Lessen (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 127

Across: 1. Cavity; 4. Yachting; 9. Argued; 10. Permeate; 12. Paled; 13. Underhand; 15. Ian; 16. Ounce; 17. Nearby; 22. Stitch; 24. Lorna; 27. Ire; 28. Catamaran; 31. Abate; 32. Inactive; 33. Bunion; 34. Tenderly; 35. Frugal.

Down: 1. Champion; 2. Vigilant; 3. Trendiest; 5. Amend; 6. Homer; 7. In a way; 8. Greedy; 11. Punnet; 14. Ear; 18. Aching; 19. Beleaguer; 20. Creating; 21. Paternal; 23. I.C.A.; 25. Script; 26. Attain; 29. Mitre; 30. Rival.

Winner of Crossword 127:

John McEvoy, 3 Rockfield Gardens, Maynooth

Party Political Notes

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan:

The Celbridge Area Committee met on Monday 15th June to agree on the amount of residential rezoning required in Maynooth to meet the population projections to 2003/2006 already agreed at their meeting on 23rd March. (10,500 population in 2003).

Cllr. John McGinley proposed that 55 acres to be rezoned to meet the population projection to 2003 and this was agreed to by the Committee. (3 votes for, 1 abstention and 1 unavoidably absent).

This agreed figure is in line with Kildare County Council's planner's views on the acreage required to meet the population projection.

Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley hope that the full Council will also agree with this figure. It will give proper planning back to the Council and allow Maynooth time to breathe and develop its amenities and infrastructure.

Maynooth Suburban Rail Line:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to apply pressure at all levels to ensure that the upgrading of the Maynooth Suburban Rail Line is included in the re-allocation of LUAS Funding by the E.U. The Community Support Framework Monitoring Committee will meet in Brussels on June 25th to agree on the re-allocation.

Deputy Stagg has contacted the Transport Commissioner, Neil Kinnock, and the Regional Development Commissioner, Ms. Monika Wolf Mathies, seeking their support for the funding of the upgrading of the line.

Deputy Stagg has also continued to apply pressure on the Minister for Public Enterprise to secure her agreement for this project.

By the time this Newsletter is out in the shops we should have a decision.

Bond Bridge:

In order to ensure that there are no further delays in progressing the Bond Bridge Realignment Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That a progress report be given on the new Bond Bridge Construction Project and that quarterly progress reports be given thereafter".

Newtown Link to Straffan Road:

In order to complete this essential link the distributor road at Meadowbrook needs to be extended to the Straffan Road. The completion of this road will allow residents from the houses in the Newtown Area access to the motorway without having to go into Parson Street or Main Street. This will have the add on affect of reducing traffic flow on Main Street.

Kildare Co. Council has applied to the Department of the Environment for Grant Aid to construct this road and hopefully a positive decision will be forthcoming shortly.

Emmet Stagg T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley will be insisting that proper safety measures will be built into the design of the road e.g. stone faced walls at the existing green areas. In addition they will be calling for another road to be constructed from the Straffan Road to the Rathcoffey Road parallel to the motorway to take the heavy traffic from Rathcoffey away from the Meadowbrook distributor road. They will be asking that this road be included in the Maynooth Development Plan.

Straffan Road Landscaping:

Following on Cllr. John McGinley's motion the County Manager has appointed Green Avenue Landscapes to undertake the landscape maintenance works on the Straffan Road for the next two years.

Parking Regulations:

Public display of the Parking Regulations for Maynooth could not take place until the Garda Siochana confirmed that they had no objections to the proposals. This has now happened so the plans should presently be on display in order to allow public submissions.

Allocation of Discretionary Improvement Grants:

The money allocated to the Celbridge Area (Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge and Ardclough) was a miserly £46,000.

Allocations agreed for Maynooth were as follows:

- 1. £5,400 to provide flashing warning lights on both sides of the schools on Moyglare Road which should increase safety for children walking and cycling to and from school.
- 2. £6,000 to reconstruct the footpath outside House Numbers 121 to 128 Rail Park Estate. The footpath here had seriously disintegrated and posed a danger to pedestrians.

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Party Political Notes

LABOUR PARTY NOTES Cont.

Roadwork Improvements Scheduled for 1998:

The following major road works will be carried out in the Maynooth area under the Road Restoration Programme in 1998.

1. £30,000 - for upper end of Moyglare Road at Moyglare Abbey and towards Meath Border.
2. £60,000 - for Pikes Bridge to Ballygoran Road.
3. £20,000 - Ballygoran link to M4.
4. £55,000 - Newtown Road.
5. £70,000 - Maynooth to Barberstown.

Public Light Pole Carton Court:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the E.S.B. to secure the pole beside the phone box firmly in the ground. It is very loose at present and could fall.

Carton Avenue Pier:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested Kildare Co. Council to repaint and reset the pier at Carton Avenue Main Street entrance which seems to have been hit by a truck.

Flooding at the Back of Caulfields:

Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg have requested the Council to take whatever steps are necessary to stop the flooding at this very busy location. The Council had previously corrected the problem but it has returned.

Moyglare Abbey Estate:

Exiting from this new estate is very dangerous because of the growth of vegetation on the left hand side of the exit. Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to cut the overgrowth.

Thomas Clarke

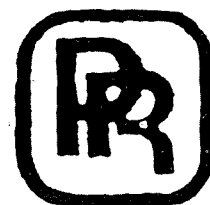
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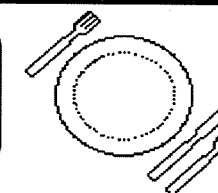
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4. Add the slices of potatoes into the cauliflower and keep stirring them well together, till nicely blended.
5. Add 1/2 teaspoon of cardamom
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Chicken and Macaroni Casserole

Serves 4

120 grms small Macaroni
30 grms Butter
1 large Onion, chopped
2 tps crushed Garlic
1/2 kg ripe Tomatoes roughly chopped
3 tbs Tomatoe puree
1 green Chilli
300 grms boneless Chicken cut into thin strips
1 tsp powdered Black Pepper
Salt to taste
120 grms, cheddar Cheese thinly sliced

Start (Preparation)

1. Cook the macaroni in plenty of boiling water with a little salt and 1 tsp of oil added to it.

2. When cooked, rinse under cold water. Drain well and put in a shallow ovenproof dish.
3. Heat the butter in a pan and saute the onion and garlic gently until soft.
4. Add the tomatoe puree, green chilli, chicken and the olives and stir well. Cook covered on a low flame until chicken is cooked.
5. Pour over the macaroni and cover with the cheese.
6. Bake in a preheated oven at 180C/350 F for 20 minutes until the cheese has melted.
7. Grill for 2 minutes. Serve immediately.

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Fruit Cake

4 oz tub Butter or Margarine
4 oz soft light brown Sugar
grated rind 1 Lemon
3 eggs, size 3
1/4 teaspoon Vanilla Essence
5 oz self raising Flour
2 oz Glace Cherries, chopped
6 oz Mixed Dried Fruit
1 oz Desiccated Coconut
2 oz Blanched Almonds, halved, to decorate
7 1/2 in. spring clip tin, lined

Set the oven to moderate, Gas Mark 4 or 350°F/ 180°. Place all the ingredients, except the blanched almonds, into a bowl and beat with a wooden spoon or electric beater until well mixed.

Spoon into the lined tin, smooth the top and arrange the almonds over the surface.

Bake above the centre of the oven for 45-50 minutes, until firm to the touch. Leave to cool on a wire rack.

This cake keeps for up to 2 weeks in an airtight tin, or freezes well.

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JULY IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Continue to prune and trim hedges. Cut back old and unwanted shoots on shrubs that have finished flowering. Prune clematis. Remove dead flower heads from roses. Secure new growths of wall shrubs and climbers. Feed, water and mulch plants regularly and do not let rhododendrons and hydrangeas suffer from drought. Weed regularly and where necessary use pesticides.

Flowers:

Regularly dead-head flowering plants to ensure further blooms. Now is a good time to start picking flowers for dried winter flower arrangements. Keep lilies and gladioli watered well. Stake chrysanthemum plants, in pots outdoors, and tie stakes to straining wire to keep pots from blowing over. Water and feed regularly. Lift and clean tulip bulbs and store in cool dry airy place for planting again in the Autumn. Plant Autumn-flowering bulbs. Early-flowering irises can be lifted and divided. Only re-plant healthy portions. Regularly water and feed flowering plants and use pesticide sprays when necessary. Weed borders.

Fruit:

Spread nets over cane and bush fruits to protect from birds. Pick fruits when ripe. Prune canes and bushes when fruits have been picked. If new plants are required, layer loganberries and blackberries. For black currants take tip cuttings. Apple, pear and plum trees need Summer pruning and thin out fruit if not done last month.

Remove polythene or burn straw around strawberries when picking is complete. Spray with fungicides and insecticides when required and make sure all the fruits are watered thoroughly.

Vegetables:

Harvest all vegetables as they mature. Remove the remains of beans, cabbages, early peas and other vegetables that have finished cropping and use ground for other crops. Sow turnips, carrots, pickling onions, lettuces, spring cabbages, parsley, beet, peas and winter spinach and radishes. Feed and water outdoor tomatoes, marrows and cucumbers and remove male flowers from the cucumbers. When main shoots have covered the required growth, stop them. Regularly hoe the soil to remove weeds and add mulch if possible. Thin out herb seedlings. Lift shallots and place them in a sunny place to ripen.

Under Glass:

Water and feed tomatoe plants regularly. Pick fruits as they ripen, remove tips of main shoots as plants reach the desired height. Remove sideshoots. Keep supported. Top-dress root areas of cucumbers with well-rotted compost with general fertilizer mixed in or with animal manure. Remove male flowers and all shoots at two leaves beyond each fruit. Shade from hot sun and syringe daily with water. As cucumbers ripen, pick them. Again remove sideshoots to two leaves beyond melon fruit and support

developing fruits with nets hung from roof wires. Syringe daily with water and remove some leaves to allow plenty of sun to reach fruit. Keep flowering plants shaded and remove flowers as they fade. Propagate pot plants such as impatiens (busy lizzies) begonias, ivies and hydrangeas. Now is a good time to make further sowings of gloxinias, primulas, calceolarias and cinerarias for Spring flowering and thin them out as soon as possible. Each day ventilate, water and damp-down the greenhouse and where necessary shade plants. Don't forget to water and feed indoor plants.

General.:

Continue to mow lawns regularly. Continue to lift weeds and creeping stems with rake to prevent spreading. Carry out any repairs to greenhouse or other outdoor buildings.

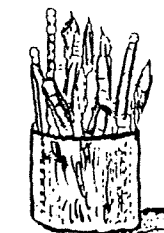
Safety in the Garden:

Keep a regular check on garden implements especially those run on electricity. Check for any wear and tear on flexes. Make sure to use a circuit breaker at all times. These are not expensive compared to a life. Ensure that any step ladders used when trimming the top of tall hedges are secure. Make sure that all weedkillers and insecticides are kept locked away from children at all times. Its best not to use these at all when children are around. Check and buy, when possible, pet friendly products. Don't use chemical sprays on windy days.



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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

Date:	Level	Result	
16/5/98	Senior Hurling League	Clane 2 - 9	Maynooth 2 - 7
18/5/98	Junior Football League	Maynooth 0 - 10	Johnstownbridge 0 - 4
20/5/98	Senior Hurling League	Eire Og/Corrachoill 3 - 9	Maynooth 1 - 9
23/5/98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 1 - 10	St. Kevin's 0 - 9
27/5/98	Senior Hurling League	Maynooth 4 - 9	Moorefield 1 - 7
28/5/98	Junior Hurling League	Ardclough 1 - 8	Maynooth 1 - 2
29/5/98	U/16 Football League	Maynooth 2 - 5	Naas 4 - 10
30/5/98	U/12 Hurling League	Maynooth 1 - 4	Naas 1 - 1
30/5/98	U/14 Hurling League	Maynooth 3 - 7	Naas 0 - 0
4/6/98	Junior Hurling League	Naas 2 - 12	Maynooth 1 - 6
5/6/98	U/14 Football League	Maynooth 7 - 15	Athy 4 - 3
6/6/98	Senior Hurling League	Coill Dubh 0 - 27	Maynooth 0 - 5
8/6/98	Junior Football League	Maynooth 0 - 14	Kill 1 - 4
11/6/98	Junior Hurling League	Leixlip 6 - 10	Maynooth 0 - 5
12/6/98	U/14 Football League	Maynooth 9 - 14	Celbridge 3 - 7
14/6/98	Intermediate Football Championship	Kilcullen 1 - 11	Maynooth 1 - 8
15/6/98	Junior Football League	Maynooth 1 - 15	Rheban 3 - 5
16/6/98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 2 - 12	Celbridge 1 - 7
17/6/98	Senior Hurling League	Maynooth 1 - 8	Confey 0 - 11
18/6/98	Junior Hurling League	Eire Og/Corrachoill 3 - 12	Maynooth 4 - 4

Senior Football League
Maynooth 2 - 12 - Celbridge 1 - 7

The margin of victory might indicate that this was an easy game for Maynooth but nothing could be further from the truth. Maynooth started well with two points from Paul Garvey and an opportunist goal from William Farrelly. Celbridge played some superb football in the first half but Maynooth held a four point advantage at half time. Maynooth's lead was reduced to one point midway through the second half but then a shot from Hugh Purcell hit the upright and William Farrelly was on hand to score his second goal. Further points from Paul Garvey & Joey Riordan sealed victory for Maynooth.

Best for the winners were: Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Niall Byrne, Ronan Murphy, Joey Riordan, Hugh Purcell, and Paul Garvey.

Team & Scores
Joe Rossiter, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Mickey Noone, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, Niall Byrne, Ronan Murphy, Eamon Dunne, Darren Naughton, David Mahony, Joey Riordan (0-2) Paul Garvey (0-7) William Farrelly (2-2) Joey Edwards (0-1) Subs: Hugh Purcell for Dunne, Johnny Nevin for Naughton, Mark Nugent for Edwards.

Junior Football League Div 2 A
Maynooth 1 - 15 - Rheban 3 - 5

Maynooth's Junior Footballers secured a promotion play off place after defeating Rheban in a fine entertaining game played at Rheban. The Maynooth forward line were particularly impressive with all six players getting on the score sheet. Niall Naughton & Peter Burke shaded the midfield exchanges while the defence gave little space to the Rheban attackers who found scores hard to come by.

Best for Maynooth were: Alan Nugent, John O'Toole, Noel Reilly in defence, Niall Naughton and Peter Burke worked hard at midfield and while the most impressive attackers were James Delargy, Darren Naughton and Marty Byrne.

Team & Scores
Declan Buckley, Alan Nugent, Aidan Burke, Derek Fleming, John O'Toole, Enda Lyons, Noel Reilly, Niall Naughton, Peter Burke, Mark Nugent, James Delargy, Marty Byrne, James Gilligan, Darren Naughton, Joey Edwards, Subs: Liam O'Toole for P. Burke (injured).

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U/14 Football League
Maynooth 9 - 14 - Celbridge 3 - 7

In spite of conceding an early goal Maynooth went on to secure an impressive victory over Celbridge on 12/6/98. The foundation for their victory was laid by the excellent performances at midfield from Pierre Ennis and Brian Downey who ensured a plentiful supply of ball to the forward line who took most of the scoring chances afforded to them. Celbridge did try to make a game out of it in the second half but the Maynooth defence superbly marshalled by Tadgh O'Corcaine at centre back held firm giving no space to the Celbridge attackers.

Best for Maynooth in addition to those already mentioned were Alex Sweeney in goal, Stephen Curran and Kevin Gannon in defence and in attack Fergal Molloy, D.J. Canning and David Comerford played well all through.

Team:
Alex Sweeney, Joey McLoughlin, Stephen Curran, Fintan O'Donoghue, Kevin Gannon, Tadgh O'Corcaine, Colin O'Neill, Pierre Ennis, Brian Downey, Fergal Molloy, Conor McCullagh, D.J. Canning, David Comerford, Gary McMahon, and David Redmond.

Senior Hurling League
Maynooth 1 - 8 - Confey 0 - 11

In the end a draw was a fair result but had Maynooth taken their chances in the first half they would have secured two league points. Confey adjusted much better to the greasy pitch in the first half and led at half time by 0 - 8 to 0 - 3 with the Maynooth scores coming from Padraic Ward, a superb effort from a line ball by Tim O'Mahony and a free from Vincent Coughlin in the 20th minute. Inside the first ten minutes of the second half, Maynooth had reduced the defeat to just one point after Fergal Scully pointed a 65' and long delivery by Karl Ennis was doubled on by John O'Brien and ended up in the net. On three occasions the sides were level in the second half. The remainder of Maynooth's scores came from Vincent Coughlan (2) and a point each from John O'Brien & Fergal Scully.

Best for Maynooth were: Matt Carroll in goal, Brian Nevin, Jimmy Cahill and Declan Buckley in defence, Karl Ennis at midfield and in attack Conor Diggins, Jim O'Mahony and John O'Brien tried hardest.

Team & Scores:
Matt Carroll, Brian Nevin, Stephen Noonan, Mick Galvin, Jimmy Cahill, Fergal Scully (0-2) Declan Buckley, Mick Bennett, Karl Ennis, Conor Diggins, Vincent Coughlan (0-3) Jim O'Mahony (0-1), John O'Brien (1-1), Sean Cushen, Padraic Ward (0-1) Subs: John Lee for Ward, Sean Griffin for Coughlan (injured).

Intermediate Football Championship
Kilcullen 1 - 11 - Maynooth 1 - 8

Maynooth's impressive league form was turned on its head in Sarsfields on 14/6/98 when they were beaten by Kilcullen in the first round of the championship. Maynooth were by far the superior team in the first half and two points early on by the unerring Paul Garvey helped to settle the team. Kilcullen responded with two points in quick succession to level the scores. Paul Garvey eased Maynooth into the lead again with a fine long range point from a free and with Killian Fagan beginning to dominate at midfield with some magnificent high fielding. Paul Flood broke through the Kilcullen defence only for his shot to be parried by the Kilcullen keeper. However, Joey Riordan was on hand to boot the ball to the net. Maynooth went five points clear when Paul Garvey pointed in the 25th minute. The last point of the first half belonged to Kilcullen leaving the scores: Maynooth 1 - 4; Kilcullen 0 - 3. The first fifteen minutes of the second half are best forgotten as far as Maynooth are concerned in that it was all one way traffic with Kilcullen completely on top at midfield and in the half forward line. By the 20th minute of the second half Kilcullen led by four points. The introduction of Hugh Purcell at midfield helped Maynooth win some vital possession but the forwards were unable to get the scores in the second half. It must also be said that the Kilcullen defence were in inspired form in the second half and restricted Maynooth to just two points from play.

Best for Maynooth were Pascal Ennis, Eamon Gallagher and Niall Byrne in defence. Killian Fagan played his heart out at midfield and in attack David Mahony, Eamon Dunne and Paul Garvey impressed.

Team & Scores:
Joe Rossiter, Mickey Noone, Pascal Ennis, Stephen Noonan, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, Niall Byrne, Ronan Murphy, Killian Fagan, David Mahony, Eamon Dunne, Joey Riordan (1-1), Paul Flood, Paul Garvey (0-7), Johnny Nevin. Subs: Mick Nevin for Noone, Hugh Purcell for Murphy, William Farrelly for Johnny Nevin.

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Junior Football League Div 2A

Maynooth 0 - 14 - Kill 1 - 4

Maynooth had an impressive victory over Kill played at St. Mary's Park on 8/6/98. Kill had the advantage of a stiff breeze in the first half but they were well contained by Maynooth where Peter Burke and Niall Naughton held sway at midfield. Points from Danny Casey, Joey Edwards, Niall Naughton and two from James Delargy helped Maynooth to a slender lead at half time by 0 - 5 to 0 - 4. With the wind at their back Maynooth were by far the superior team in the second half and had eased into a seven point lead by the 20th minute. Against the run of play Kill scored a good goal a minute later to reduce the deficit to four points. However, Maynooth were not going to be denied and using a crisp, fast interpassing game finished the stronger with further points from Liam O'Toole, Mark Nugent and James Gilligan to run out winners by seven points. Joint Team Managers, Mick Faherty and Martin Donnelly will be pleased by this performance and in particular the accuracy of the forward sector in scoring some superb points from play.

Best for Maynooth were Alan Nugent, John O'Toole, and Marty Byrne in defence, both Peter Burke and Niall Naughton impressed at midfield and in attack Mark Nugent, James Gilligan and Joey Edwards played well.

Team & Scores:

David Cusker, Alan Nugent, Aidan Burke, Derek Fleming, John O'Toole, Tom Farrell, Marty Byrne, Peter Burke (0-2), Niall Naughton (0-1), Aidan O'Dea, James Delargy (0-3), Mark Nugent (0-1), James Gilligan (0-2), Danny Casey (0-1), Joey Edwards (0-3). Subs: Liam O'Toole (0-1) for N. Naughton (injured), Mick Faherty for D. Casey (injured).

Junior Hurling League

Maynooth 1 - 6 - Naas 2 - 12

Maynooth scorers: Padraic Ward (0-1), John O'Brien (0-3), Eamon Toomey (1-0), Conor Diggins (0-1), Karl Ennis (0-1).

Senior Hurling League

Coill Dubh 0 - 27 - Maynooth 0 - 5

Maynooth Scores: Stephen Brennan (0-3), John O'Brien (0-1), Ciaran McGuinness (0-1).

U/16 Football League

Maynooth 2 - 5 - Naas 4 - 10

Maynooth's final game in the league campaign ended in defeat at the hands of Naas on 29/5/98. Maynooth got off to an excellent start when Alan Baxter scored a goal inside the first minute. Maynooth held the lead for most of the first half with points from Patrick O'Rourke, Tommy Masterson and Sean Brady but Naas got on top in the final ten minutes of the first half and held a slender one point lead at half time the score being Naas 0 - 7 Maynooth 1 - 3. Despite playing against the breeze in the second half Naas held the upper hand at midfield and gradually began to pull away from the Maynooth boys. A goal from Sean Brady midway through the second helped reduce the deficit but Naas responded with 2 goals in quick succession and at this stage the game was over as a contest.

Best for Maynooth were: Barry Doyle, Martin Dolan in defence, Paudge O'Sullivan and Killian Carr played well at midfield in the first half and in attack Patrick O'Rourke and Alan Baxter were impressive.

Team & Scores:

Stephen Kelly, Shane Pidgeon, Barry Doyle, Colin Cushen, Shane Devereux, Peter Sheehan, Martin Dolan, Paudge O'Sullivan, Killian Carr, Patrick King, Tommy Masterson (0-1), Patrick O'Rourke (0-2), Alan Baxter (1-0), Sean Brady (1-2), Morgan Sweeney. Subs: Stephen Fleming for T. Masterson, Peter Lee for P. King.

Senior Hurling League

Maynooth 4 - 9 - Moorefield 1 - 7

Moorefield were no match for a highly motivated Maynooth team played at St. Mary's Park on 27/5/98. The fact that five forwards got on the scoreboard is ample testimony that Maynooth have found their scoring touch. Maynooth led at half time by 1 - 8 to 1 - 3 with Jim O'Mahony finding the net with a sweet strike in the 25th minute. Two goals from Jim O'Mahony and Conor Diggins early in the second half put the match beyond Moorefield's reach although Manager Ciaran Diggins will be disappointed that Maynooth only scored one point in the second half.

Best for Maynooth were Mick Gahan, Fergal Scully, Jimmy Cahill in defence, Killian Fagan at midfield and Stephen Brennan, Jim O'Mahony and Karl Ennis were best in attack.

Team & Scores:

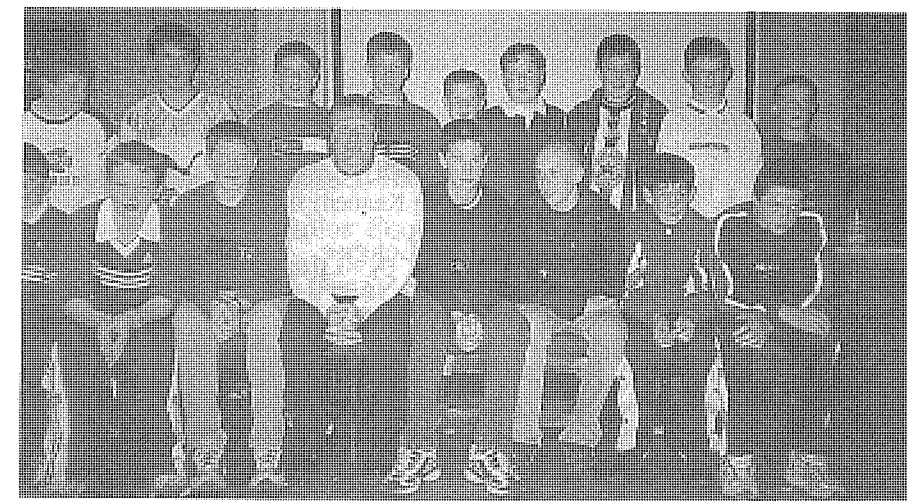
Matt Carroll, Brian Nevin, Stephen Noonan, Mick Gahan, Larry Comerford, Fergal Scully, Jimmy Cahill, Killian Fagan, Padraic Ward (0-1) Stephen Brennan (0-2), Jim O'Mahony (2-3), Karl Ennis (0-1), Conor Diggins (1-0), Paul Daly (1-2), John O'Brien.

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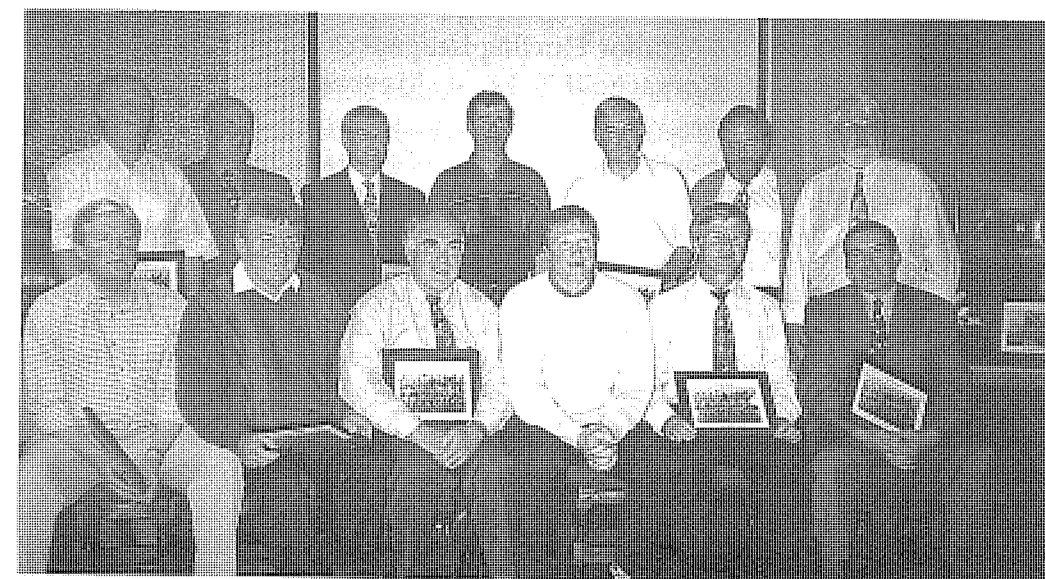


Joe Cooney with underage hurlers



U.13 Hurling North Kildare League Winners 1997

*Front row: Andrew Higgins, Enda Diggins, Brendan Coffey, Joe Cooney, Alan Sweeney, Kevin Gannon, David Comerford, Fergus Devereux
Back row: Sean Kennedy, Tadhg O Caire, Mark Cummins, Fergal Molloy, Kevin Comerford, Gerard McCarthy, James Hoare, D.J. Canning, Ciaran Walsh*



1965 Minor Championship Winners

*Front row: Sam Feeney, Tommy Fay, Kevin O'Brien, Joe Cooney, Ger McTiernan, Tommy Richardson
Back row: Bernie Dempsey, Pat O'Brien, Seamus Barnwell, Tom Hendrick, Seamus Moore, Patsy Tiernan, Ben Daly.
Not included: Michael O'Keefe*

Junior Hurling League

Ardclough 1 - 8 - Maynooth 1 - 2

In truth this was a very disappointing display from Maynooth who never played with any sense of urgency or conviction and their scoring touch was sadly lacking. Ardclough were the superior team in the first half and led by 4 points to nil. The second half followed the same pattern as the first with Ardclough picking off points at will. A goal from a free by Tommy Masterson helped put respectability on the scoreboard but Ardclough were deserving winners.

Best for Maynooth were: Tony McTiernan, Tom Mularkey and Brian Nevin in defence, Rory Kelly at midfield and Eamon Toomey and Conor Diggins tried hardest in attack.

Team & Scores:

Karl Ennis, Robert Hayes, Tony McTiernan, Tommy Masterson, Brian Nevin, Mick Gahan, Tom Mularkey, Rory Kelly, Stephen O'Mahony, Conor Diggins, Paul Daly, John O'Brien, Seamus Cummins, Eamon Toomey, Sean Lennon. Subs: Stephen Kelly for Sean Lennon, Alan Nolan for Robert Hayes.

U/12 Hurling League

Maynooth 1 - 4 - Naas 1 - 1

At half time Naas led Maynooth by 1 - 1 to 0 - 1 and it looked at that stage as if Naas would emerge victorious, but what a transformation in the second half. Buoyed on by a no holes barred team talk from Manager Roddy Molloy at half time Maynooth levelled matters early in the second half with a goal from Mark Cummins and from there to the end they proceeded to dominate the game and Naas failed to score for the entire second half. Points from Mark Cummins and two from Sean Kennedy ensured a very impressive victory for Maynooth.

Best for Maynooth were: Micky Gillick, Terence Fitzgerald, Paul Reilly, Kevin Comerford, Ronan O'Carroll, Mark Cummins, and Sean Kennedy. Scorers: Mark Cummins 1 - 2, Sean Kennedy 0 - 2.

U/14 Hurling League

Maynooth 3 - 7 - Naas 0 - 0

The U/14 hurlers of Maynooth had a comprehensive victory over Naas played at St. Mary's Park on 30/5/98. While Maynooth dominated the game from start to finish they found it difficult to find the target in the first half and only led by 4 points at half time. However in the second half Ronan O'Carroll got his hurl to the sliotar on the fourteen yard line and his deft touch beat the Naas keeper for a goal. Soon afterwards Fergal Molloy got an excellent second goal to put the issue beyond doubt.

Best for the winners were:

Brendan Coffey, Kevin Comerford, and Sean Kennedy in defence, Alan Sweeney and Kevin Gannon were always on top at midfield while Fergal Molloy, Mark Cummins and Ronan O'Carroll played well in attack.

Team & Scores:

Enda Diggins, James Hoare, Brendan Coffey, Kevin Comerford, Tadgh O'Corcaine, Sean Kennedy, Alan Sweeney, Kevin Gannon (0-2), Terence Fitzgerald, Fergal Molloy (1-2), Mark Cummins (1-3), Ronan O'Carroll (1-0), Paul Reilly.

Junior Hurling League

Eire Og/Corrachoill 3 - 12 - Maynooth 4 - 4

In spite of the result this was one of the better displays from Maynooth who played some fine hurling but in the end they had to give way to a more potent Eire Og/Corrachoill forward line. Maynooth were two points up by the 7th minute through John O'Brien and Karl Ennis. In their first attack Matt Carroll misjudged the flight of the sliotar and the ball ended up in the net. The winners added on a further two points before John O'Brien took advantage of some slack defensive marking to slam the sliotar to the net. Eire Og finished the stronger team in the first half and added on a further goal and six points while Maynooth's reply was a point from John O'Brien and a smashing goal from the revitalised Eamon Toomey to leave the half time score Eire Og/Corrachoill 2 - 6, Maynooth 2 - 3. Maynooth had much of the play early in the second half but found scores hard to come by. However by the 20th minute Eire Og had opened up an eight point lead and although Maynooth fought bravely to the finish with goals from John O'Brien & Seamus Cummins, Eire Og were deserving winners.

Best for Maynooth were: Sean Cusker, Declan Buckley and Tom Mularkey in defence, Johnny Lee at Midfield and John O'Brien, Alan Nugent and Eamon Toomey in attack.

Team & Scores:

Matt Carroll, Matt Callaghan, Sean Cushen, Brien Nevin, Stephen O'Mahony, Declan Buckley, Tom Mularkey, Karl Ennis (0-1), John Lee, Alan Nugent, Tommy Masterson, John O'Brien (2-3), Andrew Fay, Eamon Toomey (1-0), Seamus Cummins (1-0), Subs: Sean Lennon for Callaghan, Matt Callaghan for Masterson, Mick Madden for Toomey. Cont.

Senior Hurling League

Eire Og/Corrachoill 3 - 9 - Maynooth 1 - 9

Maynooth suffered their second league defeat at the hands of Eire Og/Corrachoill played at St. Mary's Park on 20/5/98. Maynooth were by far the superior team in the first half and Vincent Coughlan opened the scoring with a pointed free. Eire Og equalised from a free two minutes later before Vincent Coughlan and Mick Bennett added on a further two points. Midway through the first half Sean Cushen took advantage of hesitancy in the Eire Og defence to score a goal for Maynooth. Eire Og had their second point from a free in the 20th minute. A line ball from Padraic Ward was grabbed by Vincent Coughlan who duly pointed. Fergal Scully had a further point from a long range free before Eire Og got back into the game with a rather opportunist goal. However Fergal Scully got his second point for Maynooth from a free to leave the half time score Maynooth 1 - 6, Eire Og/Corrachoill 1 - 2. The transformation in the display of Eire Og in the second half seemed to catch Maynooth by surprise and they had scored a goal and a point inside the first five minutes. Jim O'Mahony responded for Maynooth with a fine point from the left wing. Moorefield added on a further point from play but Jim O'Mahony replied with a similar score after a pass from John O'Brien. For the next ten minutes Eire Og totally dominated and scored a goal and three points in that period without reply. Jim O'Mahony ploughed a long furrow in attack and had his third point from Maynooth but the goal they needed never came and Eire Og added on a further two points before the final whistle to emerge convincing winners.

Best for Maynooth were Matt Carroll in goal who make some fine saves. Rory Kelly, Fergal Scully & Eoin Nevin in defence. Killian Fagan had his moments at midfield and Mick Bennett and Jim O'Mahony were prominent in attack.

Team & Scores:

Rory Kelly, Matt Carroll, Stephen Noonan, Mick Gahan, Jimmy Cahill, Fergal Scully (0-2), Eoin Nevin, Killian Fagan, Padraic Ward, Mick Bennett (0-1), Vincent Coughlan (0-3), Karl Ennis, Jim O'Mahony (0-3), Sean Cushen (1-0), John O'Brien. Subs: Tommy Masterson for Sean Cushen, Tom Mularkey for Masterson.

Junior Football League Div 3B

Maynooth 0 - 10 - Johnstownbridge 0 - 4

Maynooth secured their first victory in their league campaign with a convincing win over Johnstownbridge played on 18/5/98. The ability of the forwards to take their scores was the difference between the two sides, Maynooth led by 0-5 to 0-2 at half time with their scores from Rory Kelly, Sean Ralph (2) and Peter Kinsella (2). Maynooth never allowed their opponents to get back into the match in the second half and restricted the forwards to a further 2 points while they are able to add on a further five points from Dermot Myles, Sean Ralph, Rory Kelly and (2) from Peter Kinsella. The blend of youth and experience has gelled well together and Manager Cathal O'Grady will take a lot of positive ideas from this performance.

Best for Maynooth were: John Farrelly, Dermot O'Leary, Peter Kinsella, Dermot Myles, Rory Kelly and Sean Ralph.

Team & Scores:

Packie Carroll, Darren Moran, John Farrelly, Martin McTiernan, Jim O'Mahony, Dermot O'Leary, Danny Grehan, Peter Kinsella (0-4) Dermot Myles (0-1), Rory Kelly (0-2), Robert Matthews, Sean Ralph (0-3), Barry Desmond, Gerry Grealley, Danny Byrne.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1 - 10 - St. Kevin's 0 - 9

In one of the most exciting games in the league campaign Maynooth secured victory over St. Kevin's played at St. Marys Park on 23/5/98. Both teams served up an entertaining brand of football with Maynooth having slightly the better of the midfield exchanges in the first half. However it was even steven at half time 1 - 3 to Maynooth and 0 - 6 to St. Kevin's with the Maynooth goal coming from William Farrelly and points from Farrelly, Ronan Murphy and Paul Garvey.

St. Kevin's eased into a two point lead early in the second half but Maynooth never lost their composure and four points on the trot from Joey O'Riordan, David O'Mahony and a brace from Paul Garvey helped calm the nerves of their supporters and they were never to loose the lead again emerging winners by four points. This was one of their stiffest tests in the league campaign so far but they responded well to the challenge with their defence giving little room to the St. Kevin's forwards while at the other end the ability of the forwards to play as a unit rather than as individuals was an important feature of their play.

Best for Maynooth were: Pascal Ennis, Stephen Noonan & Paul Stynes in defence, Killian Fagan at midfield and Eamon Dunne, Paul Garvey and William Farrelly were prominent in attack.

Team & Scores:

Joe Rossiter, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Stephen Noonan, Eamon Gallagher, Paul Stynes, Niall Byrne, Killian Fagan, Ronan Murphy (0-1), Johnny Nevin, Eamon Dunne, David O'Mahony, Paul Garvey, (0-4), William Farrelly (1-2), Joe O'Riordan (0-1). Subs: Darren Naughton for O'Mahony, Joey Nevin (0-1) for Johnny Nevin. Cont.

Under 14 Football League Maynooth 7 - 15 - Athy 4 - 3

The Maynooth forwards went on a scoring spree against Athy leading by 3 - 6 to 2 - 1 at half time. In the second half it was all one way traffic with all forwards getting on the scoresheet. Best for Maynooth were: Stephen Curran, Tadgh O'Corcaine and Colin O'Neill in defence, Pierre Ennis was outstanding at midfield and in attack Gary McMahon, Conor McCullagh and D.J. Canning were very impressive.

Maynooth scores were:

Pierre Ennis 2 - 3, Conor McCullagh 1 - 5, Gary McMahon 1 - 2, Fintan O'Donoghue 1 - 2, Derek Redmond 2 - 0, D.J. Canning 0 - 2, Brian Downey 0 - 1.

Hurling All Star Joe Cooney was the toast of Maynooth G.A.A. Club on 5/6/98 where he made presentations to three Maynooth winning teams, namely the 1965 Minor Hurling Team who were victorious in the Championship, the 1997 Minor Hurling Team who won the Championship and the Under 13 Hurling Team who emerged victors in the North Kildare League in 1997.

Joe congratulated all the teams on their success and acknowledged the tremendous work being done in Maynooth to foster and develop the most skillful game in the world. On Saturday morning Joe giving unselfishly of his time supervised a coaching session for the juvenile hurlers and camogie players.

1997 Minor Hurling Championship Winners; Panel:

Conor Diggins, Sean Brady, Karl Ennis, Mark McCarron, Rory Kelly, Ken Dooley, Aidan McCarron, Brendan Keogh, Robert Hayes, Sean Lennon, Eoin Nevin, Michael Gleeson, Conon Minogue, John O'Shea, Matt Callaghan, Lorcan O'Brien, Seamus Cummins, Alan Nugent, Padraic Nevin, Stephen Kelly, Gearóid Higgins, Tommy Masterson.

SPECIAL NOTICE

There is a serious shortage of referees at present to look after G.A.A. matches. On a number of occasions this year matches have had to be cancelled as no referee had been available to take charge. It would be greatly appreciated by the Club if persons interested in refereeing would contact the Club Secretary, Noel Farrelly at 6285712. Salary is negotiable.



Joe Cooney with members of underage camogie

GOING FOR HANDBALL GOLD.

Maynooth GAA Club gladly accepted the invitation to host this year's 40 x 20 Triton Shield team of six handball championship. Players from Leixlip, Moone, Ballymore Eustace, Nurney and Maynooth took part. Leixlip defeated Ballymore in one semi-final and Maynooth defeated Moone in the other semi-final. The Maynooth team of Darragh Kelly, Mick Galvin, Paul Hand, Declan Quigley, Paul Ruane and Michael O'Donnell were too strong for Leixlip in the final and the Triton Shield was on its way home to Maynooth until Moone objected to two of the Maynooth players.

The County Board upheld the objection and Maynooth may wait another year to see if they can bring the Shield to its rightful home. Four of the players involved in that team were also involved in County Finals and they were determined to make up for their disappointment.

Darragh Kelly was first to contest a final. He played David Jordan in the Novice Singles at Leixlip, Kelly's home alley. Darragh started slowly in that game but improved as the game progressed and went on to win it by four points 21-17. In the second game he showed great class, serving low-hand three wall serves, playing passing shots when they were called for and killing the ball when the chances arose. Jordan was no match for Kelly as he made modern club history by becoming the first player playing out of the GAA club to win a gold medal at county level.

Kelly also faced Jordan in the Novice Doubles final. This time he was partnered by Mick Galvin while Pat Hilliard played with Jordan. The first game took a familiar pattern with Kelly and Galvin slow to get going. They were playing catch up for the entire first game but they never did catch up and were defeated 21-19. The second game was a dour affair with the most notable feature being Mick Galvin's willingness to get stuck in and make his famous slow corner kills at every opportunity. In truth the Maynooth pair deserved great credit for grinding out a 21-19 win.

The Rubber was over an hour in play before the third game started. With the sides level, on both games and aggregate score, the excitement was only great. This game was not for the faint hearted. It proved to be a great experience for the players and a recipe for a coronary for those of us watching.

The sides drew level so often that all bar the referee lost track. Every shot was applauded and every mistake oohed and aahed. It looked all over for Maynooth when Leixlip went 20-18 ahead and still had two serves. They lost both serves without making the vital score required to finish the game. Mick Galvin served for Maynooth and was instantly dismissed. With Kelly serving and three points to make, one worried about the outcome. Two great serves later the sides were level at twenty each. Jordan returned the serve for game and Kelly put the ball on the roof. A roof rally between these two players was not what I wanted to see because Jordan had proved to be most adept at this skill, but until a flick of the wrist and a perfectly executed shot Kelly alienated my worries and sent the Maynooth faithful into rapturous applause. He had, with more than a little help from Mick Galvin, done the double over Jordan and Leixlip.

It was now the turn of Declan Quigley and Paul Hand to try and make it a hat trick of County wins for Maynooth in the championships. They were pitted against Eddie Byrne and Andy Cullen from Moone. Having lost heavily to the same pair in the Triton Shield I had serious doubts about their ability to overturn that defeat. This being championship frenzy and the little matter of the objection in the shield I hoped would motivate the Maynooth pair to play up to their full potential.

As it happened they were over enthused and did not perform as a team in the first game. This cost them the first game 21-16. In the second game both sides played well and were level on several occasions. The Moone pair edged into a lead of 18-12 and they were beginning to look like champions. At this point Quigley seemed to get his second wind and played what was arguably his best ever spell of 40 x 20 handball and with Hand as steady as a rock they went on to win the second game by the narrowest of margins. Paul Hand served first in the final game and there was an urgency about him that gave me cause to expect a win. He continued to look relaxed and was playing the better handball of the four. Byrne and Cullen dug deep and were still there with a chance up to 10 - 8 in this final game but upstepped Paul Hand with five serves out of the top drawer. Only one was returned and that was killed by Declan. This put Maynooth 15-8 ahead and finished the game as a contest.

The final score being 21-12 to Maynooth. It is worth noting that fifteen of Maynooth's twenty one points came from Paul Hand serves. A hat trick of County Championship wins for Maynooth would indicate that they have arrived on the Kildare scene.

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

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RANGERS 0 MAYNOOTH TOWN 4

Maynooth travelled to Bushy Park for a double header against Rangers with the league runners-up spot up for grabs. This talented young Maynooth side took time to settle and the game was into the 12th minute before Sean Sinclair put the town ahead. Maynooth continued to push forward and Ciaran Kilmurray added a second just before the break. The Town settled better in the second-half and began to dominate with Sean Sinclair getting his second in the 26th minute. Keith Harding added a fourth for Maynooth for an easy victory and earned the league runner's-up spot. Having finished only two points behind the winners this side shows how far junior football has come in just three years in Maynooth. Congratulations to all those involved in all the schoolboy's sides who all performed well throughout the season. Trials will be held in late July and early August for all schoolboy sides for next season. Contact numbers will appear in future editions of the Newsletter.



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NORTH KILDARE JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB

The summer programme will commence on Sunday 5th July, 1998. We are delighted to announce that COACHING provided by **Judy Smyth** will continue during the summer period. It has been decided to put on two separate blocks of coaching in order to cater for families taking holidays. The first coaching session will run for 3 weeks in July and cost £7.50, the second will run for four weeks in August and will cost £10. While it is hoped that sessions will be limited to *eight pupils per session*, if there are sufficient numbers we will try to arrange other sessions. Booking for these sessions can be made to any committee member on duty in the club on Sunday 14th, 21st or 28th June.

ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME FOR 5th July - 30th August, 1998.

10.00 a.m. - 11 a.m. Age 7 - 9 years
11.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. Age 10 - 11 years
12.00 p.m. - 1.00 p.m. Mini Tennis and Age 12 years +

It is hoped to have the Nestle Ladder League up and running shortly and our own club American Tournament.

COACHING PROGRAMME FOR 5th, 19th & 26th July.

10.00 a.m. - 11 a.m. Age 12 years +
11.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. Age 7 - 9 years
12.00 p.m. - 1.00 p.m. Age 10 - 11 Years

Members are asked to note that there will be no activities or coaching on the August bank holiday weekend.

COACHING PROGRAMME FOR 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th August.

10.00 a.m. - 11 a.m. Age 12 years +
11.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. Age 7 - 9 Years
12.00 p.m. - 1.00 p.m. Age 10 - 11 Years

The Parks Summer League Tennis (Kit Kat) will be held in the North Kildare Club from June 29th to July 31st for players aged 7 and upwards - a separate registration for this league is required and the fee is £7. Registration can be made on Monday June 29th at the Club.

All enquiries can be dealt with any Sunday morning at the club with any Committee Member or with Helen O' Brien @ 6289214 or Aine Hearn Kennedy @ 6286760.

GOLFING SOCIETY

Back Nine Clinches Victory for 'Mc'

Athlone once again was the Venue for the Shay Moore Cup. This demanding course once more proved a tough assignment for all. John Carroll's 34 pts (playing in the first three - ball) stood at the top of the leaderboard all through, until Gerry Mc Ternan (playing in the last group) also brought in 34pts. On the back nine count back John had 16 pts but Gerry had 18 pts. Hard luck to John. Congrats Gerry.

20th June, 1998
Shay Moore Cup at Athlone

Overall:
Gerry Mc Ternan - 34pts Back 9
2nd:
John Carroll - 34pts
3rd:
Sean Moore - 33pts Back 9

4th:
Sean Tracey - 33pts Back 9
5th:
Tom O' Haire - 33pts
6th:
Willie Moore - 32pts Back 9
7th:
Pat Conway -32pts

Front 9 - Paddy Foy 17pts
Back 9 - Noel Brady 17pts

Two's Club - Willie Moore
Nearest the Pin - Willie Moore

Next outing: Captain's (Miley Scanlon) Prize

Venue: Kilkea Castle.

Date: July 18th

Classifieds

SYMPATHIES

With deepest sympathy to husband Pat, children Melanie, Jason, Serena, Anne-Marie and Oonagh, relatives and friends of **Anne Campbell** (nee Fox) (Woodlands, Maynooth, Co. Kildare and formerly Rathmolyon, Co. Meath) who died June 21, 1998 (peacefully), at Clane Hospital.

With deepest sympathy to sons Peter and Joseph, daughter Ann, grandchildren, great grandchildren, relatives and friends of **James Holbrook** (486 Straffan Road Maynooth) who died on May 23rd, 1998 (peacefully), at Moyglare Nursing Home.

With deepest sympathy to son Tommy, daughter Brid, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of **Padraig O'Flaherty** (Furbo Co. Galway, Lochán Beag and Maynooth) who died June 2nd 1998.

With deepest sympathy to wife Margaret, children Martina, Brendan and Eleanor, relatives and friends of **Seamus Tyrrell** (Maynooth and late of Drumcooley, Edenderry, Co. Offaly) who died May 30th, 1998, (peacefully) at St. James's Hospital.

With deepest sympathy to the husband, son, daughters, grandchildren, brother-in-law, sisters, relatives and friends of **Elizabeth Newton**, Greenfield, Maynooth.

With deepest sympathy to the sons, daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of **Joseph O'Neill**, Greenfield, Maynooth.

BIRTHDAYS

Sean McTernan, Moyglare Village, from Daddy, Mammy, sisters, Aoife, Aileen, Grannies and Grandad. **Age 10** June 24th.

Mrs. M. McTernan, Laurence Avenue, from Martin and Rikki and all your family. **June 24th.**

Tony Mc Ternan, Silken Vale, from Nuala and daughters, **7th June.**

Eric Dennehy, Celbridge, **Age 1** on 3rd July, from Mammy, Daddy, and Jessica.

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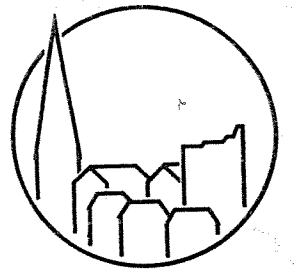
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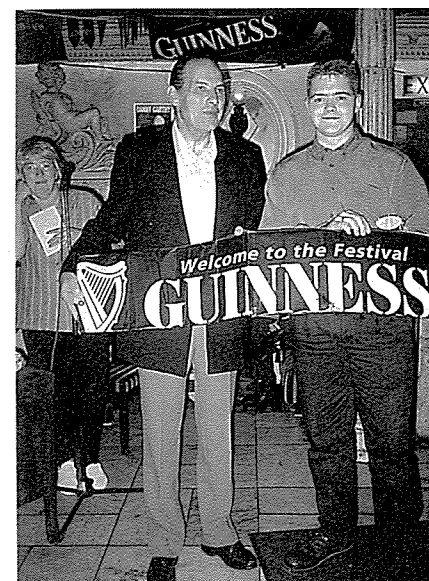
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EDITORIAL

Hi, Readers! Are you all enjoying the summer? There's every sign of it in Maynooth, except the weather! Tourists and foreign students ramble everywhere, usually dressed as we would on cold winter days. Of course, they are used to constant sunshine, cloudless skies and temperatures reaching to 40. Imagine sacrificing the sunshine to learn English! We won't complain. Our homes are not burnt out as in Florida or washed out as in Papua New Guinea.

Tidy Towns Voluntary Committee are still very active e.g. Sunday morning clean up and cutting grass at Church. We can have a tidy town anyway if everyone makes an effort and keeps the spirit expressed by the Chairman of the Tidy Towns Committee - "The future looks bleak, but we will continue to try, and with our residents' help, will overcome." Keep up that spirit and let this beautiful historic town be a pleasure and a credit to all who live in it.

At the time of writing, the Community Festival will be underway and we hope will be enjoyed by all. There are many cultural, sporting and entertaining events to choose from! Among others I would recommend the College Visitors' Centre; it is well worth a visit as also the gardens and vast park extending at the back of the College - a refreshing and safe place to take the family on a Sunday afternoon.

By the time this issue appears in the shops our new Parish Priest will be installed. We welcome Mons. Alex Stenson in our midst and wish him many happy years in Maynooth and Ladychapel.

May August with its ripening corn and fruit make up for its predecessors in sunshine, so we may make the most of the last of summer.

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Community Council Notes

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

read with interest the feature on Maynooth G.A.A. Club in the July issue of the Newsletter. I congratulate whoever produced this information on their attention to detail with regard to the male members and their history. However, true or form, where women are concerned men seem to develop amnesia. So, in the interest of clarity, allow me to put the record straight. The first Camogie team was formed not three years ago but thirty seven years ago in 1961. The innovative coaches at the time were Joe Murphy, Leinster Cottages and Michael Kelly, Moyglare Road. But like so many male dominated clubs at the time, girls/women were not taken seriously, except in the areas of fundraising and tea-making. We seemed to have all the ingredients of a promising team in which the club showed little interest, despite the fact that two of our members took part in County trials, (R. Walsh and J. Kelly). We won nearly all of our matches in the first season, but without the vital support and encouragements necessary to nurture the skills of the "Comán" the team lost interest in the second season. The following are the names of the players as they were then known; Eva Burke, Maureen Fay, May Richardson, Monica Malone, Ann Murphy, Rosemary Murphy, Roven Walsh, Elizabeth Dowling, Kay Dowling, Ronnie Farrell, Mary Graham, Evelyn Curran, Josephine Kelly and Teresa Breen. Sadly Teresa is no longer with us.

I am glad to see today's club has broken down the barriers and is giving the necessary support to their female colleagues, both in camogie and football. With the club behind them they should go from strength to strength and in time redress the imbalance or perhaps re-write the history. I wish them well.

Josephine Moore
(Nee Kelly)

Litter Warden to Visit Maynooth:

Kildare County Council has appointed a litter warden. He is expected to visit Maynooth during August to advise businesses in the Main Street about their obligations under the Litter Act 1997. The warden is expected to cover the entire county. His role will include both acting as a prosecutor for breaches of the legislation and as an advisor to assist in increasing public awareness of the problem. It is expected that he will visit all schools in the County. The warden can be contacted through the Environment Section of Kildare County Council.

Community Council Resignation:

Brendan O'Flynn, a representative from Meadowbrook has resigned from Maynooth Community Council.

Community Council Members to attend Executive Meetings:

To encourage greater interest among members in competing for Executive posts it was agreed to invite members of the Community Council to attend Executive Meetings as observers. The change follows a motion from Ms. Marie Gleeson, that members attend these meetings in order to get a better understanding on how the Community Council works.

Local Issues:

Newtown Area:

Representatives of the Residential Developments in this area expressed concern over the delay in the restoration of the Rathcoffey Road. All were in agreement that the problem results from the failure of the Developer to repair damage to the road caused when providing services to a new residential estate in the area. Discussions are expected to take place between representatives of the estates affected in an effort to co-ordinate action to resolve the problem.

Old Greenfield:

Maynooth Community Council was informed by a representative from this area that a number of motorists were ignoring traffic calming measures in this area. This inconsiderate behaviour has been brought to the attention of the Residents Association there.

Parklands:

The speed of traffic on the main service road in Parklands is a cause of concern to the residents in this estate. Parklands is built on both sides of this road, which does not have any traffic calming measures in place. Because of the estate design a solution to the problem needs careful consideration. The representative told the Community Council that there is constant fear of a tragedy and the problem is caused somewhat by residents themselves speeding in the area.

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Greenfield:

The lack of sufficient parking at the Greenfield Shopping Centre is causing a nuisance to the residents in the area, according to representatives attending Maynooth Council. Anger was expressed about the use of Lawrence's Avenue as a traffic route to the Shopping Centre. The condition of paths and road markings were also condemned.

Moyglare:

The failure of developers to complete estates was a concern raised by the representative from Moyglare. The boundary between Moyglare Village and the Moyglare Road remains incomplete after 10 years. Support from the local Kildare County Councillors for a wall boundary in keeping with the residents wishes was acknowledged. The Community Council was also informed about the absence of Kildare County Council, regarding litter and general upkeep services in the area. A traffic hazard also exists for the residents of Moyglare Abbey, as a result of restricted vision of traffic on the Moyglare Road due to overgrown hedges.

Maynooth Tidy Towns acknowledge assistance in efforts to restore Community Employment Scheme:

The efforts of Maynooth Community Council as well as many others in attempting to remove the obstacle to the reinstating of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Community Employment Scheme was acknowledged at the July meeting.

Maynooth Tidy Towns spokesperson, thanked the Community Council for the support offered. A number of others singled out for their assistance included Mr. Emmet Stagg, T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley, Cllr. Senan Griffin and Mr. Bernard Durkan, T.D. The assistance of Minister Charlie McGreevy and Cllr. Catherine Murphy was also noted.

Community Councillors were informed that a dispute between Kildare County Council and the SIPTU Union representing their staff led to the failure of the union to provide a letter required by Fás to allow the continuation of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Scheme. The issue of dispute between Kildare County Council and the union, related to the building of a canteen for staff at the Maynooth Depot. A contract for the work was signed and the building is almost complete. General disgust at the behaviour of SIPTU to block an innocent party from doing their work was also expressed.

New Students Representatives join Maynooth Community Council:

Both the new Students Union President and Vice-President are to represent the student population as members of the Community Council. Moss Garde and Eamon Carroll took up office on July 1st last and were welcomed as members of the Community Council at the July meeting.

Students Union offers to build links between the Community and the College:

The new student President, Moss Garde has offered to assist in building better relations between the community and students. The Community Council nominated Cllr. Senan Griffin, Mr. John Doogan and Community Council Secretary, Ms. Muireann Ní Bhrolchain to attend exploratory meetings with the students representatives and the College authorities.

Maynooth Community Council - Anniversary:

The current Community Council is celebrating one year in office. In the September Newsletter we will be publishing a list of members names together with the area they represent. Remember, if you want any matter discussed or motions considered at the Community Council meetings, you can do so by contacting your area representative.

Community Council - Report on Review:

Following the special meeting in April to review the organisation and it's activities, the Community Council has received a report from the facilitator who handled the review. Community Councillors have received a copy of the comprehensive document which will be discussed at the September 1998 meeting of the Council.

Next Meeting - Monday 14th September 1998:

Members are reminded that in fairness to the organisation that they represent on the Community Council, it is the policy of the Council to notify these organisations that their representative has missed three meetings without apologies.

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Festival Report

Our 12th **Guinness** Festival and Seventh one to be sponsored by **Guinness**, was a great success. It seems the shorter Festival suited everyone as they turned out in great numbers to all the events. Thanks to the Leinster Arms, Caulfields, Bradys, Roost, Glenroyal Hotel and GAA for their co-operation and support. Thanks also to **Guinness** for their continued support and sponsorship for the week. We were extremely lucky with the weather as the only event that had to go indoors was Rita Doyle's Céilí on Sunday Night.

The Festival was launched on Friday the 17th July in Glenroyal. There was a reception for the Community Council Members and Staff and also all Volunteer Workers who helped throughout the year and the drink flowed courtesy of **Guinness**. Shay Dillon, **Guinness** Representative attended this function and said that **Guinness** was delighted to be associated with Maynooth Festival. This was followed by the Guinness Jazz Band and the community danced the night away to their music. The Jazz Band were followed by a Late Night Disco which was well supported by the people of the town.

The **Guinness** - Soccer Competition got under way and ran over a couple of weeks. Great organisation here by John McGinley and his team. (Report elsewhere). On Wednesday 22nd July the Festival got under way with Open Air Theatre by Martina & Claire Murphy. This is the Maynooth School of Speech & Drama and the children entertained a big crowd of spectators. Catherine Mahers School of Irish Dancing also gave a great performance in the Square. The Maher School of Dancing is a long established and very successful School of Irish Dancing in Maynooth. The Poetry Reading Night in the Library was once again a great success and thanks to Michael Quinn, Hilda Dunne for organising same and to Mary Cullen for doing M.C. Refreshments were served to all who attended and thanks to Fiona & Gerry from the Library for making the facilities available to us. This is always a very interesting evening during the Festival. Wednesday night also took us to our Annual **Guinness** Table Quiz in Caulfields. This is always one of the most keenest contested competitions of the Festival when all the local teams come out in force. Thanks to our Quiz Master Gerry Fitzpatrick who did a great job on the night and to Jim Doherty for setting the Questions. The Joint Winning Teams were John & Mary McGinley, Willie Sauls and Eugene Doody, Tom McMullon, Kay McKeogh, Ciaran Ó hUllacháin & Prionnsias Breathnach. In second place: John Dredge, Brian O'Malley, Declan O'Connor and Joe McBride. Third place: Sean Gilchrist, John & Patricia Sweeney & Damien Donnan. Well done to all who took part and supported the Quiz. Wednesday Night finished off with a Disco in the Glenroyal and this was also well attended.

Thursday saw us once again in the Square for a recital by St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band. Our greatful thanks once again to the Band who turn up every year without fail for the Festival. Its really great to have our very own Band to perform for us during the festival. While some were outside, Fiona O'Connor was inside in the Parish Hall with her Whack-a-Do Concert. A great night was had by all and the children performed to perfection. Its every child's dream to get up and perform on stage. Fiona put a great lot of work into this and our thanks to her for keeping live entertainment alive in Maynooth. There was a packed house in Caulfields for the Senior Citizens Cabaret. Josie & Kevin kept everyone going with their renderings and late in the night Mick McGarry took over. A great night was had by all. The **Smithwicks** promotion was a great success in the Leinster Arms with Patsy Tracey and the Hungry Buzzards. Friday night saw us once again in the Glenroyal Hotel for the Miss Royal Canal, sponsored by Travel Options. This show was a sell out for at least three days beforehand. (Full report elsewhere in the **Newsletter**). This night also we had our usual Traditional Players in the Square to entertain all. This group have a great following when they play, including the French & Spanish and an American Lady from New Jersey, Doris Livingston, who says the Irish Music & Dance is wonderful. Our thanks to this group for supporting the Festival.

Saturday was a busy day starting at 2.30pm in the Harbour Field with the usual Fire Brigade Display. This is always a great treat for the children as they are fascinated by water and fire brigades. The lads gave a great display and I think we had an extra few "showers" that did not fall from the sky. I know I kept clear of the firing line! Thanks lads and they too are always available to us for the Festival. The Baby Show was the next event of the afternoon and parents and babies turned out in force for the competition.

In the under One Section the winner was Emma McCullagh, 2nd Sarah Fanthom 3rd Jamie Hunt. In the under two section the winner was Eamonn Williams 2nd Róisín Egan 3rd Lauren Edwards. In the twins section the winners were Kayleigh & Hanna Gallagher Joint 2nd Hanna & Ellen O'Neill and Jack & Brian Telli 3rd Afne & Clare O'Connor. Following the Baby Show the children had great fun & games and balloon modelling with Giggles the Clown and his partner and they were all given a tuck bag & drinks. The Harbour Field then turned in a Mock Battle Field while the Cú Glas re-enactment Group performed their Battle & included Archery & Spear Throwing. This was enjoyed by the audience. Meanwhile the Car Treasure Hunters were busy getting ready in the mall for take off. The usual Treasure Hunters took to the highways and bye ways of Kildare. Thanks to Kay McKeogh who organised same and she does not give them an easy task. The winners were John & Mary McGinley, Lennie Murphy & Christina Sauls Joint 2nd - Matt Kennedy's team and Leo Bean's Team.

We were back out again in the Square, 4th evening without rain, to see performances from the Claire Tighe's Hip Hop School, from Leixlip and Grainne Feeley' School of Irish Dance. The crowd sat in awe for one and half hours watching both these schools perform and the entertainment was superb. The children ranged in age from 5 years to 15 years.

We again thank the schools for coming out to entertain us and the people of Maynooth free gratis. The high standard of all the entertainment left nothing to be desired. The Tom Flood Cup took place during the week in the GAA with the final being played Saturday evening.

The **Smithwicks** promotion in the Roost was very successful with Danny Carthy entertaining the audience. Sunday night the entertainment from the Square moved into the Glenroyal, with the Rita Doyle School of Dancing. This was a great Céilí and everyone in the audience got involved. It was great to see the Spanish Students performing the Irish Dances. Thanks once again to Rita Doyle who also performed on Thursday night at the concert in the Parish Hall.

The **Carlsberg** Talent Night in the Leinster Arms was a great success. Again a packed night here and thanks to Maisie Nott, who organised this event. The musicians for the night were Double Take and the Judges were Red & Nora O'Keane. The results of the Talent were 1st John Fleming 2nd Karen Caulfield 3rd Eugene Fitzpatrick 4th Noel McGovern 5th Mussels 6th Tom McMullon

Thanks Maisie for a great night. The **Guinness** 7-a-side soccer was a great success; the winners were: St. James & runners up Gallies Heroes. (full report elsewhere). Thanks to John McGinley and his team who do a superb job every year with the 7-a-side. The Pitch & Putt competition was run by Tony Bean and the winners were 1st Stephen Corbally, 2nd Paul O'Sullivan and 3rd Sean Lennon. Thanks to Tony Bean who gets involved with the Festival every year and runs the competition. The biggest competition during the Festival was the Barperson of the year. This was very keenly fought this year with **Sean Bennett, The Roost** being the winner with 737 votes, 2nd place Samantha White, Glenroyal Hotel, 655 votes, 3rd place **John Flatley, Caulfields, 455 votes** and 4th place **Bill Rabbitte, Leinster Arms, 175 votes**. Thanks to all contestants for their hard work in securing their votes as they play a big part in sponsorship for the Festival.

We would like to extend our thanks to our major sponsors **Guinness** for their continued support. Thanks also to Willie Kiernan for his for his handling of the P.A. for the week and not forgetting Noreen who was everywhere at the one time. Thanks also to the Community Council Executive and members, to Freda Kelleher, Secretary of the Festival, the Office Staff and the Students on the Student Summer Scheme for their help and co-operation.

Thanks to the following for their sponsorship, Kildare Co. Council, Moyglare Manor, Barberstown Castle, Orange Tree, Leinster Arms, Tom Corrigan, Mallaghan Family, Carton Demesne, Tesco and Caulfields. Thanks to all who took advertisements in our Festival Brochure. Without all these businesses and people the Festival would not be possible. All in all a very good Festival and the shorter one certainly worked well. If I have omitted to mention or thank anyone it certainly was not intentional. Having to do a write up like this within the hour on a Monday morning to meet printing deadlines is not easy.

Norah McDermott
Festival Chairperson

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

Royal Canal Amenity Group Maynooth Branch
Cómhairle Aisinteachta An Chanáil Ríoga Cumann Maigh Nuadh

The 1998 Miss Royal Canal took place on the 24th July at the Glenroyal and was a fun-filled exciting night.

The new 1998 Miss Royal Canal is Carol Cassidy who represented Vanity Fayre and First in sponsorship is Fiona Reid, representing the Glenroyal Hotel/Leisure Club. Second and Third sponsorship went to Jacque Kinsella, Helens Hair Affair and Sharon Conway Quinnsworth/Tesco. Every Contestant was a star and thanks again to all of them as each made the night so successful and enjoyable. Lisa O'Gorman won the Best Dressed Lady and David Cusker the Best Dressed Man.

Our particular thanks to Travel Options and City Jet, our principal sponsors, to the judges, Freddie O'Melia, Dawsons Menswear, Evelyn McKee, M'Lady Erin, Kevin Jennings, Ulster Bank, Noleen McCreevy and Bernie Cotter, Travel Options. Compere Paul Daly and escort Enda Breslin. The many businesses and people who donated prizes for the various winners and the raffle will be contacted shortly by individual letters to thank them for their support.

Following are the list of prizes the contestants won.:

- Miss Royal Canal
- 1. Weekend for Two by Air to Alton Towers
 - 2. £100 Spending money
 - 3. Lunch for Two
 - 4. Voucher
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 - 6. Vase
 - 7. Voucher
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 - 9. Fruit Basket

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- 1. Break away in Killarney
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 - 6. Hair Tongs
 - 7. Fruit Basket

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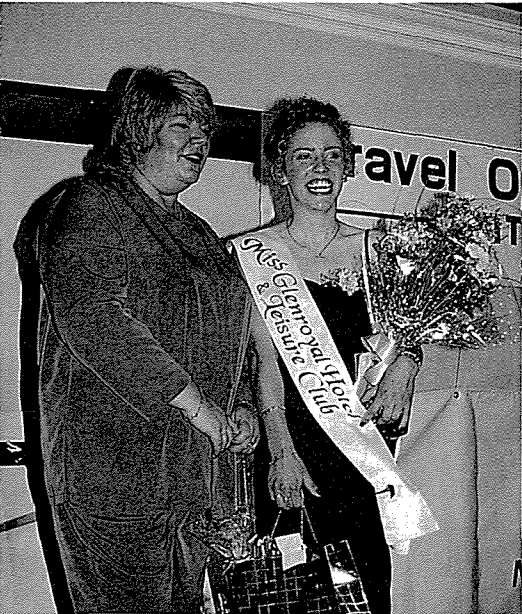
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Back: Judge, Kevin Jennings, Winner, Carol Cassidy,
Judge Freddie O'Melia
Front: Judges. Noleen McCreevy, Bernie Cotter, Evelyn McKee



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Community Council Notes

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Planning & Development Sub-Committee

A number of people have asked for updates on matters being pursued by this committee. This group is a sub-committee of the Community Council and this committee was set up to provide a forum for discussion on any matter that relates to the future planning and development of Maynooth. These include the Maynooth Development Plan and all other proposals that come forward that change the shape and future of the town. As well as looking at proposals, this committee also works positively to encourage the provision of developments that will improve the lives of residents. An example of this was our close involvement in the work to seek an upgrade of the rail service.

The Planning & Development sub committee works with other groups such as the Maynooth Task Force and the Maynooth Planning Alliance. The Task Force is currently working on a Community Plan for Maynooth which includes a proposal from the Planning and Development Sub-Committee on Heritage Status. The Maynooth Planning Alliance is an umbrella group for residents groups and individuals concerned about the proposals in the Maynooth Development Plan currently being updated by our local members of Kildare County Council.

Maynooth Parking Regulations are on display in the Library

The proposals for new parking regulations in the Main Street area are currently on display in the Public Library in Main Street. An opportunity exists for people to respond to the measures outlined. As limited time exists to do so, a visit to the library is recommended without delay.

Kildare County Plan - on display in August at Maynooth Public Library

Kildare County Council has devised a County Development Strategy which sets out clearly defined goals up to 2003, when the plan would be due for review. The strategy is to shift development pressure from the Northern Eastern towns of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip to the centre and south of the county.

Within the overall county plan, individual plans will be produced for towns such as Maynooth. A target population of 10,500 has been set for Maynooth. The decisions necessary to achieve this are being taken by local councillors. The Plan goes on display from August for a period of three months.

Upgrade of the Maynooth Rail Service

Finally, it is going to happen. After years of attempting to persuade Iarnród Éireann and a number of Ministers for Transport, the green light was finally given to this project.

Maynooth has grown rapidly in the last decade and with it the usage of the train service. Gone are the days when you

can get a parking space in the station with ease, particularly on a wet morning. Leaving the station can now take fifteen minutes and a risky manoeuvre. If Maynooth is to experience more growth in train passenger numbers the matter of parking will need to be addressed. However, the single track between Maynooth and Clonsilla severely hampered any improvement in the service. As it currently stands between 7am and 9am the single track is continuously occupied except for 11 minutes.

The many people who lobbied for this need to be congratulated. Because of the pressure the Government had researched the viability of the Maynooth Line. Then, when LUAS money needed to be spent they were able to take the Maynooth Project off the shelf and submit it to Europe for funding.

Maynooth - Major commercial projects proposed for the town centre.

Proposals for new commercial developments on key sites in the centre of the town will be made in the near future. Views have been expressed that as the scale of some proposals are very large, that the centre of Maynooth will not be recognisable if all the projects proceed.

Without doubt changes will occur which will improve the town. People always have the opportunity to express their views in the planning process. The Planning & Development forum is open to any person living in Maynooth who wishes to express their opinion on any matter that falls within our remit. Information can be obtained from Maynooth Community Council. Our next meeting will take place later this month.

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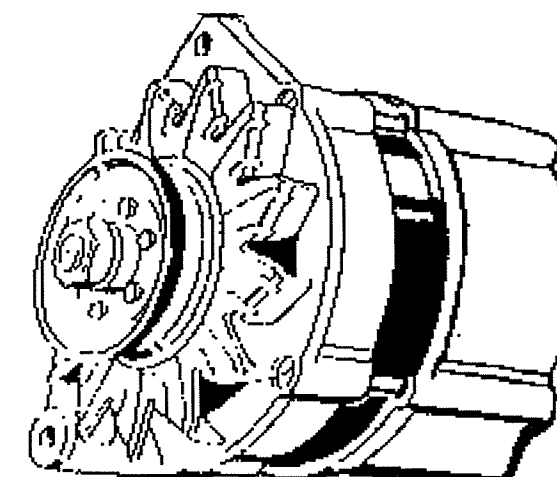
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Relief is available in relation to the cost of drugs, if your expenditure exceeds £90 in a calendar quarter. You can claim back from the Health Board the excess over £90. (A claim form is available from the chemist or Health Board and receipts of expenditure are required).

If your expenditure exceeds £32 a month for your son then a Drug Subsidy Card can be obtained from your Health Board which allows you to purchase the drugs/medicines for your son for £32 and the chemist claims the excess from the Health Board.

If you are paying tax you may be able to claim the incapacitated child allowance i.e. £800, provided that your son's disability occurred before he reached 21 years of age or finished full time education.

You can also claim tax relief in respect of medical expenses incurred by yourself, your spouse and dependent children. If claiming in respect of one person you bear the first £100 of medical expenses, if you are claiming two or more, the first £200. Most non-routine medical and dental expenses including such items as the cost of doctors' visits, maintenance or treatment in hospital, transport by ambulance, specialised dental treatments, medicines prescribed by your doctor, wheelchair/wheelchair lift or engaging a qualified nurse in the case of serious illness are covered.

Further information on medical expenses or disability and income tax is available from your local tax office or C.I.C.

If your son is between 2 and 16 years of age and is so severely physically disabled or handicapped as to need care and attention which is considerably greater than that normally required for a child of the same age then you should apply for the Domiciliary Care Allowance from the Health Board. However, the child's disability must have been present for at least 6 months prior to the date of application and must be likely to continue for 12 months. The means of the parents are not taken into account but any income of the child is taken into account.

If your son is over 16 years of age he should apply for Disability Allowance from the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. Again the parents' income is not taken into account but any income your son may have in his own right (e.g. covenants etc.) will be taken into account.

You might call into your nearest Citizens Information Centre and get a copy of the "Entitlements for people with disabilities" which is a comprehensive guide.


Question: I have difficulty driving due to a disability and will have to change to an automatic car. Can you tell me how one qualifies for the Grant for Disabled Drivers and to where you apply?

Answer: The Motorised Transport Grant is a Health Board payment which may be paid for the conversion of an existing motor vehicle or for the purchase of an adapted new car for use by a person with a disability.

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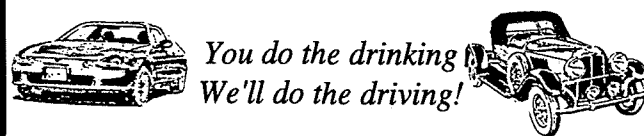
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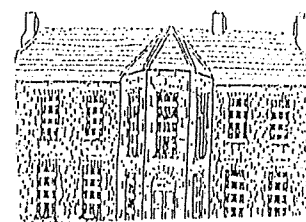
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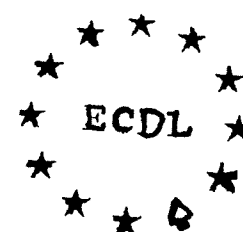
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The maximum amount of the grant is presently £2,884.

The full grant is paid if the applicant's income is less than £10,950. A partial grant will be paid if the income is between £10,950 and £13,400.

The grant may sometimes be paid to a non-driving disabled person who needs a car to take him/her to and from work.

You should apply to your local Health Board.

Severely and permanently disabled persons who use a specially adapted motor vehicle as drivers or passengers, and who meet the prescribed conditions, are entitled to claim the following:-

Exemption from motor tax and refund/exemption from Vehicle Registration Tax, refund of V.A.T., refund of duty paid on petrol/diesel (subject to a maximum of 600 gallons per year).

There are restrictions on the size of vehicles which attract refunds. Apply to: Disabled Driver's Section, Central Repayments Office, Office of the Revenue Commissioners, Coolshannagh, Co. Monaghan. Tel. 047 82800.

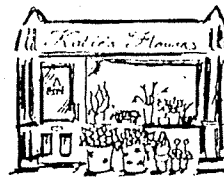
Disabled drivers are also generally exempt from parking fees. The Irish Wheelchair Association will provide further information and advice to people with disabilities. Contact: The Irish Wheelchair "Association, Aras Chuchulain, Blackheath Drive, Clontarf, Dublin 3. Telephone. 01 8338241.

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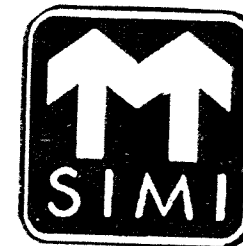
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Question: I want to adapt my house to meet the needs of my husband who is unable to use the stairs. Can I get any assistance with the costs?

Answer: You should apply to your local authority for the Disabled Person's Housing Grant. (You must not do any of the work until your application is approved). They should provide guidelines to you on the procedures and the works that will be grant aided.

The grant local authorities make is currently £8,000 or two thirds of the cost which ever is the lessser. If you live in a local authority house then the local authority meets the full cost.

The grant is not means tested though the local authority may enquire as to how you intend to meet your portion of the cost of the adaption.

You should contact your local public health nurse who will arrange for an occupational therapist to visit and advise on necessary changes to accommodate your husband.

Question: I am in receipt of Invalidity Pension can I go on a Community Employment Scheme?

Answer: People with disabilities who are registered, or eligible to register, with the National Rehabilitation Board (NRB) may avail of FAS Community Employment (CE) without having to be 12 months unemployed. Depending on the disability payment you are receiving - Invalidity Pension, Disability Benefit, Blind Pension or Disability Allowance - you may be able to retain full or part-payment of your entitlement whilst on the CE.

Firstly, you need to register with the National Rehabilitation Board (NRB). To be eligible to register with the NRB you need to be a person with a disability or have long-term medical condition. (i.e. A physical, learning or mental health difficulty which has a substantial long term effect on the person's ability to carry out day to day activities. In this context, substantial means not minor, and long term means expected to last at least a year).

You should contact your local NRB centre where you will be put in touch with an NRB Advisor.

The Adviser will: Discuss with you what is involved in choosing this particular option. Ask you to get an NRB medical report completed by your doctor to confirm your disability and to ensure that there are no medical reasons which would interfere with your participating in a part-time CE scheme. Confirm to FAS that you are registered with NRB by signing the CE Eligibility Report form.

Then you need to notify the NRB Advisor of the CE details so that arrangements for the payment of your allowance can be put in place.

If you are receiving Invalidity Pension or Disability Benefit the Adviser will apply on your behalf to the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs for an exemption to allow you to work. The approval of this exemption must be obtained before you commence on the Community Employment programme. Failure to obtain an exemption prior to starting CE is a breach of the Rules of Behaviour and could result in the loss of benefits for the period not covered by the exemption.

A point to note:

People on Disability Benefit or Invalidity Pension can retain their full social welfare payment while participating on a Community Employment Scheme, Fás Training Course, education programme or whilst working part-time (max. 20 hours a week) once this work has been certified by the NRB as work of a 'rehabilitative nature'. However you will be taxed on all income.

or

If you are receiving Disability Allowance or Blind Pension the Adviser will clarify with you how the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs should be notified before you start the CE. This could be done by yourself or the NRB. Your Disability Allowance or Blind Pension will continue on a reduced rate. This means you will continue to receive any secondary benefits and you will not need to re-apply for these allowances when your CE is finished. People on Disability Allowance or Blind Pension can earn up to £50 from Rehabilitative Employment and retain their full payment.

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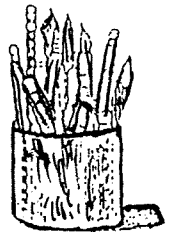
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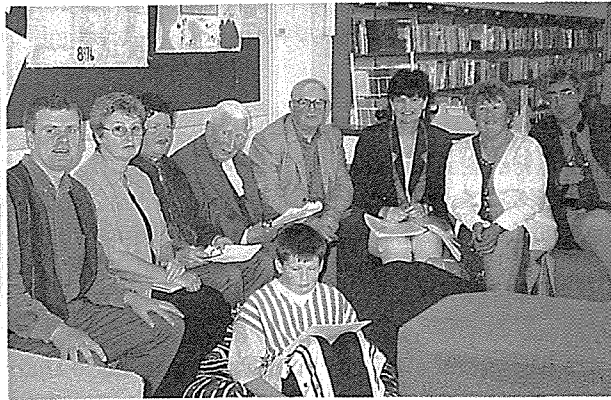
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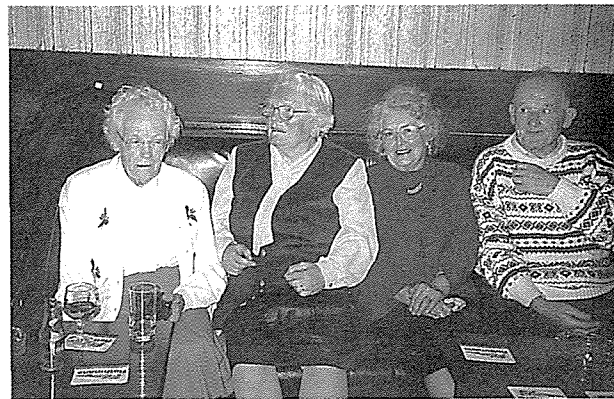
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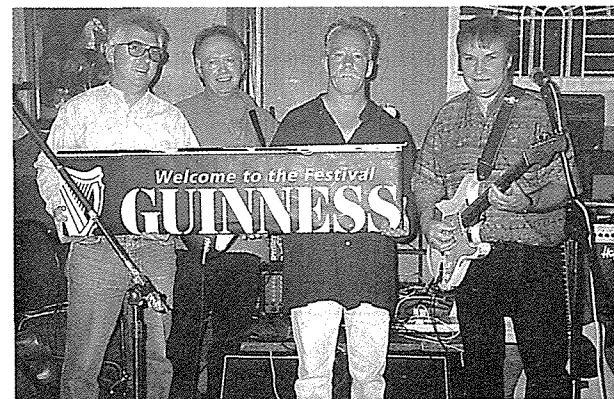
Poetry readers in Library during Festival week



L - R at the cabaret in Caulfields, Christina Timmons, Nuala Houlihan, Joan Brannagan and Dick Kearins



Agnes Boyd, Betty Kelly, enjoy cabaret night in Caulfields



The Hungry Buzzards in action in Leinster Arms



L-R: Kathleen Groarke, Betty Farrelly, Annie Burke enjoying the "crack" in Caulfields at the Senior Citizens cabaret



John McGinley, Emmet Stagg & Kathleen Dempsey presenting Josie Moore Chairperson of Senior Citizens Committee with cheque for £2694.15 proceeds of Tony Smith Memorial Walk

Festival Fun



Festival Launch

L-R: Shay Dillon (Guinness Rep), Freda Kelieher (Festival Secretary), Tom McMullon, Chairman Community Council, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary Community Council, Bernard Durkan T.D. & Norah McDermott, Chairperson, Festival



Maynooth Community Council office staff at the Launch of the Festival



Joint Winners

John McGinley, Mary McGinley, Willie Sauls, Eugene Doody, Tom McMullon, Kay McKeogh, Ciarán Ó hUollachain, Proinnsias Breathnach



2nd Prize Winners of Guinness Table Quiz in Caulfields

R-L: John Dredge, Brian O'Malley, Declan O'Connor, Joe McBride



3rd Prize Winners of Guinness Table Quiz

R-L: Sean Gillchrist, John Sweeney, Damian Donnan, Patricia Sweeney



St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band in action in the Square for Festival Week

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BAND BULLETIN

I don't know if it's old age or what but, the Bulletin deadline seems to come around faster each month and here I am, me again, faced with a blank page "where do I begin...."

Lets catch up with last months news first, 'and that was quite a busy period for us with Cemetery Sunday in both Maynooth and Grangewilliam. The Grangewilliam Mass was a first as far as I can remember and it brought back memories to a few of the senior players who played at a couple of Band funerals to that Cemetery many years ago. "Travelling" engagements included family days as far apart as Clane and Inchicore in Dublin. Later in July we had our annual Community Week recital in the square on 23rd (yet to be held at time of writing). We have had numerous requests for that lovely piece from Madam Butterfly entitled "One Fine Day" but so far that has eluded us - and everyone else by the look of the weather. We hope our recital goes ahead in the Square and not the Bad Weather Venue in the Glenroyal Hotel. The same could apply to our Open Air Area Recital in Parklands Estate on Thursday 30th July. This is a trial run to take our music around the Estates in Maynooth as past recitals in the Square have drawn sparse audiences, "if the Mountain won't come to Mohammad, Mohammad must go the the Mountain", or whatever the saying goes. We do hope it is a success and look forward to seeing you, in your area at some stage. We hope to work through the various residents associations to advertise our visits.

On to August now and naturally Sunday 2nd is a free day because at last the Lily Whites have made it to the Leinster Final. The highlight for the month as far as we are concerned is the induction of our new Parish Priest, Monsignor Stenson, on Saturday 8th August. We played a very minor part during the service for the late Fr. Supple 15 years ago but, due to our involvement in Church events over the past year, we hope to play a larger role on this occasion to which we are really looking forward. At the time of writing there is a trip to Callen, Co. Tipperary for a major Festival under negotiation, but definitely in our diary are 22nd and 23rd August for the Tall Ships Race in Dublin. This is a major event for the city and we join other groups on Saturday 22nd in a musical extravaganza and on Sunday we take part in a parade of all the ships crews through the city to Dublin Castle. This sounds like a brilliant weekend and you should try to catch even a part of it.

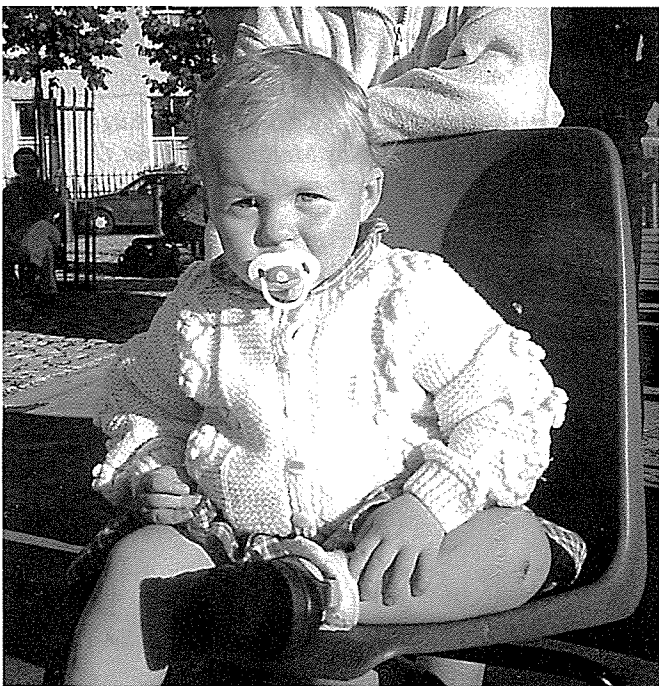
Apart from these engagements, we hope to visit a few more estates in the town (if the Parklands visit is a success) and perhaps these local recitals will become an annual event in Maynooth.

One final event of a completely different, but equally important nature, is our Flag Weekend on Friday, Saturday and Sunday 28th, 29th and 30th August. We hope to have collectors at Shopping Centres, Masses, Licensed Premises

and a recital in the Square on Saturday afternoon in an effort to "wipe the slate clean" following our American Visit, yes we are still suffering a financial "hangover" from the ground breaking trip but we hope, with your help, to put a smile back on the Bank Manager's face after this week-end. Please do not feel obliged to contribute if you bump into our collectors more than once during the period, if you have donated once we are more than grateful.

Speaking of America, we had a visit from Mary C. Lewis, the principal organiser of the Kansas City trip, during the early part of last month and she presented the Band with the plaque for the Winning Band in the Kansas City St. Patricks Day Parade last March during a concert in her honour in the G.A.A. Club on 9th July. She was very pleased to visit the home of the Band which made such a big impression in her home city and we shall treasure the plaque as a souvenir of our first ever success at international level.

Thankfully my blank page is no longer blank - for another month at least. See you in September.



I have a seat for the entertainment in the square

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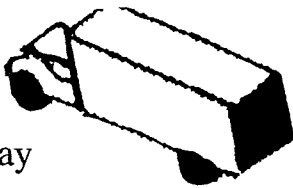
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MAYNOOTH SCHOOL OF SPEECH AND DRAMA UPDATE

Yet again the Maynooth School of Speech and Drama have had a brilliant year. The school is run by two highly qualified teachers, Martina and Claire and they are delighted to report on the success of their students over the past year.

September to December 1997:

Known as the Christmas term. The focus of this term is in preparing children for exams. In 1997, all the students that entered the prestigious Guildhall Speech and Drama exams succeeded in passing. One student, Ben Finnegan achieved honours in his Grade I exam.

Guildhall exams are recognised internationally and in order to be entered for them, students must have reached a high standard of performance. Examiners came over from England to assess the children and to date every child from Maynooth has passed.

January 1998 to March 1998:

Known as the Feis term. This year every student in the school was involved in the Dun Laoghaire Feis. A number of students won certificates and medals in the solo poetry sections of the Feis.

Also, in an effort to get all the children involved, the school entered three plays into the Feis. Last year, the school swept the boards, both plays coming first in their respective sections. This year saw the junior class (age 5-8) win their section with an adoption of the famous fairy-tale The Enormous Turnip. Written by Martina Murphy, one of the teachers, it was a big hit with the adjudicator.

The Intermediate class who were entered into the under eleven's section came third with their version of Toy Story. Martina Murphy, their teacher, was delighted with them. "The oldest in this class is nine years old. They were competing against children at least two years older than they were. I am very proud of them".

The senior class came second with their play "The Witches", an adaptation of the Roald Dahl classic. The adjudicator praised the classes group coral work and acting abilities.

All in all a brilliant two days.

March 1998 to June 1998:

This term saw great excitement when one of the students, Ross Cullinane secured a part in a BBC ten-minute short film. The film, entitled The Rope Trick was screened in May and Claire, his teacher, thought he was brilliant. "He gave a great performance as a leader of a gang who's rope trick went dreadfully wrong". The last Sunday of term in June was the Sunday of the annual concert. Each class performed in front of parents and families. The aim of the concert is to show the parents just what their children have been doing for the past three terms. Frances Fox, the adjudicator who came down from Dublin for the day was full of praise for the children. She said that what she'd seen

could take it's place in child drama anywhere in the world. Needless to say, Martina and Claire were delighted with praise from such a seasoned and experienced teacher, writer and adjudicator.

Asked about plans for next year, Martina says "Hopefully the school will continue to expand and the children will continue to enjoy what we have to teach them. In September we will of course be doing the Guildhall exams, we also hope to enter Feis Maitú and maybe Dun Laoghaire. There will be our usual end of year concert, and hopefully", she adds smiling. "Ross will be joined by a host of others on the small screen!"

Speech and drama classes are held every Saturday in the Parish Hall in Maynooth. Classes are an hour long and the term itself is usually ten weeks. Enrolments are now taking place for all children between 5 and 7 years. There are also a very limited number of places available for 8 to 9 year olds.

For further information contact Martina or Claire on 6286944. They'll be thrilled to talk to you.

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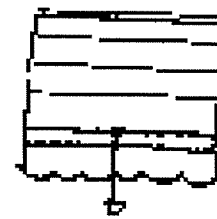
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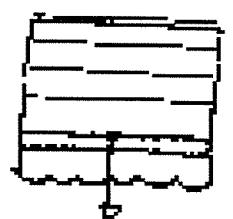
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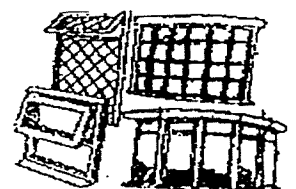
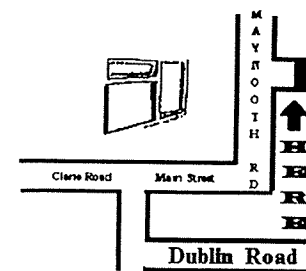
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Mount Brandon Climb

We are a little late on the reporting of the climb which took place in May - but better late than never! Accommodation was supplied by the Bothar Pub in Cuas at the bottom of Mount Brandon. We would recommend it to everyone - beautiful rooms, beautiful views, lovely food and of course a bar! Many thanks to Ailish and Muiris. We had a celebrity send off on the Saturday with Mary Black doing the honours for us. A buoyant and happy group set off (a little late due to the heavy fog which obliterated the top of the mountain). Luckily most had not seen the actual enormity of the mountain because of the aforementioned fog so with a song in their hearts and a skip in their step they started their ascent. A certain man whom we will not name but only refer to as "The Mountain Goat Reilly" could apply for the guide's job as he practically ran up the mountain and was almost distressed that the rest couldn't keep up. Freezing fog and unfit bodies could not put this group off their ultimate goal of reaching the summit. And reach it they did although a certain person had to get an almighty push to climb the wall that the monks decided to build on top of the mountain. Word has it that he never enjoyed a cigarette as much as he did sitting on top of that wall. Visions were seen or so I have been told of a strange figure bearing a cross staggering across the summit - fact or fiction - nobody will tell! Fair play to everyone who did the climb especially the younger members of the group who really took it in their stride. After a lovely meal in the Bothar Pub and a few drinks to revive the bodies a lively night of singing and dancing followed although not all could quite get back out of bed (again I've been sworn to secrecy as to the identity). A fun week end which we hope to do again next year and again many thanks to all who supported it.

Midsummer Draw

Many thanks to all who supported the Midsummer Draw. The winners were as follows:-

1st Prize - Week end for two in the Bothar B & B, Dingle, Co. Kerry

Winner: Derek McSweeney, Kilcock.

2nd Prize - Dinner for Two Chapter 1, Parnell Square

Winner: Gerry Flynn, Kilcock.

3rd Prize - Bottle of Brandy (Thanks to Murphys Pub!)

Winner: Anto Crehan, Kilcloon.

4th/5th/6th Prizes: Boxes of Chocolates

Winners: Martin Carberry (Kilcock); Liz Durkan (Kilcock); Marie Crehan (Kilcloon).

Congratulations are extended to Mary Jo and Michael McGowan on the arrival of their new baby girl and also to Declan and Marie Duke on the birth of their baby boy - (number three for football team) and to Susan and Joe Brennan on the birth of their baby girl.

Thanks to everyone who supported events that we held during the year - to the sponsors, parents, friends and committee members.

No doubt we will be in touch again shortly with more news and upcoming events. In the meantime enjoy the summer.

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MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB UPDATE

Training of the Hosts and Hostesses has continued with a Drug Awareness talk by Imelda O'Neill, Education Officer with the Eastern Health Board. Hosts and Hostesses and the adults found this talk of great benefit and it will be followed up with more training later in the year. Thanks to Martin Caine for arranging this evening and a special word of thanks to Imelda for her enthusiastic presentation.

At this stage Hosts and Hostesses are on holidays and are enjoying the break. We wish all those who sat exams the very best of luck with their pending results.

We enjoyed a summer barbecue in Donadea Forest with plenty of food and fun. Thanks to all for organising the walks, food and shelter. A great evening was had by all.

We wish to congratulate Andrew and Sinead Lamb on their recent Wedding. Best of Luck from all at the Club.

Congratulations are also due to Sheelagh Brady on her recent recruitment to the Garda Síochána in Templemore.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the last Disco, for June, was cancelled and we apologise to all.

We hope everyone enjoys the summer break and we will be talking to you.

**Evelyn McGrath and Pat Farrell,
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MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

St Mary's Band to play in Moyglare

A musical treat is in store for the residents of Moyglare, with an evening performance from the St. Mary's Band, which will take place in August. Residents of some other areas in the town are usually treated to a visit from the band at Christmas for carols, but the band has not yet managed to reach Moyglare.

Details of the precise location of the concert will be advised to all residents of the Moyglare area following consultations with the band. This is an opportunity for both adults and the youth living in Moyglare to meet the members of the band and perhaps the band may find some new members in the area. Currently, as far as we are aware, the Moyglare area has one member in the band, Ms. Jennifer Quigley who lives along the Moyglare Road. We hope that the open air performance will be blessed with a little summer weather.

Boundary between Moyglare Village and the Moyglare Road

Despite support from the local members of Kildare County Council for the residents position that a wall be built as the boundary, it appears that the developers of Moyglare Village still intend to make a further proposal to the Council for a hedge and fence structure. If such a proposal is submitted, a full meeting of residents will be held to consider the next phase of action.

Inconsiderate parking by some parishioners putting Moyglare children at risk

Some parishioners at Sunday mass in St. Mary's Church are putting children's lives at risk as a result of careless parking. Residents in Moyglare are concerned following a recent near fatality. As a matter of safety, people attending Mass should not park on the footpath necessitating young children to walk on the road. It is simply the case that these people are too lazy to park in the school yard and walk the short distance to the church. This matter will be pursued with local Gardai.

Residents annoyed that no litter collection service is provided by Kildare County Council

Residents of the Moyglare Road are annoyed that with the increasing number of houses in the area, Kildare County Council do not provide any litter collection service to the Moyglare area. Many of the residents on the road are elderly and are fighting a losing battle to remove litter. The Moyglare Road is cleaned by a volunteer from this residents association once a fortnight.

Fees 1998

At this stage the majority of the fees have been collected in Moyglare Village. Residents there who have not paid will by now have received a reminder. People in Moyglare

Village indicated that they wished that a number of projects be completed this year. These include tree pruning and the enhancement of a number of other areas. Please note that only fees collected in Moyglare Village are used for work there.

Paul Croghan
Chairman
Moyglare Residents Association

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The committee held a July meeting as there were a number of subjects to be discussed.

Annual Subscriptions

There has been a good response to this year's collection, but there are some payments outstanding. If you haven't paid yet please give the £18 to a committee member near you or to the Treasurer. The cost of maintaining the estate should be shared by all.

Maintenance

Residents are asked to please continue clearing road edges throughout the growing season. In this regard everyone should do a bit and not leave your section for your neighbour to tidy.

The bollard at the end of Maynooth Park green will be re-erected and probably has been done by the time you read this.

Street Lights

Kildare County Council are in the process of replacing all the public lights in the County. It is expected that Maynooth lighting will be done in September/October. As our old lights are very poor we look forward to getting the new ones.

Trees

Many trees have been damaged by children climbing them and swinging from them. Parents are asked, please, to prevent their children from using the trees to play in.

Finally, there are a number of new residents in the estate and the committee would like to welcome you. We are always pleased to receive suggestions regarding the appearance and upkeep of the estate.

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What would you like to see more of in the **Newsletter**, sports features, local news, human interest stories, articles aimed at the younger reader, local history articles, you tell us.

We are always interested in your views and ideas and we welcome feedback from you.

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Please set out any suggestions you might have below.

Please return this questionnaire to the Newsletter office on or before 17th August.

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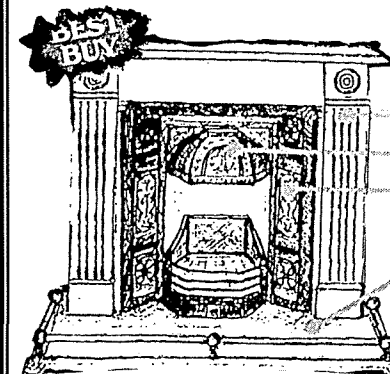
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CREDIT UNION NEWS

In our last months issue we posed the question, how do people perceive a Credit Union, well the answer was abundantly clear when so many members failed to attend our Special General Meeting held on June 23rd.

While the majority of members are satisfied to save and to borrow in a credit union, they fail to comprehend that it is a members co-operative and that it requires members participation especially at Special Meetings and Annual General Meetings. No voluntary group or organisation can be successful without solidity and while the Board of Directors may run the Credit Union on your behalf they do need the support of the other members.

Consider this question, what would become of your credit union if there were no volunteers to run it?

On a lighter note

Where can you save and get a good return on your money in a deposit account? Last year Maynooth Credit Union paid a dividend/interest rate of 3.5%. This was far above any bank or building societies rate of interest for a similar account.

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Now if you are thinking of up-dating your car or taking a holiday, home improvements, school fees etc. or maybe even budgeting your income, your credit union can help. Why use up your savings and then start saving all over again when you can borrow for your needs. You can also avail of the other services that this credit union provides. Why not enquire the next time you are in our offices.

New members are always welcome and there is free membership for those under 16 years.

If you would like to become a member, call into our office, Please bring photo I.D. i.e. passport/driving licence etc.

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Ken Loane
P.R.O.

SLUG DETERRENTS

First of all, you'll never totally get rid of slugs from your garden, only prevent them or protect vulnerable plants. Different methods work in different places, so it's really a case of trial and error.

You don't see slugs as much as you might expect, because they can not stand hot or dry conditions. They love heavy, wet clay soil, but dislike very light soil.

Slugs come out mostly during the evening when it is cooler, or after light rain when the soil is damp. You shouldn't wait until you have a real problem with slugs, but encourage some of their natural enemies into your garden, like birds, frogs, toads and ground beetles.

Keep vulnerable plants away from walls covered in ivy of piles of logs where slugs may be hiding. Slugs don't like crawling over rough surfaces, so take advantage of this. Spread grit, sharp sand, bark chippings or egg shells around the plants.

Beer

You can make your own trap by using an empty yoghurt pot or plastic container. Sink the pot into the soil and half fill with beer (Or milk and water works just as well). After a few hours or one day you should notice some results.

Salt

The cheapest way is to use salt. Spread the salt around the plants. Avoid putting it directly onto the plants.




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STRAWBERRY FAIR 1998

The Larine Court Strawberry Fair was held on Saturday 11th July. In spite of a showery day, attendance was very good and a pleasant day was had by all. As well as strawberries and cream and teas, the stalls included cakes, bric a brac, bottles and books. Novelty items included face painting, a treasure hunt, name the toy as well as a raffle.

Prize winners were Shannon Cosgrove, Prosperous - bird bath, Stuart Love, Leixlip - patio planters, Tim Cronin, Rathgar - hanging baskets, Evelyn Kearney - shrub voucher, Margaret O'Neill - lunch voucher. The treasure hunt was won by R & M Gallagher and Patricia O'Connor. The name of the goat was "Giddy" and won by Eileen Ryan.

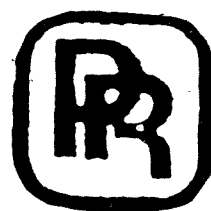
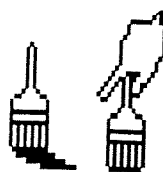
All in Larine wish to thank all who supported the event through donations for the various stalls and by attending on the day and joining in the fun.

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VIDEO REVIEW

The Devil's Advocate (18's)

Keanu Reeves is the smalltown lawyer who finds himself working for a powerful New York law firm run by the mysterious Al Pacino in this entertaining but ultimately shallow horror-chiller offering.

Reeves, who in a suit looks more like the accused than a lawyer, plays Kevin Lomax, the Florida defence lawyer with an unbroken wins record. When he's headhunted by a New York law firm, his deeply religious mother warns him not to go to the "dwelling place of demons". And of course she's dead right, like all mothers; his new boss turning out to be none other than Lucifer himself!

Charlize Theron is the wife who ends up going crazy in their spacious new apartment, having glimpsed the true horror of the people around them. But she is secondary to the tale of temptation going on between Pacino and Reeves, Pacino getting to ham it up to his heart's content as the Devil. Unfortunately Reeves as usual displays all the acting ability of a plank.

There are some wickedly funny moments, with the Devil, of course, getting all the best lines, but for all it's star-power and slick production, the sum of the parts adds up to an insignificant whole.

Verdict: Entertaining enough

The Myth of Fingerprints (15's)

"I'm not sure why I'm here" muses Julianne Moore as she stands at the bedroom door of a childhood sweetheart she hasn't seen in nearly thirty years. And it's a phrase that just about every character could utter at one point or another in this engrossing drama.

Centred around an awkward Thanksgiving family reunion, Roy Scheider plays the surly head of his perfect clan, none too ecstatic about playing host to his grown-up offspring, and particularly his moody and lovelorn son, Warren. Blyth Danner meanwhile is the understanding mother, wishing she really did understand the reasons behind her children's frustrations and barely hidden anger. The sort of film that an actor like Scheider no doubt would like to make all the time, this is well-crafted and hugely enjoyable movie that's well worth an hour and a half of your time.

Verdict: Excellent

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Festival Fun



Catherine Maher Dancers who entertained in the Square during the Festival



Whack-a-Do Theatre Group with producer Fiona O'Connor (Clown at the back). They were in concert during Festival Week



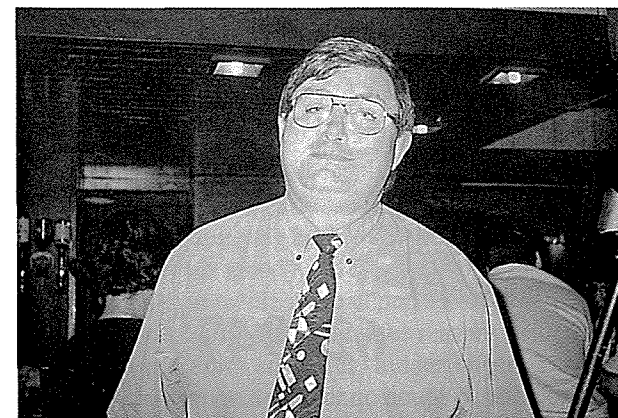
Maher School of Dancing at the Square during Festival week



Maynooth Speech & Drama Group who performed in the Square during Festival Week. Production by Martina & Claire Murphy



Fiona O'Connor Whack-a-Do Theatre Group entertaining a young fan at the Concert in Parish Hall



Gerry Fitzpatrick who was Quiz Master at the Guinness Table Quiz

Festival Fun



*"Hose it goin"
Fireman setting up their equipment for the firebrigade display at the festival*



Action at the Cú Glás Battle in the Harbour Field during the festival



*"Bonny Babies Galore"
Prizewinners in the Under 1 section of the Bonny Baby Competition - 1st Emma McCullough, 2nd Sarah Fanthom, 3rd Jamie Hunt*



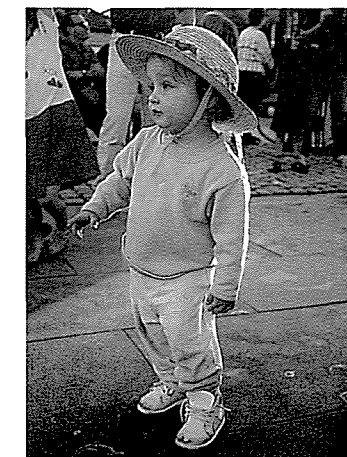
Prizewinners in the Bonny Baby Under 2 section of the Bonny Baby Competition - 1st Eamonn Williams 2nd Roisin Egan, 3rd Lauren Edwards



Giggles & Partner entertain the children in the Harbour Field during the festival



A talented member of Gráinne Feely's Dancing School entertaining the crowd in The Square



"Who needs, the sun, I'm having fun" a pint sized onlooker enjoys the entertainment in The Square

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PRESS RELEASE - MANOR MILLS REDEVELOPMENT

The Applicant

The applicant is Edward Kavanagh (Maynooth) whose family have a long family association with Maynooth. The Mill has been in operation in the town since the 1830's.

The Planning Application will be lodged with Kildare County Council on Thursday, 23rd July 1998. A scale model of the proposed development is available and will be on display in the offices of Kildare County Council from the end of July and in Maynooth Library from the end of August.

Rationale For The Proposed Development

The impetus for the project came from the fact that there is a need for the upgrading and modernisation of existing operations on the Mill site in order to allow the family business compete with large scale operations.

A modernised mill operation would be best accommodated on a greenfield site, and thus, the proposed relocation of the Mill to a greenfield site created an opportunity for a comprehensive redevelopment of the Manor Mills site in order to provide an extension to the town centre of Maynooth, both physically and in terms of the provision of a mix of town centre uses in an attractive and well designed and integrated townscape context.

The Proposed Development

The proposal constitutes a mixed use development combining residential, office, hotel, restaurants and retail uses. The mixed use nature of the development will provide both day and night time uses. The elements of the scheme are as follows:-

228 no. apartments: 21 no. one bed; 192 no. two bed; and 15 no. three bed apartments.

6,377 sq. m. (68,640 sq. ft.) of office accommodation in a five storey block in the centre of the development and in a three storey plus set back block on Mill Street.

2,220 sq. m. (23,895 sq. ft.) of retail accommodation in small units at ground floor level along Mill Street and in the centre of the development.

A 30 no. bedroom hotel and a 36 no. bedroom private hotel and associated facilities.

The different uses of the scheme are arranged in 13 no. blocks, comprising both blocks around the periphery of the site along Mill Street, the Kilcock Road and the Lyreen River, and blocks in the centre of the site, creating landscaped courtyards and open spaces.

The elevations to the road frontage are, in terms of height, three storeys plus set back on Mill Street and four storeys plus set back on the Kilcock Road. The buildings in the centre of the development are five storeys in height.

The total gross floor area of the proposed development is 29,255 sq. m. (314,897 sq. ft.) on a total site area of 1.93 hectares (4.8 acres).

There is one vehicular access point into and out of the proposed development. This is located on the Kilcock Road at the north-western corner of the site. The remainder of the site is pedestrianised with a number of pedestrian links being provided in and out of the site.

Two basement levels of car parking will provide c. 760 no. car parking spaces for the elements of the proposed development and, given its central location, will serve as a public car park for the centre of Maynooth, thus helping to alleviate the acute parking problem in the town.

In addition, 35 no. kerbside spaces will be provided on the Kilcock Road and Mill Street in order to provide for short-term car parking for the customers of the shops along Mill Street.

Open Space is provided in a number of ways within the proposal, namely:-

A landscaped linear park along the Lyreen River.
Two landscaped squares and a large landscaped area within the centre of the development.

Roof gardens and balconies within the apartment blocks.

The cost of the proposal is estimated at IR33.4 million and will create in the order of 200 new jobs. This does not include the jobs created during the construction phase which will be in the order of 120 jobs.

Links with Maynooth College

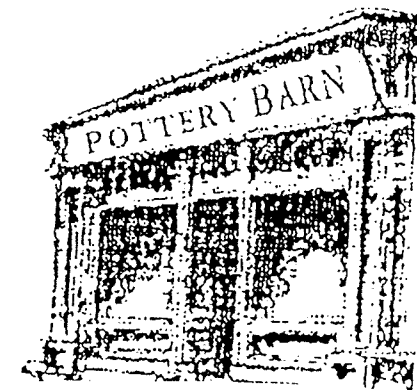
The juxtaposition of the site with Maynooth College creates an opportunity for the provision of physical, social and economic links with the College, including, inter alia; a bridge link across the Lyreen River from the Mill site to the College; apartments and facilities that could be rented/ utilised by staff and students of the College and the provision of an Information Technology Service Centre which will have a synergy with the scientific and technological R. & D. capacity of the College and provide quality accommodation for software development companies and create linkages to the campus.

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Manor Mills (Cont.)

MAYNOOTH: CHOOSING A FUTURE

The proposed development accords with a number of the objectives of the strategic policy document 'Maynooth: Choosing A Future' including the following:

The extension of the Main Street development onto adjoining roads including Mill Street.

Ensuring that a Main Street residential element is retained.

Ensuring that the village remains a living working space.

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IS THE MAYNOOTH PLANNING GOING TO BE IRRELEVANT BEFORE IT APPEARS?

As the County Development Plan begins its three month display period in the local Public Library it is important that you should go and view what considerations are involved in regulating the county's growth over the next five year period. Despite the legal requirement that the County Development Plan be reviewed every five years, this is the first review Kildare County Council have managed since 1985. Many of the problems of the past few years have stemmed from the mistakes made in that 1985 Plan and the absence of any watchdog bodies such as the various Planning Alliances to point out the consequences of unbridled rezoning, so it is important that you scrutinise the proposals carefully. Of course your initial reaction will be one of disappointment in that the details necessary to make sense of the plan at a local level will not be available. The Maynooth Plan (Amended) will not appear for some time yet. This will give expression on the ground in terms of residential land allocations to achieving the population target of 10,500 by the year 2003. But will it's 55 new acres be all the new residential land? Maynooth Planning Alliance thinks not, and warns of alternative attempts which will be made to develop large new residential population centres and which may yet render the Maynooth Plan a work of fiction in population target terms. Concerns regarding the manner in which the residential land allocations were derived for the north Kildare towns have been dealt with in previous issues of this **Newsletter**. The various fudges involved in deciding these are by now well known. The mismatch of dates for counting people and land availability, the ignoring of substantial developments just outside the town boundaries, the 150% overzoning factor employed these must be emphasised as major flaws underpinning the whole process. Yet, while much of the energy of the debate over the past two years has focused on residential rezonings, it is also important to remind ourselves that development interests, other than the housebuilding industry, have now their eyes trained on Maynooth. Indeed the conversation of areas close to the town centre over the next few years may radically alter the urban landscape of the towns north-south axis, may even create an alternative town centre, and in the process may fundamentally change the character of Maynooth as we know it.

The commercial development agenda is substantial. Three further hotels are currently in the pipeline. For one development it is possible that over 200 apartments and 800 underground car parking places may accompany two hotels, various retail and other developments - all on one site. Maynooth Planning Alliance asks how will apartments in commercial developments be accommodated in the Maynooth population targets?

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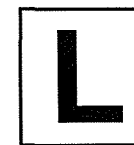
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Maynooth Planning Alliance (Cont)

Are we to expect corresponding decreases in new residential rezoning or will they be quietly ignored in the process? In another case it may be that the assembly of land was facilitated greatly by the sale of an important residential property and equally may constitute a major strain on the logic of the forthcoming town plan. It is a stated objective of the 1996 Amended Maynooth Plan to "protect residential enclaves in or adjoining the town centre from the pressures of encroaching commercial development". It seems we may be on the brink of a policy of demolition of residential properties in the town centre to make way for massive commercial and new residential development. None of this will be apparent in the County Plan - but the people of Maynooth will need to take a position on such issues in the short term. Maynooth Planning Alliance will endeavour to keep you informed.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Press Release - July 1998

As part of our Summer Activities Programme, we at Maynooth Library are delighted to announce that we are running two competitions for our young readers.

Funniest Photograph Competition

This competition is aimed at five to nine year olds. Boys and Girls in this age group may send us their funniest photograph before Friday, 14th August 1998, and the winning entry will receive a super prize, as yet to be decided. All entries received will be displayed in the Library for the month of September and may then be collected by their owners.

My Favourite Photograph Competition

This competition is aimed at older children, aged ten to fourteen, and requires not only a photograph, but also a written entry of approximately one hundred words that explains why the photograph has special meaning to its owner. The closing date is Friday, 14th August 1998, and the First Prize is a *Fuji Fotonex 55 Af Auto Focus Camera Pack*. The winning entry will be announced on the 21st August 1998. So, snap to it Lads and Lassies, and don't forget to put your name, address and telephone number on the back of your photograph.

Further Activities will be announced in the coming weeks.

POLE FOR SALE

How many auctioneers can you fit on a pole? - As many as you like, judging from this recent photo taken on the Celbridge Road outside Rockfield Manor. It seems that anything will sell these days, poles included, although getting a pole at a good price could be a tough job. Some poles might even go to auction if enough people are interested. Auctioneers are crying out for properties to sell, as potential buyers are queuing for days to purchase the property of their choice.

However getting loan approval for a pole might be tricky. Therefore cash buyers are a must for this type of purchase. So anyone wishing to buy a pole - the choice is yours, however the most popular pole in Maynooth appears to be this Rockfield pole and is being sold by no less than 2 auctioneers.

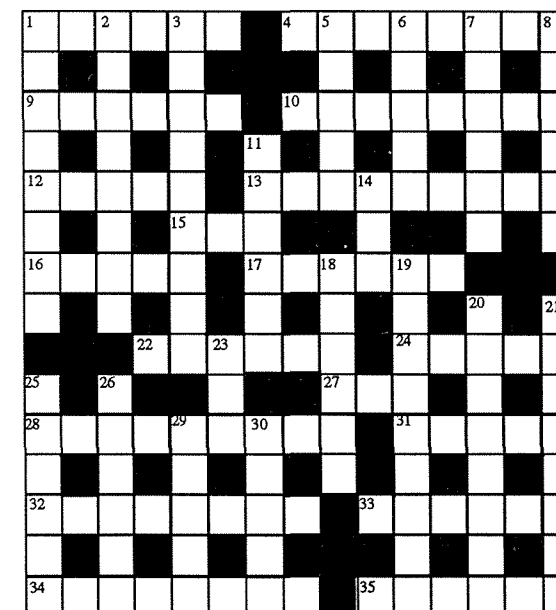


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Crossword No. 129



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Across:

- Writer (6)
- Clashed (8)
- Enhance (6)
- Allies (8)
- Boulders (5)
- Settings (9)
- Exclamation! (3)
- Greek Island (5)
- Specialist (6)
- Victoria's husband (6)
- New (5)
- Female sheep (3)
- Drop in price (9)
- Hoist (5)
- Pastoral (8)
- Egg on (6)
- Dotted (8)
- Edible fruit (6)

Down:

- Take away from (8)
- Glance off (8)
- Explosive (9)
- Flattens (5)
- Premier (5)
- Signal receivers (6)
- Stop (6)
- Orb (6)

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- Frozen water (3)
- Powerful (6)
- Instance (5,4)
- Appeal (8)
- Most vertical (8)
- Piece (3)
- Blocks (6)
- Stick to (6)
- Young bird (5)
- Vexed (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 128

Across: 1. Impact; 4. Instinct; 9. Pardon; 10. Original; 12. Omits; 13. Prestatyn; 15. Nor; 16. Evade; 17. Errant; 22. Studio; 24. Verge; 27. Tie; 28. Uppercase; 31. Rover; 32. Raingear; 33. Podium; 34. Tethered; 35. Season.

Down: 1. Improved 2. Partisan; 3. Crows nest; 5. Norse; 6. Tight; 7. Ninety; 8. Talent; 11. Spread; 14. Spa; 18. Rooted; 19. Nevermore; 20. Prevails; 21. Merry men; 23. U.C.C.; 25. Turret; 26. Sprint; 29. Rogue; 30. Abate.

Winner of Crossword 128: Ernest Lennon,
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MAYNOOTH MOURNS PASSING JESSIE DOYLE

A large congregation of mourners attended the funeral of Maynooth woman Philomena 'Jessie' Doyle on Tuesday morning.

Well known and loved, Jessie, who was 65 years old and lived in Parson Street, died suddenly in James Connolly Memorial Hospital in Blanchardstown on Sunday.

Originally from Mill Lane in Leixlip, her late father was Noel Malone, a former president of St. Mary's GAA Club.

Jessie had only recently retired from working in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth where she had spent 22 years assisting the priests and professors.

Up to 14 members of the college clergy, including Monsignor Dermot Farrell and Monsignor Patrick Corish assisted Fr. Joe O'Mahony CC in celebrating her Funeral Mass on Tuesday morning in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth.

She was interred at Confey Cemetery.

Jessie is survived by her sons Philip, a member of the local fire brigade, and John, her brother Joe in Australia, Mick in London, Boysie in Lucan and Thomas in Leixlip, her sisters Bun Page and Esther Greene, her grandchildren, sisters in-law, brothers in-law and daughters in-law.

THE UNMARKED GRAVE

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unnamed, we know the place, you citizen Norris lie
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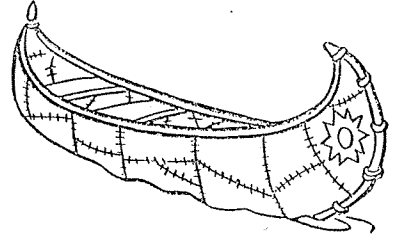
*Community Games Mosney Competitor for Javelin Emma
Fleming (centre) with Mary McNamara & Marie Gleeson*



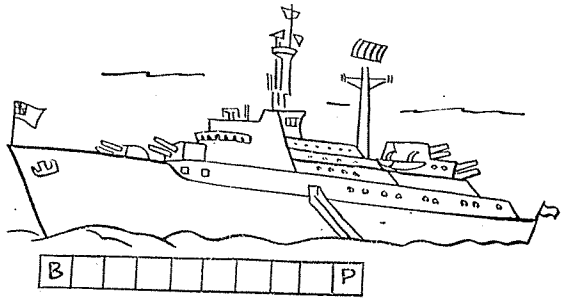
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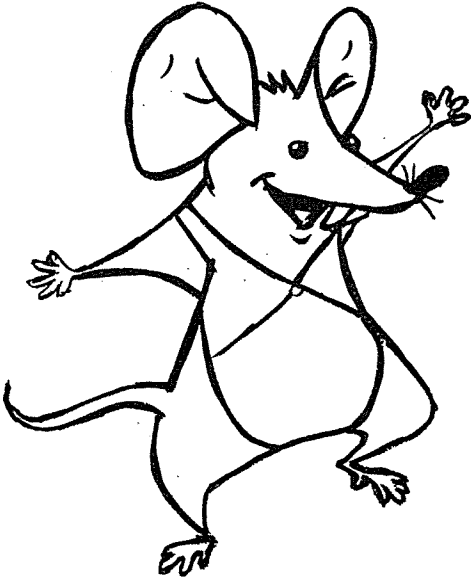


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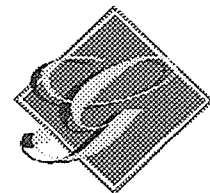


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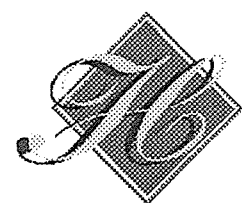
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2nd Prize	2nd Prize
Meghann Foley 36 Rail Park Maynooth	Michelle Roche 55 Greenfield Drive Maynooth
3rd Prize	3rd Prize
Ashling Plunkett 3 Laurence Ave Maynooth	Naomi O'Duffy 83 Silken Vale Maynooth



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ARDENING



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AUGUST IN THE GARDEN

Flowers

Stake tall dahlias and chrysanthemums and tie in the stems. For larger flowers, remove the side flower buds of dahlias and weak side stems of chrysanthemums.

Pick sweet peas regularly to ensure continuity of flowers.

Continue to dead-head flowers to encourage further blooms.

Cut down by half herbaceous plants that have finished flowering.

Increase pansies and violas by rooting cuttings in boxes.

Sow in flowering position hardy annuals such as godetia, sweet sultans, alyssum, larkspur, calendulas, cornflowers, agrostemma and candytuft for early flowering next summer.

Remove all weeds and mulch and water as necessary. If you are going away on holiday, water the plants thoroughly before leaving, and then add an additional layer of mulching material.

At the end of the month, plant the narcissus and daffodil bulbs outdoors. Also plant snowflake, belladonna lily and crown imperial.

Start planting the first batches of forced bulbs in bowls for flowering indoors in winter. Keep them in a cool dark place.

Water half-hardy chrysanthemums in pots standing outdoors.

Spray with insecticides and fungicides, as necessary.

Vegetables

Pick all vegetables as they mature. If you are going on holiday, ask friends to continue picking them.

Pick onions and shallots if not picked last month. Use immediately any that are soft, but ripen others in a sunny

position for storage and use later.

Pick and store beetroot.

Sew in their final positions vegetables such as Brussels sprouts, winter cabbages and purple-sprouting broccoli. Firm them in well and water each plant thoroughly.

Sow suitable plants of spring cabbages, onions and spinach for winter use.

Also make the last outdoor sowings of salad crops. Thin out seedlings of crops that were sown last month. Pinch out the tips of outdoor tomatoe plants to encourage the fruits to ripen. Cut and dry herbs in readiness for winter use. Weed, water, mulch and use insecticides and pesticides before going on holiday.

Fruit

Pick the first of the early apple and pear fruits and use them immediately. Set out strawberry plants - either new ones bought in or healthy rooted runners from existing stock.

Continue picking bush and cane fruits and prune them when all of the fruits have been picked.

If plum trees are heavily laden with fruit, support the branches with timber.

Under Glass

Continue to treat tomatoe plants as recommended for last month.

Pick cucumbers as they mature and continue to water them daily, also use a liquid feed.

Grapes should be ripe for picking now. When all the branches have been cut, spray daily with water to deter red spider mite.

Shade all flowering plants, and remove dead blooms. Sow seed of cyclamen for flowering 12-15 months later. Take cuttings of fuchsias, pelargoniums and heliotrope. Plant winter and spring flowering plants such as lachenalias,

freesias and arum lilies.

Pot on young specimens of winter and spring flowering plants raised from seed sown previously, and start giving weekly feeds of liquid fertilizer.

Water all the plants and air and shade the greenhouse as necessary.

To prevent pot plants drying out in the home while away, place the pots into bowls of moist peat.

Trees, shrubs and climbers

Continue to trim and prune hedges.

Trim lavender bushes after first picking the dried flower heads. Prune climbing and rambler roses that have finished flowering. Give all roses a dressing of potash to help ripen the stems.

Remove rose sucker growths by cutting them off just below ground level.

Take half-ripe cuttings of heathers, buddleia, berberis, cotoneaster, lavender and santolina. Keep them well watered.

....and don't forget

Mow the lawns regularly. If going away, leave the grass cuttings on the lawn's surface to help preserve soil moisture.

This is a good time to plan new patios and paths.

Weeds

The definition of a weed is "a plant growing where it is not required".

Weeds spread very quickly and absorb mineral nutrients and moisture, they fill space and take light from plants that need the light and space to grow. Weeds also attract pests and diseases. Weeds can be removed by hand, with a hoe or chemically. When using chemicals read the directions and follow them carefully. Hoe regularly to keep flower beds weed free.

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HANDBALL - BY MARK BALL

The Kildare Softball Championships is underway and Maynooth are well represented.

Having won a hat trick of county medals in the 40x20 championships the following players go into the 60x30 championships with high hopes:- Paul Hand, Paul Ruane, Declan and Mark Quigley, Anthony Fingelton, Niall Leavy, Mick Duffy and last but by no means least Darragh Kelly.

Mick Duffy meets Jack Boylan, the veteran Ballymore Eustace player, in the first round of the singles. I expect Mick's fitness and stamina to play a major role in his bid to overcome Boylan. He will, if he plays up to scratch, progress to the next round. Mick with Darragh Kelly plays Moone pair Phil Morrissey and Pay Doyle in the doubles. Once again I will be surprised if the Maynooth pair don't progress to the next round. Niall Leavy and Tony Fingelton got a bye in the first round and await the winners of the above game in the next round. Leavy plays Tom Archibold in the first round of the singles. This game could go either way.

Mark Quigley makes his first championship appearance against Ballymore teenager Jamie Balfe. Balfe is very experienced at playing in competitions but Quigley is keen to do well first time out. This should make for a very interesting game. Paul Hand and Declan Quigley had the misfortune to be drawn against each other in the first round. With fourteen players in their grade it is a pity that one of them will have to fall at the first fence. Which one? I fancy Quigley to progress. He has played most of his handball at this code while Hand is noted as a 40x20 player.

Paul Ruane, like Paul Hand, would be a 40x20 player. He plays Eddie Byrne in the first round. I expect the Moone player to win but Paul is a great competitor and will give of his best. Paul and Declan Quigley join forces in the doubles. They have a bye in the first round and await the winners of Nurney and Leixlip in the second round. I won't be surprised if they make it to the final. I think their main threat will come from Leixlips' Eddie Murphy and Mick O'Connor.

It is proposed to run a club championship starting in September. A handicap system will be in use. Players wishing to take part should enter their names on the sheet provided on the notice board at the Ballalley or give them to a member of the committee.

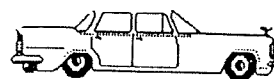
Blood Bank

Pelican House are again appealing for donations in Maynooth. They will be in the Glenroyal Hotel on 17th August.

Mr. Alan R. Stafford, local honorary organiser, hopes that it will get the usual high level of support

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CHICKEN MARSALA:

4 chicken breast fillets
a little seasoned flour
60g unsalted butter
100g button mushrooms sliced
2 teaspoons plain flour
125ml dry white wine
3 tablespoons Marsala wine
125ml natural fromage frais
90g edam cheese, in four slices

Garnish:

30g flaked almonds, toasted
2 tablespoons parsley, chopped

Method:

Coat fillets of chicken in seasoned flour. Sauté fillets gently in half the butter for about 15 minutes until cooked through and golden brown. Remove to flame-proof dish and keep warm.

Sauté mushrooms in remaining butter until cooked. Lift with slotted spoon. Sprinkle 2 teaspoons flour into pan, cook for 1 minute. Add white wine and Marsala and bubble up, stirring all the time. Add fromage frais, heat gently and season.

Pour sauce over chicken. Place slices of edam on top and brown under a hot grill. Garnish with toasted almonds and parsley.

Serves 4:

SPANISH STYLE FISH PANCAKES:

120g each of cooked prawns, mussels, rock salmon and monkfish diced.
1 clove garlic, peeled, crushed and finely chopped.
1 onion, peeled and finely chopped.
2 tablespoons parsley finely chopped
freshly milled black pepper.

Batter:

150g of flour
1 egg
150ml milk
olive oil to fry

Make a batter with the egg, milk and flour. Add the diced fish, garlic, onion, parsley and black pepper. Heat a small amount of oil in a heavy-bottomed frying pan. Place dessert spoonfuls of the mixture in the pan, fry until golden brown, turning once. Continue until all the mixture is used up. As each small pancake is done, remove it from the pan, drain it well on kitchen paper and serve immediately, sprinkled with chopped parsley.
Serves 4-6

WARM CHOCOLATE CAKE WITH CARAMEL ICE-CREAM:

100g very good quality dark chocolate, broken into peices
100g margarine
4 egg yolks
4 whole eggs
100g caster sugar
1 tablespoon plain flour

To serve:
4-8 Scoops caramel ice-cream

Method:

Preheat the oven to 170C/325F/gas 3. Grease four 12cm/5in small round moulds.

Combine the chocolate and the butter in the top of a double-saucepan (or heatproof glass bowl set over a saucepan) and melt over simmering water. Remove the pan from the heat and set aside.

In a mixing bowl, whisk the egg yolks, whole eggs and sugar. Keep whisking until the mixture reaches the ribbon stage, then beat in the flour gradually. Fold in the melted chocolate mixture.

Pour the mixture into the moulds up to the edges. Bake in the preheated oven for 4 minutes only. Serve at once, garnishing with 1 or 2 scoops of caramel ice-cream.
Serves 4.

VEGETARIAN GOULASH

1 onion
2 carrots
3 potatoes
1 tin tomatoes
2 tbsps. oil
8 ozs red kidney beans (pre cooked)
1 vegetable stock cube
1 pint water
1 parsnip
2 large cloves garlic

Fry the onion and crushed garlic. Slice the carrots, parsnip and potatoes - add to the onions. Pour in canned tomatoes and one pint of vegetable stock. Bring to the boil and simmer with lid on for 45 minutes. Add the pre-cooked kidney beans, simmer for a further 10-15 minutes. **N.B.** Red kidney beans must be boiled for a **minimum** of 15 minutes.

CAROB CAKE

6 ozs wholewheat flour
6 ozs brown sugar
4 ozs butter or margarine
8 fl. ozs water
1/4 tsp. bread soda
1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 oz carob powder
2 eggs

Cream butter and sugar, add eggs. Sieve dry ingredients and add to mixture gradually and alternatively with the water. Pour into two lined and greased 8" sandwich tins or a long large Swiss roll tin. Bake at 190 C. for 20 mins. Leave to cool on wire trays. Put melted carob or chocolate on top and decorate with walnuts.

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HANDBALLERS BENEFIT NIGHT

Sean Molloy, a handballer of note, had an unfortunate accident while doing voluntary work on the Ballalley at Maynooth GAA.

He broke a bone in his back which necessitated a lengthy stay in hospital. He also had to wear a brace which reached from chest to cheek (yes the lower one) and completely surrounded his body. After several months of pain and suffering Sean has finally arrived at the point where he can walk without the aid of a walking stick and cycle a little. The accident happened in January and his doctor says he will be unable to work again this year.

With this in mind a committee was formed to run a benefit night for Sean. Initially it was intended to run it in the GAA Club but due to the interest shown it was decided to hold it in the Glenroyal Hotel.

It was unfortunate that the date available in the Glenroyal clashed with a golf society function in the GAA clubhouse. This meant that while the committee of the GAA gave their financial support they were unable to attend in person.

The function was held on Friday 3rd July. I knew that Sean was a popular man but to be honest I had no idea how popular he was until I became involved in his benefit function. The Glenroyal provided their function room free, the band offered their services free, special guest singers and musicians appeared out of nowhere, (once again no charge), many business people donated spot prizes at the drop of a hat and tickets sold like hot cakes. All of which went to make the night a resounding success. Over £4,000 was collected between the ticket sales and the draw for the

spot prizes. Sean has asked me to thank all who were involved; the Glenroyal (owners and staff), The band under the leadership of Mr. Treacy, the following sponsors: Sean, Londis Maynooth, Tommy, Sports Locker, Geraldine, Maynooth Jewellers, Jim Cullinand and the Moyglare Manor Hotel, Springfield Hotel, Evely and Hayler Interface Imports, Mary Rossiter, Major Minor Motors, Sean Coyne Butchers and it was only a winters tale and I can't remember the donor. Last but not least everyone who attended and made it a wonderful night for all concerned.

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M.A.D.E.

(Maynooth Adult Daytime Education) was started in 1986. It is run by a voluntary group, the objective of M.A.D.E. is to help both men and women who are at home all day and who for some reason or other have no interests outside the house. The classes are organized with this in mind. In fact one of the most successful classes has been called "Get out of the house". The classes are 2 hours long with a break for tea or coffee.

The break is very important because we consider socialising, meeting people and making new friends all part of what M.A.D.E. is all about. Our classes have ranged from Assertiveness, Yoga, Parenting, Art, Creative Writing, Ballroom Dancing, Women's Health, Irish, Maths, Flower Arranging and many more.

We take suggestions from the students as to what kind of classes they would like and we do our best to offer what they want. We run a creche once a week.

There is a Mother Toddler's Group which meets every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon during the school year. For more information ring Bronwyn at 6289405. M.A.D.E. classes are held in the pre-fab at the back of the Post-Primary School, next to the tennis courts. We share the pre-fab with the scouts. These premises are not very luxurious. We have had many complaints but it is the only place we have.

The Kildare V.E.C. pays for the insurance and heat. The committee tries to clean it and keep it tidy but it's not very easy when the pre-fab is falling apart.

The price of the classes is about £35 and it is set by the V.E.C. People who are on social welfare pay half or less. The money paid by the students is used to pay the tutors. For the past few years, we have been receiving a grant from the Department of Social Welfare which has enabled us to offer some free classes. Due to the grant we have been able to replace our ancient Burco Boiler, and to buy a vacuum cleaner and some Reference books.

We need new committee members and anybody interested in joining the committee will be very welcome. We will need help on enrolment day, on Monday, September 14th at 10.00 a.m.

The Classes for the Autumn are:

Monday	10-12 noon	Dough Craft - Flower Arranging (Advanced)
Tuesday	10-12 noon	Yoga / French for beginners
Wednesday	10-12 noon	Stress Managment (subsidised) by the department of social welfare) Parenting (Eastern Health Board class ring Chris 838-5844 ext 575 for further information.)
Thursday	10-12 noon	Calligraphy / Mother Toddler's Group
Friday	10-12 noon	Feng shui / Aromatherapy / Computers

12.30p.m.-2.30p.m. Flower Arranging for beginners


The above classes run for 9 weeks. Enrolment is on Monday September 14th. Classes start on Monday September 28th. Enrolment for Parenting is on September 9th, and this class will start on Wednesday September 16th .

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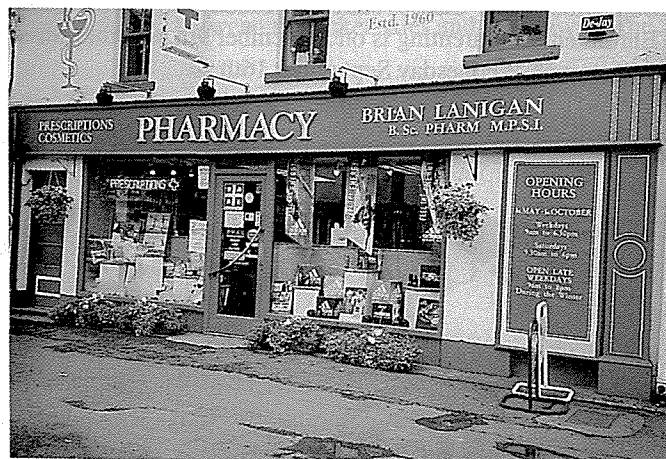
THE BEACH (By Declan Kavanagh)

The sea tides came in and out,
Lovely breezes flew around and about.
The children laughed and played,
The sun revealed the ships in port.
The birds flew and glided in the air,
And the people played and swayed in the water.

(Declan is aged 11 and lives at 234 Kingsbry, Maynooth)



Declan Kavanagh displaying his work on the 1798 Rebellion in the Maynooth Library.



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MAYNOOTH WELCOMES NEW SERGEANT

With the arrival on the 26th May 1998 in Maynooth of Sergeant John Keane the Garda strength in the town is now at an all time high of two sergeants and twelve gardai.

John Keane arrived on transfer from Pearse Street Dublin on promotion. He served there for 19 years (all his service). He has lived locally for the past eleven years with his wife Margaret and their four children. Originally from Ballybunion, Co. Kerry, he has a keen interest in football and is Secretary of Kilcock G.A.A. Club.

He is looking forward to the challenge ahead and particularly the community involvement in working in a town as against working in the city.



Sergeant John Keane

Dealing with crime today requires the co-operation and help of all the community and he would be looking forward to the continued community support for the gardai in tackling crime in the months ahead. A detective garda will be appointed to Maynooth shortly and the opening hours of Maynooth Station have been extended recently - opening hours 10.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. (closed 1.00 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.), 7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. Monday to Saturday. Sunday - 12.00 noon - 2.00 p.m.

Sergeant Keane is looking forward to working in Maynooth and is grateful for the welcome he has received from the community.

Maynooth Tidy Towns 1998 Competitions

Maynooth Tidy Towns
wish to advise that the judging of the following competitions
will take place during August 1998.

1. Best Estate / Residential area competition
2. Best Shop Front Competition

Maynooth Tidy Towns wish to thank
Coonan Property and Finance
for their sponsorship of these competitions
again this year.

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FOOD SAFETY OUTDOORS

Eating outdoors is a great way to enjoy food - whether it is a barbecue, picnic or camping dinner. However, food poisoning is a risk, especially during warm weather as germs can multiply in the heat. There are steps you can take to reduce this risk.

Barbecues

Thoroughly cook food to reach at least 70°C.

Always cook chicken, pork, sausages and minced products, such as hamburgers, so that the juices run clear - there should be no pink meat. Beef steaks, as distinct from mince meat, can be cooked to preference.

Never allow cooked food to have contact with raw food. Use a clean plate for cooked meat, poultry or fish. **Never** use the same place or chopping board which held raw meat or raw poultry for salads, bread or cooked meats.

Perishable products like milk and salads should only be taken out of the fridge/cool box when the meal is ready to serve.

Raw meat and poultry should always be kept cool until needed.

Refrigerate all food once you have finished eating the main meal.

Remember to clean your barbecue well.

Picnics

It is extremely important when preparing food for eating outdoors to remember to keep **HOT** food **HOT** and **COLD** food **COLD**.

Prepare whatever you can at home, so that there is a minimum of food handling on the picnic, particularly where there are no hand washing facilities.

Always ensure pre-prepared food has been wrapped and is kept in refrigerated storage.

Don't pack food for a picnic if it has just been cooked or is still warm.

Always pack perishable food in an insulated cool box. Try to have your picnic within a few hours of leaving your home.

Be careful with leftovers - use within a day. Even if they look and smell alright, they may still cause food poisoning - **if in doubt throw it out.**

Golden Rules for food safety

You can help protect your family and reduce the risk of food poisoning by following the 10 golden rules:

Firstly, always cook food thoroughly

Only use clean water

Once thawed, cook food immediately

Don't forget to re-heat cooked food thoroughly

Store food as directed on the label

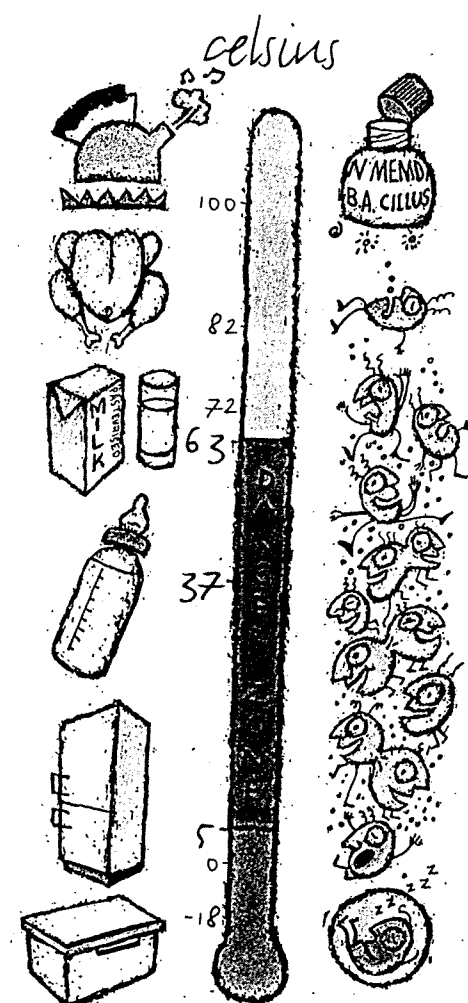
Avoid contact between raw food and cooked food

Frequently wash your hands

Ensure that you keep kitchen surfaces meticulously clean

Take care that hot food is very hot and cold food is very cold

Your food should be protected from insects, rodents and pets.



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What causes food poisoning

Bacteria and viruses are germs that can cause food poisoning. You cannot tell if food contains these germs by looking at, smelling or tasting it.

Bacteria can flourish and multiply to enormous numbers on most food at room temperature. They can double in number every 10-20 minutes, particularly if the temperature is between 5°C and 63°C. This is known as the **danger zone**. Therefore, an important rule in food safety is to always keep food **VERY HOT** or **VERY COLD**.

A proportion of raw meats and poultry may contain bacteria. **These will be killed by thorough cooking.** All parts of the food must reach at least 70°C.

However, germs can be transferred from raw food to fresh or cooked food, for example, by using the same chopping board or by using the same utensils. Hands can also spread germs and should **always** be washed after handling raw meat and poultry and before preparing other food.

Food poisoning can be very serious. What may be a mild short-lived illness for robust young adults could be life threatening to infants, pregnant women, the elderly or people who have other illnesses that reduce their ability to cope with germs.

Food Poisoning - the symptoms

Symptoms of food poisoning usually include one or more of the following:

Stomach pains
Diarrhoea
Vomiting

These can often be accompanied by fever with headache and shivering.

Who should you contact

If you have a complaint to make about food you have bought, you should complain to the shop manager. Alternatively, contact the Environmental Health Officer in the local Health Board area where the food was purchased.

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Party Political

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

County Development Plan

The County Development Plan was adopted by the Full Council in June. Population Targets agreed for Maynooth are 10,500 by 2003 and 11,500 by 2006. These are written into the County Plan and Councillors must abide by these population targets in drawing up the Maynooth Development Plan. Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are pleased that we have finally reached a position whereby Maynooth can develop at a properly controlled rate.

Main Street Improvement Works

The Council officials advised the area Committee at its meeting on 17th July that they informally heard that the contractor employed to do the footpaths was pulling out. pressed by Cllr. John McGinley on how this could happen the officials advised that the contractors wanted to use inferior quality products to those specified and the officials rightly refused.

This very bad news will delay the work as the Council now have to award the contract to one of the other tenderers and the new contractor may not be able to commence work straight away.

Cllr. John McGinley will do everything within his power to have the work restarted as early as possible.

Bond Bridge

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by the County Secretary that the Council will shortly be appointing a consultant to design and arrange for the construction of the new bridge. Cllr. McGinley has requested quarterly progress reports.

New Public Lights

Following representations from Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley new public lights will be installed in the following locations in Maynooth:-

O'Neill Park - at the Square.
Fagans Lane
Carton Court - at house No. 102
Leinster Street

In addition as a result of Cllr. John McGinley's motion all of the public lights in housing estates will be replaced by September with modern, more efficient orange lights.

One Stop Shop for Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has welcomed the announcement by the Minister for the Environment and Local Government that £200,000 has been made available to Kildare Co. Council in 1998 for the provision of a One Stop Shop in Maynooth.

Cllr. McGinley had recommended to the Minister that Maynooth be selected for this pilot programme and he will be seeking further funding in 1999 to complete the project.

Seven such projects countrywide are being funded in 1998.

The aim of the concept is to provide a wide range of public services from one location; starting off with dissemination of information and providing forms but very quickly developing to processing business and decision making. The Council will be able to provide a range of public services on a co-ordinated basis in co-operation with other public service agencies.

Traffic Calming - Parson's Street

Cllr. John McGinley has written to the County Manager complaining about the disgraceful delay in completing the traffic calming measures which were agreed over two years ago for Parson's Street. Cllr. McGinley has also asked the Co. Manager to have the drainage gullies to the river reopened as they were closed off by the Council when the new footpath was being laid. As residents and pedestrians will know this has led to very bad flooding.

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Party Political

LABOUR PARTY NOTES (Cont.)

New Complex at Kavanaghs Mills

A presentation was made by Mr. Edward Kavanagh's Consultants to the Celbridge area Committee on July 17th on their proposals for the Mill Site.

They are proposing to relocate the Mill to a green field site which will not be in Maynooth.

Planning permission will shortly be sought for a major commercial/residential complex costing £33.5 million. It will comprise two, 36 bedroomed hotels, a significant commercial element, 220 apartments of various sizes, a Science and Technology building and an underground public car park capable of accommodating 800 cars.

The plan is to open up the river with walks and cycle paths. Vehicular access to the complex will be at the Kilcock Road side.

A model of the plan will go on display in the Library when planning permission is sought. If approval is given construction will take two years to complete.

On first glance this looks like a welcome development with the river being opened up to the public and the removal of the Mill with its resultant dust, from the town. However, Maynooth Labour Branch will seek assurances in relation to the staff at the Mill concerning relocation of jobs, assistance with transport to the new location or the provision of alternative jobs within the new complex.

Maynooth Castle - Roof on Castle Keep

No objections have been received in relation to the planning application by O.P.W. for a roof on the Keep of the Castle and a walk way around the upper wall of the Keep. The plan also provides for services for exhibitions, assembly, tours etc.

A decision on the application is due on July 30th and a positive decision looks likely. Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have been critical of the lack of information provided to the public by the O.P.W. in relation to this development. The 12th Century Castle is the most important building in the town and any decision to change its nature should be brought to the full attention of the residents in the area. The roof on the Keep which will be above the existing height of the ruins will cause most concern.

Despite the fact that a decision is due soon we will continue to press for the holding of a Public Information Night in Maynooth on the proposals where plans and models of the changes would be put on display. This would at a minimum give Maynooth residents a chance to view the changes and make an informed judgement on the issue prior to the expiry of the appeal period.

Boundary Between Moyglare Village and Moyglare Road

The senior Council Planner advised the Area Committee on July 17th that the proposal from the developer of Moyglare Village was imminent. Cllr. John McGinley's advice to the residents would be to accept nothing short of a wall.

Tidy Towns Fás Scheme

Work has commenced on the Council Canteen which delayed the sanctioning of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee FAS Scheme by S.I.P.T.U.

Intensive efforts are in progress with S.I.P.T.U. at national level to secure the S.I.P.T.U. sanction now that the Council have met with the Council workers requests.

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Party Political

LABOUR PARTY NOTES (Cont.)

Newtown Road Delays

The developer of Castle Dawson has reinstated the road surface as far as the entrance to Beaufield. From this point to beyond Parsons Hall the road is a mess.

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have been pursuing the completion of the restoration with both the developers and the Council as this section of road is being financed jointly. We hope to have agreement on the matter soon.

Following the road restoration the developer will have to restore entrances to estates which were damaged during the pipe laying.

Road Improvements Causing Flooding

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been critical of road improvements carried out by the Council at Old Greenfield, Moyglare Road and Newtown Road which have caused flooding to adjoining properties. He stated that it was quiet unacceptable for the Council to carry out road improvements without checking on the effect surface water would have on residents living in the area.

He has been in contact with the area engineer on the matter and will continue to pursue a resolution to this problem.

New Local Election Areas

The Electoral Area Boundary Committee reported on Wednesday July 15th in relation to new boundaries for the County.

In North Kildare the following changes are proposed:-

A new Electoral Area is recommended for Leixlip and Maynooth with 4 seats being available. The Southern border for this area will be the M4 Motorway.

A new Electoral area is recommended for Celbridge, Ardclough and Straffan with 3 seats being available.

Labour Advice Service

There will be no Labour Advice Service in operation during the month of August. Enquiries please phone Deputy Emmet Stagg's office at 6183797 or Cllr. John McGinley at 6285293.

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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

Closure of Army Barracks in Kildare

Deputy Bernard Durkan in his statement on the closure of the Magee and Devoy Barracks said "it was a cynical attempt of the present Government to avoid cross questioning of the Minister on the issue by the opposition parties, given that the closure was announced during the Dail recess".

Deputy Durkan called on the Minister to scrap his proposals and investigate alternative options to ensure the economic viability of Devoy Barracks which has been repeatedly pointed out over the years.

Since issuing this statement both Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin have met with the Minister for Defence regarding the closure of Magee Barracks and Devoy Barracks are awaiting his urgent response to their proposals.

Hospital Waiting Lists

Deputy Bernard Durkan raised the issue of waiting lists with the Minister for Health recently. A staggering total of 33,847 patients are awaiting treatment countrywide he was told. Deputy Durkan was advised that the main reason for the increase in March 1998 was that the intake of patients had risen during the Winter months and also was due to a lack of blood being available which caused cancellation of some surgical procedures.

Deputy Durkan said it was deplorable that the list is increasing and that the additional funding (i.e. increase from £8m to £12m) while welcome, will be of little benefit to patients who urgently need treatment now.

Nature And Your Environment - Are You Interested?

Did you know that the following species of wild birds are endangered:

Grey Partridge, Corncrake, Red-Necked Phalarope, Roseate Tern, Nightjar, Corn Bunting and Hen Harrier.

Deputy Bernard Durkan raised the issue of various endangered species with the Minister recently and was advised that some schemes are already in place to protect some of the endangered species, i.e. Corncrake Grant Scheme, (pays grants to farmers in corncrake habitats to farm in a corncrake friendly way), Grey Partridge Research Project, Roseate Tern. However, much more needs to be done by us all in this respect.

Tree Planting

In 1997, 28,170 acres of trees were planted, which was a decrease on 1996 and 1995 (51,845 acres and 58,588 acres respectively). In 1998, 1,346,461 acres are currently under afforestation, Deputy Durkan was told following his question to the Minister.

Job Losses in Manufacturing and Internationally Traded Services 1997

According to Forfás Employment Survey, a total of 14,649 permanent full-time jobs were lost during 1997, Deputy Bernard Durkan was advised in a recent reply from the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

Footbridge At Maynooth - Access Across Canal To Station

Iarnród Eireann in response to numerous representations by Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin, state in their letter of 12th July 1998 that:

"The footbridge at Maynooth was removed because the structure was unrepairable. The piles which form the supports from the bed of the canal / harbour were decayed at water level and the entire structure was deemed unstable and unrepairable. It is hoped that Iarnród Eireann will be in a position to replace the bridge within the next year, but as I am sure that you will both appreciate, resources are scarce and there are many priorities".

Both Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin will actively continue their representations to the Minister for Public Enterprises and Iarnród Eireann, so as to ensure that a satisfactory resolution can be attained.

Public Lighting

Kildare County Council had agreed to erect a light in the vicinity of 102 Carton Court and also to place 2 lights at the centre roundabout at O'Neill Park, following numerous representations by Cllr. Senan Griffin on behalf of residents in these areas.

Footpaths in Main Street

Grave concern has been expressed by Cllr. Senan Griffin that the completion of works in the Main Street has as yet not been satisfactorily concluded, despite numerous and on-going discussions between the Contractor and the Engineering Department of Kildare County Council.

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Festival Report

GUINNESS 7-A-SIDE SOCCER

Sixteen teams took part: six more than last year. They were divided into four sections with the top two qualifying for the quarter finals.

The Glenroyal, Derrinstown, Morocco, Young Guns, Parklands, Gallies Heroes, The Unprofessionals and St. James came through.

The Semi-Finals saw The Glenroyal play St. James (Gavin Flemming) in a great match that went to extra time and penalties which St. James won 5-4.

Gallies Heroes beat a much fancied Morocco (Liam Kelly) 1-0 in the other semi final.

St. James were missing their captain Gavin Flemming for the final in which Gallies Heroes (Chris Gallagher) were the 2 to 1 on favourites.

The winning goal was scored by Noel McGrath for St. James 18 minutes into the first half. It was a goal worthy of winning the world cup. The referee applauded for the first time in his career. Referees normally don't clap. Despite intensive pressure by Gallies Heroes, St. James held out for a much deserved win.

I would like to thank all of the teams for taking part, the Glenroyal Hotel for sponsoring the bibs and Guinness for supplying the beautiful trophies.

The Organising Committee attended for four hours for each of the eight evenings of football. And of course it rained most evenings. I want to thank Tom Dempsey, Willie Saults, Lennie Murphy, John Doogan and Christina Saults. I also thank Mary McGinley for washing and repairing the bibs.

Finally I would like to thank Brendan Lawless, our excellent referee from Leixlip.

John McGinley,
Organiser.



- Winning Team "St. James's" in the Mens Guinness Soccer Finals



Runners up "Gallie's Heroes" in the Mens Guinness Soccer Finals



Captain of the Day of the Winning Team, Gavin Flemming, being presented with his trophy by John McGinley, Organiser of Guinness 7-A-Side Soccer.



Pitch and Putt Winner Stephen Corbally being presented with his trophy by Tony Bean, Organiser.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT	
23/6/98	Senior Football League	Ellistown 1 - 6	Maynooth 0 - 7
26/6/98	U/14 Football League	Maynooth 1 - 9	Moorefield 3 - 8
27/6/98	Senior Football League	Kill 1 - 12	Maynooth 0 - 6
30/6/98	Senior Football League	Maynooth 2 - 9	Rathangan 0 - 5
1/7/98	Senior Hurling League	Celbridge 1 - 12	Maynooth 2 - 9
2/7/98	Junior Hurling League	Maynooth 3 - 12	Eire Og 1 - 7
4/7/98	Intermediate Football C/ship (B)	Maynooth 3 - 14	Kilcullen 0 - 6
7/7/98	U/14 Football League	Maynooth 4 - 8	Confey 2 - 5
11/7/98	Senior Football League	Castlemitchell 1 - 10	Maynooth 0 - 11
13/7/98	Minor Football Championship	Maynooth 1 - 8	Moorefield 0 - 15
16/7/98	Junior Hurling League	Broadford 3 - 3	Maynooth 0 - 6
18/7/98	Junior B Football League (Semi Final)	Maynooth 2 - 13	Eadestown 3 - 9

Junior Football League Semi-Final B Section
Maynooth 2 - 13 - Eadestown 3 - 9

Maynooth marched on to a place in the League Final with the narrowest of victories over Eadestown played at Prosperous on 18/7/98. Maynooth started off in determined fashion with two points in as many minutes from Niall Naughton and Joey Edwards. Eadestown replied with a point from a free and two minutes later they took the lead with a goal. Joey Edwards and Darren Naughton got Maynooth back on level terms with two points. However Eadestown in one of their rare attacks added on a second goal in the fifteenth minute.

At this stage Niall Naughton and Peter Burke began to gain supremacy at midfield and scored 4 points on the trot from Niall Naughton, Darren Naughton, Liam O'Toole and James Gilligan. Danny Casey scored an opportunist goal in the 25th minute after being put through by Mick Faherty.

Eadestown had their third goal two minutes later when Gerry Delaney failed to hold a shot and the ball dribbled over the line. Eadestown added on a further point but Maynooth came back strongly and had two points from Darren Naughton and one from Joey Edwards to leave the half-time score Maynooth 1 - 11, Eadestown 3 - 2. Darren Naughton opened the second half scoring for Maynooth with a pointed free and two minutes later Danny Casey got his second goal when the Eadestown goalie failed to hold a shot from James Gilligan. Eadestown replied with a pointed free in the tenth minute. Apart from two further points from Darren Naughton Eadestown dominated the exchanges for the last ten minutes and added on a further 7 points. Maynooth players and supporters breathed a sigh of relief when the referee blew the final whistle. This was a fine advertisement for gaelic football and a feature of the Maynooth display was the accuracy of the forwards and the fact that five of them got on the scoresheet.

Best for Maynooth were: Aidan Burke, John O'Toole and Marty Byrne when introduced in defence, Niall Naughton and Peter Burke worked tirelessly in midfield while the most impressive of the forwards were Joey Edwards, Mark Nugent and Darren Naughton.

Team & Scores: Gerry Delaney, Noel Reilly, Aidan Burke, Owen O'Neill, Alan Nugent, Mick Faherty, John O'Toole, Niall Naughton (0-2), Peter Burke, Liam O'Toole (0-1), Joey Edwards (0-3), Mark Nugent, James Gilligan (0-1), Danny Casey (2-0), Darren Naughton (0-6). Subs: Marty Byrne for Faherty, Karl Ennis for Gilligan, Alan Geoghegan for Reilly.

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A young onlooker enjoys the entertainment within
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Junior Hurling League Broadford 3 - 3 - Maynooth 0 - 6

Despite having most of the play in the first half Maynooth only held a one goal lead at halftime i.e. 0 - 4 to 1 - 0.

A goal and point inside the first five minutes of the second half for Broadford changed the whole complexion of the game and while Maynooth fought bravely in the second half they were very inaccurate in their shooting. Broadford sealed victory with a third goal five minutes from the end.

Best for Maynooth were: Declan Buckley, Mark Nugent & Tommy Masterson in defence, Rory Kelly at midfield and in attack Alan Nugent and Ciaran McGuinness were impressive.

Team & Scorers: (14 aside): Matt Carroll, Colm Cushen, Declan Buckley (0-1), Eoin Nevin, Mark Nugent, Tom McCarthy, Tommy Masterson, Stephen O'Mahony, Rory Kelly (0-2), Alan Nugent, Eamon Toomey, Andrew Fay (0-1), Seamus Cummins, Ciaran McGuinness (0-2), Subs: Padraic Nevin for S. Cummins.

Senior Football League Castlemitchell 1-10 - Maynooth 0 - 11

Maynooth suffered an unexpected defeat at the hands of relegation threatened Castlemitchell played on 11/7/98 and so failed to qualify for the promotion play offs to Division I.

The teams were level at two points each after ten minutes with both Maynooth scores coming from the boot of Paul Garvey. Karl Ennis put Maynooth in front two minutes later with a splended point from play. With Killian Fagan in splended form at midfield Maynooth eased into a 3 point lead with scores coming from William Farrelly, Karl Ennis and Paul Garvey. Castlemitchell played some excellent football in a ten minute spell and they had an ace in their attack in full forward. Tadhg Finn who gave his marker a proverbial roasting and by the 25th minute of the first half the scores were level at 5 points each. However, Maynooth raised their game for the remainder of the half and three points from Paul Garvey left them leading by 0 - 8 to 0 - 5 at the break.

The second half is best forgotten as far as Maynooth were concerned as they never played with any sense of urgency or self-belief and by the fifteenth minute of the second half Castlemitchell had jumped into a one point lead. Two points from Paul Garvey and Eamon Dunne restored Maynooths advantage but their lead was short lived as Castlemitchell broke through their opponents rearguard and the ball ended up in the net after hitting both uprights. Maynooth never recovered from this setback and although they had a number of chances to gain victory their shooting was very wayward and Castlemitchell held out for a precious victory.

Best for Maynooth were Alan Nugent, David Mahony, Killian Fagan, Paul Garvey, Eamon Dunne, and Willian Farrelly.

Teams & Scores: Hugh Nevin, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Niall Byrne, Paul Stynes, Eamon Gallagher, David O'Mahony, Killian Fagan, Stephen Noonan, Joey Riordan, Paul Garvey (0-7), Johnny Nevin, Karl Ennis (0-2), Eamon Dunne (0-1), William Farrelly (0-1), Subs: Peter Burke for Riordan, Ronan Murphy for Karl Ennis, Hugh Purcell for Noonan.

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Under 14 Football League Maynooth 4 - 8 - Confey 2 - 5

Maynooth ended their league campaign with an impressive victory over Confey on 7/7/98. Pierre Ennis opened the scoring for Maynooth with a splended point from a free. Against the run of play Confey took advantage of hesitancy in the Maynooth defence to score a goal in the fifth minute. However with Maynooth dominating midfield Pierre Ennis restored his sides lead with a goal from a penalty. Maynooth took control of the game for the next fifteen minutes and scored four points from Brian Downey, D.J. Canning, and a brace from Pierre Ennis. However Confey finished the first half in determined mood and had reduced the deficit to two points to leave the half time score Maynooth 1 - 6: Confey 1 - 4. Maynooth were by far the superior team in the second half limiting Confey to just a goal and a point. However their shooting was very wayward and it was only in the last fifteen minutes that they began to find the target. Two goals from Ciaran McCullagh and substitute Mark Cummins who flicked a lob from Pierre Ennis to the net put the result beyond doubt. The highlight of the game was a point from David Comerford following splendid interplay between Pierre Ennis and D.J. Canning.

The latter mentioned added on a further point five minutes from time and substitute Paul Broughan put the icing on the cake with a goal after Gary McMahon got inside the Confey defence.

Best for Maynooth were: Tadhg O'Corcaine, Fergal Molloy, Pierre Ennis, D.J. Canning, Gary McMahon and David Comerford.

Teams & Scores: (14 aside)

Alan Sweeney, Joey McLoughlin, Brendan Coffey, Fintan O'Donoghue, Kevin Gannon, Tadhg O'Corcaine, Fergal Molloy, Pierre Ennis, (1-4), Brian Downey (0-1), Fergus Devereux, Ciaran McCullagh (1-0), D.J. Canning (0-2), Gary McMahon, David Comerford (0-1). Subs: Paul Broughan (1-0) for McLoughlin, Mark Cummins (1-0) for Devereux.

Under 14 Football League Moorefield 3 - 8 - Maynooth 1 - 9

This game played at St. Mary's Park on Friday 26/6/98 proved to be a very entertaining affair and the standard of football at a very high level. The five point margin flattened Moorefield and had Maynooth taken more of their chances the result might have been in their favour. Moorefield were first to get on the scoreboard with points from J. Sherry and F. Barry. However Pierre Ennis responded with three points in as many minutes to edge Maynooth in front. Shane Barry for Moorefield and David Comerford exchanged points while Barry O'Shea pointed a free for Moorefield to level matters. In one of the best moves of the match involving Kevin Gannon, Pierre Ennis and Gary McMahon ended with Fergus Devereux unleashing an unstoppable shot to the Moorefield net. Shortly afterwards the half time whistle sounded leaving Maynooth leading by 1 - 4 to 0 - 4.

Moorefield got off to a whirlwind start in the second half with a goal and point inside two minutes. Pierre Ennis who had a superb game at midfield pointed a free in the tenth minute to level matters. Following good interplay between Brian Downey and Fergal Molloy, D.J. Canning broke clear of his marker to score a fine point. James Lonergan levelled for Moorefield a minute later but two points from Pierre Ennis eased Maynooth ahead. In the final ten minutes Moorefield began to take control at midfield and added on a further goal and two points in a five minute spell. Pierre Ennis reduced the deficit to two points with a pointed free. However in the final minute Shane Byrne goaled for Moorefield to put the result beyond doubt. Despite the defeat this was a very encouraging performance by Maynooth against one of the best teams in the country.

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Best for Maynooth were Alan Sweeney, Colin O'Neill, Tadgh O'Corcaine, Kevin Gannon, Pierre Ennis, D.J. Canning, Gary McMahon and David Comerford.

Team & Scores:

Alan Sweeney, Colin O'Neill, Stephen Curran, Fintan O'Donoghue, Kevin Gannon, Tadgh O'Corcaine, Fergal Molloy, Brian Downey, Pierre Ennis (0-7), Fergus Devereux (1-0), Conor McCullagh, D.J. Canning (-1), David Redmond, Gary McMahon, David Comerford (-1),
Moorefield scorers: J. Sherry (0-1), F. Barry (0-3), S. Byrne (1-1), B. O'Shea (1-1), J. Lonergan (1-1), R. Glavin (-1).

Senior Football League
Maynooth 2 - 9 - Rathangan 0 - 5

This was a very impressive performance by Maynooth who were understrength against one of the strongest teams in Division II. Killian Fagan was in inspiring form at midfield and the switch of Eamon Dunne to full forward in the second proved a masterstroke as he won valuable possession and created many scoring chances for his fellow attackers.

Best for Maynooth in addition to Fagan & Dunne were Pascal Ennis, Niall Byrne and Paul Stynes in defence and in attack Johnny Nevin and William Farrelly caught the eye. H.T. Score Maynooth 0 - 4, Rathangan 0 - 2.

Team & Scores

Hugh Nevin, Alan Nugent, Pascal Ennis, Niall Byrne, Paul Stynes, Eamon Gallagher, David O'Mahony (0-1), Killian Fagan (0-1), Stephen Noonan, Karl Ennis, Eamon Dunne (0-2), Johnny Nevin (1-1), Paul Garvey (0-4), William Farrelly (1-0), Rory Kelly.

Senior Hurling League
Celbridge 1 - 12 - Maynooth 2 - 9
Half time score 0 - 7 - Maynooth 0 - 3

Maynooth played second fiddle to Celbridge in the first half and had to re-arrange their teams early on when Mick Gahan received a nasty leg injury. A goal by Ciaran McGuinness early in the second half helped to inspire Maynooth. Trailing by five points with ten minutes to go Mick Bennett added to his growing reputation with a splendid goal after good work by John O'Brien and two points from Stephen Brennan levelled the match before the referee blew the full time whistle.

Best for Maynooth were Tom Mullarkey, Stephen Noonan and Jimmy Cahill in defence, Karl Ennis at midfield and in attack Jim O'Mahony, Conor Diggins and John O'Brien impressed.

Team & Scores:

Matt Carroll, Tom Mullarkey, Stephen Noonan, Mick Gahan, Eoin Nevin, Jimmy Cahill, Rory Kelly, Karl Ennis, Stephen Brennan (0-4), Mick Bennett (1-0), Jim O'Mahony (0-1), Conor Diggins (0-1), John O'Brien (0-3), Ciaran McGuinness (1-0), John Lee. Subs: Seamus Cummins for Mick Gahan (injured), Hugh Nevin for Cummins.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C

Maynooth Town Football Club held our annual Funding Raising Race Night on the 26th of June in the G.A.A. Club. A good night was had by all and we raised sufficient funds to enable us to provide a much needed temporary changing facility for the schoolboy teams in the Harbour Field. A container will be on site in time for the start of the new season. The changing rooms will be made available to any other community group wishing to make use of them. The main sponsor for the night was Maxwell Mooney & Co. Solicitors, Dublin Rd. Maynooth. A special thanks to Max for his very generous support. Other sponsors for the evening were:

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A special thanks also to Maynooth G.A.A. Club for the use of their clubhouse and Dave Moynan, John McGinley, Emmet Stagg and all the crew who assisted on the tote table. Also a big thank you to all those who attended on the night.

With the new season fast approaching some teams are already back in training and all teams are looking for new players. Junior soccer up to 10 years of age is open to both boys and girls. Anyone interested should contact the following team managers:

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Under 10's	1988	Kieron Glynn	6290918
Under 11's	1987	Eddie Power	6289039
Under 12's	1986	Joe Walsh	6285871
Under 14's	1984/5	Tom Dempsey	6291885
Under 16's	1982/3	John Doogan	6289720

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5/7/ 98	15,16,28	£525	Shay O'Reilly	Brian Raffle	Mark Thompson	Amanda Brady	Gerry Mac Sr
12/7/98	3,12, 24	£550	Celine Ryan Tobin		Bob c/o Bradys	Tommy Flanagan	Clodagh McDonagh

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SYMPATHIES

With deepest sympathy to daughter, Maureen, sons Jimmy, George, Niall, Ollie, Brendan and Kerry, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of **Mary Bright** (Nee Farrell) Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare who died on 28th June (peacefully) at Blanchardstown Hospital.

With deepest sympathy to the mother, son, daughter, brother, dear friend Mary, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of **Christopher Hayes**, Hillview Heights, Clane late Maynooth.

The Late Ann Cambell (R.I.P)

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Tommy.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Doyle, Philomena (Jessie) late Parson Street, Maynooth. The sons and family of Philomena Doyle wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who attended removal, mass and burial. Those who sent mass cards and floral tributes. A special word of thanks to the Priests of the Parish, Priests and staff of St. Patrick's College Maynooth. Dr. M. Cowhey and staff at J.C.M.H. Blanchardstown, also friends and neighbours. We trust that this will be accepted by all as a token of our appreciation. The holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

CONGRATULATIONS

The marriage took place in St. Mary's Church Maynooth, Thursday July 2nd of **Margaret Bean**, daughter of Caoimgin and Mairead Bean, Harbour House, Maynooth and **Martin McGahan**, son of Thomas and Maureen McGahan, Castlebellingham. Wedding Ceremony performed by Very Rev. Fr. D. Cogan, P.P., Porterstown, assisted by Fr. P. McHugh C.C. Leixlip. Reception in Red House, Newbridge, honeymoon in the Caribbean.

BIRTHDAY

Birthday wishes to **Mick McGovern** who is celebrating his 40th birthday on 29th August from his wife Eileen, children Karina, Stacey, Michelle, Debbie and Regina.

Birthday wishes to **Kevin McGovern** who is celebrating his birthday on 22nd August from his family.

Birthday wishes to **Harry Flood** who is celebrating his birthday on August 26th from his wife Margaret, children Elaine, Declan, Stephen and Carol.

Birthday wishes to **Sarah Howell** who is celebrating her 6th birthday on the 26th August, lots of love from mammy, daddy and Alex.

Birthday wishes to **Anita Corcoran** who is celebrating her birthday on the 10th August from husband John, children Daryl, Shannon, John, Taylor and the Murphy Clan.

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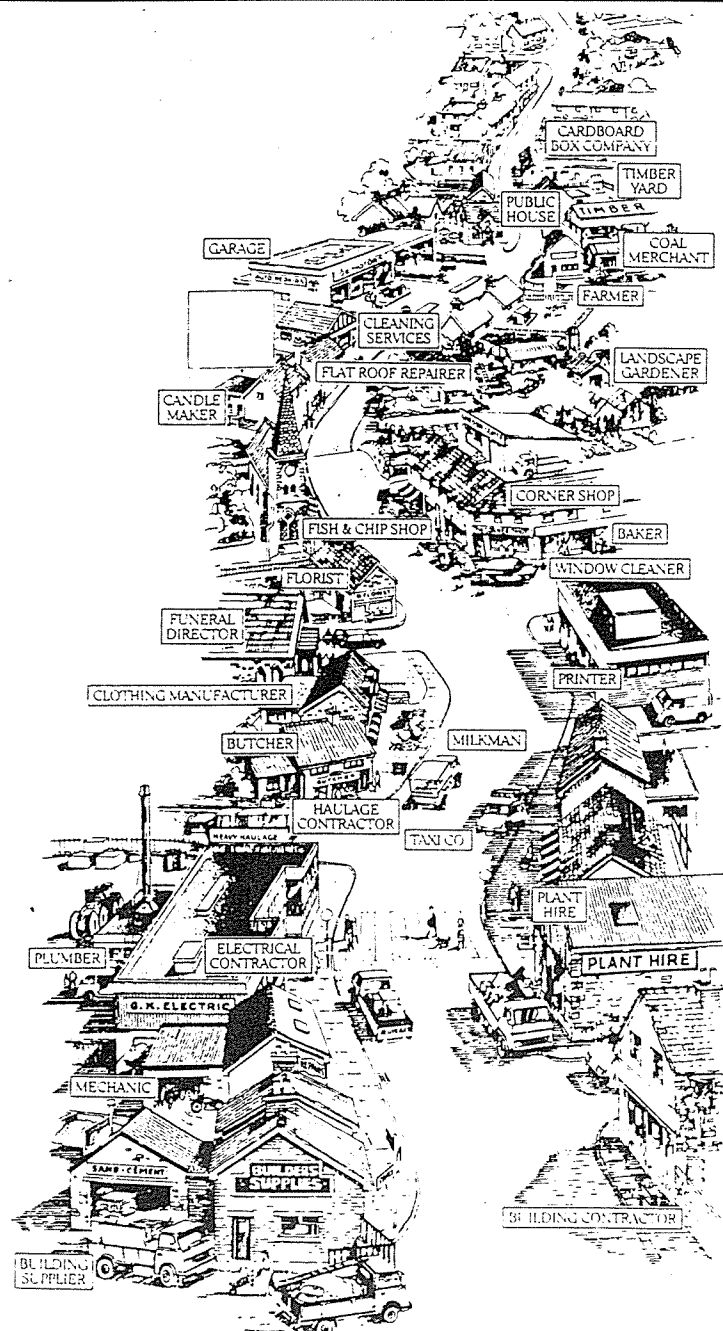
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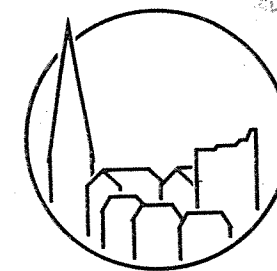
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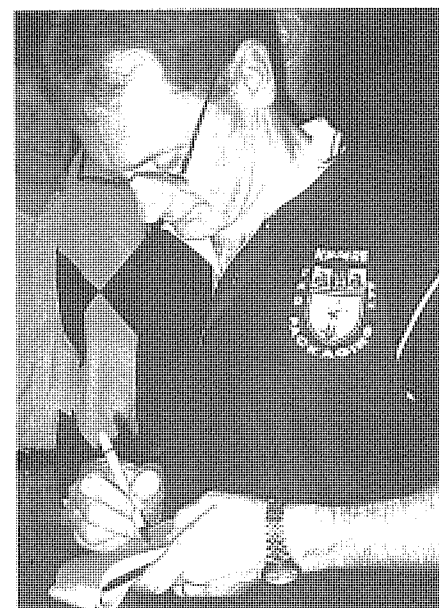
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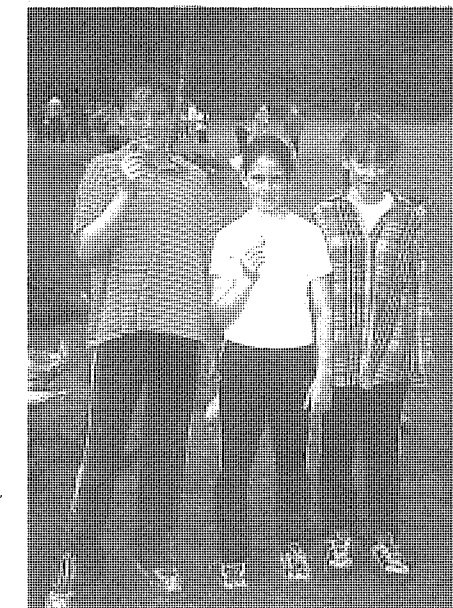


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DIARY DATES

Tuesday, September 1st Maynooth Senior Citizens Club opens.

Thursday, September 3rd Maynooth I.C.A. meeting at 8.00 p.m.

Saturday, September 12th Annual Vincentian Pilgrimage to Knock will take place at 8.45 a.m.

Saturday and Sunday, September 5th and 6th Celbridge Camera Club Annual Photo Exhibition, Slip Hall, Celbridge.

Tuesday September 8th Maynooth Junior Badminton Club commencing for beginners and improvers. **Saturday September 12th** for advance players.

Thursday - Sunday September 10th - 13th Maynooth Community Council Annual Collection.

Monday, September 14th Maynooth Community Council Meeting at 8.00 p.m. in Post Primary School.

Tuesday, September 15th Maynooth Flower and Garden Club September Meeting at 8.00 p.m.

Friday, September 18th Maynooth Library Photo Competition deadline.

Friday, October 16th Charity Night in Glenroyal Hotel. Music by Viagara.

EDITORIAL

At the beginning of the Summer holidays we thought that the month of September would never come. Let us be honest about it - September did seem a long way off. Now the children are going back to school. At this time of the year both parents and pupils are looking forward to school. There are two groups for whom this is an especially important time. Is your first child starting Primary or Post Primary? - whichever it is, it is a new experience for the family.

The morning traffic will be heavier. Many children will be excited at seeing their school friends again. Make sure that they wear their seat belts in the rear seats of the car. Keep the seat belts closed until the car stops at the school. Belt up and be safe. We wish all the children a happy year as they meet their new teachers. We wish the teachers a stress reduced year and thank them for their co-operation with the Newsletter and look forward to their continued reports.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council Membership - Update

The current Community Council membership complete two years in office this month. The constitution that the Council operates, provides for elections to be held at intervals of not less than every twenty-three months and not more than every thirty-seven months. As full as possible attendance at the meetings ensures that the Council can continue to reflect the views of the community of Maynooth. In fact the constitution also states that unexplained and unreasonable absence of a member from three consecutive meetings of the Council shall be understood and taken as implicit resignation from the Council by the member concerned.

The Community Council consists of elected representatives from the 25 electoral areas covering the town and outlying areas. In addition all clubs and organisations can nominate a representative to attend the Community Council. Vacant seats can be filled by election or by nomination from a residents association or organisation.

Community Council meetings offer the opportunity for members to raise matters of local interest in their area. The current members of the Community Council are listed below together with the area they represent. If you want to have an issue discussed at the Community Council you can bring it to the attention of your local representative.

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Rail Park, Straffan Road

Rail Park Estate

Greenfield Estate

Richard Farrell, Marie Gleeson, John McGinley,
Muireann Ní Bhrolchain

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Maynooth I.C.A.	
Maynooth Town Soccer Club	Lenny Murphy

Seats remain vacant in a number of areas and these can be filled by co-option. Nominations should be addressed to the Secretary, Maynooth Community Council, Main Street, Maynooth.

Community Council Annual Collection:

The annual collection will take place from September 10th - 13th this year. Collections are made at a number of locations around the town. The funds raised help the Community Council to support a number of projects, particularly the three Community Employment projects run by the Council. Please note that all collectors will have permits authorising them to collect on behalf of the Council. If in any doubt, please feel free to request to see this permit. Door to door collection does not take place as part of this annual fund raising effort. Please give generously.

September Meeting:

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Dunboyne Community Centre - Wed. 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.
Leixlip Library - Mon. and Thurs. 10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.
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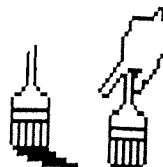
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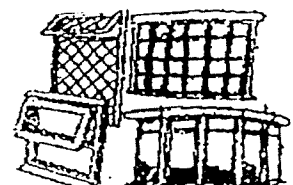
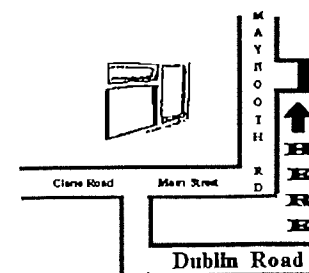
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Last month saw the spanning of 15 years with the induction of our new Parish Priest Monsignor Stenson who replaces our great supporter and friend Fr. Brendan Supple. The ceremony once again brought the Band, Choir and Folk Group together to embellish what was a wonderful occasion and we look forward to joining them again in December for the Christmas Carol Service which I am sure will take place following a very successful debut last year. A special word of thanks to all those in the congregation who came to us afterwards to congratulate the Band in particular on its wonderful performance.

It's apology time now and we would like to say sorry to the residents of Parklands and the adjoining estates for the cancellation of our recital last month. It had not been the best of days with the heavens opening at "the drop of a hat" and unfortunately the hat dropped at the wrong time. A "pitch inspection" by Paddy Boyd and Liz Stoll at 7.30p.m. was conducted amid heavy rain and dark clouds so, in the absence of shelter for the Band the recital was deferred for another day. This was to be the first in a series of "Bringing the Band to the Residents" Recitals and we hope to get one or two in before the "Summer" ends. Please watch the Supermarkets in the town for the dates and times.

An unexpected and last minute engagement in August was our turn out to greet the victorious Kildare team on their visit to Maynooth. Strange that the more senior members of the Band were only setting out on their musical careers when Kildare last won the Leinster. These are the occasions when a Band makes all the difference and we hope all those Kildare supporters remember this and support us during our Flag Weekend on the 24th/25th/26th of August which also coincides with the All-Ireland Semi Final.

Other happenings in August included a Trip to Tipp. for the monster Fair in Cahir Festival Parade. A beautiful day, massive crowds and a super response to the Band. A great day out and another good show by the Band.

A further feather in our cap will be our appearance at the Tall Ships Festival in Dublin. This has yet to happen at time of writing but if the pre-event publicity is anything to go on it will be "one hell of a show". Hope to pass on a taste of it in next month's Bulletin.

That's about it 'till then, see you for a further update in October.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The September Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 15th at 8.00 p.m. in Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College. Two Members will be giving the demonstration - Noeleen O'Brien and Sarah Angel. Noeleen's use of colour and her beautiful arrangements in unusual containers are always a delight to see. Sarah will bring us down the garden path with her use of foliage, flowers and plants from her glorious garden. So it's a night not to be missed.

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

CARING FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT

Re:- Maynooth Tidy Towns: Community Employment Project:

The Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee is in discussions with FAS in an effort to recommence our Community Employment Project. The Community Employment Scheme provided valuable training for the participants to assist their return to the workplace. It was abruptly halted in June, when SIPTU members employed by Kildare County Council withheld approval for the renewal of the scheme, which resulted in nine community employment workers losing their jobs with Maynooth Tidy Towns.

Maynooth Tidy Towns will be talking to both Kildare County Council and the Union to ensure that if we put a new scheme in place, that it will be safe from being embroiled in any future dispute between Kildare County Council and its workers. The Union withheld approval for the scheme, because it was seeking a new canteen facility for its members working from Kildare County Council's Maynooth depot. Since the problem arose in early June, no employee of Kildare County Council has lost a single day's wages as a result of the dispute, while our nine workers immediately lost their jobs. Meanwhile, the canteen, situated in the Kildare County Council depot at Maynooth Harbour, is now almost complete.

The termination of the scheme also caused extreme difficulties for the Tidy Towns Committee. It came at the worst time of the year in terms of the work that needed to be done, which fell to a small number of dedicated committee members. It is likely to have a detrimental impact on our marks in the National Tidy Towns Competition. It has also had a serious impact on our finances with funds being spent on the hire of contractors to do some of the work which would normally have been done by our workers. On top of that it resulted in the committee incurring substantial bank interest and charges in terms of the funding of the original scheme.

We would like to acknowledge the assistance of a number of people in both SIPTU and Kildare County Council in bringing this matter to a conclusion. We would also like to thank local politicians and community leaders for their help. In particular we would like to note our appreciation to Cllr. John McGinley and Emmet Stagg T.D. and his staff for their assistance in reaching the final resolution of the issues involved.

Maynooth has had Tidy Towns Committees dating back to the 1950's and many of the existing Committee Members have been involved in a voluntary capacity for almost twenty years and despite this setback our work will continue. We will be reviewing our position on the best way forward and this will involve meeting both the Union and Kildare County Council and other interested parties to ensure that the concept of Tidy Towns survives to play a part in caring for the environment in our town.

*Paul Croghan,
Secretary,
Maynooth Tidy Towns.*

MAYNOOTH JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

Badminton commences for boys and girls on Tuesday 8th September (3.15 - 5.15pm) for beginners and improvers, and on Saturday 12th September for advanced players. Registration takes place in the Parish Hall on the above dates.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Here we are again folks another Summer has come and gone with very little sunshine. However we musn't complain. It's good to be alive and just think of the beautiful skin we'll have from all that rain. Rust can look as good as a tan from a distance.

As our last item was in June, allow me to bring you up to speed on what we have been up to. Our Summer outing took place as planned on June 20th. There were one or two showers on the day, but looking back, it was one of the warmest days of the year. We set off at 2pm taking the scenic route to the "Garden of Ireland" courtesy of Bartons' Transport and I take this opportunity to thank Pat and Fergal Barton for their generosity year after year, not forgetting of course John and Victor, their convivial and helpful drivers.

Our stop in Wicklow was at the Hand-Weavers in Kilmacanogue and what a lovely place this is! They have beautiful merchandise in their shops, a lovely garden and restaurant and the most helpful staff. This place is well worth a visit.

The homeward drive was equally enjoyable with breathtaking scenery and a balmy evening. Our final destination as usual was Springfield Hotel, who under competent supervision of Kathleen Holbrook could not do enough for our Senior Citizens. We thank her and all the staff for an excellent meal and service. We rounded off the evening with dancing and entertainment and I thank Kevin McGovern who joins me in the music on each of these occasions, including our Cabaret night in Caulfields on July 23rd. This is our usual contribution to the community for their generosity to us. I thank John and Eithne Carey for their hospitality down through the years and wish them well in their retirement.

Speaking of generosity, you excelled yourselves this year in support of the Tony Smith Memorial Walk. The cheque presented to us on the night was for £2,694.15, the biggest ever. This is a combined effort between the Labour Party and our own committee including the Senior Citizens themselves. So, well done to all who contributed either fiscally or physically. Perhaps the Celtic Tiger is taking a leap in our direction after all! This money is being used this year on Emergency Response Units for the most vulnerable in our community. However, no amount of technology can

substitute the presence or generosity of a good attentive neighbour. Please remember that, one day we will be the elderly neighbour.

On a lighter side, we had a splendid night and we thank all who helped make it so, especially our own reliable committee members who produced, prepared, provided and served the food on the night, working quietly and calmly behind the scenes making the rest of us look good in the "light". Many thanks to Mick McGarry, our special guest, and congratulations to all who won prizes in the raffle and not forgetting those who donated the prizes, the Community Council, Ollie Bright, Mary McInerney and our own committee members, many thanks.

In July also the Leinster Leader informed us of the E.H.B.

plans to build a respite facility for the elderly. We welcome this move, even if it did take them a while to come round to our way of thinking.

In August our Senior Citizens went on holidays to Kerdiffstown. Half of these are funded by our organisation and the other half by the S.V.D.P. Some of our people went to Mosney in May courtesy of the Lions Club. With a good working relationship between all three organisations a holiday is assured for all who need one.

So with everyone rested and rearing to go our club opens on Tuesday September 1st and our committee will meet that night

at 8 pm in the Health Centre. Our laundry service will return on the 1st also, having been closed for August. If any of our older people wish to avail of this service, just get in touch with one of our committee members. Anybody wishing to join our club may do the same or just come along on Tuesdays or Thursdays at 10.30 am to the I.C.A. hall. All Senior Citizens in the area are welcome to all our activities. Speaking of welcome, I take this opportunity, on behalf of our Senior Citizens and committee, to welcome our new Parish Priest, Monsignor Alex Stenson among us. We wish him well.

Finally, may I convey our sympathy to the families of John Cawley, Kay O'Meara, Jimmy Holbrook, Lil Newton, Joe O'Neill, May Bright, Philomena Doyle and Tom Nolan, all of whom passed away during the Summer. May they rest in peace.

Josephine Moore



Senior Citizens having a great time at the Festival Cabaret in Caulfields



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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

The following extract appeared in the *Irish Times* on Saturday 1st August 1998 in the column "An Irishman's Diary". It was written by the well-known columnist Kevin Myers.

"And this is what he (the councillor with Kildare County Council) said to me at a party two weeks ago: 'We've done a terrible thing, a terrible thing. We voted to rezone the land outside Ballymore (Eustace) and now it's shagged. We've shagged Ballymore and this'll be the death of it'."

This business of Ballymore being shagged was new to me, having only recently moved to Kildare; and even then, living several miles from the village, I was unfamiliar with the details of its outskirts. But of course I knew Ballymore for its untroubled tranquility, and being unaware of the enormity of what he was referring to, I merely tutttuted in disapproval. Had I known the truth, I should have slain him on the spot, for he was right: the elected councillors of the Co. Kildare, in line with the illustrious example of what they have done elsewhere in the county, and of course with that of their peers in other counties, have effectively shagged Ballymore.

Ballymore is one of the great unspoilt villages of Leinster. It is a charming but not backward backwater, with a main square and neat lines of cottages approaching its four sides, numbering in all some 300 houses. The entire area has the nice feeling of a community in balance and at peace: a small but contented village where everybody knows everybody else and shopping is of the ancient conversational variety, and all serving a far larger network of crossroad hamlets, farms and small businesses.

Last week, an advertisement in the Irish Independent made clear what my friend had been rambling on about: the elected county councillors of Kildare have chosen to shag Ballymore well and truly from a height. They have voted to rezone a 62.2 acre site to the south of the town for residential purposes, and something called Abbeydrive Developments has announced that it is seeking planning permission for 500 houses as an annex to a village which possesses at most 300 at present.

It is irrelevant that there is absolutely no evidence that there is anything in the least corrupt about the decision to rezone so much land beside such a small village. "Corruption" is not the issue; the issue is that brutally greedy redevelopment has brought visual and cultural ruin to many rural communities around Dublin for years, with very tidy sums indeed being made by those fortunate enough to get decisions which suit their financial interests. Ballymore is 25 miles from Dublin. Twenty five miles from London one can find unspoilt villages which have been protected by planners and politicians from the ravages of development. Leinster, it seems is not so fortunate, Meath, Wicklow, Fingal, Kildare, Louth are now fair game for

unscrupulous, predatory and monstrously vulgar development. Carlow, Offaly, Laois will follow. Nobody in government cries stop. The rape goes on: and for this sin will future generations curse us.'

The sentiments expressed in this extract echo those of many areas in eastern Ireland at present. Maynooth also faces an ongoing battle to retain its identity and character. The County Plan, currently on display in the Public Library, contains many noble aspirations and enshrines population targets for Maynooth not to be breached over the next eight years. But will actions taken at local level run counter to meeting these objectives? Without the efforts of Maynooth Planning Alliance, Maynooth today would be on a tragic course to becoming a small city in the next decade. Vigilance is now even more necessary, and the community, if it wishes to avoid featuring in a future article by Mr. Myers, needs to continue to shout stop, loud and often, at those who would seek to deprive us of our town to facilitate the ravages of over rapid development.

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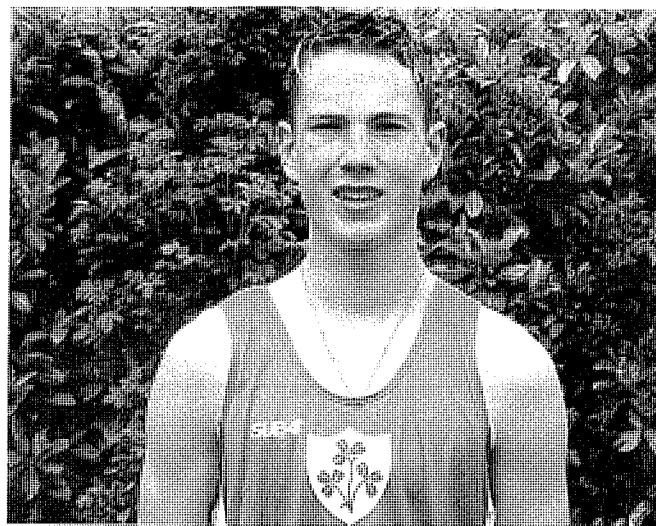
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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB NOTES

We are currently on a break from training until we resume on Wed. 9th September and all athletes will be most welcome. Over the Summer we had fewer competitors than usual but nevertheless scored some very noteworthy successes.



David Campbell prepared for the British and Irish schools championships 800 metres in Glasgow, where he finished in fourth place.

David Campbell took silver in the Irish Schools 800 metres. His Leinster selection was rewarded with an 800 metres

silver and a 4 x 400 relay gold in the Tailtean Games. This earned him his schools international place, taking him to Scotland, where he finished in fourth place behind two English boys and Ray Adams from Belfast. David beat the best of the Scottish and Welsh boys and can be well satisfied with his first outing in a green vest. David also won silver in the N.A.C.A.I. senior 800 metres and broke their under 16 record for 800 metres.

In the veteran ranks David Jolley is having his best season on the roads in years. He took the All Ireland over 50 title over 10k in Bohermeen and followed this up with 2nd place in Enfield over 5 miles and then in Castlepollard he again finished 2nd over 50 in the 5k Road Race.

The Ennis family provided more victories at juvenile level with Pierre running into medals in the Leinster Schools 1,500 to add to his win in the cross-country earlier in the season. However his younger sisters Cianna and Muire returned the complement with medals in the County championships in Kilcock.

The highlight for Muire must have been her victory in the County Community Games after falling in last year's race. We all wish her the very best of luck in Mosney.

Don't forget training starts again in September for all Athletes.

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During the school year, Maynooth Credit Union will be preparing for the Schools Table Quiz, Credit Union Poster Competition, Photographic Competition and possibly some other new competition. As in previous years we hope that the parents will support us and enjoy the events as much as the children do.

With the coming of the new financial year Maynooth Credit Union will also be preparing for our forthcoming Annual General Meeting and we are hopeful of a better turnout of members than we have had in previous years. As a member of this credit union, have you considered any of the other services we offer, such as our Budget Scheme, our Insurance policies, Health insurance cover and our new Will making service. All of which may save you money.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Another successful year with approximately 300 children registering. Trips went to Peatland, Bowling, Fort Lucan, Wax Works, Garda Band in Phoenix Park, Ardkill Farm, Carton Demesne, Films, Donadea and the most favourite Clara Lara. The over 12's had their night time programme and these were well attended, although less in numbers than last year. On the home front we had Pitch and Putt - courtesy Tony and Mary Bean, Dunboyne Road, Soccer Tournament, Crafts, Quiz, Outdoor Games, Bingo and Drama Work Shop.

There was something to suit every taste and the children, leaders and students enjoyed all the trips. We would like to thank the following for their help during the project: Maynooth Community Council, Summer Project Committee especially Claire O'Rourke and Maeve Stynes, Student Leaders, Voluntary Leaders, Parents, V.E.C. and Maynooth I.C.A. for the use of their Hall and C.Y.C. for their help and information. Our Student Leaders this year were Ciara Lennon, Denis Ryan, David O'Rourke, Claire O'Regan, Emma Cooney, Joanne Cunningham and Aisling Kelly and a great bunch of young people they were. They integrated extremely well with the children on the project and with the Community Council office and staff. We would love to have them all again next year. Our Volunteer Youth Leaders were Ciara Baxter and Marie Nangle, Gregory Stynes and once again thanks to those young people who give so generously of their time every year so the young people of Maynooth can enjoy themselves. Without these workers the Project would not be possible as there has to be one adult to every eight children on all outings. We must also pay a special thanks to our youngest committee member Maeve Stynes who worked every day of the Project for the month of July and also did the night time trips. She took complete charge of events when other committee members were not free. With young people like this around we have no fears for our Project. Thanks also to Madeline Stynes who took complete charge of all night time activities and to Freda Kelleher for looking after the treasury. We cannot forget the old faithful Johnny Dowling who turns up every year without fail to give us a dig out - thanks Johnny!

Soccer Winners first week were Awut Ní Mhurchú, Patrick Donnan, Christina Cullen, Edmond Cooney, Mark McCabe, Comán Ó Murchú and Galvin Halford. Runners up were Shaun Doogan, Owen Hinds, Danny Finan, Harry Cleary, Sinéad Ní Bhriain, Brian Shiels and Niall Prendergast.

Winners the second week were Alex Cash, Mark Lord, Ross Cullinane, Ilona Kelly, Danny Walsh, Dara Moore, Katie Donnelly, Orla Carey, Ciarán Carey, Owen Hinds and Comán Ó Murchú. Runners up were Ailbhe and Eimear Flynn, Eibhlín Carr, Anthony Doyle, Barry Harney, Brian Cawley, Brendan Cawley, Thomas Donnelly, Cathal Farrelly and Keith Wong.

Best Soccer Boy - Ross Cullinane.
Best Soccer Girl - Eimear Flynn.

Quiz winners were Rebecca Donnelly, Orla Carey, Karen Murphy and Cian Duffy - Joint second were Declan Kavanagh, Leo Cooney, Paul Kennedy and Aaron Donnelly and Barry Connellan, Eoin Cooney, Brian O'Rourke and Jenny Dornan.

Scavenger Hunt winners were Gregory Styne's team of Carol McCartin, Emma Brady, Aisling O'Connor, Eoin Cooney, Emer Kilduff, Lorcan Brehony and Barry Kilduff.

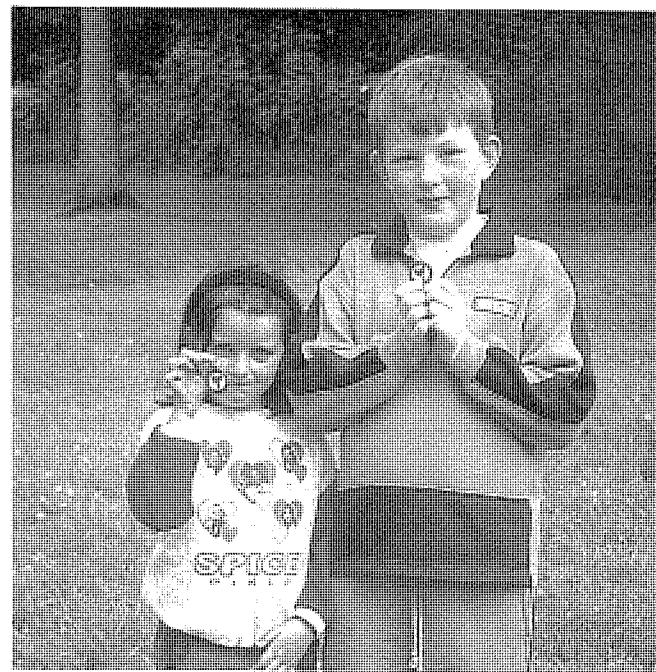
Winner in the Boys U/12 Pitch and Putt Competition was Ross Cullinane and in the Girls U/12 was Stephanie Butler. In the O/12 Competition the winner was Jason Murtagh and in second place was Andrew Lynch and third place was Brian Lynch. Our photo spread is elsewhere in the **Newsletter**.

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Our A.G.M. will take place in October so watch out for date in the **Newsletter**.



Hayley Dowling and Michael Cullen with their medals

Summer Project Photo Scene



Jason Murtagh winner of Pitch & Putt Competition with Claire O'Rourke, Secretary of Summer Project



Bingo prize winners at the Summer Project



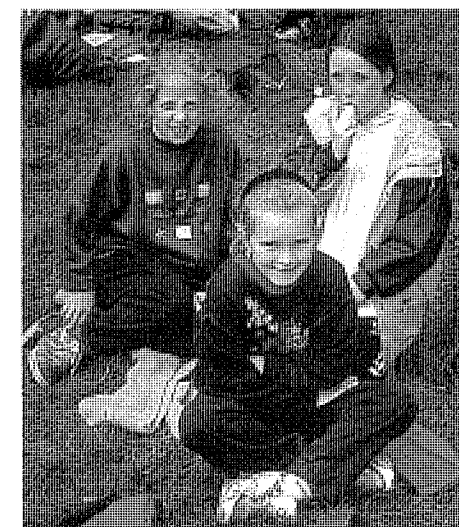
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Children enjoying their picnic on the Project



Maeve Stynes Summer Project Leader with Ross Cullinane, Best Boy Footballer & Eimer Flynn, Best Girl Footballer

Features

LILY WHITE MANIA

The crowds were out in abundance as an exodus to the G.A.A was made on Tuesday 4th August to greet the heroes of the County, the Kildare Team.

People had literally waited for hours to greet their idols as they made their way through the towns, Johnstown, Kilcock, Maynooth, Leixlip, Confey, Celbridge and Clane. The crowd had been gathering on the Main Street since early evening. Children holding flags, eagerly awaiting the entourage that was expected to come through the town. Gradually a whisper floated through the crowd that the team would be going to the G.A.A. first and as the beautiful bright evening was now turning to dusk the walk down Moyglare Road seemed a better option to most. Soon the G.A.A. was swamped, inside and out with eager fans and officials anticipating the impending arrival of the Lily Whites. Mobile phones were the means of communication between the network of spies along the route as the coachload of Lilies made their way towards the town. A major hiccup appeared likely as it looked as if the coach would not be turning down Moyglare Road after all but thanks to the miracles of modern communication and a couple of G.A.A. members in a mechanically propelled vehicle the entourage was headed off towards the G.A.A. as it approached Maynooth town.

The Maynooth Brass & Reed Band provided a musical accompaniment as the coach made its way down the Moyglare Road. Cheers went through the crowd as Paul Flood and Eamonn Ó Muircheartaigh carried the cup through the G.A.A. gates followed by the eager crowd. After much ado the Lily-whites entered the hall amid cheers and pats on the back. They shook hands, posed for photos and generally chatted to everyone. Gradually some of the team made their way to the stage and Rody Molloy welcomed them to Maynooth on behalf of the G.A.A. The cup was held up for all to see, the crowd roared with delight and a very hoarse Glen Ryan took the mike. The past few days had taken their toll of his vocal cords but nevertheless he managed to give the crowd the speech they wanted. Subsequently Davy Dalton and Paul Flood also made speeches and Glen Ryan opened a bottle of champagne and sprayed it over the crowd. Drenched happy fans cheered as the bottle of bubbly showered the group surrounding the stage and a feeling of camaraderie was warmly felt throughout the hall. This was what it was all about.

After signing autographs, making and listening to speeches the still budding Lilies made their way back to their coach and the teams made their way onwards to their next port of call to be greeted by more eager, proud and ecstatic supporters. The spirit of Kildare was wide spread on this historic and memorable Tuesday in August 1998.



(Capt) Glen Ryan and Paul Flood proudly hold up the Victorious Cup amid enthusiastic fans.

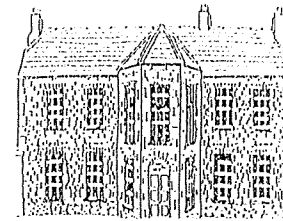


It's not only the men who follow Kildare.



Grandchildren of Brendan Edwards who played for Kildare, Ronan and Roisín Gorey with their mother Breda Gorey. Also in the picture is Jennifer Kavanagh.

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Due to the Summer holidays Maynooth Public Library will extend the Favourite/Funniest Photograph competitions. The deadline for the competitions will be Friday, 18th September. As before, children between the ages of five and nine are asked to send in their Funniest Photograph. The Funniest Photograph will win the Crayola Creation Station!

Children between the ages of ten and fourteen are asked to enter their Favourite Photograph with the reason why it is their favourite in no more than 100 words. The winner of this section will win a Fuji Fotonex 55AF Auto Focus Camera Pack! All entries from both age groups will be displayed in the Library for the month of October, at which time the photographs may be collected by their owners. Winners will be announced on 25th September, so make sure your name, address and telephone number is on your entry so that we can contact you if you win.

Maynooth Public Library are also pleased to announce the arrival of the first instalment of New Children's books this year. Come in and take a look, especially if you are a GooseBumps Fan!

New Children's Books 1998 in the Maynooth Public Library:

Goosebumps by R.L. Stine

Werewolf Skin
 Deep Trouble II
 My Best Friend is Invisible
 The Curse of Camp Cold Lake
 The Blob That Ate Everyone
 Don't Go To Sleep
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 How I Learned To Fly
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 Vampire Breath
 Legend of the Lost Legend
 How to Kill A Monster
 The Beast From the East
 Egg Monsters From Mars
 Bad Hare Day
 How I Got My Shrunken Head
 The Abominable Snowman from Pasadena
 The Headless Ghost
 The Haunted Mask II
 A Shocker on Shock Street
 Revenge of the Garden Gnomes
 The Horror of Camp Jellyjam
 Night of the Living Dummy II
 It Came From Under the Sink
 A Night in Terror Tower
 Return of the Mummy
 The Scarecrow Walks at Midnight
 Monster Blood II

The Werewolf of Fever Swamp
 Stay out of the Basement
 Say Cheese and Die
 Welcome to Dead House

Goosebumps Specials by R.L. Stine

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TV Special 5: My Hairiest Adventure / It Came from Beneath the Sink
TV Special 4: Night of the Living Dummy II / Say Cheese and Die
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TV Special 2: Welcome to Camp Nightmare / Piano Lessons Can Be Murder
TV Special 1: The Cuckoo Clock of Doom / The Girl Who Cried Monster

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Vol. 1: Say Cheese and Die / Welcome to Dead Houses / Stay Out of the Basement
Vol. 9: Ghost Beach / Phantom of the Auditorium / It Came From Beneath the Sink
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The Deadly Past
The Little People
The Wishing Stone
The Terror
Invasion of the No Ones
The Hidden Beast
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The Evil House
The Cold People
The Dark Corner
The Wicked Cat

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Hungry Ghosts by Ellen Streiber
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Shapes by Ellen Streiber

Baby Sitters Mysteries by Ann M. Martin

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Poor Peter’s Penguin Pals
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Sasha and the Wolf Cub by Ann Jungman
The Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine
The Stare by Pat Moon
Rita the Rescuer by Hilda Offen
Pest Friends by Pippa Goodhart
The Owl Tree by Jenny Nimmo
Dog on a Broomstick
Farewell to Ireland by Malachy Doyle
The Great Hunger by Malachy Doyle

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Celtic Myths by Sam McBratney
The Children of Lir by Sheila MacGill Callahan
After the Darkness by Michael Smith
Sea Change by Christine Purkis
Phantom Horse Goes to Ireland by Christine Pullein-Thomson
The War of Jenkin’s Ear by Michael Morpurgo
The Ghost of Grainne O’Malley by Michael Morpurgo
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IRISH STEP DANCERS IN AMERICA

The rail track from New York winds its way across the state of New Jersey; then northwards from Allentown in Pennsylvania to the banks of the Susquehanna River and through the small town of Ashley. Many Irish people worked on the making of that track many years ago. Irish people worked on the cutting of the Erie Canal. Others, who were mainly from the Galway to Derry region, were mine labourers in the local anthracite mines.

Now their descendants, who know Ireland as a small island off the mainland of Europe, dance Irish jigs and hornpipes and the Walls of Limerick. St. Leo’s Catholic Church is the home of the Kerry Dancers of Ashley, Pennsylvania. Many young people and their parents were interested in Irish dancing so the initial group was formed into two.

Their director is a senior at Hanover High School - Brian Clarke - son of James and Kathryn Clarke. Brian has never been in Ireland. His grandfather Patrick Clarke left Ballyhaunis nearly 100 years ago at the age of 9. Granddaughter Erin, a student at Wyoming Area High School, daughter of Cristen and the late Raymond Clarke, is one of the dancers. Patrick Clarke emigrated to Boston where he joined the American Navy.

The dancers wore a beautifully crafted dance costume featuring the Claddagh ring. Brian explained the importance of the Claddagh motto of Love, Loyalty and Friendship forever. The dancers’ capes were bordered with the green, white and orange of the Irish Flag. They have been very successful in winning over 100 medals. They danced in Washington at the Nation’s Capital Feis where there were about 1,000 competitors. They danced for the Telethon at the Convention Hall at Pittston in April 1998. In their spare time they entertain at Church bazaars and in nursing homes. They range in age from the 4 year old Kerryettes to early 20’s.

Another of the dancers was 14 year old Megan Casey, a fresher at Bishop Hoban High School, and daughter of College lecturers Leo and Michelle. Megan’s ancestor came from Croghan, Co. Sligo more than one hundred and fifty years ago, some years before the Famine. He was a railway worker and followed the rail track out from New York. Other dancers were Bridget Manley, Rachel Gill, Amy Kane and their choreographer Nancy Nealon all with Irish ancestors who would be proud of them.

GOOD OR BAD?

We hear so much about resources running out, but nature is very diverse and in a lot of cases there are alternatives. The situation with forestation is serious. At the present rate that trees are being cut down ecologists fear we are heading for an ecological disaster, but again we do not need to fell all these wonderful trees to fill our insatiable need for paper. We also have an alternative to the highly polluting vehicle propellents that we are currently using. We have an alternative to cotton, one of the most heavy users of fertilizers and pesticides in the modern world.

What is this alternative? Simple - HEMP.

This is one of those sustainable natural resources that nature has given us which unfortunately has become unavailable to us because this plant also produces the drug Marijuana.

Hemp has been essential to world commerce for thousands of years and has been mentioned in Chinese history as far back as six thousand years ago. Quite an impressive record! George Washington, along with other American Founding Fathers, was a keen grower of hemp. Thomas Jefferson was probably the first hemp activist (realising hems value to the prosperity of the nation) to encourage farmers to grow hemp instead of tobacco. Activists today claim that hemp can save the world. It can replace most fuels, tree pulp, nuclear fuel, build homes, provide staple food and clothing. It is cheap to grow, without the need for virtually any pesticides, is easy to harvest, and in cases where only the stalks are used, the flower heads and leaves are returned to the soil and act as nutrients. In areas where there is soil deprivation and soil erosion hemp's long tap roots bind the soil together and prevent valuable top soil from being washed away. It is also a natural weed suppressant.

Hemp produces four times more pulp than timber per acre. It produces longer and stronger fibre which produces board that is 3-4 times stronger than that produced from timber. It makes the finest, longest lasting paper of extremely high quality. America's Declaration of Independence was printed on hemp paper and some of the great masters are reputed to have painted on hemp canvas.

Clothing produced from hemp is of such a high quality that after three years a pair of jeans will show virtually no signs of wear, the only difference in the fabric being that it is softer. It can also produce a fabric that resembles the finest silk and can be used to make anything from a silk blouse to a man's suit.

As a food, hemp seeds are second only to soya beans, they have a complete balance of amino acids and are an all round staple food. They are an economical way to grow protein and are totally drug free. The seeds produce a highly nutritious edible oil which is high in Omega 3 and has a strong cardiac protective effect.

The seeds also produce a high quality oil for lanterns, a clean substitute for diesel and a base for non-toxic paints. It is possible that hemp fuel could help us kick our dependency

on highly toxic fossil fuels. Carbon monoxide is high on the list of poisons causing deaths. Our present motor fuel is a poison spreading material because it is distilled with benzene and zilene, among others, all known carcinogenic materials.

Alcohol - also known as ethanol - is the cleanest of all liquid fuel. Fast growing high cellulose plants like hemp can produce ethanol. After 35,000 miles an engine run on ethanol will not dirty a white glove when it is placed inside the exhaust, whereas an engine run on present fuels will have a carbon build up that can be chiselled off.

In the United States and Australia extensive research and testing has shown that 10% ethanol in gasoline lowers some emissions by as much as 25/30%. 10 to 15% ethanol in gasoline eliminates the need for lead in fuel. Ethanol could be produced economically on a small farm or at community level and could become one of the world's leading agro-industries replacing the petroleum industry entirely, thus producing a much cleaner and healthier environment. It is estimated that by the year 2,000 scientists in Australia and the U.S. will have demonstrated processes and technologies for the production of ethanol that will be able to produce ethanol at a price competitive with crude oil prices and hemp will play a major part in this.

Without going into the obvious medical benefits that can be obtained from the flowers and leaves of this plant the fact still remains that it has been used for almost 5,000 years in China and the father of Chinese medicine Emperor Shan Nung included it in his Pharmacopoeia. It has recently been found in the 16,000 year old skeleton of a woman in Jerusalem. Literature from that time indicates that it was also used in Egypt, Syria and Greece. In the Indian sub-continent it is found in many ancient medicines and is still widely used to-day.

With all these positive facts attributed to this wonderful plant the question posed is - at what stage in history did something so good become so bad?

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MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION GROUP COMORADH '98 MAIGH NUAD

"Tree of Liberty" stone erected at entrance to Carton Avenue

On Friday 24th July the 1798-1998 Liberty stone was erected at the Avenue entrance - a prominent and historically appropriate location.

This sculpted stone is one in a series of commemorative stones which have been commissioned by Kildare County Council and in conjunction with the local '98 groups, are being erected in towns throughout the county. The stone, which was designed and crafted by artist Eileen Mc Donagh of Athy is of limestone.

The location, theme and inscription of the stone were chosen by our group. The Avenue is appropriate in that more than fifteen people were killed in the vicinity of Maynooth after the Battle of Ovidstown of 19th June 1798, where the North Kildare army of the United Irishmen was defeated. Many of those killed in Maynooth were hanged from trees in the Avenue leading up to Carton House. This is recorded in a history of Maynooth - "Cannonballs and Croziers", published by the Community Council.

The tree of liberty was a popular image employed by the United Irish in '98 and with the tree lined Avenue and Main Street of present day Maynooth, the positiveness of this symbol seems environmentally suitable.

The wording is a direct quote from a 1790s United Irish publication and reads

"WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND?
IT IS A BRANCH
OF WHAT?
OF THE TREE OF LIBERTY
WHERE DID IT FIRST GROW?
IN AMERICA
WHERE DID IT FIRST BLOOM?
IN FRANCE
WHERE DID THE SEEDS FALL?
IN IRELAND"



1798 Commemoration Liberty Stone

This illustrates the international background and influences on the United Irish men and women in the lead up to the revolutionary times of 1798. The successes of the American revolution, wherein the citizenry overthrew their British colonial rulers, and the French Revolution, with its promise of liberty, equality and fraternity, were powerful influences.

For the United Irish a similar revolution to achieve national independence and social progress was not only desirable in Ireland, but in their rapidly changing world, appeared to them, inevitable.

History, of course, did not quite unfold that way for Ireland, but we hope that the stone is a fitting commemoration to both the bravery of the Maynooth men and women of '98 and the ideals of the United Irish, which can still serve as an inspiration and challenge to us all into the new millenium.

In time, we hope that the area surrounding the entrance to the Avenue will be pedestrianised and the gate piers refurbished, etc.. The stone could be incorporated into such a plan, in agreement with local residents.

Finally, we wish to advise that we will be completing our commemoration events with the publication of a booklet and the announcement of the winners of our schools' competition, shortly.



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LEAVING CERT RESULTS

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Eloise Mac An Airchinnigh examines her excellent results with Principal, Sean Ashe.

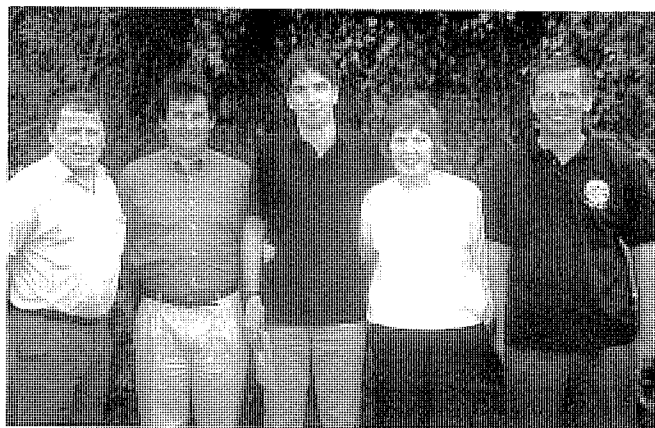
The expressions on the pupils' faces told different stories although one could have been forgiven for mistakenly believing that some had failed from the shocked looks on their faces. Many of these pupils had in fact got brilliant marks and were in shock because they could not believe it themselves. There were others however whose stricken expressions told a different story of disbelief as they read the green paper in their hands. For any pupil in doubt about the results in a given subject there was a form in each envelope to enable one to have results re-checked.

A gradual wave of excitement swept over the students as the reality of their results sank in. The Principal, Sean Ashe and some of the teachers, Mrs. Lorraine Barry, Mr. John McKeown, Mrs. Clare Martin and Mr. Andrew Dunne mingled with the pupils as they stood together in small groups to discuss their various subjects. The topic of points was on everyone's lips as requirements for specific career choices was a major issue.

At one stage it became evident that teaching skills stretch further than the classroom as one teacher consoled a distraught pupil who was not pleased with the results. He

turned the whole situation around as he pointed out the very acceptable results in certain subjects and totalled the overall points so as to throw a different light on this dilemma. His efforts were well rewarded as his pupil realised that things were not as bad as had originally been feared. This is a hidden side of teaching and is a very important quality to have when guiding young students through school towards their future.

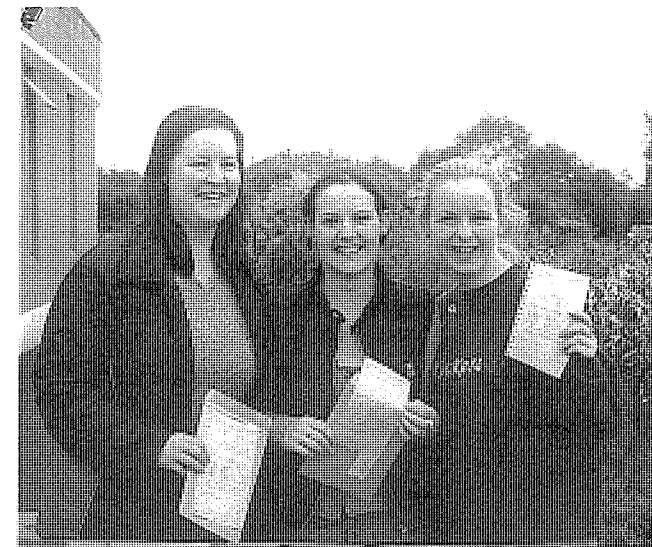
One pupil who is certain to have a great future ahead of him is Declan O'Rourke from Kingsbry, Maynooth. Declan secured 5 A1s together with 2 Cs in his Leaving Certificate. After doing some of his exams Declan was admitted to hospital on a Saturday in great pain and was released on Monday evening to enable him to sit Chemistry and Applied Maths, two of the subjects in which he attained A1s. Declan subsequently went back to hospital to have his appendix removed. He travelled from Wicklow where he was holidaying with some friends to receive his well deserved results. Medicine is Declan's choice of career which he is hoping to study in Trinity College, Dublin. Needless to say Declan's mum, Elizabeth was delighted as she accompanied him to the school to collect the famous brown envelope.



Left to right, Senan Griffin, Sean Ashe, Declan O'Rourke, Elizabeth O'Rourke and Andrew Dunne.

Another brilliant student, hoping to study in Trinity was Eloise Mac An Airchinnigh who got 1 A1 and 6A2s. Louise is from Parson Street, Maynooth, and hopes to study History and English in Trinity. She was very pleased with her marks and was hailed a bit of a heroine by all and sundry when she received her results. Congratulations to all the students who sat the Leaving Cert. and good luck for the future.

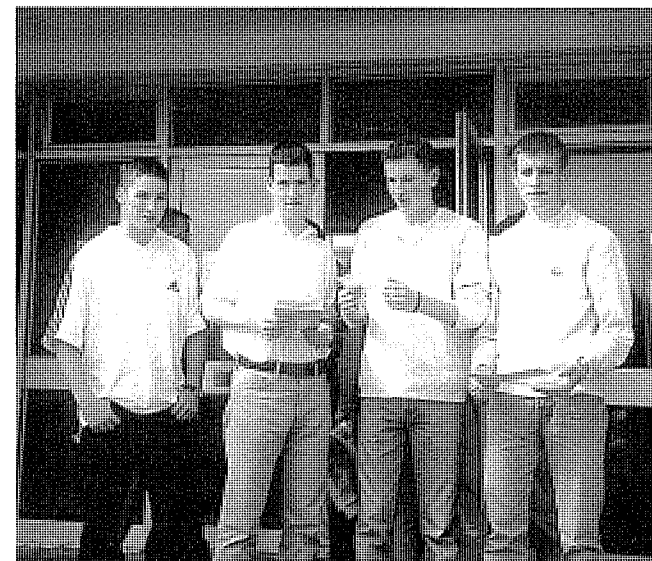
LEAVING CERT RESULTS (Cont)



Valerie Dunne, Marcella O'Reilly and Sharon Halligan happily receive their Leaving Certificate results



Leaving Cert students Pandora Adams, Darragh Carr, Mark McCarron, Ruairi Kelly and Eloise Mc An Airchinnigh with their result sheets



Mark Fitzpatrick, Bernard Fitzgerald, Jamie Moore and Paul Fitzpatrick check out their results at Maynooth Post Primary School



Lynda Fitzsimons, Yvonne Ridgeway, Michelle Farrell, Michelle White and Caroline Flynn

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500 TO Y2K

The above is not a misprint.

The dictionary says that a millenium is a period of 1000 years. The K stands for Kilo which means one thousand. Kilogram - one thousand grams; kilometre - one thousand meters; kilowatt - one thousand watts. What does 2K mean, yes that's right - two thousand - and the Y is years. Y2K is 2000 years or the year 2000.

What is '500 to Y2K'? 500 what?

The year 1999 will have 365 days. September, October, November and December 1998 will have 122 days which makes a total of 487 days. Now in mid August we have 500 days left to Y2K.

The 500 days are very important. We all have ideas of what we would like to do to celebrate the onset of a new millenium. It is such an important event - something which happened only once before since the coming of Christ. Some persons, born before 1900, hope to survive that 500 days and then their descendants will recall an ancestor who lived in three centuries.

From time to time over the next year the Newsletter will publish articles on what Ireland was like at Y1K. What did people plan then? Did their plans succeed? We have the history books to tell us about that time. People say life was much more simple then, but was it? With so much talk now about the retirement of a well known radio personality, and the changes he witnessed during his public life, it is difficult for the under 35 year olds to visualise pre-television Ireland.

The Maynooth Newsletter would like to hear what our readers have planned. Some people are planning reunions of all kinds - particularly clan gatherings. From time to time all sorts of events - both family and local - are mentioned. The most important aim of all of us should be peace in our country - lasting peace - in a country in which the future generations will have security to reach Y3K.

What will the people of Maynooth in Y3K think of us? What do we need to do now so that we will leave a worthwhile legacy to the generations as yet unborn? Each step will lead us along a path into the unknown.

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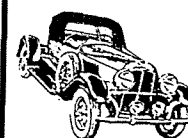
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Diary Date: Friday, 16th October 1998
Venue: Glenroyal Hotel
Time: 9 p.m.

What's so special about this date, you might ask. It's one night of mighty entertainment that you cannot possibly miss.

Guarantee: Maynooth has never, literally never, seen anything like it before. Got you interested yet? Good.

How this venue was described to me - "It will put life back into your granny". That's some powerful recommendation considering my granny has been dead for years, but I think you might be starting to get the picture.

On the 16th ten local guys are putting on an all male (obviously - or is it?) Drag Show to raise funds for local charities and the Sudan Appeal. It is guaranteed to be side splitting, so if you have recently had your appendix removed, check with your doctor first before you decide to go, because laugh you will.

You will see Tina Turner and Michael Jackson as they have never been portrayed before, an extract from Riverdance as it has never been danced before and a version of the Can Can that is definitely not to be missed. This is only a sample of what you will see on the night.

The night starts at 9 p.m. with 60's music, followed by "The Show" which lasts for approximately 1 1/2 hours and finishes off with 2 hours of great music from our own, newly formed, local band VIAGARA, consisting of Harry Flood, Vinny Doyle and Jack Potin.

Tickets are available at £10 each. Enquiries to Vinny Doyle or Harry Flood.

Oh, and ladies, it's OK if you want to bring your fellas along too. Seriously - all are welcome.

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VIDEO REVIEW

The Jackal (18's)

Bruce Willis is the Jackal, the greatest assassin in history, out to eliminate a top U.S. government official. Richard Gere is Declan Mulqueen, an imprisoned underground operative and the only man who can stop him. The director of the F.B.I., played by Sidney Poitier, must take the risk to free one criminal in order to catch another in this explosive, totally intriguing sophisticated suspense thriller.

Two of Hollywood's biggest superstars team up to give two excellent performances as the protagonists and this, together with great special effects, spectacular stunts and a story-line guaranteed to keep you guessing, adds up to a most enjoyable movie.

Although it's far from being a classic of the genre, nevertheless The Jackal is a powerful thrill-ride of action, adventure and espionage that's well worth a look.

Verdict: **Excellent**

Resurrection Man (18's)

Irish actor Stuart Townsend gives a powerhouse performance as the violent psychopath Vincent Kelly in this terse thriller centred around the Shankill Butchers.

Based on the best selling novel by Eoin McNamee, and directed by young Welsh filmmaker Marc Evans, Resurrection Man is shot like a tripped out roller coaster ride, with Townsend throwing himself into the role of Kelly, the golden boy of the notorious gang of Loyalist killers who randomly murdered Catholics in the early 70's.

Swapping the book's subtle ambiguities for disorientating scenes of harsh brutality, the film is eventually let down by the director's gung-ho approach, making this an occasionally powerful and always loud movie that, unfortunately, loses its way.

Verdict: **It's up to you!**

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OFF TO SCHOOL WE GO

The four or five year old is quite likely to have attended play school. There they were in the bigger, older and more responsible group. Now they are surrounded by so many strange faces - many much taller than themselves. Just think of Gulliver on his travels. No wonder a first child may be a bit 'clingy'. The later members of the family are used to their sisters and brothers going off to school and returning home in the afternoon. What can parents do to assure their child? **Keep your promises.** If you are to collect your child at the school gate make sure you leave yourself enough time. The uniform is very important. A ribbon will help to keep the hair neat and tidy. Has your child a name tag? Did you label his clothes, his bag and its contents, his lunch box and drinks container? Does he know his phone number, his surname and address? Can he tie his shoe laces - button his coat - put on his gloves - open his drink and lunch box - go to the toilet unaided? All these things will help to make the transition from home to school easier. When you get to the school show your child where to hang his coat, show him to his seat and Go.

Is there anything you feel your child's teacher should know? Has there been any change in home circumstances during the holidays? Who lives with the child? A note to the teacher will be much appreciated.

The older child will already be familiar with the school routine. You may or may not agree with the teacher but it is better not to criticise the teacher in front of your child. A quiet word with the teacher will iron out any difficulties. Too little homework - too much homework - talk it over with the teacher. Set a time for homework. Make the study area comfortable with good lighting, a table or desk and no television. Keep the television for the leisure area. Read your children's books so you can discuss them. Breakfast is most important. Lunch needs to be well balanced so that the child's energy is sustained for the afternoon.

The other big change comes for the first year pupil in Secondary School. By this time the student should be responsible for his own clothes, bedroom and study habits. Talk, talk and more talk with your child should be your aim. Keep communication channels open.

It's only eight weeks to the Hallowe'en break!!!

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The Annual Vincentian Pilgrimage to Knock in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will take place on Saturday Sept 12th at 8.45 a.m.

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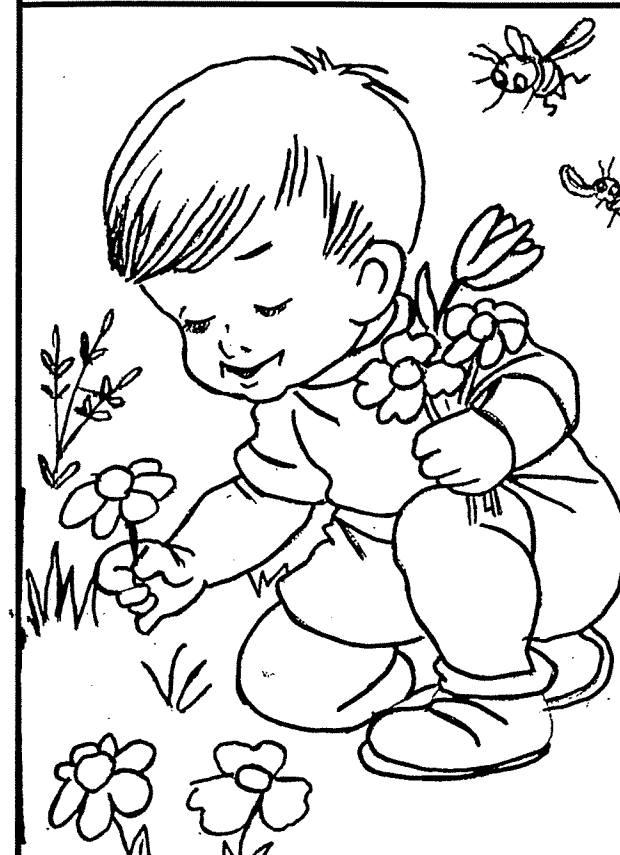
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The proposed Art classes will take place one morning a week with the Bridge classes in the evening.

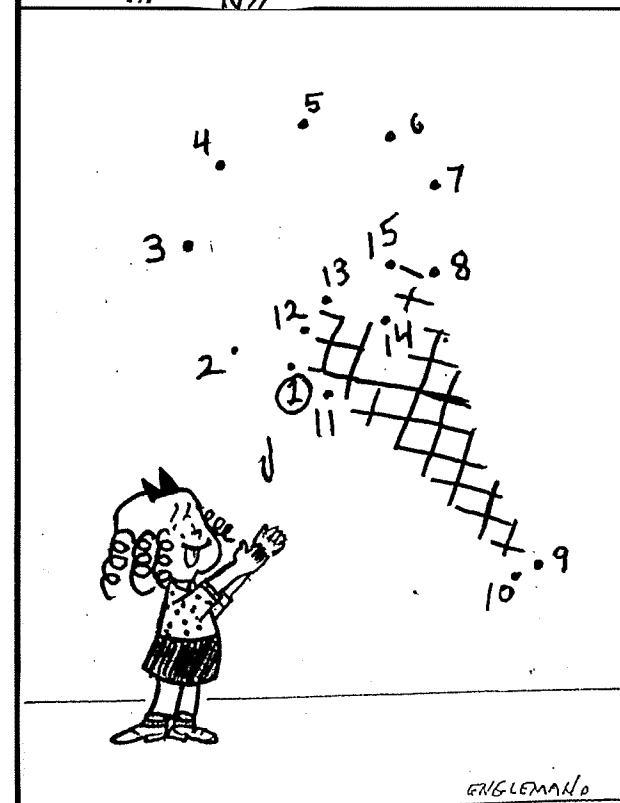
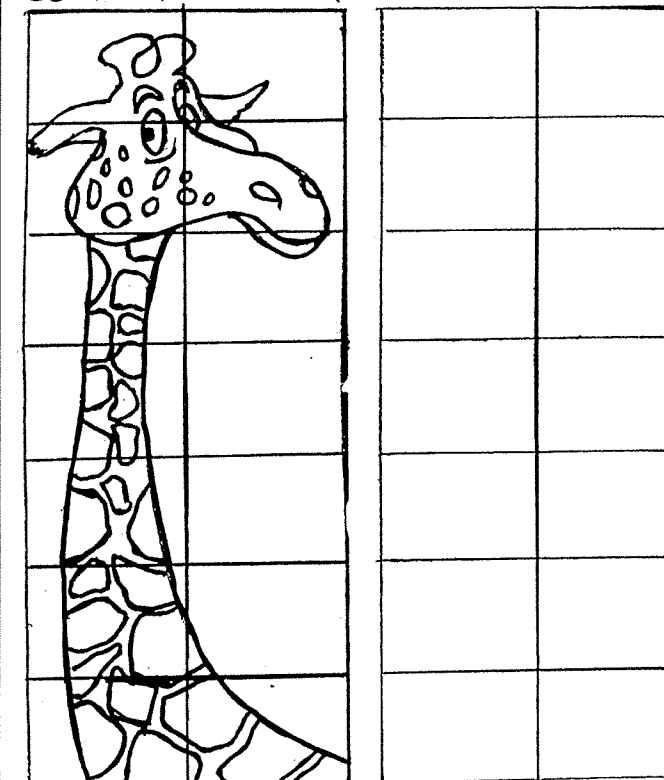
So come along and enjoy a relaxed atmosphere with a cuppa and chat.

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Siobhán Albrecht
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3rd Prize

Niall Watters
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Ba mhór an onóir 'd'Eoin Ó Muirí an paidir sin a rá ag Aifreann Adhladh an tAth. Breandan O'Suipéil. Thug an deis sin sásamh croí do lucht an Ghaelscoil beannacht agus buíochas a thabhairt don fear uasail a thug spreagadh agus dóchas dúinn i laetha tosaigh Ghaelscoil Uí Fhiaich. Chuir sé mí shásamh air nach raibh an Ghaeilge chomh flúirseach aige is ba mhaith leis fein í a bheith aige. Bhí sé beartaithe aige freastal ar na ranganna oíche do dhaoine fásta chun feabhas a chur ar a chuid Ghaeilge, ach bhí plean eile leagtha amach ag an Cruthaitheoir dó.

Ba dhuine é le fíis do Mhaigh Nuad. Thuig sé go raibh dóthain spás sa bhaile don triú bunscoil. Bhí sé sásta lamh cunta a thabhairt don feachtas nua agus murach a chabhair ní fios cad a bhí i ndán dúinn. Fear discrídéach a thuig a cúram go maith mar sagart paróiste a bhí ann agus réitigh sé an bealach do dea caidreamh idir na scoileanna sa pharóiste. Ní raibh easpa misnigh air riamh cinne a dhéanamh ar a stuaim fein gan imprimatur na hUdarais dá mbeadh gá le sin. B'aoibhinn le ná paistí é ag teacht ar cuairt chun na scoile. Bhí sé séimh cinéalta le hóg is aosta. Ba cara mór é agus mothaimid uainn é.

It was gratefully appreciated that Eoin O Muirí from infants class was afforded the opportunity to say the above prayer at the Funeral Mass of the late Fr. Supple. The school wished in a small way to give thanks and a blessing to the man who gave us hope and inspiration in the early days of the school. Fr. Supple was uneasy that his spoken Gaeilge was not as sharp as he would like it to be and had intended to partake in the adult classes, but the Creator had other plans for Fr. Brendan.

Brendan Supple was a man with a vision for Maynooth. He understood that there was sufficient growth in Maynooth to warrant a third national school. From the outset he gave practical help to the new initiative and indeed without his help the road would have been harder and longer. A clear understanding of his responsibilities as Parish Priest coupled with the ability to be discreet and diplomatic were used for the good of the Gaelscoil. He paved the way for the Gaelscoil to develop a good working relationship with the Department of Education and with our sister and brother schools of the parish. Fr. Supple was also a courageous man who was prepared to make decisions on his own if circumstances warranted such action. The children looked forward to his visits to the school and he in turn took pride in their achievements. Fr. Brendan Supple was a kind and gentle man with the young and the not so young who had the good fortune to meet him on his journey through life. We will miss him as a friend and will celebrate his memory through Rang Bhreandán (First Class) in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich.

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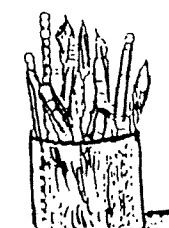
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MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY (Maynooth Task Force)

At the Public Information Meeting, held last March in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth, the proposals detailed in the "Maynooth - Choosing A Future" booklet were endorsed by the people of the town.

In the interim, the Co-ordinating Task Force has continued the process of research and consultation with local and statutory bodies. This work can be classified into two categories (1) Facilitating and co-ordinating discussion among the existing organisations and groups active in the town to ensure agreed benefits to the parties involved and the community at large and (2) Bringing together the various interests and assisting in the development of links with the view to achieving resources and facilities which will be of benefit to all.

The next stage of the process began last June with the formation of three Working Groups. Operating to an agreed remit the groups, one for Commercial Development, another for Physical Development and the third for Social and Amenity Development, were formed to discuss the details of the proposals and to identify as many individuals and Interest groups as possible to be consulted as part of the process. After further discussions with the partners to the project a report on this stage of the work will be available in September.

Social and Amenity Development Working Group: ARTS FORUM

One of the projects being undertaken by this group is the creation of an ARTS FORUM in Maynooth. The purpose of the forum is to bring together individuals and groups involved in the various artistic disciplines to discuss matters of mutual interest and to seek agreement on joint needs and facilities. The main benefit initially will be the raised profile for the Arts in Maynooth.

The working group would like to hear from people both professional and amateur who are involved in any aspect of the Arts, i.e. visual, literary, dramatic, practical and musical. The initial meeting to be held in early September, does not commit people to an ongoing involvement, as we are particularly interested in the first instance of establishing the needs of people involved in the arts in the Maynooth area. To indicate your interest in talking to the working group please phone either of these numbers leaving a detailed message on your interest in this subject. (01) 6286709 or (01) 6291309.

Maynooth Action Strategy can be contacted by writing to:

Maynooth Action Strategy, c/o Dr. John Cullen, Main Street, Maynooth.

CELBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB

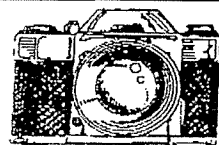
The Celbridge Camera Club Annual Photo Exhibition will be held in Celbridge on the weekend of the 5th and 6th September, 1998.

The exhibition features the work of club members from the beginners to the most advanced, in colour print, colour slide and black and white. Admission is free, so why not drop into the Slip Hall at Castletown Gates on Saturday or Sunday from 11.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. both days.

The Club will run photography classes in late September. Enquiries welcome at the exhibition.

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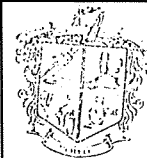


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MEMO FROM A CHILD TO ITS' PARENTS.

Don't spoil me. I know quite well that I ought not to have all I ask for - I'm only testing you.

Don't be afraid to be firm with me. I prefer it; it makes me feel secure.

Don't let me form bad habits. I have to rely on you to detect them in the early stages.

Don't make me feel smaller than I am. It only makes me behave stupidly "big".

Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it. I'll take much more notice if you talk quietly with me in private.

Don't make me feel that my mistakes are sins. It upsets my sense of values.

Don't protect me from consequences. I need to learn the painful way sometimes.

Don't be too upset when I say "I hate you". Sometimes it isn't you I hate but your power to thwart me.

Don't take too much notice of my small ailments. Sometimes they get me the attention I need.

Don't nag. If you do, I shall have to protect myself by appearing deaf.

Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should like. That is why I am not always accurate.

Don't put me off when I ask questions. If you do, you will find that I stop asking and seek my information elsewhere.

Don't be inconsistent. That completely confuses me and makes me lose faith in you.

Don't tell me my fears are silly. They are terribly real and you can do much to reassure me if you try to understand.

Don't ever suggest that you are perfect or infallible. It gives me too great a shock when I discover that you are neither.

Don't ever think that it is beneath your dignity to apologise to me. An honest apology makes me feel surprisingly warm toward you.

Don't forget I love experimenting. I couldn't get along without it, so please put up with it.

Don't forget how quickly I am growing up. It must be very difficult for you to keep pace with me, but please try.

Don't forget that I don't thrive without lots of love and understanding, but I don't need to tell you, do I?

Please keep yourself fit and healthy. I need you.

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A.I.B. COMPETITIONS

AIB recently ran a number of competitions for customers who opened Junior Saver and Teenlink Accounts. Our pictures show the winners in the various categories. AIB, in conjunction with Mothercare, ran an Art Competition for 9 - 11 year olds and the winner in this section was Sean Murray, College Green, Maynooth. Sean received vouchers from both AIB and Mothercare.

The Junior Saver winner was Sarah O'Mahony, Carton Court, Maynooth, who won a camera.

The Teenlink winner was Carolyn Roche, Christianstown, Newbridge, who won a walkman.

A Barney competition for new Junior Saver customers was also held and the prize winners in this section were Jack French, Parklands Close, Maynooth and Michael Gillick, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

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A QUESTION OF I.D.

Local youths have been having difficulty being admitted to some licensed premises in Maynooth town in recent weeks. Garda I.D. cards are not being accepted in some premises and therefore these people are not being served alcohol or admitted to discos. It was understood by the youth that once they had Garda I.D. they would automatically be admitted to licensed premises. However, this has not been the case and in some cases when an I.D. has been produced, but not accepted, a driving licence is the only other means of identification that is deemed to be acceptable proof of age. This can prove a tricky situation for one who does not drive but enjoys a pint. Few eighteen year olds are in the privileged position of being able to own a car, whatever about tax, insurance and fuel to put in on the road.

However, from the publicans' point of view, there are a lot of fake I.D.s floating around and they are ultimately safeguarding our youth by insisting on legitimate I.D. if they are in doubt. A recent enquiry regarding this matter in Maynooth Garda Station resulted in it being pointed out that the publicans themselves provide the machine and the paper for these I.D.s to be made up in the Garda Station, they are trying to ensure there is no underage drinking in their premises and in fact it is at their discretion whether they accept Garda I.D. or driving licenses as proof of age and identification when admitting people to their premises.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES IN MAYNOOTH

Introduction

This year N.U.I. Maynooth Language Centre is offering extra-mural courses in Irish, French, German, Italian, Arabic and English as a Foreign Language. Our language courses are open to people of all ages and backgrounds. The emphasis is on communication and a practical knowledge of the language. Classes are limited to twelve students and take place in an informal, structured atmosphere, to ensure that each learner is given ample opportunity to practise his/her newly-acquired skills. Students may further enhance their language skills by availing of the Language Centre's up-to-date technology. Our Computer Assisted Language Learning facility and Self Access Language Learning centre have the latest language-learning software and audio-visual materials.

All courses are offered subject to demand. Language courses are open to members of the public and to staff and students of the University.

Beginner's Level is suitable for those who have no previous knowledge of the target language.

Intermediate Level is suitable for those who have studied the target language to Junior or Leaving Certificate level.

Advanced Level is suitable for those who have studied the target language at third level or those who have lived for some time in the country of the target language.

FORMATION OF CLASSES

Commencement of classes will depend on a minimum number of enrolments. No more than twelve students will be admitted to each group. If there is sufficient demand, a second class will be formed where possible. The Language Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

A Certificate of Attendance is awarded on request to students with 80% minimum attendance.

DURATION AND DATES

Each course lasts for nine weeks with two hours of tuition each week. The extra-mural term dated will be:

Course 1

Monday, 5th October 1998

Friday, 4th December 1998

Course 2

Monday, 11th January 1999

Friday, 12th March 1999

No classes will be held on public or University holidays. In the event of a class being missed for this reason, an extra class will be added on at the end of the extra-mural term. Please note that Course 2 is a continuation of Course 1.

ENROLMENT FOR COURSES

Enrolment for courses will take place on:

Course 1

Wednesday, 30th September 1998

7.00- 9.00pm

Thursday, 1st October 1998

7.00-9.00pm

Course 2

Wednesday, 13th January 1999

7.00-9.00pm

Thursday, 14th January 1999

7.00-9.00pm

in **Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building**

For E.F.L., please contact us directly.

For participants who join classes after their commencement, enrolment will take place on:

Course 1

Monday, 12th October 1998

7.00-9.00pm

Course 2

Monday, 25th January 1999

7.00-9.00pm

in **Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building**

Enrolment will only take place at the stated times.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES IN MAYNOOTH (CONT.)

COURSE FEES

£59	Wage earners from outside the University
£50	University staff and registered students of the University
£35	Social Welfare Recipients (with proof of situation)
£72	English as a Foreign Language

Cheques should be made payable to: The Language Centre, N.U.I., Maynooth.

Course fees must be paid in full on enrolment; admission to classes is subject to this. Receipts should be retained. Fees will be refunded should a class not take place due to insufficient numbers.

SCHEDULE OF LANGUAGE CLASSES

COURSE 1

Language	Day	Time	Venue	Starting
Arabic - Beginners	Monday	7.00-9.00	T7	5th October
Irish - Beginners	Thursday	6.00-8.00	T7	8th October
Irish - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	T7	6th October
French - Beginners	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	T8	6th October
French Intermediate	Monday	7.00-9.00	A.V.Room	5th October
French - Advanced	Wed.	7.00-9.00	A.V.Room	7th October
German - Beginners	Monday	7.00-9.00	Class Hall E	5th October
German-Intermediate	Wed.	6.00-8.00	Class Hall E	7th October
Italian - Beginners	Monday	6.00-7.30	T8	5th October
Italian - Intermediate	Monday	7.30-9.00	T8	5th October
E.F.L. - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	A.V.Room	Check with Language C.
E.F.L. - Advanced	Thursday	6.00-8.00	A.V.Room	Check with Language C.

COURSE 2.

Arabic - Beginners	Monday	7.00-9.00	T7	11th January
Irish - Beginners	Thursady	6.00-8.00	T7	14th January
Irish - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	T7	12th January
French - Beginners	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	T8	12th January
French - Intermediate	Monday	7.00-9.00	A.V.Room	11th January
French - Advanced	Wed.	7.00-9.00	A.V.Room	13th January
German - Beginners	Monday	7.00-9.00	Class Hall E	11th January
German-Intermediate	Wed.	6.00-8.00	Class Hall E	13th January
Italian - Beginners	Monday	6.00-7.30	T8	11th January
Italian - Intermediate	Monday	7.30-9.00	T8	11th January
E.F.L. - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	A.V.Room	Check with Language C.
E.F.L. - Advanced	Thursday	6.00-8.00	A.V.Room	Check with Language C.

If you require further information contact **Claire Albrecht (01) 7083737**

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ANTIDOTES TO STRESS.

We all know we suffer with stress. What to do about it, that's the problem. The following are some quotes from "The Little Book of Calm". Maybe there is one or more that may help you in times of stress.

"Worry when the time comes".

Most worries are future based. They revolve around things that, in most cases, will *never* happen. Concentrate on the present and the future will take care of itself.

"Start ten minutes early".

Start every journey ten minutes early. Not only will you avoid the stress of haste, but if all goes well you'll have ten minutes to relax before your next engagement.

"Ignore the phone once".

You only have to leave a phone ringing once or twice in your life to appreciate that important calls always ring back. One less pressure in your life.

"Go limp".

Really tense one set of muscles - such as the arms or legs - then quickly let them go limp. The contrast between "tense" and "relaxed" should indicate what "relaxed" really feels like. Dwell on that feeling.

"Love the moment".

When you concentrate your attention on absorbing every detail of every moment - savouring every taste, hearing every sound, noting every colour - you will be calm before you know it.

"Rest in a tub".

A leisurely, warm bath soothes like no other method. Lower the lights, add a few drops of your favourite oil, and you'll be transported.

"Picture yourself".

Picture yourself on an idyllic South Pacific island. See yourself on the sun-bleached sands. Note what you're wearing, the relaxed way you're standing, the way the breeze blows your hair, the calm, semi-smile on your face. Now imagine what it *feels* like to be there.

"Get it off your chest".

Articulating your problems often takes you half way to solving them. Share your feelings and problems with someone else and you will feel more peaceful.

"Use a soft voice".

Have you ever noticed a calm person with a loud voice?

"Know when to stop".

For most activities in life, there are no prizes for perseverance. When you know your stress levels are rising, stop what you're doing - either take a break or do something else.

AROMATHERAPY.

Aromatherapy can be used as a treatment for a wide range of illnesses particularly stress related ones. It can also be used as a preventative measure to promote a sense of well being. It helps to ease aches and pains in older persons.

What is it? It is a therapy designed to help, cure or heal by the correct use or application of pure essential oils obtained from plants. They can be used by dabbing some on to a tissue and inhaling. One of the usual ways is by using an oil burner. A few drops of oil are added to a small amount of water and this is placed over a night light in the burner and as it gently heats, the aroma is released. For a comforting bath, a few drops may also be added to the bath water or massaged into the body.

When lavender oil is used in an oil burner it freshens the air and makes for a relaxing atmosphere. A little drop of rosemary on a tissue is invigorating and refreshing, it sharpens the memory and enlivens the mind. How about 6 - 8 drops of geranium oil in your bath? Some basil oil on a tissue is a great way to relieve a stuffed up nose.

Now that the autumn is here we all want to feel energetic. Perhaps some of those essential oils are just what we need.

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MAZEWorld REVISITED

Keeping the kids amused during their free time is a way of life for most parents. Long journeys to entertainment centres can be a hassle so having a means of entertainment on our doorstep is a real bonus. Such a place exists in Maynooth in the form of **Mazeworld**. Situated four miles from Maynooth, up the Moyglare Road, this is a five acre field of maize which has been cut to form a puzzle trail in the shape of a maze.

The Maze in the Maize:

It is a working maize field which will be harvested as silage in October and used during winter to feed cattle. This novel idea was brought to life by Deirdre Hughes with the help of Tom Madigan and Cormac O'Donnchú. It was first opened last summer and has been helped along the way with publicity from 98FM this year.

Mazeworld has not only provided entertainment for the children locally, it has also given summer employment to people in Maynooth and surrounding areas with approximately 22 people working on this project.

Mazeworld opened from 24th July to 31st August, seven days a week, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. and will remain open on weekends only throughout September through to early October.

Mazeworld will provide hours of fun for all the family with all round outdoor activities. For the younger members of the family the Mini Maze allows the little ones join in the fun while still under your watchful eye. Pet Farm consists of pigs, goats, rabbits, a hen with baby chicks, turkeys, geese, ducks and a pheasant.

Bubble World is where adults and children alike will most definitely linger, making giant bubbles using Mazeworld's specially formulated secret bubble mix.

Facepainting is also available in Bubble world and the children love the characters created by the talented artist who patiently fulfils the youngsters' wishes.

For the creatively minded there is a Pottery making section where the kids use modelling clay to create works of art.

Sandland is a large sand pit with buckets and spades to hand for children to spend hours of fun while parents can sit back and relax.

A Coffee Shop and Picnic Area provide a relaxing atmosphere to wind down and stock up during the day and a souvenir shop provides little memoirs of this great day out. Goodies can be bought in the sweet shop for those who want to sweeten up their day.

A trip to Mazeworld entails a lot more than solving the maze, it provides a great day out for one and all, so put on a pair of comfortable shoes, gather up the family or grab a few friends and make your way to Maynooths' a-maze-ing attraction for a fun day out.



Laura O' Toole, and Eibhlín Carr in the Maze in the Maize at Mazeworld.



"We're forever blowing bubbles". Having fun in Bubble World at Mazeworld.



Karen O'Reilly having fun in sand land at Mazeworld.

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The Dream

With one glance back I turn to the light
And leave the world of illusion to-night.

I close my eyes and drift away
Among the stars I go to play
The sounds of space with me vibrate
The molecules of my body palpitate.

I beat in sync with the stars that glow
The colours and hues match my energy so
I glow just like the cosmic dawn
The stars and space and I are one.

I'm free at last, I am home
I leap and dance, I'm not alone
All of creation breathes in and out
"I'm here, it's me" I shout and shout.

No strings, no strings, yippee, yippee,
But now a gate in front I see
"Oh God let me in, let me in" I plea
"I've done my time, I've paid my fee".

He comes with a key to let me in
I dazzle him with my big wide grin
"I'll let you in my dear but you see
This pain you feel will follow you through eternity".

"That's not fair" I scream, I shout
"Whats all this crap of heaven about.
You sent me down". "No" He says to me
"It was your choice, one day you'll see".

"Go back" He says, "you must transmute
Your world of illusion into the truth.
You know who you are". I do? who me?
He looks at me, inside of me and right through me.

I feel no shame - there is no blame
His love for me burns like a flame.
With this truth I lose all my confusion
I'll go back to earth to transmute the illusion.

"You must speak your truth - always" He says
"Look into their eyes and speak through the haze
As illusion slips away you will burn so bright
Just like the stars in the sky at night".

With one glance back I turn from the light
Back to the world of illusion - and wake up with fright.

M. de Búrca.

PRESS RELEASE:

Coonan Auctioneers report the sale of a premises on Main Street, Celbridge, Co. Kildare for £382,000.

Over 30 people attended the auction, with 5 bidders.

The property was opened at £180,000, placed on the market at £380,000 and subsequently sold for £382,000.

The property's site area extends to c.2,600 sq. ft. and accommodation includes:

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Coonans also report having a number of disappointed under-bidders looking for similar properties.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY

I would like, on behalf of the staff, to congratulate all the students who performed exceptionally well in the Leaving Certificate this year. As with all examinations some students produced surprising results and a few will be disappointed, but, overall it was a good year. I would like to wish each student the best of luck and good fortune in their chosen careers and furthermore to thank the parents of the outgoing Leaving Certs. for their co-operation during the past 5/6 years.

The inspection of scripts will take place in the school on Friday 4th September between 6 and 9 p.m. and two sessions on Saturday, 5th September, at 9 a.m. - 12 noon and 2 p.m. - 5p.m. It is important to remember than any student seeking an inspection should do so prior to the 28th August. Mr. Seamus McManus is in charge of the process.

School will re-open as follows:

1st Years: Tuesday 1st September.

Leaving Cert., Junior Certs.: Wednesday 2nd September.

All students on Thursday 3rd September.

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Reflexology - What exactly is it?

Reflexology is a method for activating the healing powers of the body. It is both old and new. From ancient texts, illustrations, and artifacts, we know that the early Chinese, Japanese, Indians, Russians and Egyptians worked on the feet to promote good health. Today many of these same techniques have been developed into a modern scientific method called reflexology. What joins the ancients with the moderns is the long-established principle that there are energy zones that run throughout the body and reflex areas in the feet that correspond to all the major organs, glands and body parts.

In the early years of the twentieth century Dr. William Fitzgerald developed the modern zone theory of the human body, arguing that parts of the body correspond to other parts and offering as proof the fact that applying pressure to one area anaesthetized a corresponding area. Dr. Edwin Bowers, Fitzgerald's colleague, used a dramatic demonstration to convince others of the validity theory. He showed that he could stick a pin into a volunteer's face without causing pain if he first applied pressure to the point in the person's hand which corresponded to that area of the face.

In the 1930's, Eunice Ingham, a physiotherapist for Dr. Joseph Riley, who was also a student and advocate of the theory, used zone therapy in her work with patients. She concluded that since the zones ran throughout the body and could be accessed anywhere, some areas might be more accessible and effective than others. She was right. The feet were the most responsive areas for working the zones because they were extremely sensitive. Eventually, she mapped the entire body on to the feet and discovered that an alternating pressure on the various points had therapeutic effects far beyond the limited use to which zone therapy had been previously employed, namely reduction of pain, and so reflexology was born.

Modern reflexology is both a science and an art. As a science, it requires careful study, faithful practice, a sound knowledge of the techniques, and skill. Yet as one of the healing arts, reflexology yields the best results when the reflexologist works with dedication, patience, focused intention, and above all, loving care.

Some of the many benefits of reflexology:-
Reduces stress and induces deep relaxation
Improves circulation
Cleanses the body of toxins and impurities
Balances the whole system
Revitalises energy.
Is preventative health care.

The feet are a perfect microcosm or mini-map of the whole body. All the organs, glands and body parts represented in the foot are laid out in the same arrangements as in the body. Even the inside curve of the foot corresponds to the natural curves in the spine. The toes are like little heads. The ridge beneath them on the top part of the ball of the foot is a

natural shoulder or neck line. It is possible to tell if a person is high or low waisted just by looking at the foot.

There are some important biological and anatomical reasons for working with the feet. They are farthest from the heart, where circulation tends to stagnate. People with chronically poor circulation often have tender or swollen hands and feet. It is good to stimulate and encourage blood flow to these extremities. What's more, gravity pulls toxins downward. Inorganic waste materials such as uric acid and calcium crystals can build up in the bottoms of the feet. An experienced reflexologist can actually feel these deposits with his or her hands and break up these crystals with reflexology techniques. Kneading the feet during reflexology breaks up the deposits and improves circulation in the feet themselves.

The feet are distant enough from the torso that most people are not threatened by having someone work on them. Since many people are not used to having someone else lay hands on them it helps them relax if the area being worked on is not too close to the "vital centre". The foot is also ideally shaped and sized for the human hand. A foot can be held naturally and easily. It is neither too big nor too small. When receiving a reflexology treatment a person has a reassuring sense that the reflexologist is in control. It is not like massage, where the practitioner works on one part of the body and leaves it to move on to another. In reflexology the receiver has a sense that even though the reflexologist's hands move around on the feet, it is the entire foot that is being worked on continuously. This is very reassuring and the effect is more holistic.

The laying on of hands and the specific techniques for applying pressure to the feet create the channels for healing energy to circulate to all parts of the body. No instruments or gadgets are ever used, only the hands. When practiced in conjunction with sound medical advice from your physician, reflexology facilitates healing.



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STUDENT SUMMER JOBS SCHEME 1998

A Students Summer Jobs Scheme was sponsored by Maynooth Community Council throughout the Summer months of 1998. There were seven students working on the scheme this year, all studying at third level colleges throughout the academic year 1997 - 1998.

The scheme provides employment for third level students and students in Post Leaving Certificate courses of more than one year's duration who are unable to obtain summer work and are disqualified from claiming Unemployment Assistance during the summer holidays. The scheme is in operation from 1st June to 30th September 1998. Students are allowed to work 200 hours over a 6-17 week period at the rate of £3.00 per hour not subject to tax or PRSI. The maximum hours worked per week cannot exceed 35 and the full hours cannot be completed in less than 6 weeks. Any information on the scheme can be obtained from the Dept. of Social Welfare.

The students working with the Community Council were extremely helpful with the work involved in the build up to Festival Week and also during Festival Week. They were obliging and well-mannered and proved a great hit with the children when they worked during the weeks of the Summer Project. They mixed well with the staff in the Community Council Offices and helped out with general office work when required.

Maynooth Community Council has been sponsoring the Students Summer Jobs Scheme for 6 years now and has found it a very successful project.

One of the students, Ciara Lennon of Kilmacradock is studying Business Studies in A.I.T. Athlone. Ciara enjoyed working on the scheme immensely, especially with the children. Ciara hopes to work with children in the future teaching them horseriding and eventually hopes to own her own yard.

Denis Ryan, another student comes from Roscommon and is studying Science in Maynooth College. Denis wants to be a teacher and while he found the scheme "enjoyable enough" he particularly enjoyed working with the children and found it beneficial considering his plans for a career in the teaching field. Denis also found everyone nice to work with.

David O'Rourke from Kilkenny is studying Computers and Business Studies in Marino College in Fairview. David found the office element of the work interesting as he plans to work with computers as a career. Seeing the Newsletter being put together was particularly beneficial to him as the computers are used for ads and text and all the pages of the magazine are done up on them before going to print.

The Summer Project was Claire O'Regan's favourite part of

the scheme. Claire had a great rapport with the children and this will be of great benefit to her in her choice of career, Claire is from Cork and is currently studying Science in Maynooth College. Physiotherapy is Claire's choice of career when she finishes college. She thoroughly enjoyed working with the other students and would definitely like to partake in the scheme again.

While the scheme was beneficial to the students, the Community Council found the students equally of benefit as the summertime was a very busy time for local activities for young and old alike. All hands were on deck to ensure that things ran smoothly and the Student Summer Jobs scheme helped to keep the boat on course.

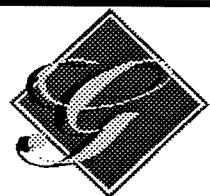


Student Denis with some of his charges on the summer project



Students L - R Back David O'Rourke, Denis Ryan, Clare O'Regan, Middle L-R Aisling Kelly & Emma Cooney & front Ciara Lennon.

Hobbies & Interests



ARDENING



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SEPTEMBER IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

Prepare all sites for new trees, shrubs and hedges to be planted later this year or early next year. Prepare the ground by double digging and add fertiliser to the sub-soil.

Give hedges their last pruning and clipping at the end of the month. Complete the pruning of climbers and ramblers. Tie in new replacement shoots. Dead-head roses. Tie in new growths of shrubs and climbers.

Flowers:

Plant daffodils, hyacinths, snowdrops and crocuses in positions where they are to bloom.

Plant more bowls of forced bulbs for flowering indoors during winter and spring. Keep them in a cool and dark place, and water if necessary.

Dead head herbaceous perennials that have finished blooming.

Tie in and support tall and late-flowering plants to give them support.

At the end of September pull up remains of bedding plants from borders and add them to the compost heap. Fork over the soil, add bonemeal fertiliser, firm it in and leave ready for spring bedding plants or annuals which will be sown at the end of this month or the beginning of October.

Lift gladioli corms and dahlia tubers carefully. Remove the soil and dead foliage and store them in a cool frost-free place for the winter.

Get sites ready for herbaceous plants and plant paeonies, irises and hardy carnations and pinks.

Cut and dry seed-heads of flowers such as poppies, chinese lanterns and honesty. These can be used for winter flowering arrangements.

Fruit:

Harvest apples and pears and store healthy fruit. Pick plums when they are ripe and prune the trees afterwards.

Pick autumn-fruits such as raspberries, loganberries and blackberries. Prune back the old canes to soil-level.

Pick autumn-fruiting strawberries and cover the plants with cloches in order to protect them against bad weather and birds.

Prepare any ground needed for autumn or early winter planting of new fruit bushes or trees.

Vegetables:

Lift and store potatoes and carrots.

Plant out winter and spring cabbages, kale and savoy.

Pick all fruits from tomato plants and ripen them indoors. Pull up the plants and discard them.

Compost or discard any finished vegetables before they start rotting.

Dig all spare ground, add animal manure or well rotted compost (do not add lime at this stage). Leave it dug rough.

Plan next year's cropping rotation of vegetables.

Under Glass:

Pick all tomato fruits at the end of September. Ripen green tomatoes in the home. Pull up plants. Fork over the soil and sterilise if it is infected by disease or pests.

Remove all shading from the greenhouse, give plants less water and ventilate according to the weather. It may be necessary to start heating the greenhouse at the end of this month, depending on the weather.

Prick out cyclamen sown in August.

Winter and spring flowering plants should be brought in from cold-frames. Water and feed them when necessary. Continue to water and feed other greenhouse plants which were sown last month.

Sow suitable cultivars of carrots, radishes and lettuces under cloches or in cold-frames for winter use.

Indoor houseplants can now be fed and watered less often. Remove them from the window areas at night in order to protect them from frost.

Don't Forget:

Lawns can be mowed less frequently from now on. Fork or spike lawns if compacted. Apply an autumn lawn fertilizer. New lawns can be sown now.

Remove weeds regularly and spray against diseases and pests.

Houseplants:

A houseplant should ideally be able to spend the whole of its life in the home, growing healthily and actively.

While most greenhouse plants benefit from good light many of the green-leaved plants grown in the home are naturally adapted to shady conditions found in homes.

Lack of humidity is a problem in most homes, and unless it can be provided by regular misting it is best to avoid those plants requiring high humidity. Most plants will grow happily in a proprietary peat-based compost.

Always bear in mind that plants grown in pots only have a limited root-run and the nutrients in the compost can soon become exhausted. For that reason most houseplants will benefit from regular feeding during the growing period.

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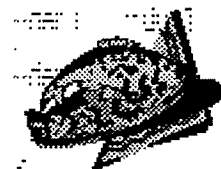
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2 sprigs of thyme
Cream or thick yogurt.

Wipe mushrooms and chop finely.
Sauté onions in butter or oil until onion is transparent.

Stir in mushrooms, potatoes, stock and thyme.

Simmer for 30 minutes. Taste and season. Serve with a swirl of cream or yogurt.

GOLDEN STUFFED POTATOES

Serves 4

4 large baking potatoes
4 Anchovy fillets, finely chopped
2 tablespoons natural yogurt
2 finely chopped scallions (spring onions)
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1-2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley or chives.

Scrub potatoes and bake in a hot oven until tender with crisp skins. Mash anchovies and combine with yogurt and scallions. Cut the tops from the hot, cooked potatoes and scoop out flesh, leaving a 6 mm (1/4") thick shell.

Mash and combine with the anchovy mixture. Add lemon juice to taste and season. Fill mixture back into potato shells and place under a hot grill until golden brown.

Sprinkle with herbs before serving.

LEG OF LAMB WITH PEAR AND THYME SAUCE

Serves 8

Leg of lamb, trimmed
2 cloves garlic, cut into slivers
sprig of fresh thyme
olive oil
1 onion, sliced
1 small pear
1 teaspoon honey

Sauce:

125 ml. / 1/4 pint good lamb stock
Sprig of fresh thyme
4 white peppercorns, crushed
1 tablespoon honey
1 small pear, peeled and chopped
30g. / 1oz butter
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas 4. Score skin of lamb and insert garlic and thyme into slits. Brush with a little olive oil. Place joint in roasting tin with sliced onion and 125 ml/1/4 pint water. Cook for 80-100 minutes according to taste, adding more water if necessary during cooking.

Just before lamb is fully cooked, mash or liquidise the peeled pear with honey. Glaze surface of joint with this mixture before finishing cooking.

When lamb is cooked, wrap in foil and keep warm. Remove onion and excess fat from roasting tin before making sauce with the remaining juices. Place all sauce ingredients except butter in a saucepan. Cook gently for 1 minute. Strain through a fine sieve before adding juices from roasting tin.

Carve lamb, reheat sauce, add butter quickly, and stir in.

Put a little sauce over each serving of lamb.

CHOCOLATE FUDGE CAKE

Makes 10 slices

50g / 2oz cocoa powder
175g / 6oz unsalted butter
275g / 10oz caster sugar
3 eggs, size 3, beaten
250g / 9oz plain flour
1 1/2 tablespoons bicarbonate of soda
1/2 tablespoon baking powder

Icing:

75g / 3oz unsalted butter
4 tablespoons milk
350g / 12 oz icing sugar
2 tablespoons cocoa powder

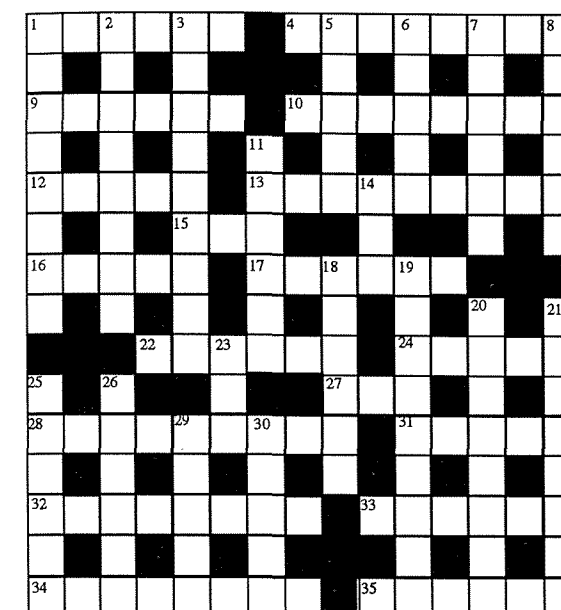
Filling:

75g / 3oz unsalted butter
175g / 6oz icing sugar, sifted.

Preheat the oven to 180°C/350°F Gas Mark 4. Grease 2 (20cm/8in) round sponge tins (at least 4cm/ 1/2 in. deep) and base-line with greaseproof paper. Blend the cocoa with 240ml 1/8 fl. oz boiling water. Soften butter and place in a bowl with sugar and 4 tablespoons of cocoa mixture; beat until light and fluffy. Gradually beat in the eggs and remaining cocoa mixture. Sift the flour, bicarbonate of soda and baking powder and gently fold in. Divide the mixture between the cake tins. Bake for 25 minutes until risen and firm to the touch. Leave in the tins for 5 minutes then turn out on to a wire rack to cool completely. Meanwhile, for the icing, place butter and milk in a small pan and heat gently until melted. Sift in icing sugar and cocoa and beat until smooth. Reserve 4 tablespoons of the icing and chill the rest until thickened, stirring occasionally.

For the filling, beat the butter and icing sugar until smooth then beat in the reserved chocolate icing. Chill until firm. To assemble the cake, remove lining paper and sandwich the sponges with the chocolate buttercream filling and spread the icing over the top and sides with a palette knife.

Crossword No. 129



Entries before Monday 21st Sept

Name _____

Address _____

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Across:

1. Batter (6)
4. O.K. (3,5)
9. Extra performance (6)
10. Feelings (8)
12. Punctuation mark (5)
13. Intimidating (9)
15. First lady (3)
16. Incorrect (3,2)
17. Made one's home (6)
22. Star like (6)
24. Robbed (5)
27. Insect (3)
28. Literary collection (9)
31. Mistook (5)
32. Most skinny (8)
33. Annoy (6)
34. Submissive (8)
35. Concurred (6)

Down:

1. Beverage containers (4,4)
2. Ease of action (8)
3. Not right (9)
5. Range (5)
6. Moving part (5)
7. Girl's name (6)
8. Hanging ornament (6)
11. Sharper (6)

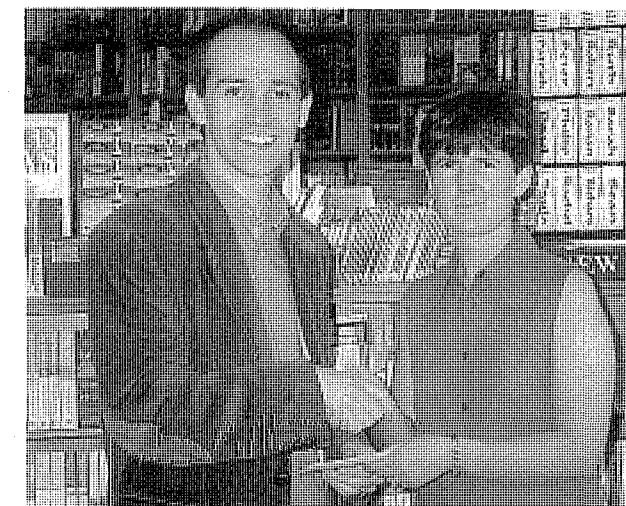
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14. Cereal (3)
18. Spreads out (6)
19. Festive confectionary (6,3)
20. Oatmeal (8)
21. Moron (8)
23. Up to (3)
25. Insignificant (6)
26. Withdraw one's labour (6)
29. Admitted (5)
30. Celtic hero (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 129

Across: 1. Scribe; 4. Differed; 9. Become; 10. Comrades; 12. Rocks; 13. Positions; 15. Hah; 16. Crete; 17. Expert; 22. Albert; 24. Fresh; 27. Ewe; 28. Reduction; 31. Raise; 32. Clerical; 33. Incite; 34. Speckled; 35. Peanut.

Down: 1. Subtract; 2. Ricochet; 3. Bombshell; 5. Irons; 6. First; 7. Radios; 8. Desist; 11. Sphere; 14. Ice; 18. Potent; 19. Reference; 20. Petition; 21. Sheerest; 23. Bit; 25. Bricks; 26. Adhere; 29. Chick; 30. Irate.

Winner of Crossword 129:
Mary Callaghan, 145 Kingsbry, Maynooth.

Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

County Development Plan / Maynooth Plan

The draft plan for the County is on display in the Council offices from the 10th August to 10th November.

Section 2.5, page 47 is the most important as far as Maynooth is concerned. This sets a population target of 11,500 by 2006 and states that lands will be rezoned in accordance with the population targets. Some Councillors have indicated that they will be taking factors other than population targets into account when the submissions on the Amended Draft plan for Maynooth (1996) are considered. In other words they want to rezone more than that required.

The people of Maynooth won't have any further say in this matter as the senior planner has advised Cllr. John Mc Ginley that the Maynooth plan does not have to go on any further display as it has gone through the Amended Draft Stage in 1996.

Therefore the only say the public will have on the Maynooth Plan is through the County Plan presently on display. Cllr. John Mc Ginley is of the view that without the acreage to be rezoned alongside the population target the whole exercise is meaningless. That is why Cllr. John Mc Ginley voted against the County Development Plan.

MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT WORKS

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has been advised by Kildare Co. Council that agreement has been reached with a contractor to complete the Main Street improvement works.

A recommendation has been forwarded to the Co. Engineer which would see a contractor starting work on September 10th.

We are pleased that work will now restart on the Main Street.

OLD GREENFIELDS

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted a motion to Kildare Co. Council requesting the preparation of an Environmental Improvement Scheme for Old Greenfields-House No's 822 to 859. This is a follow on from the house improvements carried out in the area. The scheme is funded totally by the Department of the Environment and residents can decide what improved landscaping they want for the green areas. Footpaths will also be upgraded under the scheme.

STOPPING TRAFFIC FROM USING THE GREEN AREAS AND PEDESTRIAN WALKS

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion to Kildare Co. Council:

"That bollards be provided in the following areas"

(a) At either end of the pedestrian walk between Kingsbry

and Greenfield Close.

(B) At the bottom of Greenfield Lane, between the bridge and the existing bollards, to stop vehicles from driving on the green to avoid the existing bollards.

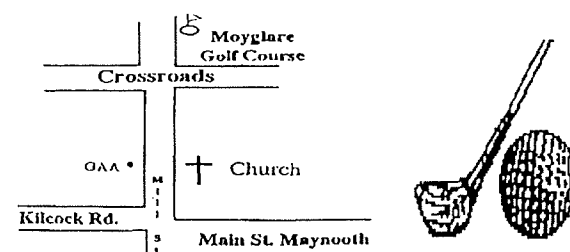
CONDITIONS OF FOOTPATHS/ROADWAY BETWEEN PARSON STREET AND BOND BRIDGE

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has requested the Council to provide a footpath between Bond Bridge and Parson Street and to cut the ivy and weed growth on the bridge walls and on the new footpath in Parson Street. The ivy and weed growth is making a dangerous bridge even more dangerous.

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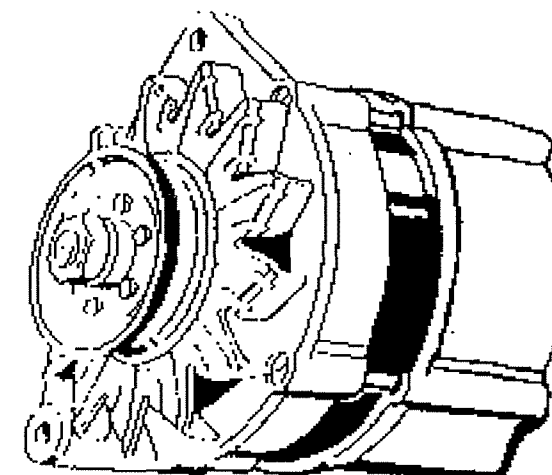
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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES (Cont.)

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are pleased that negotiations with SIPTU have succeeded in the issuing of Union approval for the Maynooth Tidy Towns FAS scheme.

Work which will be undertaken by the Committee will include improvements works at the Avenue and Pound Park.

It is now up to the Tidy Towns Committee to formally apply to FAS for renewal of the scheme.

PARKLANDS/CASTLEBRIDGE-SPEEDING PROBLEM

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the Main Road through Parklands Estate, Maynooth, be taken in charge and that traffic calming measures be put in place subsequently".

The purpose of the motion is to curb excessive speeding on the road.

MAYNOOTH CASTLE

A decision on the planning application in respect of alterations to Maynooth Castle has been put back to September 4th.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has made representations to Kildare Co. Council seeking reassurances that the proposed new roof on the Castle Keep is designed in such a way as to blend into the ruins.

Deputy Stagg has also called on the Minister for Arts, Heritage, Gaeltacht and the Islands to provide models and coloured sketched drawings of the proposed works in Maynooth Library so that local people will be able to assess the visual impact of the proposed works.

95 FT MAST REJECTED

Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg have welcomed the decision by An Bord Pleanala to reject the appeals by ESAT Digifone which sought to overturn Kildare Co. Council's original decisions to refuse planning permission for 30 metre masts at Maynooth, Celbridge and Kilcock Garda Stations.

In making the decision on Maynooth, An Bord Pleanala recognised the particular townscape at Maynooth Town Centre and the close proximity of the proposed mast to a

number of listed structures including the Castle, Maynooth College Entrance and St. Mary's Church of Ireland. In effect An Bord Pleanala had agreed with Kildare County Council's original decision on the uniqueness of this area.

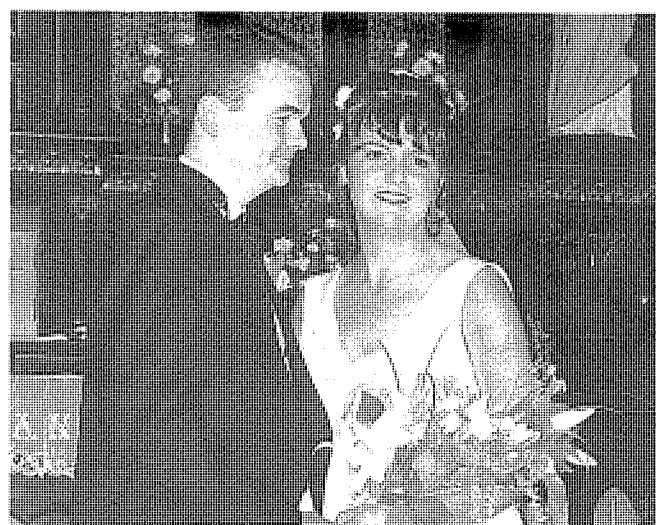
Great credit for this decision is due to Maynooth Community Council, Residents Associations and individuals who opposed the original application.

LABOUR ADVICE SERVICE

Deputy Emmett Stagg's Advice Service will resume on Saturday September 5th at 4.00p.m. in Caulfields. Cllr. John Mc Ginley can be contacted at 6285293.



Anna Marie McDermott, Leixlip and Bernard Livingston, New Jersey, U.S.A. who were married on the 31st July



Ann Purcell and Bob Gabbett who were married recently

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MAYNOOTH TOWN
FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES

As the club gears up for the forthcoming season training is now ongoing for all sides. New players are welcome in all age groups. At the time of writing 8 teams including two from Maynooth are playing in the Harbour Field for the Garda Cup. Our thanks to the local Garda for sponsoring this yearly competition for the 10 year olds. There is also a senior 7 - a side tournament being played at present in the Harbour field. A full report on the competitions will be included in next months Newsletter. The temporary dressing rooms are now on site and work will commence in the next few weeks to paint and fit out the container. The Club will field 13 sides this season (11 of them at schoolboy level) and we would again ask parents to support the team managers of the schoolboy sides. The season will commence on 22nd of August for the 11-a-side game and the 29th/30th for the 8 to 10 year olds. Fixtures can be found in the Evening Herald or the Tuesday prior to match day. Good luck to all the sides involved this season and we hope to see the good support we received last season continue. Schoolboy matches can be seen most Sunday mornings in the Harbour Field starting at 10.30 a.m. All enquiries to Club secretary Gerry Folan on 6286994

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS	
9th Aug'98	No draw due to holidays
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Nolan: With deepest sympathy to son, daughter, daughter-in-law, brother, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of **Tom (Spin) Nolan**, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

(Bright) The family of the late Mary (May) Bright, Greenfield, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely those who were so supportive in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal, Mass and funeral and those who sent mass cards and floral tributes. We especially would like to thank Fr. Joe, the nurses and staff of James Connolly Memorial Hospital, Blanchardstown, Dr. Maurice Cowhey and the very good neighbours and friends. Your support at such a sad time was very much appreciated. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations **Hazel Walsh** on your 21st birthday 17th September 1998. Lots of love Mammy, Daddy and Sandra.

Birthday wishes to **Cecilia Iole** who is celebrating her 6th birthday on the 10th September with lots of love from Mammy, Daddy, Granny, Aunt Sandy and Amy.

Happy birthday to **Adam Nyland**, Celbridge who will be 5 years old on September 2nd. Love from Nannie Nyland.

Happy birthday to **Rikki McTernan** age 7, September 8th and cousins **Aileen McTernan**, Moyglare Village, age 13, September 22nd, **Keith McTernan**, Dunboyne, age 20 September 9th, **David McTernan**, Kilcock, age 20, October 19th. Best wishes from Mammies, Daddies, Grannies, Grandads, Brothers, Sisters and all your friends.

Birthday greetings to **Mrs. Nan Tracey**, Mariaville, who celebrated her 89th birthday, August 11th. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and best wishes to **Sandra & Pascal Ennis** on the birth of their first baby, a little girl Aisling from Granny and Grandad Moore, Aunty Geraldine, and Uncle Paul.

Congratulations and best wishes to **Miriam and Liam Magee**, Thornhill Heights, Celbridge on the birth of their daughter Alison, a little sister for Shauna, from Granny and Grandad Higgins.

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Gearóid and Ita McTernan, Parson Street who celebrated their 51st Wedding Anniversary, September 3rd. Peter and Jackie McTernan Courthill Drive Dunboyne who celebrated their 27th Anniversary on 23rd July. **Paddy and Mary Nolan**, Castlebridge, who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary, August 27th.

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Thursday	10-12 noon	Calligraphy Mother and Toddlers Group
Friday	10-12 noon	Feng Shui Aromatherapy Computers
	12.30-2.30	Flower Arranging for Beginners

The above classes run for nine weeks. Enrolment is on Monday September 14th. Classes start on Monday September 28th. Enrolment for Parenting is on September 9th, and this class will start on Wednesday September 16th.

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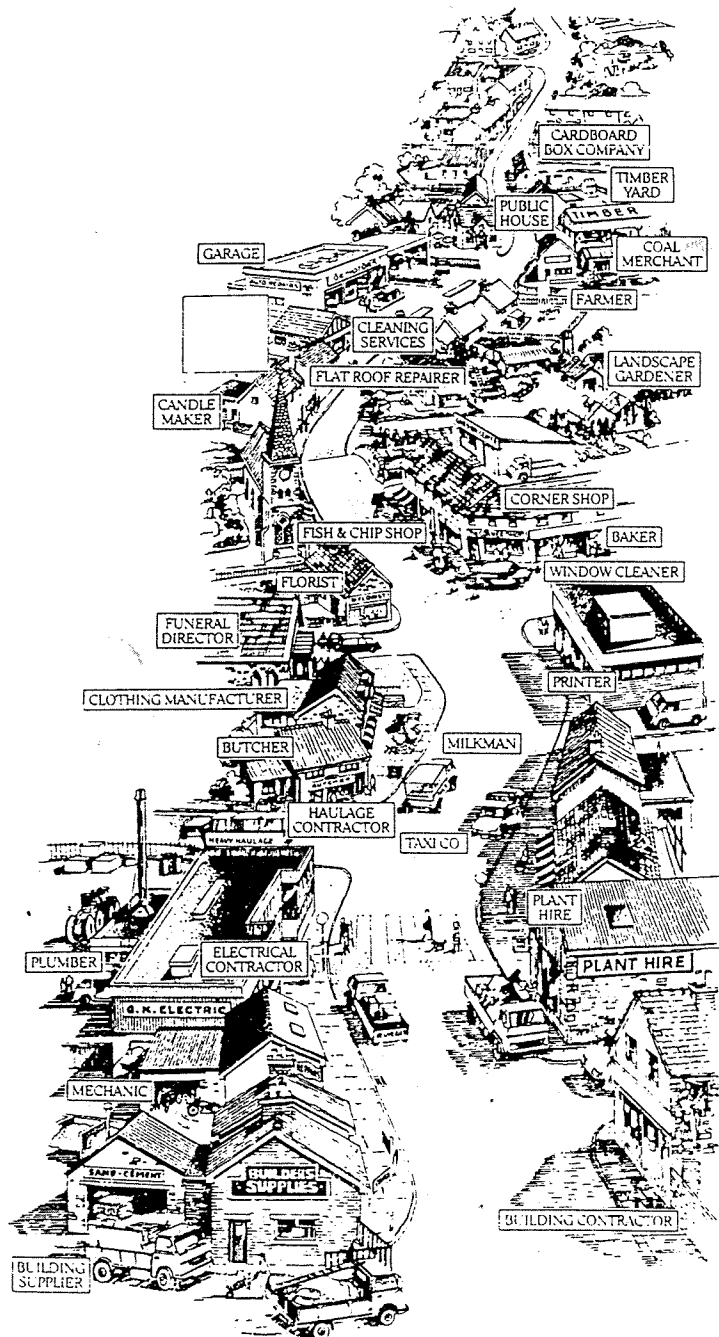
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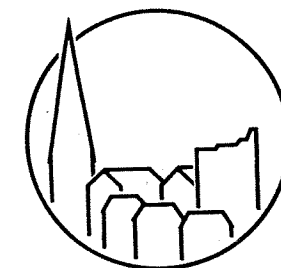
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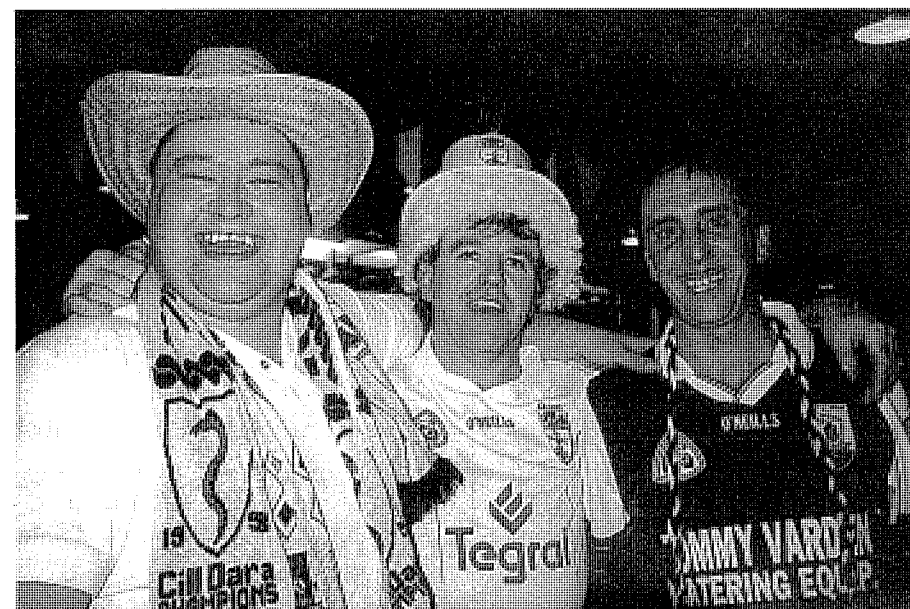
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DIARY DATES

Thursday October 1st I.C.A. meeting in I.C.A. hall at 8pm.

Sunday October 4th Maynooth Golfing Society Presidents Prize.

Tuesday October 6th Senior Citizens Committee meeting.

Monday October 12th Maynooth Community Council Meeting at 8.00p.m.

Tuesday October 13th Post Primary Parent Association A.G.M. at 8.00p.m.

Sunday October 18th Senior Citizens Halloween Party.

Tuesday October 20th Flower and Garden Club A.G.M.

Saturday October 24th Maynooth Golf Society Joe "Dodo" Murray Trophy.

Friday October 27th Gala flower Demonstration in the Glenroyal Hotel at 8.00p.m.

Community Games - Table Quiz November.

County Development Plan - Library untill 3rd November.

Sunday 1st November Bands Annual Mass for deceased Members at 11.00a.m.

November Bands Annual Race Night and Public Concert.

Sunday November 22nd Senior Citizens Sale of Work.

Thursday 26th November Scoil Uí Fhiaich Fashion Show.

Foroige Youth Club - every Friday 8.00p.m.

EDITORIAL

Maynooth? Is that Co. Dublin? We have all probably come across people who think of Maynooth as part of the greater Dublin region and assume we're in Co. Dublin. Anyone travelling through Maynooth in the last two weeks of September could be in no doubt as to where our allegiances lie. Flags, banners, bunting, streamers all proclaimed support for the Lily Whites. For most counties reaching an All Ireland Final happens only once in a generation and when it happens it has a remarkable effect. For a few weeks there is shared excitement, a collective scramble for tickets. Everyone is a supporter.

And when it is all over, win or lose, we have a great summer to celebrate. This year, after 70 years of trying, Kildare reached the Final and lost. But on the way the team gave fantastic enjoyment to thousands. The sheer relief after the Dublin game was surpassed only by the excitement of watching Brian Murphy's goal win the Leinster title against old enemies Meath. Beating Kerry led on to four weeks of anticipation of the Final. On the day the dream of winning the title was shattered by a fast, clever Galway team. Winning seems everything at the time. But over the winter we'll look back on the summer of '98 and see Glen Ryan crashing through tackles, Rainbow sprinting up the wing, McCormack running through and scoring. And then, of course, there's next year.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL TO WRITE TO KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL SEEKING REZONING TO MATCH POPULATION TARGETS FOR MAYNOOTH:

Maynooth Community Council is to write to Kildare County Council outlining the view that any residential land rezonings for the town under the Maynooth Development Plan should be in line with the population targets set out in the County Development Plan. The motion seeking this action was proposed and following a lengthy debate on the matter, was carried by a significant majority.

CMI seek Community Council input on cable television monitoring group:

Cable Management Ireland, the cable television company which operates the licence for the Maynooth area has sought the participation of Maynooth Community Council in the setting up of a "user group" for the Celbridge and Maynooth area. The objective of the group will be to keep all informed of what is happening and to listen to and act upon issues that may help both CMI and their subscribers fulfil each others expectations. The proposal received broad approval at the September meeting of the Council, after many previous meetings where CMI was criticised for their poor customer relations. The current CMI licence is subject to renewal in the year 2000.

Community Council Co-options:

Ms. Dorothy Dorman replaces Ms. Connie Harpur as the representative from the Maynooth ICA branch on the Community Council. Brookfield Residents, Mr. Paul O'Malley and Mr. Dominic Ward were also co-opted to represent their area on the Community Council.

Maynooth Community Festival well supported this year:

The Maynooth Community Festival held in July this year was well supported according to Maynooth Community Council Treasurer, Mr. Dominic Nyland. The shorter period of the Festival this year seems to have been what the people of the town want and Maynooth Community Council thank all the participants for their help in ensuring the success of the events.

No ESAT mast for Maynooth Garda Station welcomed:

The decision of An Bord Pleanála to uphold the Kildare County Council decision to refuse permission for an ESAT Digifone mast in Maynooth was welcomed by the members of the Community Council at the September meeting.

Maynooth Community Council thank INTEL for computers:

The provision of a number of new computers for the Community Council office by Intel (Ireland) Ltd. was gratefully acknowledged on behalf of the Council by the Chairman, Mr. Tom McMullon.

Maynooth Community Council has written to Kildare County Council seeking flagpoles for Maynooth Square: The success of the Kildare football team and the arrival of President McAleese to open the new science building at

NUI, Maynooth identified the need for flagpoles in Maynooth Square. Maynooth Community Council has written to Kildare County Council seeking the provision of three flagpoles in the square.

Positive meeting held between Maynooth Community Council and the President of NUI, Maynooth:

Many positive ideas were put forward by Dr. W.J.Smyth, regarding the promotion of links between the University and the Community, Maynooth Community Council was informed at the September meeting. The members were reporting on a meeting that took place between the President of NUI, Maynooth, Dr. Smyth and representatives of the Community Council in August.

Vote of sympathy passed to the family of the late Mr. Michael Scanlon.

Maynooth Community Council, Chairman, Mr. Tom McMullon led the tributes paid to the late Mr. Michael Scanlon, from Maynooth Park. Mr. Scanlon a native of County Limerick had spent almost forty years in Maynooth and had contributed greatly to the town and its people.

Maynooth Community Council - Annual Collection:

Ms. Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary of Maynooth Community Council acknowledged the assistance of members of the Council during the recent annual collection. Our thanks were expressed to Ms. Elizabeth Stoll, Ms. Sheila Jolley, Mr. Brendan Flynn, Mr. John Doogan, Ms. Elaine O'Connor, Mr. Patricia Masterson, Mr. Paul Croghan, Ms. Christina Saults, Mr. John McGinley, Ms. Marie Gleeson, Mr. Padraig O'Murchu, Ms. Freda Kelleher, Mr. Tom McMullon and Ms. Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin.

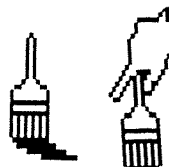
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NATIONAL TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1998

- How did we do in Maynooth?

On Monday the 14th September last, Ardagh, County Longford was declared the tidiest town in Ireland for 1998. Ardagh (253 points), winners in 1989 and 1996 also won the Best Village Award with Clonakilty (250 points), Co. Cork winning the best small town award (under 5,000 people) and Kilkenny (241 points) winning the best large town (over 10,000 people) this year. A special award went to Ennis (240 points), Co. Clare for their efforts.

For the majority of Tidy Towns Committees, the real competition is within their own counties in efforts to continue to increase the marks over the previous years results. Maynooth (164 points), increased by two marks this year, but is still well below other towns in the county, Celbridge (191 points), Clane (209) Newbridge (196 points), Naas (194 points) and Leixlip (184 points). It is probably worth noting that in the case of Naas, Newbridge and Leixlip, that these towns have their own local authorities. The only other County Kildare town in Category E, (in which Maynooth competes) is Athy, who scored 180 points out of the possible 300 maximum score.

In keeping with other years we publish the adjudicators report on Maynooth without comment at this stage. During October we will call a meeting to discuss the points raised in the report and on the same occasion announce the winners of the "Best Shopfront" and "Best Estate Competitions", which are sponsored again this year by Coonans, the local Auctioneers and Financial Services Company.

Paul Croghan,
Secretary,
Maynooth Tidy Towns.

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

"Best Shop Fronts" and "Best Estate" Competitions 1998 Sponsored by Coonan Estate Agents and Financial Services

The Judges have been out to make their decision on the winners for 1998.

- Will Rockfield win the Best Large Estate for the third year in a row?
- Who will win the Best Shop Front, with many new contenders!!!!

The winners will be announced in October

Watch out for details of the event,
which will be advertised in shops and the local press

Community Council Notes

NATIONAL TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1998 (Cont.)

RESULTS OF TIDY TOWNS 1998

CENTRE: Maynooth COUNTY: Kildare CATEGORY: E

RESULTS DATE OF ADJUDICATION: 16TH JULY 1998

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 1998	Mark Awarded 1997
Overall Developmental Approach	50	31	31
The Built Environment	40	24	22
Landscaping	40	20	20
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	21	21
Litter Control	40	16	15
Tidiness	20	8	8
Residential Areas	30	23	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	17	18
General Impression	10	4	4
TOTAL MARK	300	164	162

MAYNOOTH COUNTY KILDARE

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you for your detailed entry form, photographs, and document on Maynooth Choosing a Future. It is great to see that you are really building up support, and the adjudicators look forward to this co-operation reaping dividends for the coming years. Maynooth, as has been pointed out in previous reports, has considerable potential to develop into a very attractive, tidy town. Thank you also for the outline of your work programme, which was helpful during the course of adjudication. We would welcome a written update on these for each years submission in order to be able to reward where good work has been achieved. You are taking a very good approach to this competition, unfortunately, it is not being translated into an overall positive impression, which it does deserve. Give it time and effort and you will be rewarded.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

It is good to note that the built environment is improving throughout Maynooth. Maynooth Castle was well presented, as was St. Patrick's College. The church on the Kilcock Road was well presented. Katies Flowers was good. The Leinster Arms would be nicer without the plastic canopies. A good effort was noted with flowers at Hula Bou. Maynooth Livestock Sales and Quinnsworth continue to take from the overall appearance on this approach road. These are very imposing buildings and a long term strategy must involve the improvements of these two premises. The use of Irish at S. Ua Buacalla was good to see and nice flowers were noted at Caulfields. The Pottery Barn was also well presented, as was the Glenroyal Hotel (new development taking place). Flower baskets were noted at the Maxol Garage, and the car park of the Shopping Centre was also well presented, TSB, Mona Lisa, Garda Station and the Credit Union also looked well. Some premises which could be encouraged to improve include Furniture and Carpets, Tinkerbell and the New World Chinese, to name but a few.

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Community Council Notes

NATIONAL TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1998 (Cont.)

LANDSCAPING

The level of maintenance of grassed areas on the approach roads was disappointing, and should be incorporated into your plan. Could a feature be made of the entrance to Carton Amenity Walk? This is a very important amenity, yet it is very drab and uninviting. The Square area was neat and tidy. The entrance by the GAA pitch was much improved near the harbour. A nice landscaped area was noted near the bridge by the mill. The adjudicators would suggest that you might use the option of Adopt a Spot in terms of residents or business tackling small areas and ensuring they are well maintained at all times.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The canal harbour area was well presented again this year, with a swan nesting bed in the island noted and ducks, moor hens etc. As mentioned in previous years, there are other areas, you have a large expanding population in the town and you should give serious consideration to providing for wildlife habitats, for example, further enhancement of Carton Amenity Walk.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter was quite good overall, but the adjudicators noted that at bus stops there were no litter bins - where litter is a problem. Litter was quite bad at the entrance to some residential estates also. The main street was quite good. You are beginning to tackle this, well done, but the provision of litter bins will help with the problem of the scattering of litter.

TIDINESS

The road sign outside Travel Options should be replaced, as it takes from the appearance. The lack of road sweeping on the main street areas results in the collection of gravel - this needs to be tackled. Weeds were noted at the bridge by the mill which is in the main part of the town, suggesting a total lack of attention. Significantly more resources will be needed to tackle the problem. Also, weeds and gravel along be kerbing takes from the overall appearance.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

There are some very good examples of residential estates and parks in Maynooth this year. Cluain Aoibhinn was very well presented, congratulations. Also, other good examples noted included Woodlands, Beaufield, Parsons Lodge, Moyglare Village, which was very neat and tidy, Pebble Hill and Manor Court and a new development was noted opposite the Mills. This should look well when painted. Litter was quite bad at the entrance to Greenfield Estate and at Carton Court - try to work on these areas for next year.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

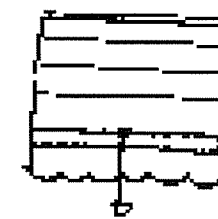
Approaching Maynooth towards Maynooth Castle was very dirty and untidy with weeds, litter, gravel and overgrown grass, suggesting a total lack of maintenance. The approach from Kilcock could be a lot tidier also. Litter was evident at the bus stop. Gravel and weeds were on the left hand side by kerbs and the triangle area could be better presented, particularly, in light of the fact that it is at the approach road - long grass was noted at the kerbs of this triangle. Approaching from Moyglare, weeds were evident and long grass existed in places. The approach from Leixlip was very untidy. Approaching Maynooth from the pitch and putt course, it was disappointing to see long grass outside Charter House, which gives an extremely bad impression. Overall, a bad performance under this category which the adjudicators were very disappointed to see. Please ensure that some effort is made to improve these areas, in order to avoid further loss of marks.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The adjudicators were looking forward to visiting Maynooth this year in order to see further improvements. Overall, it was disappointing from the point of view that the approach roads create a very negative initial impression with total lack of attention. The adjudicators recognise the fact that Maynooth is under considerable development, and this transformation has created significant pressure on limited resources. Maynooth still needs urgent assistance from the local authority in tackling these issues. The adjudicators would like to reiterate that you have a fantastic town and it is up to you to make a success of it.



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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: SUB-COMMITTEE

Maynooth Development plan will not be displayed

A Strategic Plan for the development of County Kildare (County Development Plan) went on display during August and can be viewed at Maynooth Library until November 3rd next. The members of the Planning & Development sub - committee were surprised to be informed that the Maynooth Development Plan which must form part of the strategy will not be put on public display.

The reason for this decision is that Kildare County Council claim to have met their legal requirements regarding display, under the Planning Acts, when the Draft Maynooth Development Plan was available to the public in 1996. The County Plan is short on detail regarding plans for Maynooth and the plan does not confirm the level of rezoning that the Councillors will put through in respect of each town. Therefore your only opportunity to have any input to the process at this stage is to examine the County Plan and make submissions to Kildare County Council on that basis.

New Lakes in Maynooth

Details of a proposal to flood seven acres of land in the centre of Maynooth to create two lakes were outlined to the Planning & Development sub - committee. The plans include two lakes one for trout and the other for coarse fishing and will be situated close to the old Dunboyne Road.

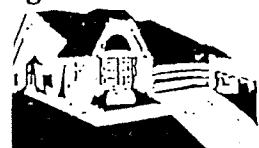
Manor Mills Development

The Planning and Development sub - committee, discussed the proposed development of the Kavanaghs, Manor Mills site in Mill Street. The drawing outlining the proposals were shown to the meeting and mixed views were expressed by the members. While the relocation of the mill was considered a positive development, concern was expressed regarding the existing jobs at the Mill. The aspects of the development that concerned members was the scale of the development and more especially the additional traffic that will add to the already chronic problem that currently exists in the town. It was decided that the matter should be discussed at a full community council meeting.

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To be eligible for a grant the candidate must be at least 15 years of age, have lived in the administrative area of the Vocational Education Committee from 1 October 1997 and satisfy a means test. Application should be made on the official application form to the Vocational Education Committee in the area you live. The closing date is Friday 16th October 1998. Grants will not be paid out until December/January but will be backdated to September 1998.

The full maintenance grant is £1,652, part maintenance is £826. The adjacent rate (normal residence 15 miles or less from PLC Course) is £660 or part maintenance £330.

The reckonable income limits for 1998/99 are:

No. of Dependent Children	Full Maintenance	Part Maintenance
Less than 4	£18,308	£19,525
4-7	£20,139	£21,357
8 or more	£21,971	£23,189

In the 1998/99 school year where 2 or more children (or the candidate's parent) are pursuing a course of study listed below, the reckonable income limits may be increased by £2,060 where there are 2 such children, £4,120 where there are 3 such children and so on, by increments of £2,060.:

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

The National Community Games finals were held in Mosney, first weekend, 29th, 30th & 31st August and 4th, 5th & 6th September. Maynooth again had participants at both weekends.

In gymnastics Rachel Cunningham and Sarah Prendergast performed very well and congratulations in reaching the national finals.

The girls Pitch & Putt team again got excellent results coming in 4th place. The team were Orla Clarkin, Emma Cullinane, Anthonine Rossiter, Suzanne Butler and Aisling Bean. Well done girls.

Thanks to Liz and Matt Callaghan who train and look after the team.

The 2nd weekend we had the athletics with Muire Ennis in 800m. and Emma Flemming in javelin. Both these girls performed very well indeed and well done for getting to the National Finals. All these children enjoyed an excellent time in Mosney and the flag flying for Maynooth. Again well done to you all.

Special activities Weekend 15th May '98 National finals held in May at Mosney. We had Project and Quiz teams taking part. Project team. Aaran Donnelly, Neil Cooney, Edward O'Reilly and Kenneth Corbally. This team took 13th place. Quiz Derek Judge, Alison Judge, Shane Judge, Aisling Sinclair and Cian Duffy. This team took 7th place. Thanks to their Managers and helpers who were: Mary O'Gorman, Brian O'Malley and Mrs Corbally, again well done to all these children.

Again we had a very busy year in Community Games in Maynooth with children taking part in 20 events - Art, Modelling, Gymnastics, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Camogie, Chess, Choir, Hardcourt Tennis, Pitch & Putt, Rounders, Soccer, Boys and Girls, Table Tennis, Variety, Quiz, Project, Swimming and Volleyball. To this end I would like to thank all Managers and Trainers for without their hard work Community Games would not happen.

I would like to thank Bríghidín Breslin who has worked with Community Games for the past two years. Bríghidín was our secretary /P.R.O. (Community Council Office) and with her knowledge and love of sport she made things very easy for us all. It was a pleasure working with her. We wish Bríghidín and her family all the very best in the future and in their new home.

Thanks to all who were involved in Community Games this year, 1998. We will be having a Table Quiz Fund Raising Night in October, come along and support.

Yours in Sport
Marie Gleeson



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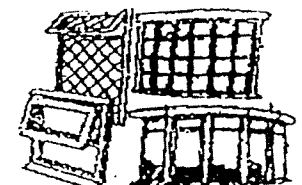
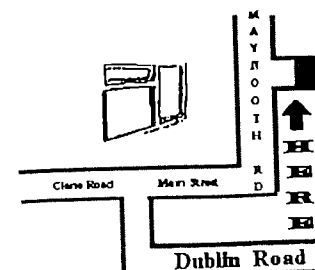
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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE 21-9-98

With Autumn well and truly here and the long winter nights just around the corner once again, one might be tempted to indulge in a bout of depression, but with our most active time of year under starters orders, there just won't be time. The 18th of October starts the ball rolling with our Halloween Party to which this year we will add a new dimension.....A fancy dress parade, no less! So on with the thinking caps and come up with a good one. This shouldn't be too difficult with all the food for thought in the news at the moment. From "Pills" to Presidents, the choice is mighty and so are the prizes. Don't forget that everyone from 60 years of age in the Maynooth and Ladychapel area are welcome along. The Post Primary school on the Moyglare Road is the venue and 3.30 pm is the time. Just arrive and you will be made welcome, if that sounds too daunting, just give me a call at 6285206. I'm sure there are many out there, that are new to the area. We don't know where to find you, but you know where to find us. Don't be isolated, all it takes is a phone call. Perhaps you are not new to the area, maybe you are newly retired and finding the transition difficult. Now is the time to make your move. Retirement can be great, just go with the "flow". Our morning club continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10.30 am to 12.30. Transport is available for those who need it.

Our Annual Sale of Work takes place on November 22nd. There will be more about that in next months' issue. Just make a note of the date, our years activities depend on the success of this event.

A reminder to our Committee members, that our monthly meeting takes place on Tuesday October 6th at 8 pm.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Yvonne McCourt, Michael Scanlon and Fr. John Dunne. May they rest in peace.

Our organisation "adopted" Fr. John many years ago. He celebrated most of the Masses for our Senior Citizens down through the years. He loved to sing during the Mass and chat to us during his homilies, which were always short and memorable. He would join us for the party afterwards and spend the evening talking to everyone individually, with that personal touch we knew so well.

He would then dash across to say 6 pm Mass in our Parish Church. He was so interesting and full of life. He was Holy without being overly pious. He had a quality which is all too rare these days, a sense of humour. A man who loved and was loved. We mourn his passing.

Josephine Moore

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

We would like to welcome all boys and staff back to school for another year, with a special welcome for the boys who have just started school for the first time.

Now that we are back in the swing of things we would like to ask all parents driving children to and from school to be extra careful entering and leaving the school yard.

Our AGM will be held this month. All parents will be notified of date.

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The New Footbridge:

It looks less likely that work will start next month, when we were advised that it would.

Proposed Fishing Club:

Leixlip resident David Egan, who is the president of the Coarse Angling Federation of Ireland, kindly gave time to attend two meetings with us. Mr. Egan detailed the economic benefits that would accrue to Maynooth in having a fishing club locally, and further in constructing fishing pegs on the canal banks to international competition standards. The pegs or designated concrete platforms would be numbered, and at intervals of 22 meters. The canal is well stocked with fish, and the necessary infrastructure like access, car park and public transport, are all in place. Mr. Egan was instrumental in retaining Leixlip's Bord Failte approved angling status for a further year. Details were published in a recent issue of The Liffey Champion. We can confirm that our discussions with Ducas are positive, and that our Community Employment Scheme will be proceeding to construct the fishing pegs in the near future. We are prepared to pay the initial affiliation fee to the federation to assist a newly-formed Maynooth Fishing Club.

Maynooth Canoe Club:

We are having active discussions with the Irish Canoe Union for guidance on the formation of a local canoe club.

Association of Irish Festivals. (AOIFE):

Our group has enrolled in the Association and has registered Miss Royal Canal as the festival event. AOIFE will supply us with a bi-monthly newsletter, and its annual Directory of performing artists and events that can be hired by our group for entertaining the Maynooth public during suitable events like Steam Train Sunday or Miss Royal Canal, or on their own, if the group has surplus funds.

Royal Canal Boat Rally:

In October, 1999 Maynooth will be the focal point for a very big international boat rally. It is essential that there is fresh water in the Harbour for the boats as well as Bollards for tying up.

Barges on the Canal:

Two Barge/Cruisers operators, one located at Killucan and one at Blanchardstown have recently displayed their craft at Maynooth Harbour. Motorists passing Bibeny's public house at Clonard may have seen a sign advertising boats for hire on the canal at an attractive rates.

Slán Go Foill.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

October is an important time in the Club when our A.G.M. is held. This year it is on Tuesday October 20th at 8pm in Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College. We hope that there will be a large attendance on the night to elect a new and energetic committee for the year ahead. Competitions that evening are "Hallowe'en" - An Exhibit

A - space 30"
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Plant competition - 1 stem of Berried Shrub.

Demonstrator, that evening will be "Aliciacrafts" showing us "The Art of Pressed Flowers". Tea and birthday cake served afterwards.

On Tuesday October 27th in 'Glenroyal Hotel' at 8 pm will be "A Gala Flower Demonstration" by Ann O'Hara. Theme "Autumn Tapestry". Tickets £6 - Funds in aid of St. Mary's Church Restoration Fund and National Council for the Blind.

Flower Club members will have a bumper sales table on the night, with beautiful arrangements, and gift ideas for Christmas and for the home.

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CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PARSON STREET

Now that the summer (!) is a distant memory, we look forward to a busy autumn season in St. Mary's Church. Our year of celebrations to mark seven hundred and fifty years since the foundation of the church is coming to a height. Many readers may have seen the new notice boards around the church, which trace some of the interesting history of the building. If you are walking past why not take a moment to read them? There are other obvious changes too. The boundary stone wall between the Church and College car parks, which had partly collapsed, has been rebuilt. It is hoped that some further work on the stonework in the interior of the church will be completed in the near future also. All this work is possible because of the generosity of so many people in contributing to our Restoration Fund. Your donations are appreciated.

Some events which may interest you:

A Gala flower Demonstration entitled "Autumn Tapestry" will be given by Ann O' Hara (AOIFA Speaker & Demonstrator) in The Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on Tuesday, 27th October at 8.00 p.m. Tickets are £6 and are in aid of the Church Restoration Fund and National Council for the Blind.

"Lord for the Years" is the title of a special concert to be held in St. Mary's Church on Saturday 14th November at 8.00 p.m. The concert will be a celebration in word and song of the history of the church spanning the eight centuries of its existence. The first half of the programme will be a performance by 'The Dublin Waytes', no strangers to the church, who will be centering their music and readings on 'Silken Thomas'. The King's Hospital Choir will provide the second half of the programme and will sing a selection of music spanning the eight centuries of the church's existence.

On the following day a special Service of Thanksgiving will be held in the church at which the Archbishop of Armagh, Dr. Robin Eames will be the special preacher. This service takes place at 11.30 a.m. and all are very welcome.

Bereavement:

On Saturday 29th August the funeral of Mrs. Yvonne McCourt took place in St. Mary's Church. For many years she was associated with Carton where she worked for its various owners and occupants. We sympathise with her family circle including her seven children at this time.

Welcome

The Church of Ireland community in Maynooth extends a warm welcome to Monsignor Alex Stenson as he settles in to his new position as Parish Priest. We pray that he will have a full and rewarding ministry in the community.

PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

Our sessions are up and running once again. If you're new to the area, why not drop in.....
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MAYNOOTH NEW YOUTH CLUB

Citizens of Maynooth, the Youth Club is back. Maynooth's latest club, The Foroige Youth Club was formed in May of this year. It had its first meeting in Maynooth Post Primary School, Moyglare Road, Maynooth. Over forty young people have signed membership forms for the club.

Let me take this opportunity to introduce you to the organisation that is Foroige. It is a national voluntary organisation that support Youth Clubs not only in Kildare, but all over Ireland. It has a philosophy which fosters the development of leadership skills in young people. It encourages its members to become involved in the running of the club and its future development. Basically the club is run by the members for the members.

The club meets every Friday night at 8.00 p.m. and while we have an abundance of members, we would welcome new leaders to join us. Some members of our community may not be in a position to become youth leaders, but may have skills which they wish to pass on to the youth, and we would be delighted to hear from them. Please remember that OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE OUR FUTURE.

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Rehearsals for **THE BEST LITTLE WHOREHOUSE IN TEXAS** will begin on Wednesday October 7th at 8.30 p.m. in the Old Girl's School, (middle of the village, opposite Jones).

Everyone is welcome on either night and if you require more information please

CONTACT ANNE AT 045 868735.

I.C.A. NOTES

Welcome back ladies. Hope you all enjoyed the summer break.

The September meeting was held on 3rd presided over by Rosemary Hanley.

Congratulations to the table quiz team who won The Dillon Plaque recently.

Crafts resume on Monday nights at 8 o'clock in the hall.

Badminton continues on Tuesday and Thursdays in the Parish Hall at 10.30.

The guild competition "Loose Change" was won by Madeline Stynes, 2nd Teresa Brennan, 3rd Bernie King.

October guild competition is a hand painted stone.

Don't forget ladies the October meeting is An Grianan Auction Night.

Please bring along the cakes, bread, bric-a-brac, plants, books. Draw for part scholarships will take place on the night.

Next meeting 1st October at 8 o'clock in the ICA Hall.

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New Naíonáin Shóisir:

All our new 'naíonáin' have settled in extremely well and seem very happy in their 'big' school. We are very proud of our buachaillí and cailíní in the ranganna móra who are looking after them so well and helping them to settle in. We will have a meeting very soon for our new parents to answer any questions or queries!

Campa Samhraidh:

The Campa Samhraidh which was held in July was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Children from English-medium schools attended just to have some fun "as gaeilge" and it was great to hear them speaking "as gaeilge" even after a week.

We hope to repeat it again next summer.

Suíomh Nua:

Unfortunately, due to reasons beyond our control we haven't moved to our new premises yet, but we will in the near future. We would like to thank all parents for their patience, understanding and positive attitude. It makes life a lot easier for all!

Rince Gaelach:

Rita, our expert múinteoir rince, will be returning again this year to teach us all some rince Gaelach! Classes will be held on Wednesdays during school hours.

Ranganna Fraincise:

We are very privileged in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich to have a native French speaker to teach us French. Anne has a



From left Tim, Samantha, Muireann, Niamh, Shane, Alex, Carolyn, Ruairí, Siobhán & Emma
With their 'Ealain' in support of the Lily Whites



1st day
from left rear: Samantha, Conchúr, Chloe,
Stephanie & Seán

lovely way with the children and they get a great taste for the language during her classes. We eagerly await her return!

Ranganna Gaeilge for Parents:

We have had a lot of enquiries regarding our classes for parents and we hope to start them up again soon (probably in October). Watch this space for more details!

General Meeting:

Almost every family was represented at our General Meeting which was held during our first week back. We are very grateful to all those who attended, all your suggestions were positive and helpful and will be considered.

Coistí Nua:

We would like to thank the following parents who volunteered their expertise in co-ordinating the following committees. Without their help our school would not be where it is today.
Georgina Finnegan and Angela Brady: Development
Patsy Fitzgerald: Coiste Cairde
Pauline Senchyna: Bus
Should anyone else wish to

volunteer services please contact either Máirín or myself at the school.

Fundraising Events:

Following a meeting of the Coiste Cairde the following events were organised:

1. Annual Fashion Show:

This will be held on Thursday 26th November in the Glenroyal. It will be followed by a late disco which is open to all. Tickets and further information available in the school. Phone: 6290667.

2. Painting Auction:

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Míle Buíochas
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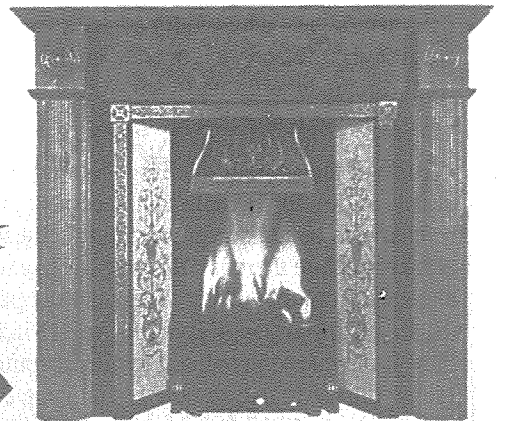
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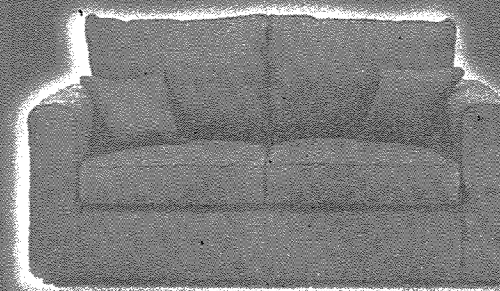
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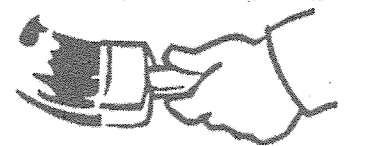


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Lamentably we have remarked on the distinct lack of support from within the local community where we thought there would be a demand for such an amenity. It has frustrated our efforts to generate business from within the local catchment area, and various ventures and enticements have failed to ignite that local interest.

We tire of the cry that there is "Nothing in Maynooth" for people to do! In the main that is correct, but it is very offensive to our efforts at providing recreation in the town to blankly declare there is "Nothing in Maynooth". What is expected from the town? Where are the people to whom this cry is an anthem. Have they tried Pitch and Putt? Have they got involved in helping to attract something to Maynooth? Are they aware that they have to up and support the facilities that are there and help develop a community spirit conducive to attracting that elusive something, putting it in place, and maintaining it? the bottom line to this is that as with all venture and facilities they are based on being commercially viable and the reality of the Pitch and Putt is if the local support does not materialise it is a very real possibility that this amenity in Maynooth will close.

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We wish each and every one of them the very best of luck and success for the future in whatever career they choose.

Of course, the dedication and commitment of the teaching staff must also be recognised and we congratulate them also.

All parents and guardians are cordially invited to the A.G.M. of the Parent/Teacher Association which will take place in the school on Tuesday, 13th October next at 8.00 p.m.

Membership of the Association involves just one meeting per month. It is an excellent way to get involved in the school (particularly for parents of first-year pupils who have not had a child in the school previously), meet staff and other parents.

We also organize some fund-raising activities which, apart from being enjoyable, social events raise valuable funds for the school. Over the past year such funds have assisted in the purchase of lockers, a photocopying machine and funded sporting activities.

So, we look forward to a great attendance on 13th October!

*Mary Oliver,
P.R.O. Maynooth Post Primary Parent/Teacher
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For the past few months these articles have been about the services offered by the credit union. This month I would like to mention the people that run and manage your credit union.

Most members and the general public who visit our office, meet Catherine or Lorraine who are responsible for the daily running of the cash office. They know the names and faces of our tellers who serve them, because these people are the first line of contact.

However few people know the names and faces of the elected volunteer Directors who are legally responsible for the management of the credit union. Nor indeed do they know the supervisory committee, who ensure that everything is run properly.

Few members have direct contact with this unpaid management team because they work behind the scene. These people put much time and effort into running your credit union and go un-noticed by the majority. It is only at our annual general meeting or an event that any notice is paid to these elected members.

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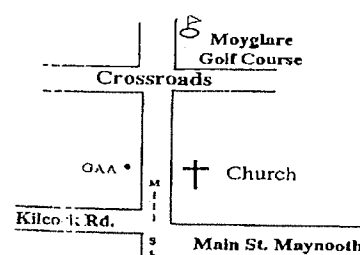
Like all other organisations or clubs, credit unions from time to time need an infusion of new blood. New people who are interested in serving within their credit union, perhaps by being a teller, a committee member or even a supervisor. Volunteers are always a welcome asset. If you have the time and are willing to serve on one of our committees, we would like to hear from you. Just leave your name and address in our office and we will contact you.

May we remind those entering our Poster Competition that all entries must be in before closing time on Saturday 10th of October. If you would like to become a member, call into our office. Please bring photo ID i.e. passport/driving licence etc.

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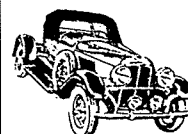


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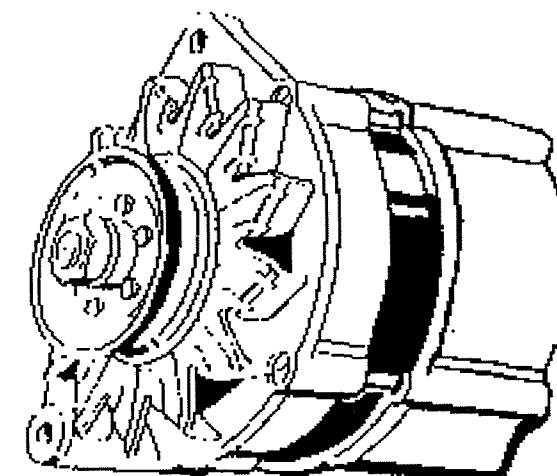
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BAND BULLETIN

Its D'unbelievable that we are now into the final quarter of 1998 and Y2K is only 18 months away yes, we are preparing for that once in a lifetime date and we shall keep you abreast of our plans to celebrate it over the next 12 months. But back to the present and firstly congratulations to all our members who have done so well in their exams. Exams are a bitter sweet thing as far as the Band is concerned as it means students foresaking band rehearsals for studies right through their exam year and we already have some people starting studies for 1999 exams. There is a further knock - on effect when successful students leave Maynooth for the 'Country Universities and College' and may not return to the fold! when they graduate. There are a number of graduates "on the brink" of coming back to us and we hope to see them at rehearsals very soon.

This leads us nicely into our Nursery, the music classes, which through a combination of circumstances, are only resuming on Monday 5th October. Those who have been with us for a couple of years will be joining us at rehearsals while still attending individual classes as it is a major leap from playing your own favourite piece to something as difficult a Clarinet Escapade or the Irish Washer Woman. Hopefully this time next year the transition will have been completed successfully. During this month we hope to have completed arrangements to start classes for absolute beginners and we shall announce enrolment dates through the schools, the Newsletter and the Liffey Champion.

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to all who so generously supported our recent flag week - end. The financial "jet lag" from Kansas City last March has now been cured and we can settle down to dealing with the two most urgent needs (There's always something to fundraise for) the replacement of the larger instruments, which are more than 20 years old and the repair and redecoration of our band hall. I suppose you could call these two of our Y2K Projects?? Although our busy summer season is past we are still being called on for our services and on Sunday 16th September we baked in the Newbridge sunshine while entertaining the crowds at the County Hurling final and on the October Bank Holiday Monday we pay a welcome return visit to entertain the big spenders at the Blanchardstown Shopping Centre.

On the following Sunday, November 1st we have our annual Mass for deceased members at 11 am it will be particularly tinged with sadness this year when we remember the passing of one of our most fervent members Fr. Brendan Supple and we are sure he will be there with us on this very special occasion. We invite all relatives and friends of deceased members to join with us at this Mass.

Two further events to keep an eye out for in November are our Annual Race Night and a Public Concert.

More news of these in the next Bulletin.

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Residents Association

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Committee would like to welcome students back for the new academic year, and wish them a successful year's study. We also welcome new residents to the Estate.

Maintenance of the Estate

Grass cutting will continue for another few weeks. Before the winter sets in we would like residents to do a final tidy up of road edges. If you think that a tree near you needs to have broken or low hanging branches cut please ask a member of the Committee to look after it. Some of the trees have suckers growing from the base and they should be removed as they are very untidy looking.

New Projects

We are planning to replace the current road name signs and hope to report some real progress next month.

As Laurence Avenue boundary needs a major overhaul we would like residents on Laurence Avenue to give consideration to the type of hedge or fence you think would be suitable.

Some members of the committee are investigating the cost of the various options, and your opinions will be sought in due course.

Car Parking on the Estate

There are two areas in the Estate which have great difficulty with car parking. They are the top of Greenfield Drive and the end of Maynooth Park, where two rows of houses face each other. The end of Maynooth Park is particularly congested and we ask residents at these points to have consideration for your neighbours by not parking in front of their driveways.

Residents in all parts of the estate are requested not to park across the footpaths as it is a danger to everyone who walks past.

We expect to have our replacement lighting done any time now as ESB are due to start in Maynooth this month (September).

The Residents' Association Committee would like to offer its sympathy to the Scanlon Family on the recent death of Michael Scanlon, Maynooth Park.

Mary McGinley (Secretary)

BROOKFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

On August 20th the above Association held a meeting and elected the following Committee:-

1. Chairperson: Trish O'Rourke
2. Vice Chairperson: Catherine Lynch
3. Treasurer: Donnocha O'Mahoney
4. Secretary: Helen Greer
5. P.R.O.: Vincent Howley

In addition to this it was proposed that Paul O'Malley and Dominic Ward would represent us on the Community Council, as we are anxious to establish greater links in the community.

TO ALL MY FRIENDS IN MAYNOOTH

This summer held a special holiday for me because of your kindness to me two years ago! Yes, I went to Australia! Such bliss! On July 21st. I was at Dublin Airport at 6 a.m. all packed up and ready to go! I was excited.... very excited! Actually I had to pinch myself to make sure this was true.... imagine on my way to Sydney on your generosity! I flew to Heathrow, and from there to Bangkok. I knew it would be winter in Sydney so I had no suntan lotion packed! We touched down in Bangkok for two hours, and then up again and headed for Sydney. Now this was it... the last leg of the journey. I could not contain my excitement! I arrived at my destination at 8.20 the following night. What a joy to be united with my brother, his wife, and family again.... all due to your kindness. It was a good time to arrive as I could go to bed after the proverbial cup of tea!

While there I enjoyed the company of many friends, saw the sights and thoroughly enjoyed every moment. I visited the Presentation Sisters in Wagga Wagga, who were founded from my own Convent here in Kildare in 1847. I found that very touching as the many Irish names and connections in that area proved the love and respect these people held for those first Presentation Pioneers. I had four and a half weeks of a marvellous holiday Down Under... a holiday not to be forgotten. I could not have enjoyed it any more than I did....it was just terrific! I left on the 25th August. It was back to school then to prepare for the 1st September. I was lonely bidding farewell, but I have lovely memories. All of this would not have been possible without you, the people of Maynooth... and how great is my thanks. Thank you a thousand times! You gave me great joy and I will be eternally grateful. May God bless every one of you in whatever way you need it and may He hold you in the palm of His hand.

*Míle, míle buíochas.... Sister Aquinas.
Presentation Sisters, Kildare Town*

Features

LEST WE FORGET OMAGH 15th August 1998

Make me a channel of Your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring Your love
Where there is injury pardon
Where there is doubt true faith in You.

The people of Maynooth gathered with Monsignor Stenson and Fr. Sinnott to remember the people of Omagh whose lives were so shattered at 3.10 p.m. on 15th August 1998.

Omagh is a town about the same size as Navan or Mullingar. It is in the heartland of Co. Tyrone. It was an ordinary Saturday afternoon as people came in to town to get school uniforms, or meet up with friends to have a cup of coffee - an ordinary Saturday afternoon as the students worked in a book shop or boutique to get some money for the week end and for another school year - just like any other town of its size.

The priests introduced the memorial service, 30 volunteers took lighted candles to the altar rails. Fr. Sinnott prayed the 5th Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary - The Crucifixion.

The bell tolled as the people stood in prayerful silence. Then Monsignor Stenson called out the names of the Omagh dead. They were represented by those holding candles at the altar - he remembered the young mother and her soon to be born twins, her baby daughter, her mother - all enjoying an afternoon stroll in the mid August sun when the bomb went off.

He remembered the teenager whose boyfriend had bought her a locket and who was identified by that locket; he remembered, he remembered, he remembered - looking at the long line of people at the altar - all 30 of them - sons, daughters, mothers, fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers - what grief is in Omagh and as far away as Madrid. Then the candles were left on the altar.

Monsignor Stenson read from the Gospel the story of Lazarus. Then he read the prayer of St. Francis and the breastplate of St. Patrick. A book of condolences from the people of Maynooth was sent to the Mayor of Omagh.

O Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

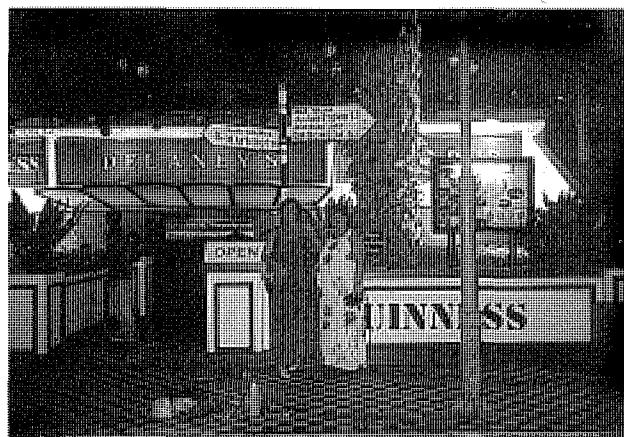
JUMBLE SALE

We would like to thank everyone who made the jumble sale at 42 Maynooth Park on 10th of August such a success.

A special thanks to all local businesses who contributed to this event.

We're very grateful to everyone who turned up on the day and spent so much money.

Due to your generosity we raised £326 for Concern the Sudan crisis.



*Margaret Flood and Denise Troy on holidays in
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“INTEL INVOLVED SCHEME” - VOLUNTEERS CLEAN UP POUND PARK IN MAYNOOTH:

As a consequence of the sudden termination of Maynooth Tidy Towns Community Employment Scheme in July, many areas of the town usually maintained by the Tidy Towns workers, were left unkept during the summer.

This action meant that Maynooth Tidy Towns, which is a small voluntary committee was faced with a number of serious problems. We were trying to spread our time around all the various projects that the Community Employment Scheme had started in the town. In the end we decided to focus on the main public areas that would assist us in gaining points in the National Tidy Towns Competition (see results elsewhere in the Maynooth Newsletter).



Camera shy, Intel Volunteers at work clearing the grass, including Community Councillor, Woodlands Resident and Intel Employee, Padraig Ó'Murchu (second from the right)

the Intel workers getting involved.

Despite dreadful weather on the days prior to the work being carried out, the sun came out to welcome the visitors on 1st September. The grass cutting was paid for by Intel and the eleven volunteers arrived at 4.30 p.m. to begin the task of gathering the grass to put into the large skip, provided by Kildare County Council.

The volunteers, five men and six women, many with no connection whatsoever with Maynooth, used every means possible to gather up the grass, including a car trailer belonging to Maynooth Tidy Towns Chairman, Mr. Robert O'Reilly.

Following efforts by the Tidy Towns Committee with the assistance from local leaders and politicians, SIPTU has given their agreement for a new Maynooth Tidy Towns Community Employment Scheme. The termination of the original scheme occurred because members of SIPTU employed by Kildare County Council at the Maynooth Depot, refused their agreement to allow renewal of the scheme. The reason they gave for their action was that they were in dispute with their employer, Kildare County Council, over the provision of a canteen facility in the Maynooth Depot. The Canteen building is now almost complete and ready for occupation by the Kildare County Council employees.



Pound Park after the work had been completed.

Maynooth Tidy Towns has commenced discussions with FAS to set in motion the commencement of a new scheme. A number of meetings with interested parties will take place

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“INTEL INVOLVED SCHEME” - VOLUNTEERS CLEAN UP POUND PARK IN MAYNOOTH (Cont.)

to ensure that any scheme will be safe from disruption in any future dispute between Kildare County Council and its workers represented by SIPTU. We owe it to our future employees to make sure that any scheme that we run will not result in innocent people losing their jobs for such a reason as occurred this time.

Meanwhile, the Residents of the Lyreen Area are once again able to enjoy the use of Pound Park. On this occasion the full credit must go to the hard working Intel volunteers, who deserve credit for a job well done. Local people were on hand to thank the volunteers on the day, but many others have asked us to pass on their gratitude for the efforts made.

Although no credit was sought we would like to thank, David O'Beirne, Padraig O'Murchu, Kathleen Davey, Angela Larkin, Laura McShane, Mary Doyle, Sheila Kennedy, Jonathan Deery, Donal O'Rourke, Dermot Honan and Niamh Walsh as well as the local children who got involved in the work. Perhaps we can look forward to a few new recruits to carry on the concept and ethos of tidy towns, which is to care for our environment and prepare for the annual competition which is forty years old this year.

*Paul Croghan,
Secretary,
Maynooth Tidy Towns.*

DEATH OF FR. JOHN DUNNE S.M.A.

Sunday's 6 o'clock Mass will always bring to mind the quietly spoken Fr. John J. Dunne. Fr. Dunne, a Dublin man, from St. Bridget's Rd., Drumcondra retired to the S.M.A. House in Maynooth. He spent many years as a priest on the Missions.

He died on 21st. August after an illness. We will remember his little jokes as Dublin and Meath or Kildare were involved in matches. I wonder what his comment would have been after THAT Galway-Kildare match!!

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

The display of the Draft County Development Plan is now almost over. Submissions made in respect of this will shortly be considered and any amendments that result will entail a further display period later this year. For the average resident of Maynooth, the Draft County Development Plan holds only limited interest, and it might seem somewhat remote from their everyday concerns. Indeed it makes only limited references to Maynooth, specifically. But what is important for all of us are the population targets it enshrines which will be the framework within which the Maynooth Town Development Plan must be set. This will determine our future quality of life, our traffic numbers, our school places availability, and what pressures are placed on our limited amenities. We won't be given an opportunity to see the town Development Plan before it is passed by County Councillors around the turn of the year.

North Kildare is fast reaching the limits for growth imposed by resources such as the water supply and the capacity of the River Liffey to take our sewerage. This has been known for some time. However, a short-sighted obsession with building more and more houses has left us with a situation where we cannot any longer attract industry requiring substantial water resources or waste water treatment. We cannot offer our children employment in an industrial equivalent of Intel in the years ahead because we have used the water to generate a huge growth in population, the fastest of any country in the State. A few people have become millionaires from this process while many others have seen their quality of life diminished.

The state of affairs has largely happened because, until the last few years, proposed town development plans drawn up by sensible planners were amended beyond recognition, at the behest of local political interests, to incorporate huge rezonings for housing. No national settlement policy existed; no effective counterbalance to the outward sprawl of Dublin was in place. Nothing has changed, although government proposals to implement a strategic settlement policy are likely to emerge in the next year. Meanwhile local authorities are busily trying to get their expansionary plant in position before such controls occur. Thankfully, the actions of among others, the Planning Alliances, have succeeded in scaling down some of the more outlandish schemes, though old habits tend to die hard.

The most positive planning feature of the past few years in Kildare has been the imposition of a hierarchical set of population targets for the various towns, tied to what the local infrastructure and amenities can reasonably support. Three times the Minister for the Environment suspended Kildare County Councillors' functions in respect of Town and Country Development Plans until they got their act together in this area. Finally the message seemed to get through. Councillors agreed unanimously that a total population increase of 4,000 for Maynooth, Celbridge, Leixlip and Kilcock combined was what should occur by 2001. This was reasonable, but alas was a false dawn and the figure was quietly forgotten about as petty squabbling developed once allocation of this population increase was sought. More recently however, councillors finally agreed a set of population targets for each town in the country, a welcome development. For Maynooth a population of 10,500 by 2003 was agreed. In voting to accept the Draft Development Plan, an overwhelming majority of councillors from almost all the parties accepted these figures as what should determine land allocations in all the towns of the area.

This is important to remember since we now are hearing low pitched whinnying noises from individual councillors who want to backslide on their commitments again. Suddenly, it appears that the actions they want to take at local level must not fit into the decisions they took at county level. Having talked the Minister into giving them back their powers they now want to go back to their old ways. Almost incredibly we appear to be seeing the sad spectacle of some local councillors now trying to have things both ways as the Maynooth Plan is prepared. Having voted for the population targets they now want to undermine them. One wonders why?

Maynooth Planning Alliance will be publicising just where our local councillors stand on this issue. In particular we will be looking for answers to the following questions:

1. Did your party vote to establish a population target for Maynooth of 10,500 by 2003?
2. What new residential acreage is needed to provide for this increase in population?
3. Are you in favour of an overzoning factor of 150% in new residential land allocations for Maynooth?
4. Are you in favour of material contraventions to this plan being made to accommodate large individual developments? If so, how do you propose the population targets are adhered to?
5. Are you prepared to abide by decisions taken at local level for the future of Maynooth by a majority of local councillors?

Some of our councillors appear to want to have their cake and eat it. Some obviously have not learned the lessons of the past three years that people are no longer willing to put up with their antics in ignoring the wishes of the community that elected them. It should be pointed out that Section 22 of the Planning Acts binds councillors to actively support implementation of duly processed development plans. It's time the people of Maynooth got answers as to whether or not our elected officials propose complying with these legal obligations.

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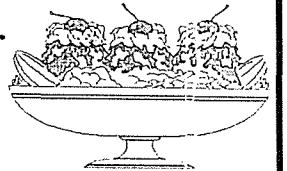
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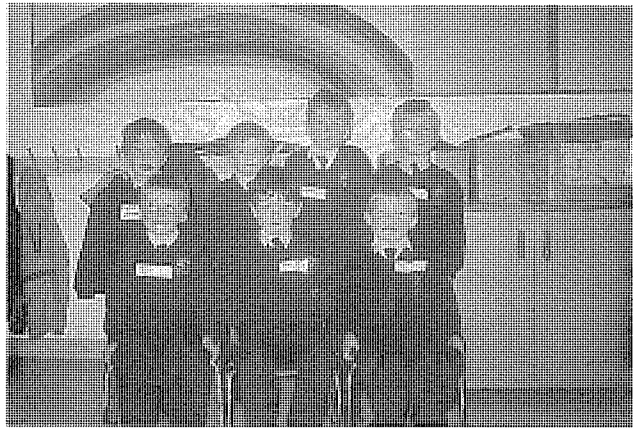
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17. Kyne,	Aifric
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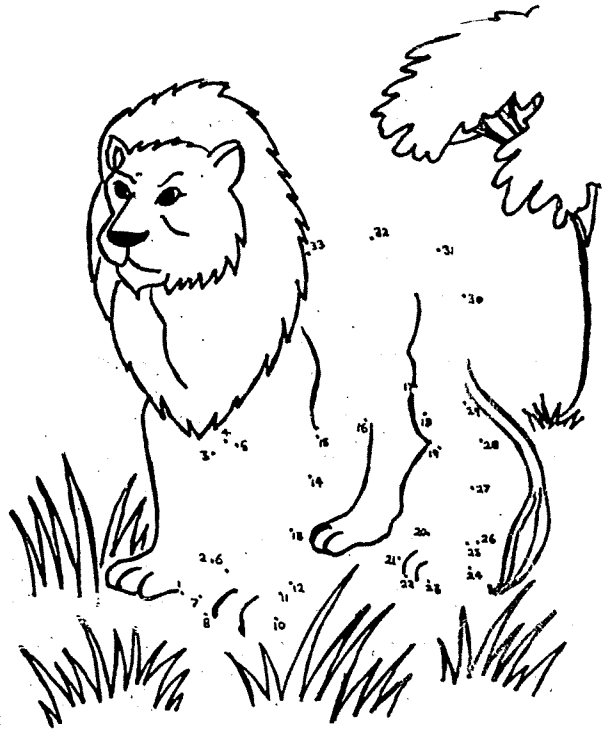


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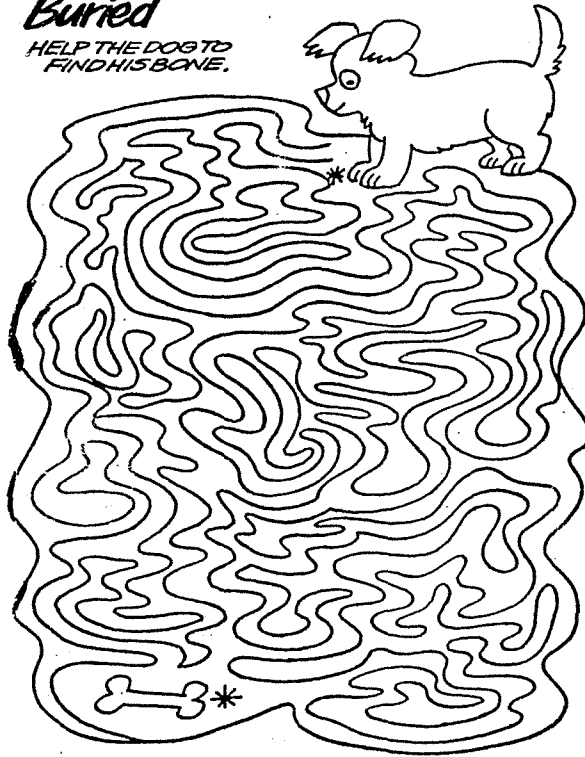
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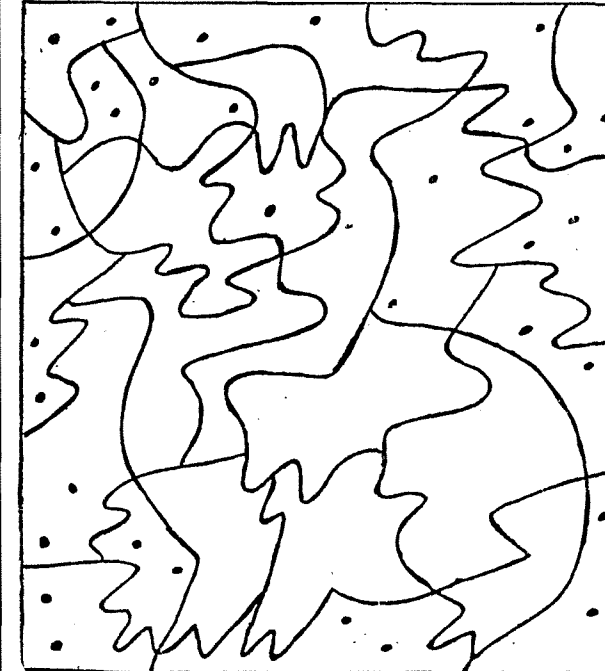


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I.T.

I.T. is the 'it' word for so many students, young and not so young. They say they are doing an I.T. course in Maynooth College or in Tallaght or in Dublin. The young people know all about I.T. Well, it means Information Technology.

Many people think that a computer will help them work more effectively. The truth is that a computer will actually make you less efficient - at least for the first few months. If you bought a computer to help you to do accounting, you still have to know how accounting works. With a computer you have to know how to use a computer, how to do accounting and how to do accounting on your computer.

If you are a writer the computer will only write what you type in. A word processor turns the computer into a typewriter that you can use without worrying about editing, spelling or printing until the work is written. If you alter a sentence or delete a paragraph or want to put in some extra information in the middle of a paragraph the word processor automatically adjusts the remaining paragraphs. For anyone who was used to a typewriter the word processor is a miracle worker.

The Internet is likely to take Ireland by storm in the next few years. The latest houses in Leixlip are being featured as being wired for the Internet. Access to the Internet is already available in Cyber X at the Glenroyal Centre. It is a fascinating medium but if you are looking for some specific information the Internet is only as good as the information that has been loaded into it.

In America I read the Irish Times every morning at eight o'clock while people back in Maynooth were still asleep. Such is the wonder of modern technology: modern information technology - I.T. I have just discovered that 'Internet' is so new that it is not on the spell check on this word processor - but it will soon be as well known as the word 'television'.

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RETIREMENT OF POPULAR TEACHER

Friends and colleagues came together in Scoil Mhuire Na Toirbhirte, (Presentation Primary School) Maynooth, on Friday 18th September, to celebrate the retirement of Ms. Bríd Faherty.

Ms. Faherty, from Spiddal, Co. Galway taught in Scoil Mhuire for 21 years. She decided to take early retirement, and so a special Mass and celebration were held on the school premises.



Sister Catherine making a presentation to Ms. Bríd Faherty

Tributes were paid to Ms. Faherty for her dedication, patience, expertise and good humour! Many girls from Maynooth were taught by her over the years. She will be sadly missed by her pupils and colleagues, but an "active" retirement was wished for her.

Sr. Catherine Brosnan, Principal, welcomed everyone and thanked Bríd for all her work and co-operation over the years. Sr. Alphonsus spoke of her happy experiences while teaching with Bríd, and wished her health and happiness in her retirement.

Monsignor Alex Stenson, P.P. also paid tribute to Bríd, and spoke of her many sterling qualities, he then made a presentation from the Board of Management.

Ms. Breda Boylan, Deputy Principal, made a presentation from the staff and Ms. Gráinne Kelly, chairperson, made a presentation from the Parents' Association.

Ms. Faherty thanked everyone, and spoke of her sadness at leaving. But she said the time was right for her to go, and having made the decision, she looked forward to involvement in some other projects, some relaxation and maybe some travel! She would call back to visit all the children at a later time.

A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

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VIDEO REVIEW

Amistad 15's

This is the true story of a group of African slaves who overpower their Spanish captors on board the slave ship La Amistad in the summer of 1839. They subsequently end up standing trial in a Long Island court for murder and piracy. On their side they have ex-slave Theodore Joadson, played beautifully by Morgan Freeman, and his colleague Lewis Tappan (Stellan Skarsgard), as well as an enthusiastic but inexperienced attorney (Matthew McConaughey). Against them they have pro-slavery U.S President Martin Yan Buren (Nigel Hawthorn), who's determined not to upset the southern voters, and Queen Isabella of Spain, who claims ownership of the so-called 'livestock'. Anthony Hopkins steals the show (as usual) as former President John Quincy Adams, who takes up the prisoners' cause.

At times harrowing, at times touching, this film is predictable but highly engrossing in equal measures.

Verdict: Excellent

Fallan (15's)

Denzil Washington is his usual angelic self in this dark psycho-thriller. He plays a separated Philadelphia homicide detective who finds himself being more than merely haunted by a man he captured and whose execution he witnessed.

When the late killers trademark murders start to happen again, Washington's suspicions gradually turn to superstitions about the supernatural when he uncovers the possible work of an evil spirit who travels from body to body by touch.

Donald Sutherland gives it his manic-stare best as Denzil's shifty lieutenant, and John Goodman more than fills the part of his close friend and police partner, but at the end of the day this is really Washington's film. This is a slick thriller that's well worth checking out.

Verdict: Terrific!

The man in the Iron Mask (12's)

Leonardo DiCaprio plays both villain and victim in the dual roles of the cold and cruel king Louis XIV and the mysterious prisoner number 6438900 in this hugely enjoyable adaptation of the classic Alexander Dumas novel. Jeremy Irons, John Malkovich and Gerard Depardieu are the legendary Three Musketeers, now retired and somewhat resigned to the tyrannical rule of Louis XIV, a king they view as a 'dog and a coward'. Gabriel Byrne plays the ever faithful d'Artagnan, still loyal to the king as the head of his bodyguards, even when the starving peasants of Paris are pelting him with rotten eggs. As the king's rule becomes ever more monstrous, the Three Musketeers finally decide to re-unite and resurrect a dark secret from this past to overthrow him. This is a very good version of the classic story, and by the end their won't be a dry eye in the house (especially those of young teenage girls).

Verdict: Great Escapism!



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COLOURFUL DISPLAY IN MAYNOOTH FLOWER SHOP

Art lovers in Maynooth have at last something to feast their eyes on, as a colourful display of local artistic talent is continually on exhibition at Maynooth Flower and Craft Shop, Greenfield Shopping Centre. The display features various styles in water-colours, acrylics and oils, all created by local artists. Owner Anne Doohan, herself an amateur artist (a member of Dunshaughlin Art Group) is delighted to be able to display local work at her shop and encourages local businesses and offices to visit and buy local. The local business community can help promote local artists, greatly by buying their work. Commissions are accepted and Christmas orders are now been taken. Anne can be contacted at 6291376 (10am - 6pm).



Greenfield Flower Shop window display

Some of the Exhibitors at Maynooth Flower and Craft Shop

Susan Brennan, Laurence Avenue is a member of the Abbey Art Group for the past 4 years. Acrylics and water-colours are her favourite mediums. She feels that the local community is not being made aware of the amount of artistic talent in Maynooth. Some of her work is on display at Maynooth Flower and Craft Shop.

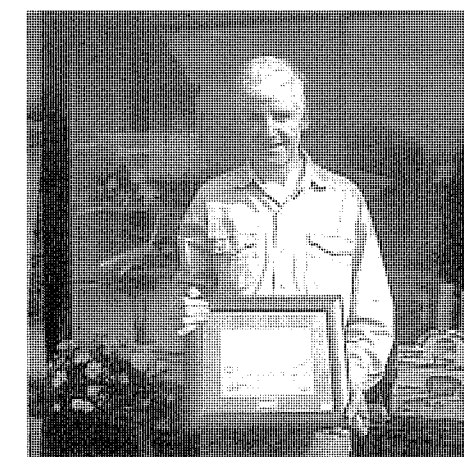
Brendan Keegan has lived in Maynooth for the past 18 years. He always enjoyed drawing as a pastime but it was only 5 years ago he went to classes in Celbridge. Since then he has worked in water-colours and acrylics, he specialises in landscapes and still-life. Samples of his work are on display at the shop.

Brian Tuohy lives in Kingsbry, Maynooth and has been painting watercolours for the past few years. He exhibited some of these watercolours in the Castle Keep Art Group inaugural exhibition which was held in Maynooth Post Primary School in May 1998 and sold a few paintings of local scenes. As a result, Brian decided to concentrate on watercolour painting with pen and ink detail of local landmarks such as Connollys Folly and the Wonderful Barn.

Since the exhibition, many of his watercolours have been sold at Maynooth Flower and Craft Shop in Greenfield Shopping Centre. West of Ireland, Tall Ships and local Maynooth will be among the water colours he plans to exhibit at the shop during the next few months.



Susan Brennan with one of her paintings



Brian Tuohy with his painting



Ann Doohan with one of her paintings

Features

INAUGURATION OF MONSIGNOR ALEX STENSON

The summer of 1998 has been a memorable one for the people of the Parish of St. Mary's and Ladychapel. Much of it has seen unseasonably cold and gloomy weather, which so well befitted our mourning the loss of Father Brendan Supple, our beloved Parish Priest of many years. The wind and rain enforced a quiet period as we moved on from the 12th of May, yet, a quiet filled with growing anticipation as we awaited the announcement of who our next Parish Priest would be.

Then, the word went out that our parish had a new Parish Priest, and that a date had been set for his ceremony of induction: His name was Monsignor Alex Stenson, and the people of the parish could celebrate with him and Bishop Ray Field on 8th August.

That day was bright and warm - truly summer-like after so much cold and gloom, and the clear skies and heat of the evening only added to the joyous occasion. As we welcomed him into our hearts, the entire parish community came together as Monsignor Stenson committed himself before Bishop Field to "always be a loving father, a gentle shepherd, and a wise teacher..." to his people. The parish, quiet for long months, rejoiced together in the Liturgy and in hymns of praise.

After the joyous ceremony, our parish community moved over to the boys' school where there was an opportunity to personally meet and greet Monsignor Stenson, the gentle shepherd who will guide the people of the Parish of St. Mary's and Ladychapel in the way of the Lord and into tomorrow.

Monsignor Alex Stenson, we, the people of the Parish of St. Mary's and Ladychapel, welcome you!

I

Old, Young, Middleaged all heading for the same venue, this was the year we had to do it. The Men in white seemed to tower over their opponents togged out in their green and gold.

II

The Beat of the Bodhrans and the chant of their followers carried their team along. The Hill was alive with lilywhites and the odd Blue Banner, God Bless the Dubs, when we got past them we were on our way.

III

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MAYNOOTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Maynooth Branch Library are happy to announce the winners of the Photograph Competitions!

The winner of the Funny Photograph Competition is Emma Maloney from Beafield Drive Maynooth. Her prize is a Creation Station by Crayola. Eimear Flynn from Kingsbry, Maynooth and Eva Dunne from Old Greenfield were runners up in this section and their prizes are boxes of sweets.

The winner in the Favourite Photograph Competition was Siobhan Durkan from Rath Kilmore, Kilcock. Her prize is a Fuji Fotonex 55AF Auto Focus camera, with film and batteries included. Orla Hill from Bridestream, Kilcock and Sarah Flynn from Courtown Park, Kilcock were runners up in this section and their prizes are Fuji Hunt Parker pens.

All entries will be displayed in Maynooth Branch Library for the month of October, and may then be collected by their owners in November. Thank you for all the entries and congratulations to the winners.

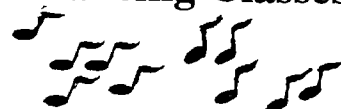
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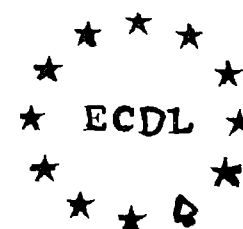
When I taught you how to eat with care,
Tie your laces, count your numbers, too,
Dress yourself and comb your silken hair,
What precious hours I spent with you.

So when I forget what I am about to say,
Just give me a minute or maybe two.
It's probably not important anyway,
I would much rather listen just to you.

If I tell the story one more time,
And you know the ending through and through,
Please remember you first nursery rhyme
When I said it a hundred times with you.

When my legs are tired and it's hard to stand
Or walk the steady pace like I used to do,
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And guide me as I so often did for you.

Anon.



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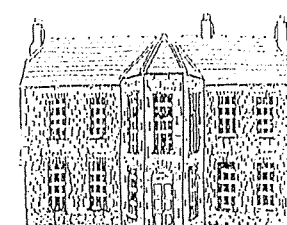
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Ingredients:

25g. butter/margarine
1/2 kg. large onions
50g. flour
1 litre brown stock
Salt
Pepper

To serve:

4 slices French/Vienna bread
50g. Cheddar cheese (grated)

For special occasions:

1 tablespoon sherry or brandy

Method

1. Peel and slice onions thinly. Slice bread, grate cheese.
2. Melt fat and fry onions until soft and golden.
3. Stir in flour and cook gently for one minute, stirring all the time.
4. Gradually stir in stock and bring to the boil. Season.
5. Lower heat and simmer for about 25 minutes, until onions are soft.
6. Toast bread.
7. Pour soup into individual soup bowls, float a slice of toast on each, sprinkle with grated cheese and place under a preheated grill, until cheese is soft and starts to bubble.

SEAFOOD COCKTAIL

Ingredients:

300g white fish, e.g. cod
A few lettuce leaves

Dressing:

3 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 teaspoon tomato purée
Worcester sauce or lemon juice
Paprika pepper

Method

1. Poach fish gently for about 5 minutes. Drain well and cool.
2. Shred lettuce leaves and arrange in a sundae glass.
3. Add flaked fish. Blend dressing ingredients and pour over.
4. Garnish with lemon slices and parsley.
5. Sprinkle with paprika.

SPAGHETTI ALLA BOLOGNESE

Ingredients

200g. Spaghetti
1 tablespoon olive oil

Sauce:

1 tablespoon cooking oil
1 medium onion
1 clove garlic, crushed
200g. minced beef
5 large ripe tomatoes or 1 can tomatoes (drained)
150ml. stock or liquid from tomatoes
Pepper
Salt
Oregano, majoram or mixed herbs.

To Serve:

Parmesan cheese or grated cheddar cheese

Note:

Oregano and marjoram are two quite similar herbs, often used in Italian dishes to give them an authentic Italian taste. If you have neither, mixed herbs are fine.

Method:

1. Peel and chop onion finely, Skin tomatoes and chop.
2. Heat oil in medium-sized saucepan; fry mince until beginning to brown (about 7 minutes).

3. Add onion and garlic and fry until golden.
4. Add tomatoes, seasoning and stock, bring to boil, then simmer gently for about 30 minutes.
5. Meanwhile cook spaghetti in boiling salted water until soft (about 12 mins.). Drain and toss in oil.
6. Serve spaghetti in a hot dish with the sauce poured into a hollow in the centre.
7. Sprinkle with grated cheese.

FRUIT FRITTERS

Ingredients:

100g. flour
Pinch salt
1 egg
125 ml. milk and water

Fruit:

Apples - peeled, cored, sliced
Banannas - peeled, sliced lengthwise in two
Pineapple - drained slices

To Serve:

Caster sugar

To Fry:

1. Make batter, Heat fat or oil.
2. Slice fruit, drop into batter, lift out with a skewer and allow excess batter to drain off.
3. Lower carefully into hot fat. Fry until golden brown and cooked through.
4. Drain well on kitchen paper.
5. Sprinkle with caster sugar.
6. Serve in hot individual dishes.
7. Custard, cream or syrup sauce, may be served with fritters.

Happy Halloween



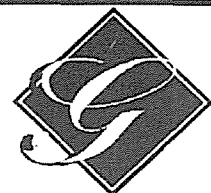
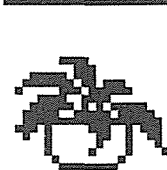
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ARDENING



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OCTOBER IN THE GARDEN

Trees Shrubs and Climbing Plants:

In a good growing season, hedges will require a further trimming or pruning this month. Clip back deciduous hedges planted in spring. This will encourage a bushy base.

Prepare ground thoroughly for new trees, shrubs and climbers. Evergreens are best planted this month or in March or April. Deciduous plants can be set out whenever soil and weather permit from October to April.

Dead head any roses that continue to flower into early winter.

Dig soil deeply for new roses and manure the sub-soil.

Hoe in mulches round established trees, shrubs and climbers, and remove weeds. Bonemeal fertilizer can be worked in at the same time.

Vegetables:

Finish lifting, and storing maincrop potatoes.

Set out the last of winter and spring cropping brussels sprouts, cabbages, kale and broccoli.

Bend the top leaves over cauliflower heads in order to prevent damage from rain and frost.

Finish planning a vegetable crop rotation scheme for next year.

Dig over all spare areas. Leave the soil rough dug.

Flowers:

Lift half-hardy bedding plants and annuals, including dahlias and gladioli for storing.

Prepare the ground or containers for spring bedding plants and bulbs. Lift chrysanthemums, after flowering, cut back their top growth, and store them in a cool, frost-free place for the winter.

Finish setting out all spring-flowering bedding plants, e.g., wallflowers, polyanthus and forget-me-nots.

Complete planting of bulbs, including tulips, where they are to bloom.

Cut down herbaceous perennials as they finish flowering. Lightly hoe or fork the soil to remove foot-marks and work in well-rotted compost and some bonemeal.

If herbaceous plants are old or overgrown, lift them and divide them. Replant the newer outer pieces of the clumps in prepared and fertilized soil. Discard the old, central parts.

Plant any new herbaceous plants in ground prepared for them in September.

Remove all stakes and supports, clean them and store them for use next year.

Make a final planting of forced bulbs in bowls for late winter and spring flowering in the home. Store in a cool, dark frost-free place.

Lift half-hardy summer-flowering bulbs and store them in a cool, frost-free place.

Fruit

Pick and store apples and pears.

Tie in new canes of fruits to their supports and remove old canes that have finished fruiting.

Plant new fruit trees in prepared sites.

Clear the soil and weeds from around established fruit trees and bushes. Ensure that all supports are in good condition to withstand the winter weather.

Spray with fungicides or insecticides where necessary.

Under Glass

Bring in pots of half-hardy chrysanthemums that have been outdoors during the summer. Disbud to obtain big flowers, and water and feed the plants regularly.

Some heat may now be required to protect plants from frosts. Water plants more sparingly.

Plants in cold-frames should be watered only when needed. Cover frames at night when frost is likely.

Reduce the frequency of watering and feeding of houseplants.

Don't forget

Lawn mowing generally ceases this month in all except mildest areas. Bumps and hollows in the lawn can be corrected at this time.

Brust or rake up leaves, adding them to the compost heap.

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Party Political Notes

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Main Street Footpaths:

Kildare Co. Council has awarded the contract for the new footpaths on Main Street to C. and M. Construction Limited. The value of the contract is £418,000. This much needed work on our footpaths arose as a result of a motion submitted by Cllr. John McGinley some 4 years ago. Work will recommence in Mid September and we are pleased that the Council arranged a replacement contractor for this project.

Footpath - Parsons Street to Bond Bridge:

Cllr. John McGinley has requested Kildare Co. Council to provide a new footpath in this highly pedestrianised area.

Footpath between Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn:

At the request of the residents in the area Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to resurface the footpath between Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn which was badly damaged during recent construction work in the area. Funding for same should be recouped from developers. Cllr. John McGinley has also asked the Council to remove the overgrown weeds and hedges along this footpath as it is causing an obstruction to parents with prams.

Proposed Meadowbrook Link to Straffan Road:

The following motion has been submitted by Cllr. John McGinley to Kildare Co. Council:

‘That Beaufield Road be closed off at the Newtown Road end in the event of the Meadowbrook Link to the Straffan Road being completed’.

While the link road to the Straffan Road is a top priority, precautions must be taken to ensure that the Beaufield Road is not used as a ‘rat run’ to the Straffan Road.

The Government recently announced a £160,000 grant for the completion of this road, but, this does not even go half way towards its cost, estimated at £400,000 by Council Engineers.

The Link is essential as it will have a two fold effect - taking traffic out of the Town Centre and allowing easy access to the motorway for Newtown Road residents.

New Public Lights Being Replaced:

Cllr. John McGinley’s motion to have all public lights replaced throughout the County has been enacted in most of the County at this stage, that is except in Maynooth. However the Council have advised Cllr. John McGinley that ESB workers are due to start replacing the lights in Maynooth at the end of September.

In the meantime Cllr. John McGinley has asked the ESB to repair the faulty lights in Greenfield Drive on pole No’s 2 and 5.

Motorway Exit on Straffan Road:

Cllr. John McGinley has again requested the Council to speed up the installation of traffic lights at the exit/entry to the Motorway. This will reduce significantly the long delays experienced by drivers at peak times and will eliminate the need for drivers to do a turn around at Barretts.

Jungle in Convent Road:

Following requests from residents in the area Cllr. John McGinley has contacted the Chief Executive of Telecom Eireann, Alfie Kane, in connection with the disgraceful condition that Telecom Eireann left the footpath green on Convent Road, following the laying of cables.

A month has passed without even an acknowledgement from Mr. Kane. Perhaps he still thinks that Telecom have a monopoly and that he can treat customers any old way.

Cllr. McGinley will continue to pursue the proper reinstatement and landscaping by Telecom.

Footpath from Dillons Row to Lyreen Park / Pebble Hill:

Last January the developer, North City Builders, advised Cllr. John McGinley and Kildare Co. Council that they would lay a new footpath and provide public lighting from Dillons Row to Lyreen Park without any further delay. Needless to say nothing was done and the developer advised Cllr. John McGinley a month ago that he was not going to do the work and that he was passing the buck to the Council.

Cllr. John McGinley had requested the Development Control Section of the Council to pursue the developer vigorously on this matter as he has also left two other unfinished estates in Maynooth.

Party Political Notes

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES (Cont).

Moyglare Village Boundary Wall

Representatives of the Residents Association in Moyglare Village put an excellent case to the Celbridge Area Committee last April seeking a boundary wall at the Green area in front of Moyglare Village. Since then it appears that the Council officials have done very little on the issue. Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to finalise the issue of the boundary wall without any further delay.

A.I.B. to Restore Streetscape

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are pleased that A.I. B. have finally applied for planning permission to build a second storey over their Maynooth premises and thereby restore the line of buildings along Main Street.

The Square

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Manager to complete The Square in Maynooth by planting creepers for the pergola. Now is the time to plant creepers and as they only cost £5 each it would be a pity not to plant them and finish off The Square properly. They would also need to be protected by wire mesh at ground level in order to give them a chance of survival.

Permission Granted for Maynooth Castle:

Planning Permission has been granted by Kildare Co. Council for the re-roofing of the Keep of Maynooth Castle. The permission also covers the use of the Castle for exhibitions, tours, meetings and the provision of a kiosk.

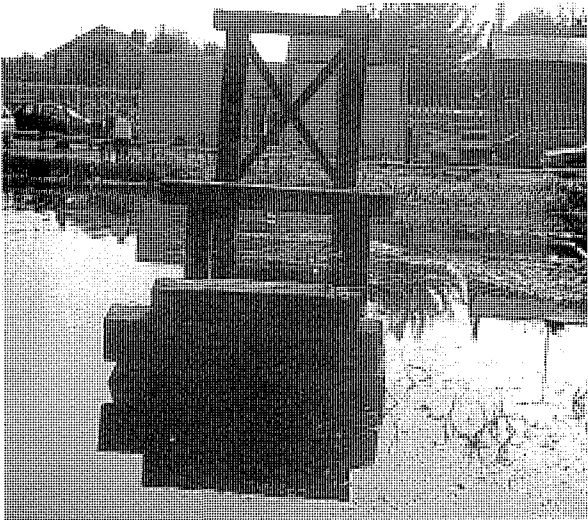
In granting the permission the Council have imposed a condition requiring the OPW to submit revised plans for agreement by the Council on the maximum feasible reduction in the overall height of the new roof over the existing wall, level, minimisation of the roof overhang, and the maximum feasible reduction in the size and height of the tower beside the stone hook.

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed the inclusion of this condition as it will minimise the visual impact of the raised roof over the existing structure.

We are also still awaiting computer images of what the Castle will look like after the proposed works are carried out.

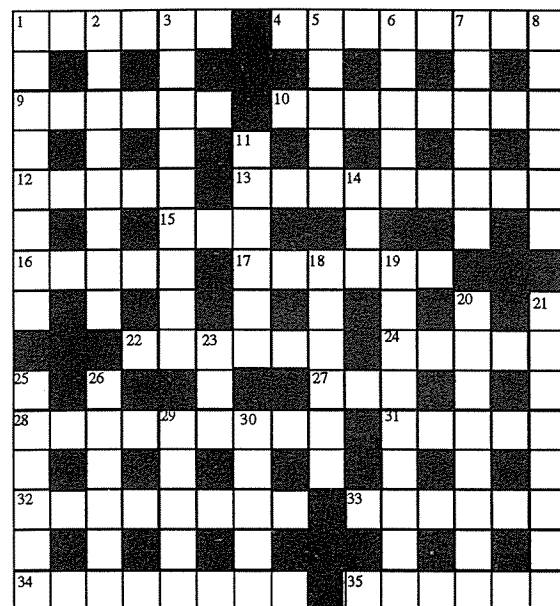


Ducks and Swans living in Harmony in the Canal at Maynooth



Bridge over Canal "Gone"

Crossword No. 131



Entries before Monday 19th Oct

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

1. Esteem (6)
4. Farm worker (8)
9. Entertainment (6)
10. Last stop (8)
12. In the lead (5)
13. Military rank (9)
15. Wine (3)
16. Common land (5)
17. Cane (6)
22. Stick (6)
24. Principle (5)
27. Pre-marital name (3)
28. Curios (4-1-4)
31. Assessed (5)
32. Guess (8)
33. Mineral (6)
34. Disorderly conduct (8)
35. Bed coverings (6)

Down:

1. Renew (8)
2. Groundsman (8)
3. Cromwellian (9)
5. Heat unit (5)
6. Brooch (5)
7. Small fish (6)
8. Fomer Egyptian leader (6)
11. Gather (6)

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14. Came upon (3)
18. Channel (6)
19. Wake (9)
20. Precarious (8)
21. Pupils (8)
23. Cooker (3)
25. Infatuate (6)
26. Askew (6)
29. Own up (5)
30. Proportion (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 130

Across: 1. Buffet; 4. All right; 9. Encore; 10. Emotions;
12. Colon; 13. Extortive; 15. Eve; 16. Nitro; 17. Nested;
22. Astral; 24. Stole; 27. Ant; 28. Anthology; 31. Erred;
32. Thinnest; 33. Needle; 34. Yielding; 35. Agreed.

Down: 1. Beercans; 2. Facility; 3. Erroneous; 5. Limit;
6. Rotor; 7. Gloria; 8. Tassel; 11. Keener; 14. Oat; 18. Splays;
19. Easteregg; 20. Porridge; 21. Deadhead; 23. Til; 25. Paltry;
26. Strike; 29. Owned; 30. Oisin.

Winner of Crossword No. 130
Mary Lennon, 28 Charterhouse
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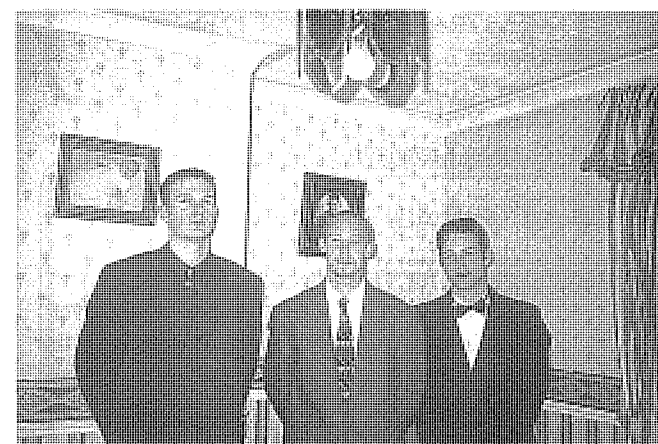
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Front: Marcella O'Reilly, Nichola Corr,
Sharon Halligan, Áine McDermott



L-R: Robin Hayes, John Stanley, Willie Waldron



L-R: David Newton, Darina McMahon, AnneMarie O'Reilly,
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Rachel Cassidy & Ken Pearson at her
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Karen Kavanagh, Kingsbry, Ken Lennon, Kilmacreddock
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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

**18th July 1998
at Kilkea Castle**

**22nd August 1998
at Highfield Golf Club**

Captains (Miley Scanlon) Prize

Overall Winner	Terry Moore (12)	35 pts. (Back 9)
2nd	Tom O'Haire (26)	35 pts.
3rd	Pat Conway (21)	34 pts.
4th	Ray Delemere (11)	33 pts. (Back 9)
5th	Dom. Nyland (16)	33 pts.
6th	Sean Tracey (16)	32 pts.
7th	Norman Kavanagh (13)	30 pts.
8th	Joe Moore (12)	29 pts. (Back 9)
9th	Sean O'Connor (16)	29 pts.
10th	Owen Byrne (26)	28 pts.

Past Captains	Terry Moore	
Visitors	Don Sullivan (9)	30 pts.
Front Nine	Paul O'Connor (7)	16 pts.
Back Nine	Mick Flynn (24)	15 pts.
Nearest the pin	Owen Byrne	
2's Club	Owen Byrne	
	Ray Delemere	
Par 5's	Gerry McTernan	
Par 3's	Michael O'Regan	

Terrys Backline wins Captains Prize

Captain Miley Scanlon brought the Society to Kilkea Castle for his Captains Prize on Saturday 18th July.

What a very good choice this turned out as this quite magnificent course proved a really tough test.

The overall result was in doubt right up to the last few holes when 4 pars on the last 4 holes enabled Terry Moore to pip Tom O'Haire on the back nine to claim the Captains Prize.

Congrats to Terry and better luck next time Tom.

The presentation took place in the Clubhouse and was followed by a social evening.

Vice-President's (Noel Brady) Prize

Overall Winner	Liam Farrelly (12)	38 pts.
2nd	Terry Moore (8)	35 pts. (On Back 9)
3rd	John Carroll (19)	35 pts.
4th	Sean Tracey (15)	32 pts. (On Back 9)
5th	Dom. Nyland (14)	32 pts.
6th	Mick Flynn (24)	30 pts. (On Back 9)
7th	Owen Byrne (26)	30 pts.
Front 9	Paul Ryan (14)	20 pts.
Back 9	Mick O'Regan (23)	17 pts.
Visitor	Thomas Bean (18)	34 pts.
2's Club	Tony Kelly	
	Dom. Nyland	
Nearests Pin	Norman Kavanagh	

Vice-Presidents (Noel Brady) Prize goes to Liam Farrelly.

Highfield was the venue for Vice-President (Noel Bradys) Prize. Played in fine but windy conditions this course proved quite a test. Playing in the same 3 ball two wily veterans of the Society fought out for top honours. This time Captain's Prize Winner, Terry Moore, had to give second best to Liam Farrelly whose 38 pts. won the day. Congrats Liam.

The presentation took place back in Brady's Lounge that evening.

Upcoming Outings

President's Prize (John Carey)

To Grange Castle on Sunday 4th October.

Joe 'Dodo' Murray Trophy

To Edenderry on Saturday 24th October.

The Maynooth Golfing Society Committee and Members would like to express our condolences to Captain Miley Scanlon and the Scanlon family on the recent death of his father Michael.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT	
20th July 1998	Minor Hurling League	Leixlip 2-8:	Maynooth 0-5
24th July 1998	U/16 Football Championship	Maynooth 2-12:	Raheens 2-9
25th July 1998	Intermediate Hurling Championship	Maynooth 2-19:	Eire Óg 2-8
26th July 1998	Senior Football League Div 2 S/Final	Carbury 1-14:	Maynooth 0-11
31st July 1998	U/16 Football Championship	Moorefield 2-7:	Maynooth 0-9
1st August 1998	Junior Hurling Championship	Maynooth 5-8:	Leixlip 1-6
11th August 1998	Junior 3B Football Championship	Maynooth 5-9:	Naas 1-8
19th August 1998	Junior Football League Final	Maynooth 1-8:	Rheban 0-5
22nd August 1998	Junior Football (Div 3B) League S/Final	Monasterevin 1-14:	Maynooth 0-6
23rd August 1998	Keogh Cup (Senior Football)	Maynooth 3-8:	Athy 0-17
24th August 1998	Minor Hurling Championship	Celbridge 0-11:	Maynooth 2-1
26th August 1998	Junior Hurling Championship	Kill 3-6:	Maynooth 1-7
27th August 1998	Junior Hurling League	Celbridge 1-8:	Maynooth 1-5
28th August 1998	Intermediate B. Football C'Ship Q/Final	Maynooth 1-11:	Eadestown 1-7
4th September 1998	U/14 League Football Semi-Final	Moorefield 3-13:	Maynooth 0-6
19th September 1998	Intermediate B Football Championship S/Final	Maynooth 1-15:	Kill 2-4

UNDER 16 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
Maynooth 2-12: Raheens 2-9

Despite fielding without a number of their regular players Maynooth emerged deserving winners over a strong Raheens outfit played at St. Mary's Park on the 24th July 1998.

The teams were level at 2 points each when Maynooth had their first goal through their attacking wing back Patrick King in the 10th minute. Maynooth retained a three point lead up to half time with further points coming from Patrick O'Rourke and Alan Baxter leaving the interval score Maynooth 1-4 to 0-4 for Raheens. Raheens had reduced the deficit to just one point by the 8th minute of the second half but Maynooth corner forward Peter Lee took advantage of some sloppy play in the Raheen's defence to score his side's second goal. Three points on the trot from Morgan Sweeney, Paudge O'Sullivan and Tommy Masterson eased the winners into a five point lead. However Raheens never took their foot off the pedal and had their first goal midway through the second half. Maynooth's response was a splendid point from wing forward Morgan Sweeney. A second goal for Raheens in the 20th minute levelled the scores ensuring a grandstand finish. Maynooth, however, finished the stronger and had further points from Paudge O'Sullivan, Mikey Gleeson and O'Sullivan again before the final whistle to emerge deserving winners.

Best for Maynooth were: Barry Doyle, Patrick King and Shane Devereux in defence. Paudge O'Sullivan was the best midfielder on view and while in attack Patrick O'Rourke, Morgan Sweeney and Alan Baxter impressed.

Team and Scores:

Alan Sweeney
Shane Pidgeon Barry Doyle Martin Dolan;
Patrick King (1-0) Shane Devereux Donal Houlihan
Paudge O'Sullivan (0-3) Tommy Masterson (0-2)
Mikey Gleeson (0-1) Patrick O'Rourke (0-2) Morgan Sweeney (0-2)
Alan Baxter (0-2) Trevor McMahon Peter Lee (1-0)

Cont./

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

INTERMEDIATE HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP
Maynooth 2-19: Eire Óg/Corrachoill 2-8

Maynooth hurlers got their championship campaign off to an excellent start with an impressive 11 point victory over Eire Óg/Corrachoill. Maynooth laid the foundations for victory with a superb first half performance highlighted with goals from Ciaran McGuinness and Conor Diggins. The accuracy of Stephen Brennan from placed balls helped Maynooth to a 2-10: to 0-5 lead at half time. Eire Óg tried to reduce the deficit early in the second half but the Maynooth defence superbly marshalled by Declan Buckley and Fergal Scully withstood the onslaught and while the losers scored two goals late in the game the ability of the Maynooth forwards to take long range points ensured victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Declan Buckley, Eoin Nevin and Fergal Scully in defence, Stephen Brennan did trojan work at midfield while in attack Tim O'Mahony, John O'Brien and Ciaran McGuinness were always to the fore.

Teams and Scores:

Matt Carroll
Hugh Nevin Declan Buckley Stephen Noonan
Eoin Nevin Fergal Scully (0-2) Jimmy Cahill
Stephen Brennan (0-7) Killian Fagan (0-1)
Tim O'Mahoney (0-2) Vincent Coughlan (0-2) Karl Ennis
John O'Brien (0-3) Ciaran McGuinness (1-2) Conor Diggins (1-0)
Sub: Tom Farrell for K. Ennis

UNDER 16 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
Moorefield 2-7: Maynooth 0-9

An understrength Maynooth side gave of their best but in the end the all round strength and fitness of Moorefield carried them through to victory. Maynooth trailed by 1-4 to 0-4 at half time. Maynooth reduced the deficit to one point midway through the second half but they were never able to level matters and a goal by Moorefield in the last minute ensured victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Barry Doyle, Patrick King and Pierre Ennis in defence, Paudge O'Sullivan impressed at midfield and in attack, Patrick O'Rourke, Morgan Sweeney and substitute Brian Downey worked hard.

Teams and Scores

Alan Sweeney
Shane Devereux Barry Doyle Martin Dolan
Patrick King (0-1) Pierre Ennis (0-2) Donal Houlihan
Tommy Masterson (0-1) Paudge O'Sullivan (0-2)
Mikey Gleeson (0-1) Patrick O'Rourke Morgan Sweeney
Alan Baxter Shane Flemming (0-1) Peter Lee
Sub: Brian Downey (0-1) for P. Lee

JUNIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP
Maynooth 5-8 Leixlip 1-6

Maynooth Junior Hurlers cruised past neighbours Leixlip with an impressive victory in the first round. Maynooth had always the measure of their opponents in the first half but wasted a number of good scoring opportunities. A goal from Paul Daly in the 25th minute of the first half helped Maynooth to a five point lead at half time. Maynooth 1-5: Leixlip 0-3. Maynooth improved their performance in the second half with Seamus Cummins the toast of the supporters having scored two goals and a point inside the first ten minutes. Leixlip never recovered from this scoring spree and further goals from Tony McTiernan and Paul Daly put the icing on the cake for an impressive victory.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

Best for Maynooth were: Sean Cushen in goal, Mick Gahan, Alan Nugent and Mark Nugent in defence. Ronan Murphy and Stephen O'Mahoney were superb at midfield while Paul Daly, Mick Madden and Seamus Cummins were very sharp in attack.

Teams and Scores:

Sean Cushen
 Brian Nevin Mick Gahan Alan Nugent
 Senan Griffin Rory Kelly Mark Nugent
 Rory Murphy (0-2) Stephen O'Mahoney
 Paul Daly (2-0) Eamon Toomey Andrew Fay (0-2)
 Mick Madden John Lee Seamus Cummins (2-4)
 Subs: Tony McTiernan for Toomey, Johnny Nevin for Lee
 Mikey Gleeson for R. Murphy (injured)

JUNIOR 3B FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Maynooth 5-9 Naas 1-8

Maynooth had an emphatic victory over Naas, played at Rathcoffey on 11th August 1998. Goals by Danny Grehan and Senan Griffin in the first half helped the winners to lead at half time by 3-4 to 0-5. Maynooth were always dominant at midfield where Robert Casey was in outstanding form and the Maynooth full forward line had always the measure of their opponents. Maynooth never allowed Naas get back into the game in the second half and two goals by Peter Kinsella in the second half put the issue beyond doubt.

Best for Maynooth were: John Farrelly, Martin McTiernan and Dermot O'Leary in defence, Robert Casey was ably assisted by Peter Kinsella at midfield and in attack Daren Doyle, Senan Griffin and Danny Grehan impressed.

Teams and Scores:

Packie Carroll
 Darren Moran John Farrelly Martin McTiernan
 Darragh Carr Dermot O'Leary Chris Arthurs
 Robert Casey Peter Kinsella (2-2)
 Darren Doyle (0-2) Mick Bennett (0-1) Rory Kelly
 Senan Griffin (0-2) Danny Grehan (2-0) Declan Buckley (1-1)
 Subs: David Cusker for D. Moran, Danny Byrne for Rory Kelly
 Sean Ralph for D. Grehan

JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE FINAL

Maynooth 1-8: Rheban 0-5

A fine fighting performance from the junior footballers enabled Maynooth to capture the league title with a well deserved victory over Rheban on 19th August 1998.

Defensively Maynooth played with great composure and never gave any space to the Rheban forwards and their forwards took full advantage of any slackness in the opposing defence and picked off some fine scores during the game.

Maynooth led at half time by 1-4 to 0-2 with the goal coming from James Delargy. Rheban tried to reduce the deficit early in the second half but Maynooth were always to reply with a similar score and were not flattered at full time to hold a six point lead.

Best for Maynooth were: Hugh Nevin who made a number of fine saves. Noel Reilly, Marty Byrne and John O'Toole were solid in defence, Niall Naughton had an excellent game at midfield while Mark Nugent, James Delargy and Darren Naughton impressed in attack.

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
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

Teams and Scores:

Hugh Nevin
 Derek Fleming Eoin O'Neill Noel Reilly
 Marty Byrne John O'Toole Thomas Farrell
 Niall Naughton Peter Burke (0-1)
 Mark Nugent James Delargy (1-2) Liam O'Toole
 Darren Naughton (0-3) Danny Casey Joey Edwards (0-2)
 Subs: James Gilligan for Liam O'Toole

DIVISION 3B JUNIOR LEAGUE SEMI-FINAL (FOOTBALL)

Monasterevin 1-14 Maynooth 0-6

Fielding an understrength team Maynooth were well beaten by Monasterevin, played at Naas on 22nd August 1998. Maynooth played their best football in the first half but the winners were physically stronger than their opponents with their midfield playing in impressive form. Monasterevin held a three point lead at half time 0-6 to 0-3 with Maynooth scores coming from Hugh Nevin, Peter Kinsella and Danny Grehan.

Maynooth tired considerably in the second half and their cause was not helped when Rory Kelly was dismissed for a second bookable offence early in the second half.

A goal by Monasterevin midway through the second half left Maynooth with an uphill mountain to climb. However Monasterevin got stronger as the game wore on and emerged deserving winners.

Best for Maynooth were: Packie Carroll in goal who made a number of fine saves. John Farrelly and Dermot O'Leary in defence. Hugh Nevin and Darren Doyle gave of their best at midfield and Peter Kinsella and Danny Grehan were best in attack.

Teams and Scores

Packie Carroll
 Alan Geoghegan John Farrelly Martin McTiernan
 David Cusker Dermot O'Leary Darragh Carr
 Hugh Nevin (0-2) Darren Doyle
 Peter Kinsella (0-1) Danny Grehan (0-2) Rory Kelly
 Mick Madden (0-1) Gerry Greally Adrian Boylan
 Subs: Senan Griffin for Boylan A. Boylan for Greally

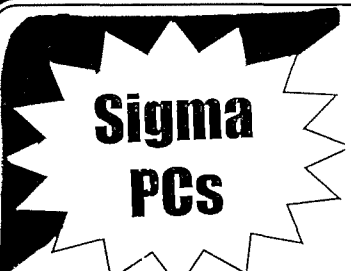
MINOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Celbridge 0-11 Maynooth 2-1

An understrength Maynooth side failed to make any impression against Celbridge. Yet had they taken their chances in the first half the result might have been different. Celbridge led by 0-5 to 1-1 at half-time with the Maynooth goal coming from Chris Arthurs and Sean Lennon getting a point. Conor Diggins and Karl Ennis ensured a plentiful supply of ball to the full forward line but they were well martialled by the winners full back line. Maynooth's only score in the second half was a goal from Seamus Cummins with the assistance of a deflection from a Celbridge defender.


Best for Maynooth were: Alan Sweeney in goal, Tom Mullarkey was superb at full back ably assisted by Peter Sheehan and Aidan McCarron. Karl Ennis played his heart out at midfield while in attack, Sean Lennon and Chris Arthurs tried hardest.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

Teams and Scores

Alan Sweeney
Robert Hayes Tom Mullarkey Mark McCarron
Peter Sheehan Conor Minogue Aidan McCarron
Conor Diggins Karl Ennis
Chris Arthurs (1-0) Ken Dooley Pierre Ennis
Aidan Molloy Sean Lennon (0-1) Gearoid Higgins
Subs: Seamus Cummins (1-0) for G. Higgins, Padraic Nevin for Ken Dooley
Michael Ryan for S. Lennon

JUNIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP
Kill 3-6 Maynooth 1-7

Maynooth's progress in the Junior Championship was ended by Kill at Celbridge on 26th August 1998. Kill were by far the better team in the first half and had scored four points by the tenth minute without any reply from Maynooth. By the twentieth minute Kill had scored a further two goals while Maynooth's only response was two points from corner forward Seamus Cummins leaving the half-time score: Kill 2-5: Maynooth 0-2.

Maynooth improved their performance early in the second half and had scored four points inside the first ten minutes. A superb goal from Paul Daly midway through the half narrowed the deficit to just three points. However Maynooth's recovery was severely dented when Kill scored a fortuitous goal ten minutes from time as it looked as if there was a square infringement by the Kill full forward. Maynooth fought bravely for the remainder of the game but their only reward was a superb point from Mark Nugent and try as they might they were unable to penetrate the winners full back line who always had the measure of their opponents.

Best for Maynooth were: Sean Cushin in goal, Tony McTiernan, Senan Griffin and Mark Nugent in defence. Ronan Murphy was outstanding at midfield while Paul Daly, Mick Madden and Seamus Cummins never gave up trying in the forward line.

Teams and Scores

Sean Cushin
Matt Callaghan Tom Mullarkey Tony McTiernan
Alan Nugent Senan Griffin (0-1) Mark Nugent (0-1)
Ronan Murphy (0-1) Stephen O'Mahony
Paul Daly (1-0) Mick Madden Andrew Fay
Seamus Cummins (0-4) Eamon Toomey Johnny Nevin
Subs: Padraic Ward for Callaghan, John Lee for Andrew Fay
Matt Callaghan for Toomey

U/14 FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV I SEMI-FINAL
Moorefield 3-13 Maynooth 0-6

In their previous encounter Moorefield were fortuitous to emerge victorious, however on this occasion Maynooth had no answer to the winners all round strength, skills and scoring power. In truth Maynooth played second fiddle to Moorefield in the first half. Defensively they were very lethargic while the Moorefield defence were far too strong physically for the Maynooth forwards. It took Maynooth 13 minutes to get on the scoresheet with a pointed free from Pierre Ennis but by that stage Moorefield had scored a goal and two points. Moorefield had their second goal in the 17th minute to ease them into a six point lead and although the accuracy of Pierre Ennis from frees gave Maynooth some hope, the last ten minutes of the first half were dominated by Moorefield who added a further six points to their tally. Two late first half points from Pierre Ennis and D.J. Canning left the half time score at Moorefield 2-8: Maynooth 0-5.

Maynooth played with a greater sense of urgency and determination in the second half and in the first ten minutes were unlucky not to score two goals through Pierre Ennis and David Redmond. The real difference between the two sides in the

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

second was the ability of Moorefield to score from limited possession while the Maynooth forwards were guilty of very poor shooting. When Moorefield got their third goal midway through the second half the game was over as a contest and while Maynooth played their hearts out their only score in the second half was a point from Pierre Ennis in the 44th minute.

Best for Maynooth were: Alan Sweeney in goal, Brendan Coffey, Stephen Curran and Colin O'Neill in defence. Pierre Ennis was the best midfielder on view while in attack Fergal Molloy, Gary McMahon and David Comerford impressed.

Teams and Scores

Alan Sweeney
Brendan Coffey Stephen Curran Fintan O'Donoghue
Kevin Gannon Tadg O'Corcaire Colin O'Neill
Brian Downey Pierre Ennis (0-5)
Fergal Molloy Ciaran McCullagh D.J. Canning (0-1)
Stephen Broderick Gary McMahon David Comerford
Subs: David Redmond for S. Broderick

p.s. Match played at Raheens on 4th September 1998

INTERMEDIATE B FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL
Maynooth 1-15 Kill 2-4

Despite fielding without Niall and Darren Naughton Maynooth proved far too strong for a very disappointing Kill outfit played at Allenwood on 19th September. Both teams were guilty of some poor shooting in the first half but Maynooth had always the edge particularly at midfield. Maynooth led at half-time by 0-5 to 0-2 with their scores coming from Joey Edwards (3) and two fine individual scores from attacking wing back Marty Byrne. The same player missed a penalty in the 25th minute when his shot was well stopped by the Kill goalkeeper.

Playing with the advantage of a slight breeze in the second half Maynooth completely dominated their opponents and had added on a further five points by the 7th minute of the second half. Kill replied with a point in the 10th minute but the game was over as a contest when following good interplay between Joey Edwards and Alan Nugent, Karl Ennis broke free of his marker and cracked an unstoppable shot to the right hand corner of the net. This was quickly followed by three points from Liam O'Toole, Joey Edwards and Mark Nugent and although Kill stole in for two goals late in the game, it only succeeded in putting a more respectable look on the scoreboard.

While Maynooth will be very happy with the result the management will not read too much into this victory as the losers were very disappointing and did not put up any resistance in the second half.

Best for Maynooth were: Aidan Burke, John O'Toole and Marty Byrne in defence, James Delargy when moved to midfield after Peter Burke suffered a nasty ankle injury and Aiden O'Dea were always in control in the sector while the pick of the forwards were: Karl Ennis, Joe Edwards and Mark Nugent.

Teams and Scores

Hugh Nevin
Derek Flemming Aidan Burke Noel Reilly
John O'Toole Eoin O'Neill Marty Byrne (0-2)
Peter Burke Aidan O'Dea
Karl Ennis (1-2) James Delargy (0-2) Joey Edwards (0-7)
Liam O'Toole (0-1) Danny Casey Mark Nugent (0-1)
Subs: Alan Nugent for P. Burke (injured). Declan Buckley for D. Casey. Martin Donnelly for L. O'Toole.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

Finally congratulations to Stephen Brennan and Mick Bennett who were members of the Kildare under 21 hurling team that lost narrowly to Kerry in the B Championship Final.



*Paul Flood Maynooth
Sub Goalie on the Kildare Team*

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. CLUB NOTES

Following the recent Maynooth Town football Club A.G.M. a new committee has been elected for the coming year. At the meeting, in the I.C.A. Hall, outgoing chairman Michael Dempsey announced his decision to stand down. He thanked the members for their support during his term but he felt that with the growth the club had experienced in recent years, it was time for someone else to lead the Club into the new millennium. Mick has been involved in the club for 23 years and will continue to serve on the committee and be involved with the senior team. He also expressed his delight that the club would contest at under 16's level this season as he felt this was an important age group to support. Secretary Gerry Folan expressed his thanks, not only to Mick, but also his wife Josephine who has also been a tremendous supporter over the years. The new committee is: Emmet Stagg - Hon. President, Michael Dempsey - Club President, John Doogan - Chairman, Gerry Folan - Secretary, Alan Cahill - Treasurer, Lenny Murphy, P.R.O. Committee members elected were: Pat Moynan, Joe Walsh, Jim Doogan, Johnny Thompson, Tom Dempsey and Michael Murphy. Our thanks to the I.C.A for the use of their hall.

BRADY'S WIN OUT IN FINAL

The Maynooth Town F.C seven-a-side tournament was ran off in a week of action in the Harbour Field. A large crowd watched the final between two teams consisting of current and ex-players. Brady's Clock House, with John Geoghegan, Philip Doyle and Darren Moran outstanding, outplayed Mona's B & B and won 3-0. Mrs Connie Murphy, wife of the late Joe Murphy, presented the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup to the winning team. John Doogan, the newly elected chairman of Maynooth Town F.C. presented the teams with the winners' and runners-up trophies sponsored by Heineken.

LEICESTER CELTIC LIFT GARDA CUP

Eight teams of 10 year olds, including two from Maynooth contested for the Garda Cup over two weekends in the Harbour Field recently. The tournament, sponsored by the local Garda was organised by Kerion Glynn (Maynooth under 10's manager) and was won by Leicester Celtic. Maynooth Town filled the runners-up spot with Leixlip United beating Palmerstown Rangers in the play-off for third place. Garda Pader Haren presented the trophy to the winning team.

UNDER 16B-MAYNOOTH TOWN 1 LOUGHLINSTOWN 1

Maynooth Town's new under 16's side got a flying start to the new season with a 1-2 win over Loughlinstown. Sean Brady scored twice to give his side the victory. He scored his first near the end of the first half, driving the ball through the hands of a goalkeeper who until then had foiled Maynooth's best efforts. McMahon, Stanley and Brady had shots saved while the latter beat the keeper earlier only to see his effort come back off the upright. Kelly, Baxter, Healy and Newton kept the home attack in a vice like grip and goalkeeper Kelly made two fine saves in the 35th minute. Baxter cleared off his line before Brady scored. The Town defended well until the 52nd minute when home team equalised. In the 66th minute McMahon laid a perfect ball into the path of Brady who struck it first time for a classic and well deserved winner.

Maynooth: Stephen Kelly, Brendan Kelly, Alan Baxter, Martin McMahon, Noel Healy, Jason Newton, Daniel Corbett, Sean Brady, Trevor McMahon, Robert Stanley and Gary McMahon. Sub: David O'Brien for B. Kelly (45min)

UNDER 12A1 - MAYNOOTH TOWN 3 ST JOSEPH'S BOYS 2

St Joseph's travelled to Maynooth for the first game in Under 12 A1 division having been unbeaten last season. The visitors looked a very capable side but the Town had learned from their first season in the full size game. The game was evenly balanced until the 25th minute, when Shaun Doogan slipped the offside trap and chipped the advancing keeper from 25 yards to put Maynooth in front. Three minutes later Baxter floated in a perfect corner and Doogan got a foot to the ball to put his side two up. The home team had started to dominate when Maynooth keeper Niall Doogan was injured and had to be replaced by mid-fielder Sean Kennedy. St Joseph's were not used to being behind and continued to take the game to Maynooth. Seven minutes into the second half Maynooth were awarded a free kick inside the oppositions. Sean Mc Allister dropped the kick into the area and up popped Doogan to get his third. Maynooth started to tire and St Joseph's got goals in the 40 & 45 minutes but despite the pressure Maynooth held on well to win out. Best for Maynooth were Shaun Doogan and Sean McAllister.

Maynooth: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean Mc Allister, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Sean Kennedy, Shaun Doogan and Luke Daly, **Subs:** Brian O'Malley, Jason Moen and David Canny.

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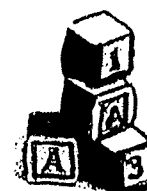


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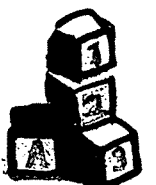
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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. CLUB NOTES (Cont.)

UNDER 8C - MAYNOOTH TOWN 0 ST MALACHY'S 11

Having won their first game of the season Maynooth's under 8 C team found the going very tough against a visiting side that should have been placed a couple of divisions higher. Maynooth were under pressure from the start and St Malachy's opened the scoring in the eight-minute. By half time the home team were trailing 0 - 6 and the final scoreline could have been much worse but for Sean Murphy, the Town's keeper who made a string of tremendous saves throughout the game. This young Maynooth side has plenty of ability and will win their fair share of games this season.
Maynooth: Sean Murphy, Daniel Burke, Peter Murphy, Darragh Dunnine, Gavin Doyle, Ailbhe Flynn, Mark Watson, Michael Naughton, Shane Mc Bride and Darragh Moore.

UNDER 8B1 - MAYNOOTH TOWN 2 CONFEY 0

Maynooth Town's under 8 B1 side tasted victory in this local derby. The home side were awarded a penalty in the eight-minute and Frances McDonnell's poorly struck spot kick was saved. McDonnell made amends by converting the Keeper's poor clearance to put his side one up. The same player also scored the home teams second to take the three points.
Maynooth: Peter Gannon, Sean Moore, Barry Kilduff, Darragh Folan, Robert Moore, Darragh Heneghan, Darragh Walsh, Joe Gerry, Frances McDonnell, Andrew Kavanagh and Kieron Farrell.

UNDER 11B - MAYNOOTH TOWN 6 TEMPLEOGUE 0

Maynooth were always on top in this under 11B clash in the Dublin Road. David Fagan opened the scoring with just 5 minutes gone. Brian Behan added a second 8 minutes later to see Maynooth two up at the break. The home team continue to pile on the pressure and Fagan got his second 10 minutes into the second half. Paul Mc Greal added two more and Paul Clerkin was also on target for an easy victory for Maynooth.
Maynooth: E Deleaney, D Weafer, D O'Neill, D Gahan, N Hanlon, N Cooney, B Bean P Clerkin, D Fagan, S Geoghan, T Franklin, P Mc Greal, M Lord, M Doyle, E Mc Dermot, T Dunne, E Power, M Cooney, D Walsh, A Doyle, P Nelson.

UNDER 12B - MAYNOOTH TOWN 2 TEMPLOGUE 2

Templeogue were again the opposition for Maynooth under 12 B - side but the easy victory seen earlier was not to be repeated. The home side started well and could have taken an early lead but squandered several good chances. The visitors hit the net twice before the break and looked to be on the way to taking all three points until with 20 minutes left Maynooth brought on Shaun Doogan. With almost his first touch Doogan fired the Town back into contention and shortly afterwards added a second to level the match. With the Town piling on the pressure it was Templeogue who were glad to hear the final whistle and go home with a single point.

UNDER 14's A1- MAYNOOTH TOWN 5 SHERIFF Y.C.1

Maynooth looked a class above their Dublin rivals in this entertaining under 14's clash in the Dublin Road. Goals from N. Dempsey (10mins) and C.Mc Cullagh (20mins) saw the home team comfortably in front at the break. The Town piled on the pressure in the second half and goals from B. Shields (50mins) G. McMahon (55mins) B. Downey (62mins) and W.Byrne (68mins) saw Maynooth run out easy winners.
Maynooth: S. Healy, P. Behan, W. Byrne, C. Mc Cullagh, B. McLoughlin, B. Downey, N. Dempsey, G. McMahon, A. Dempsey, A. McMahon, B. Shields, O. O'Brien and M. Newton.

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McCourt: Sons, daughters, brother, sister, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Yvonne McCourt, Carton, Maynooth, late of Gorey.

Dunne: Son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-grandson, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Patricia (Patsy) Dunne (nee Sheridan) Dowdstown, Maynooth.

Scanlon: Wife, sons, daughters, brother, sister, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Michael (Mick) Scanlon, Maynooth Park, Maynooth.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

O'Neill: The family of the late Joseph O'Neill, Greenfield, Maynooth wish to express their sincere thanks to all those who shared in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal and funeral mass. Those who sent mass cards, floral tributes and supported and comforted the family in so many ways. A special word of thanks to Dr. Cowhey and the doctors and nurses at Blanchardstown Hospital, to Fr. Sinnott also our great neighbours and friends. We trust this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our deep appreciation. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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CONGRATULATIONS:

To **Karen Cassidy** and her Moroccan boyfriend **Semyo** who recently got engaged on the 4th October for her birthday. Best wishes from Mammy and Daddy and all the family.

BIRTHDAYS

Birthday wishes to **Sheila Jolley** who is celebrating her 50th birthday on Oct. 6th from all her family and friends.

Birthday wishes to **Andrew Jolley** who is celebrating his 3rd birthday on Oct. 31st from Mammy and all his family and friends.

Birthday Wishes to **Chloe Gannon** who will be 1 year old on the 9th of October lots of love from her Mam, Nana Granda and Uncles William and Kevin.

Birthday wishes to **Alex Howell** who is celebrating his 2nd birthday on Oct. 15th lots of love from Mammy, Daddy and Sarah.

Happy Birthday to **Michael Cullen** of 13 Vanessa Lawns, Celbridge, Co. Kildare who is 9 on 10th October 1998. With lots of love from Mum and Dad, Paul and Christina.

Happy Birthday to **Paul Cullen** of 13 Vanessa Lawns, Celbridge, Co. Kildare who is 15 on 17th October 1998. With lots of love from Mum and Dad, Christina and Michael.

Happy 14th Birthday on the 1st October to **Michelle McGovern**, Greenfield. From Mam, Dad and girls.

Happy birthday **Ronan Gallagher**. From Mammy Daddy Brother, sister who will be 5 on the 5th October.

Happy birthday to **Trever Naughton**, Greenfield, age 17 November 19th. Happy birthday to his sister **Aimee** age 9 on November 29th. Best wishes from Mammie, Daddy, brother Darren and sister Cheryl.

Happy birthday to **Margaret Lennon** who celebrates her 40th birthday on the 25th October. Best wishes from all the Maynooth Community Council Staff.

A very happy birthday to **David O'Connor** who celebrates his 7th birthday on the 2nd October. Lots of love, hugs and kisses from Mammy, Nana, Grandad, Aunts and Uncle.

Belated brithday wish to **Natalie Troy** who celebrated her birthday on the 25th of September and to her stister **Stephanie** who celebrates her 11th birthday on the 17th of October, and to **Jamie Troy** who celebrates his 18th birthday on the 31st of October. From Mam, Dad, Brother and Sister.

Happy birthday to **Laura O'Toole** who celebrates her birthday on the 1st of October, from her sister and brother-in-law and family.

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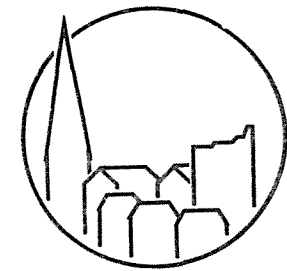
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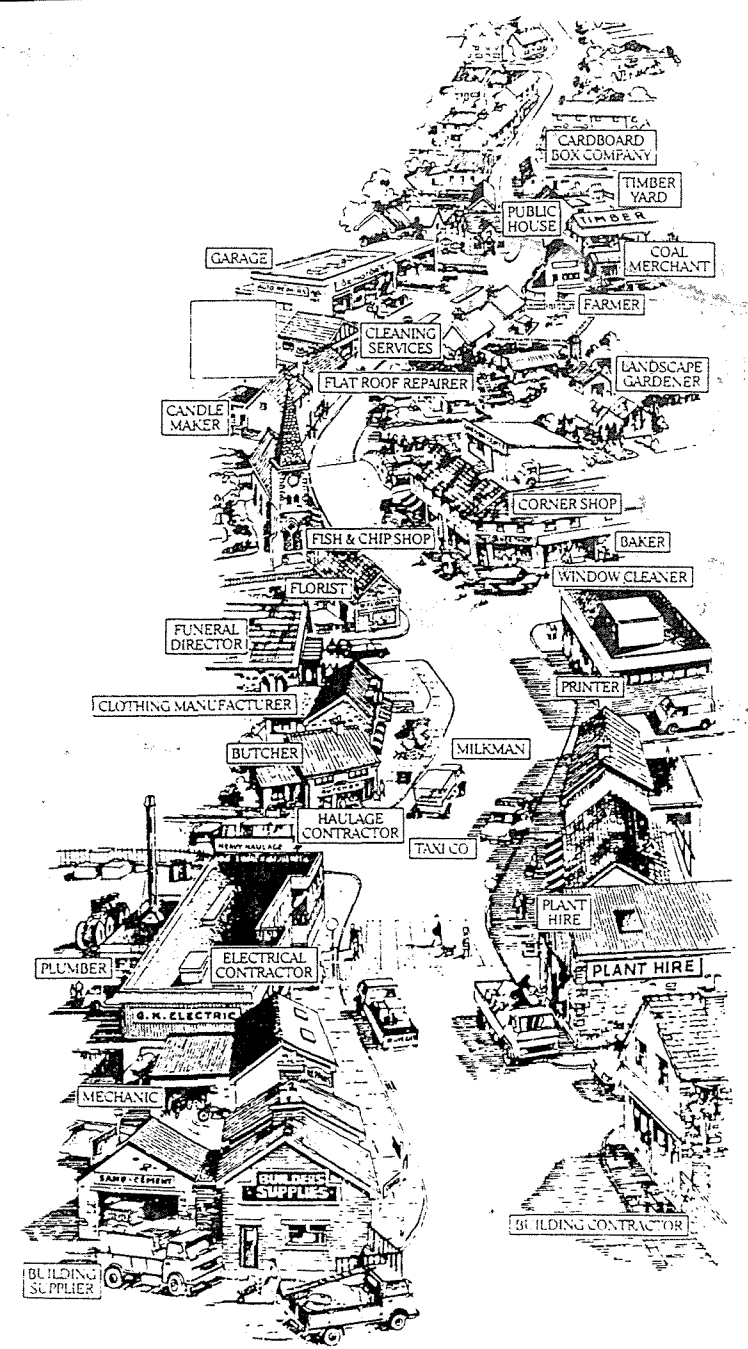
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Diary Dates

November 1st Rosary at Laraghbryan Cemetery.

November 3rd Maynooth Senior Citizens monthly meeting.

November 9th Maynooth Community Council Meeting at 8p.m.

November 11th Maynooth Summer Project AGM at 8.30p.m. in ICA Hall.

November 14th R.C.A.G. Seminar at Tullamore Court Hotel titled "The future of the inland waterways".

November 17th Maynooth flower club meeting in Loftus hall at 8p.m.

November 20th St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band race night 9.30p.m. in the G.A.A. Club.

November 22nd Maynooth Senior Citizens "Annual Sale of Work" at 3p.m. in Parish Hall.

November 26th Gael Scoil Uí Fhiach fashion Show in Glenroyal Hotel at 8p.m.

December 1st Maynooth Credit Union A.G.M. in the Glenroyal.

Editorial

Traffic Chaos

The opening of the motorway was designed to alleviate Maynooth's traffic chaos of the early 1990's. Standing on the bridge over the motorway on the Straffan Road as hundreds of cars flash by every hour proves that huge volumes of traffic are by-passing the town via the motorway. And yet at certain times of the day there is gridlock in the vicinity of the Main St. Every lunchtime, mid afternoon and tea time sees traffic backed up Mill St., the Moyglare Road and Parson's St. Short journeys from one side of the town to the other can take anything up to thirty minutes. Traffic chaos such as we are experiencing is the result of bad planning. The pattern always seems to be - build the houses first and the roads afterwards. The situation in the Newtown area is a classic example. Hundreds of additional houses have been built or are planned for this area, many of them quite expensive. The result is a huge increase in the volume of traffic crossing the dangerous Bond Bridge and fifteen minute tailbacks of traffic in Parson's St. Plans are in place for the realignment of Bond Bridge. The proposed link road from Newtown to the Straffan Road should have an equally high priority.

For unfortunate commuters the traffic chaos extends all the way into Dublin city centre. In desperation more of Maynooth's commuters are availing of Iarnrod Eireann's terrible train service. But that's another story.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council welcomes Manor Mills redevelopment but advises Kildare County Council of concerns about the impact of the proposal in the town:

The plans by Manor Mills to relocate the Mill and replace it with a large residential and commercial complex was discussed at the October meeting. As Maynooth Community Council is a partner to the Maynooth Action Strategy, Community Councillors were given details of the analysis carried out on the proposals by the members of the Maynooth Action Strategy Working Groups. Maynooth Action Strategy Co-ordinating Task Force had two meetings with representatives of the developers, in order to establish the detail of the proposed redevelopment of the site.

Community Councillors welcomed in principle, the re-location of the existing mill to a green field site and the general vision set out in the proposals to redevelop this important town centre site. It was decided to support the approach adopted by Maynooth Action Strategy and to use the opportunity created by the Task Force to have on-going links with the developers. The Community Council has written to Kildare County Council outlining this position and the correspondence includes additional concerns raised by Community Councillors about the development.

Community Council Members to raise local issues:

In the September issue of the "Maynooth Newsletter" a list was published of Community Council Members together with the area that each represents. At meetings of the Council members are given an opportunity to raise matters of interest to their area. If you have an issue or a matter of particular interest that you feel is appropriate to have discussed at Community Council meetings, you should bring it to the attention of your area representative.

Maynooth Community Council - November Meeting:

The November meeting of the Council will take place on Monday 9th November at 8.00 p.m. Community Councillors should note that motions for inclusion on the agenda for this meeting should be forwarded to the Secretary at least ten days before the date of the meeting.

Paul Croghan,
P.R.O.

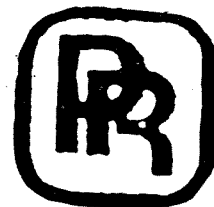


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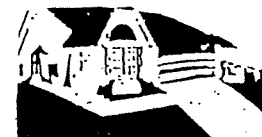
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

As a resident of Maynooth, I would be grateful if someone could tell me what has become of the gate at the right hand side of the Avenue. It was removed when the pillar was being repaired. I would also like to know why Kildare County Council as caretakers of the Avenue, grass and trees and walkway have allowed the avenue to become such an unsightly place. There is also the matter of missing seats, where are they? Kildare County Council deemed Carton Avenue an amenity area and they should now see that the Avenue lives up to what they intended.

Thanking you in anticipation of some answers.

Name with Editor

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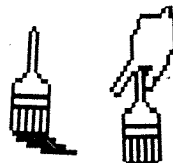
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CREDIT UNION NEWS

Last month, we were inundated with over 250 entries in our Poster competition. The high standard of Art from all the children was remarkable and it made a difficult task for the independent judge to select the winners.

Congratulations to all those who entered but unfortunately failed to be prize winners, you made the effort, your posters were great, you were just unlucky on the day so keep up with the Art.

Our Prize Winners were:

7 yrs & under	1st Conor Bean 2nd Aisling Wall 3rd Aoife Quinn
8 yrs - 10 yrs	1st Ann McNevin 2nd Jennifer Feenan 3rd List Shiels
11 yrs - 13 yrs	1st Niamh Higgins 2nd Brenda Kearney 3rd Niamh O'Carroll

Special Category Damien Lanigan

We, thank all the teachers and parents who encouraged the children and hope everyone had fun. Our next children's event will be the Schools Table Quiz which will be held on Friday 22nd of January 1999.

The 10th Annual General Meeting of Maynooth Credit Union will take place in Glenroyal Hotel on Tuesday 1st December.

We, remind the members that it is in their interest to attend and support their Credit Union.

We would also remind those who will be applying for Loans coming up to Christmas, please do so as early as possible.

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Comhgáirdeas

Congratulations are due to the children who entered the 'Bank of Ireland' art competition with the All Ireland final as the theme. Our Naionáin won first prize in their section with their wonderful miniature version of the Kildare Team. Rang a hAon won second prize for their Full size 'Sam Maguire Cup'. Well done to all! The Naionáin won a Kildare Jersey and we asked the team to sign it, so, we now have a beautiful, framed signed Kildare Jersey to keep in our school. This will remind us of the wonderful summers entertainment we had thanks to the Kildare team. Rang a hAon won 2 leather footballs which comes in very handy for our football training on Mondays.



*'Naionáin' with their pencil cases they won in the Bank of Ireland Art Competition
from left Lucas, Meggan, Tomás, Adrian, Katie, Cáit, Shane, Cian, Daire*

Classroom Assistant

The Naionáin are very lucky to have a lovely, kind new Classroom Assistant to help them.

Gina Ní Bhraonáin, a transition year student is proving to be very helpful to both children and múinteoir alike. Míle Buíochas leat Gina.

Cníotáil/Knitting

Rang a hAon are making great strides at their cníotáil which they have recently started. Their múinteoir, Máirín has bravely undertaken the momentous task of teaching them how to knit along with the expert help of Carla Brennan. No doubt the fruit of their labour will be wonderful!



*Rang a hAon with their criotáil from left:
Nicole, Marco, Eopin & Gráine*

Ranganna Feadóige

We are starting tin whistle classes in November for Rang a hAon. There is already great demand for this class so we hope it will be very successful.

Seó Faisean

Don't forget our Annual Fashion Show and auction will be held in the Glenroyal Hotel on Thursday November 26th at 8 p.m. We have a great variety of clothes this

year to suit all tastes, shapes and sizes! Further details and tickets are available at the school, phone 6290667.

Ranganna Gaeilge

Our 'Ranganna Gaeilge' for parents have started. 15 very enthusiastic parents arrived for the classes and we wish them the best of luck "ar scoil"!

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MAYNOOTH SCOUTING NEWS

We've started back after our summer break and summer camp in Lough Key Forest Park in Boyle, Co. Roscommon. 7 days of living under canvas can make some scouts very claustrophobic - especially after a feed of beans on toast for tea.

Scouts enjoyed a day out in the adventure centre, where they enjoyed windsurfing, canoeing and swimming. Probably one of the most exciting parts of camp, was our aerial runway. To you and me that's a rope between two trees with a pulley, so scouts can do a James Bond.

It was expertly disguised and installed by one intrepid pioneer Francis McGuire - who also did our first test run. (Watch the rock!!!)

Some of our more adventurous leaders also had a go. (ha, ha! Gaff, I'll say no more). Needless to say some of our more well built leaders erred on the side of caution.

Cub Scout News

Cubs have started back with a change of day, but same venue. Friday nights 7.30 - 9 pm in the prefab between the Secondary School and Boys National School on the Moyglare Road. New members are most welcome. Congratulations to Colm Browne our new Cub Scout Section Leader. If you have any queries please contact Colm at 6285222 ext 3045.

Until the next time.

Yours in scouting,

A. Staunton

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION BOYS' SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

Our A.G.M. is coming up in early November, the date has yet to be arranged. Parents will be notified. We would urge as many parents as possible to attend, we are always looking for new faces to join our committee.

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

BAND BULLETIN

Last month was a real case of T.V. or not T.V. that was the question. Why?

Well we were asked at short notice to play for the televised Ladies All Ireland Football Final replay on Sunday 25th October, a real opportunity to strut our stuff on the tele. Unfortunately because we had already accepted an engagement in the Blanchardstown Shopping Centre on Bank Holiday Monday 26th October too many of our members were unavailable for the Sunday. Maybe next year?

Just a reminder of our Mass for deceased members at 11 o'clock on Sunday 1st November. We hope to see many of the relatives and friends of these members who have helped to keep the music and traditions of Maynooth Band going for so many, many years.

Speaking of music and traditions we are glad to report that the instrument classes have now resumed after the (long) summer holidays and in response to a huge demand we brought forward our new music classes several months and enrolments took place on Thursday 29th October. We hope these classes produce sufficient talent to form a new Junior Band with an outlet for promotion to the Senior Band in due course.

It's that time of year again when the thunder of hooves across the G.A.A. pitch announces our Race Night on Friday 20th November in the G.A.A. Club, Moyglare Road - first race off at 9.30 p.m. If you would like to sponsor a horse for £10 or a race for £50 we would welcome your call to our Chairman Paddy Boyd at 6284564 (Home) or 6286468 (work) or Secretary at 8252445 (home). Proceeds go towards our new instrument fund.

Looking ahead to next month we are holding a Christmas Concert in the Aula Maxima in the College on Saturday 12th December and hopefully there will be a repeat of last years very successful Christmas Carol Service in our own St. Mary's Church. More on these and other happenings next month.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Hallowe'en Party took place as planned on Sunday October 18th. Mass was celebrated by Fr. Oliver Noonan S.M.A. whom we thank for maintaining the link with S.M.A. house and for so willingly filling the huge void left by the death of his fellow priest Fr. John Dunne. Fr. Pat Joe O'Connor also joined us on the day having just returned from Kerry. We offered our Mass for the deceased members of our Club and Committee including Fr. Supple and Fr. Dunne.

Tea, as usual followed the Mass after which we had entertainment and our fancy dress parade. While not everyone plucked up the courage to 'dress up' we applaud



L-R Mrs. Durack and Mrs. Kenny enjoy the Senior Citizens Hallowe'en party Maynooth

the ones who did and thank them for entering into the spirit of the occasion. The prize winners were as follows: Joan Branagan (St. Trinian's, Jolly Hockey), Josie Wicks (Wicked Witch), Betty Farrell and Mary O'Reilly, (Golfers - Bill Clinton & Dick Spring), Imelda Delaney & Helen Doyle, (Sam & Lily) and in keeping with our philosophy of linking the generations we had David O'Connor aged 7 years, as Coco the Clown, (See photos). Congratulations and well done to all who took part. Many thanks to the members of the Community Council who judged the competition, Fiona, who also dressed for the occasion, (Coco's Mother) Karen and Helen.

With Hallowe'en out of the way we get down to the serious business of fundraising. Yes, you guessed it, it's 'Sale of Work' time, Sunday Nov. 22nd is the date but there is a lot of work to be done before that. (See ad. on opposite page). As usual we will be selling tickets for our Monster hamper at Quinnsworth on the two weekends prior to the 22nd. We



Enjoy the Senior Citizens party were Paddy Collins and Paddy Malone

will also be making our usual house calls and once again we appeal to your generosity. We do appreciate that there are huge demands on your purse strings at this time of year, but you have always found room for us in the past and I have no reason to believe that this will change in the future. A word of caution though! You will get many callers to your door, some genuine. So please make sure you know the caller. Our members carry I.D. and will only be too happy to show them to you. So keep this in mind while you sort out the "copy" from the 'genuine article'. In the meantime, please remember the date, Nov 22nd. The success of this event determines the services we provide. So do come along, its an enjoyable afternoon and time and money well spent. Look on it as an investment in your future - we do!

As winter approaches may I remind our older people and their carers about safety and security in the home. During the summer months we have been dealing with the mechanics i.e. smoke alarms, spark guards, personal alarms etc., but it takes care and co-operation to ensure the system works. So please ensure that all open fires are protected, chimneys are clean and newspapers and clothes are kept well away. Test smoke alarms and make sure they have batteries. Safety chains should be on doors before they are opened but should not be left on in case a relative needs to gain access in an emergency. Never open your door without first ensuring you know who is on the other side. Avoid climbing as bones are easier broken than mended. Keep your larder well stocked with unperishable goods so that the very wintry conditions don't take you by surprise. Stay warm, room temperature should not drop below sixty five degrees (65%) which is clearly marked on your temperature guide which we supplied last winter. Hypothermia is a real danger this time of year. None of these words of caution are meant to frighten, but to protect. Safety and security are just common

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sense and a little forethought. In an ideal world many of these precautions would not be necessary, but this world is far from ideal. So with a little care many accidents can be avoided. At the end of the day our most valuable asset is a good neighbour. So reach out and be one today, we may need one tomorrow.

Our monthly meeting will take place on Tuesday November 3rd.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Patricia Dunne and Margaret Nolan. Also to Margaret Timmons on the untimely death of her daughter Marcella and to the family of Joan Dixon who died suddenly. Joan was Secretary in the Post Primary School for many years and was always helpful and courteous in her dealings with our committee. May they all rest in peace.

Josephine Moore



Winner of the Hallowe'en Fancy Dress Party
was Joan Murphy-Brannagan



Senior Citizens enjoy the Hallowe'en Party with their favourite clown David O'Connor

MAYNOOTH FOROIGE YOUTH CLUB

The bandwagon that is Maynooth's Foroige Youth Club continues to roll on. Meetings on Friday nights continue to be well attended. On Friday 9th October 1998 elections were held to elect a Committee for the club. In true democratic tradition the ballot was secret. All candidates had to be nominated and seconded. After some fierce contests the following were elected to serve for the forthcoming season.

Chairperson: Niamh Higgins,
Parklands, Maynooth
Vice Chairperson: Kevin Comerford,
Kingsbry, Maynooth

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I.C.A. NOTES

The October Guild Meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday 1st October at 8.00 p.m.

Our President, Rosemary, welcomed us all.

Sympathy was extended to Mairead Scanlan on the death of her husband Michael and the Dunne Family on the death of Patricia Dunne, a former member.

The October Guild competition 'A Painted Stone':

- First: Jo O'Connell
- Second: Margaret Houlihan
- Third: Dorothy Dornan

Badminton continues in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30 a.m.

Crafts on Monday night in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 p.m. Theresa, our crafts promoter, has the ladies making small teddies and hopes in November to start the Christmas crafts.

A Bring and Buy Sale was held for two and a half scholarships to An Grianan. The excellent auctioneers for the night were Dorothy Dornan and Margaret Houlihan. The two lucky winners of the scholarships were:

- First: Theresa Mooney
- Second: Betty Farrell

Nights Out

A night out to the Gaiety Theatre to see "Fiddler on the Roof" will take place on 28th October. This production is by Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society.

Another night out is on December 15th in the Red House where we will join with guild members from Kildare Federation.

Guild Raffle Results were:

- First: Theresa Mooney
- Second: Grainne Kelly
- Third: Jo O'Connell.

November is the month when we hold our Ecumenical Service of Remembrance for the past guild members, family and friends who have died. The service will be organised by Eilish O'Malley who did an excellent job last year.

The November guild meeting will take place on the 5th November at 8.00 p.m.

Irene Matthews,
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

November meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th in Loftus Hall, St. Patrick's College at 8pm. Competitions that night "An Arrangement in a Basket". An exhibit using fresh or dried plant material. Artificial plant material also allowed.

Plant competition - House plant not longer than 20"

Demonstrator for the 17th is Irene Cunningham, on her first visit to Maynooth.

Copy date before our A.G.M. so full details of this meeting in December Newsletter.

Non - members are always welcome to attend our meetings.

Moirax Baxter
P.R.O.

NEW FISHING CLUB

We are a newly formed Fishing Club with the title - Maynooth Coarse Angling Club. Our aim is to promote fishing on an organised basis in this area. We intend to fish the Royal Canal stretch from Jackson Bridge at Laraghbryan to Decy Bridge opposite Intel.

At the moment proper peg stands are being constructed by the Royal Canal Amenities Group. Some of these pegs will have facilities for the disabled angler as they are wheelchair friendly.

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Michael O'Sullivan
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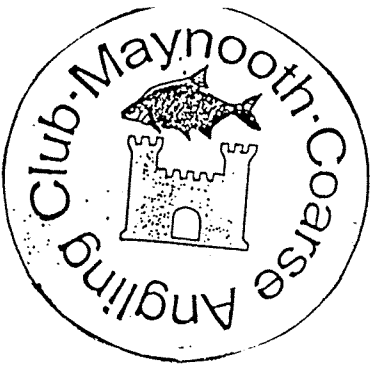
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MAYNOOTH FISHING CLUB

Aedamar Kelly, our Projects Development Officer, is our link with the recently formed Maynooth Fishing Club. Elsewhere in the Newsletter you will find an application form for Junior, Senior and Family membership of the Club. Our committee had a fruitful meeting recently with Liam Higgins, Mick O'Sullivan and Brian Browne, the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer respectively of the Fishing Club, where David Egan, the National President of the Irish Coarse Angling Federation, also attended. The canal is well stocked with different fish types.

THE COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

Our application to renew the Scheme is currently with FAS. The application must stand on its own merits, and renewal cannot be assumed automatically. Our projected works, like the Fishing Stands and further wall-building depend on a successful renewal application.

CANOE CLUB FOR MAYNOOTH

We are continuing discussions with the Irish Canoe Union.

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This seminar is being held on Saturday, 14th. November at the Tullamore Court Hotel, and we intend to be represented there.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Our A.G.M. will be held on 11th November in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.30pm. All are welcome to attend especially those who are interested in going on a new committee.

Summer Project 98 was a great success with more than 250 children enrolling with us. The success of the month was due largely to the dedication of a number of people, unfortunately some of those who were due our thanks were omitted from the September issue - Rose Breheny, Freda Kelleher, Norah McDermott, Madeline Stynes and many other helpful individuals too numerous to mention.

We would also like to thank Peter Mullan, Dominic Nugent, St. Patrick's College, Donovan's Supermarket, Bartons Transport and also Eamon and Ruth O'Rourke for their kind donations of Trophies and Medals.

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT/ TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of Maynooth Post Primary School Parent/Teacher Association took place in the School Assembly Hall on Tuesday, 13th October, 1998 and was very well attended. The meeting was chaired by Mrs. Josephine Moore, Vice Chairperson, due to the unavoidable absence of the Chairperson, Mrs. Mary Byrne.

The School Principal, Mr. Sean Ashe, in his address to the meeting suggested that parents inform the Committee of their wishes and suggestions and also that a regular newsletter from the Committee to parents would be very useful in terms of giving information and communicating with parents.

Mr. Ashe paid tribute to the fund raising undertaken by the Association. As State funding is insufficient to meet all the school's needs, such fund raising is much appreciated.

Mr. Ashe informed the meeting that the school was one of five schools in Ireland (and one hundred in Europe) to take part in an EU Commission project to evaluate quality in education.

Maynooth Post Primary's report focused on 4 particular areas of quality. It is intended to issue a resume of the report to parents in the near future. As a result of this project the school has gained both National and European recognition. In fact, transition year students have now embarked on another project with Swedish and French schools.

The next item on the Agenda was the draw for the Bond Scheme. The Bond Scheme, since its inception, has funded several major projects in the school, e.g., the shortfall in the fund-raising for the Assembly Hall, and the Tennis and Basket Ball courts.

The scheme entails purchasing a Bond for £100 which is valid for 3 years. A single payment may be made or the cost can be spread over several months by way of a Standing Order.

A draw takes place at the AGM of the Parent/Teacher Association each year for which all Bond holders are eligible.

The guest speaker for the night was Mr. Ronan Anderson, Assistant Director of the Rutland Centre and the topic was Addiction Awareness. The Rutland Centre is 21 years in existence and caters for all ages from 17 years upwards.

It is a non profit-making organisation. Fees charged are invested into the centre. The Friends of the Rutland Centre Education Committee was set up recently in response to numerous requests from schools and other organisations.

Mr. Anderson stated that there is such hype in society today around alcohol and drugs; there is an "instant" culture, - instant gratification.

Because of this, children who might never intend to abuse drugs can get "sucked in". With public debates on the legalisation of cannabis and the decriminalisation of heroin taking place, one wonders about the child's perspective is.

Mr. Anderson went on to say that alcohol abuse is the greatest problem, followed by cannabis and opiates such as heroin abuse. Alcohol can be a gateway to other drugs.

One way to help children to avoid the lure of drugs is by following a "life skills" approach viz.

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- Consumer awareness

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Mrs. Moore concluded the meeting by thanking all who attended, - parents, teachers, Mr. Ashe and Mr. Anderson for their very informative address and the outgoing committee of the Parent/Teacher Association.

Mary Oliver

P.R.O.

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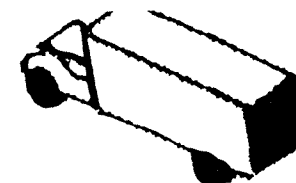
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As our estates reputation is one of our first and foremost concerns, we along with the Garda are planning the much needed return of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, please support this very important service, possibly by putting yourself forward as a committee member.

As Christmas is just around the corner and the children await the coming of Father Christmas, so we, the committee, await the installment of our long awaited litter bins. Lets hope they end our litter problem.

It is our belief that we can make Old Greenfield a friendly, safe and tidy place to live in, with your support through attending meetings, supporting our monthly collection and coming out for our clean up days we can achieve a lot.

Information on our next meeting will be passed onto you. We look forward to seeing you there.

Antoinette Moore
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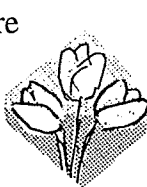
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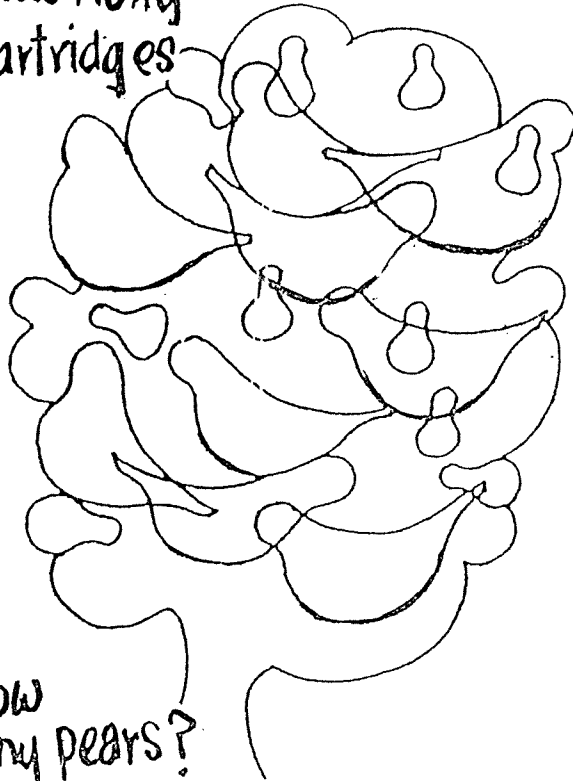
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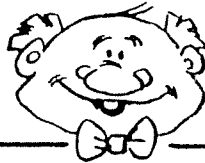
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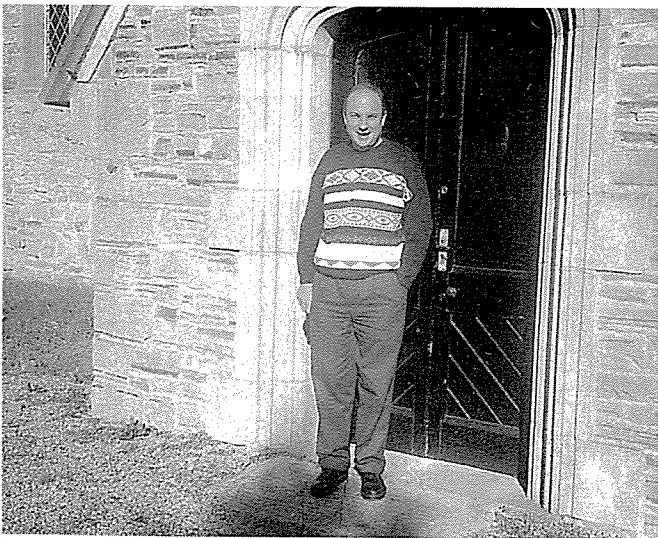
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Rev. Wilkinson at the entrance of St. Mary's Church

St. Mary's Church is steeped in history and the following excerpts from "A Historical Outline" by Leo J. Prendergast will give an insight into some of the church's early history.

750 Years Ago.

The manor of Maynooth was granted to Maurice Fitzgerald in 1176, seven years after the Norman invasion. By 1248 we

know that both a grand Castle and Chapel were built on the site where two small streams meet. In this year the Chapel of Maynooth was erected by Luke, Archbishop of Dublin, into a prebend of the Cathedral of St. Patrick at the request of Maurice Fitzgerald, second Baron of Offaly to whom the Church belonged. The nomination to the prebend was retained in the possession of Maurice and his successors. Around these buildings grew up the settlement now known as Maynooth village. The first prebendary was granted to Richardus de Corren in 1248 by Archbishop Luke.

In 1268 (or 1278) we know that John de Sandford obtained the prebend of Maynooth from the presentation of the Baroness of Naas. This relationship with the Barony of Naas is not surprising as Maurice's grandfather had appointed his eldest son, William Fitzmaurice as Baron of Naas in 1185. It appears from the records that he was granted both Maynooth and Laraghbryan at the one time - indicating the possible unity of both parishes at this date.



The Church Altar

1426

John the 6th Earl of Kildare enlarged Maynooth Castle in 1426 and it is probable at this time that the Tower, which now adjoins the present Church, was built. This Tower was later to become part of the first college ever to exist in Maynooth and then the mausoleum of the Fitzgerald family. The massive square Tower was presumably built to adjoin the site of the 1248 Church or Chapel. Indeed on the east wall of the Tower (now within the present church) is the outline of a chapel nave which most likely indicates the

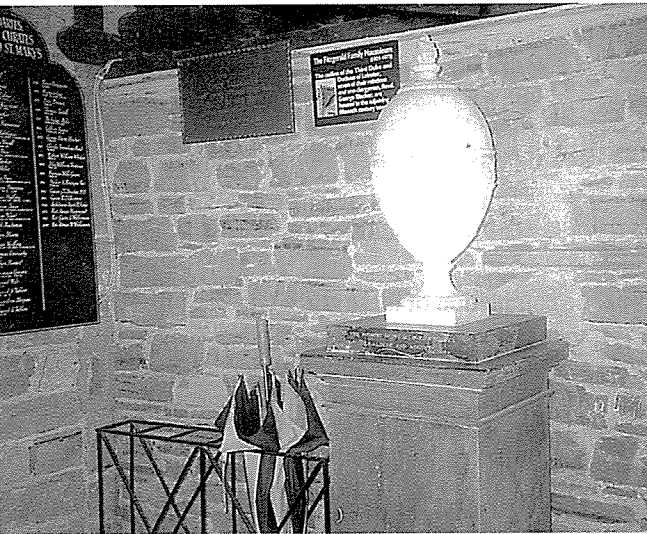
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joining of both structures at the time of building. Upon examination of the Tower it is possible to distinguish two or three building phases and it is most probable that the lower portion of the Tower formed a bell tower for the 1248 Church. The outer court of the Castle was also erected at this time and the only portion of this wall remaining is that which is incorporated into the surroundings of the present Church. It was at this time that yew trees, traditionally used to hang the rebels in 1534, were planted to the west of the Tower - they are still to be seen within the grounds of St. Patrick's College.

1518

In 1518 Gerald, ninth Earl of Kildare, petitioned the Archbishop of Dublin, William Rokeby, for a licence to found and endow a college at Maynooth, for which purpose his father had assigned certain lands in the county of Meath. The licence was granted in 1521 and "the Earl then built the College in a most beautiful form, and placed there a provost, vice-provost, five priests, two clerks, and three choristers, to pray for his soul, and the soul of his wife". He required that the prebend of Maynooth and his successors should be provosts of the College, and receive their daily food there.



The Urn at the Entrance Hall

This foundation was called the "College of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Maynooth" and was located within the grounds of the present Church site.

1553

During the Reformation the Churches gradually passed into the hands of the new reformed establishment State Church. Laraghbryan continued as the Church of Ireland Parish Church. The Church at Maynooth became Protestant, with

the Fitzgeralds themselves, when George, the 16th Earl, was brought up in the reformed religion.

The 16th Earl of Kildare, married Joan Boyle, one of the daughters of the great Earl of Cork, who had bought the wardship and marriage of the young Earl from the Duchess of Lenox for £ 6.600. The Earl of Cork reconstructed many of the buildings attached to Maynooth Castle, including the Church so that the couple might live in luxury after their marriage.

1656

When the 16th Earl died in 1656 and his son Wentworth, the 17th Earl, decided to reside at Kilkea Castle, Maynooth Castle remained uninhabited and gradually fell into ruins. The Church at this time was located upon the present foundations which however did not extend to the Tower.

1682

In 1682 the building was described as "an ancient pile venerable in its ruins which did partake of the hottest and felt the fiercest malice of a revengeful enemy in the last rebellion (1641)".

In 1707, Robert the 19th Earl returned to Maynooth from Kilkea Castle. However, due to the dilapidation of the castle and general site he decided to live in Carton, a large house built by Sir William Talbot between 1603 and 1633. The Church of Ireland Rectory was built in 1726 by the Rev. Daniel Le Tablere.

1739

In 1739 Robert bought back the lease to Carton and set about extending it. The 19th Earl died in 1744 having begun the remodelling of Maynooth and Carton.

Maynooth Charter School which later (1824) became a base for the Presentation nuns in Maynooth was established in 1749 with a legacy from the 19th Earl and a contribution from the 20th Earl.

The 20th Earl and 1st Duke of Leinster (1766), James, and his successors were to dramatically transform the village into the town which we know today.

1770

In 1770 James restored Maynooth chapel and made it available as a parish worship centre, Laraghbryan having fallen into ruins. He incorporated into the Church a large east window taken from The Cathedral of Laraghbryan. This window is unique in that it is made of wood and set in stone. Also built into the church are carved windows from the old Council Chamber of the castle. These windows are decorated by figures of monkeys which form part of the Fitzgerald crest.

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH (Cont)

An incident during the early 1300's led to the traditional story as to why the monkeys appear on the Fitzgerald (or Offaly Geraldines) family crest. John Fitzthomas, afterwards First Earl of Kildare, whilst an infant was in the Castle of Woodstock when there was a fire. In the confusion that ensued the child was forgotten, and when the servants returned to search for him the room in which he lay was found in ruins. Soon after this a noise was heard on one of the Towers, and on looking up they saw an ape, which was usually kept chained, carefully holding the child in his arms. The Earl, afterwards, in gratitude for his preservation, adopted a monkey for his crest. Others claim that this historic incident took place in Maynooth Castle.

During the 1770 repairs, a vestry room and school house were added and it is commemorated in a plaque on the outside of the church beneath the east window. This restoration was completed in 1774 by the 2nd Duke, William Robert, who had succeeded in 1773. Since this time the Church has continued to be used as the Church of Ireland parish Church.

1828

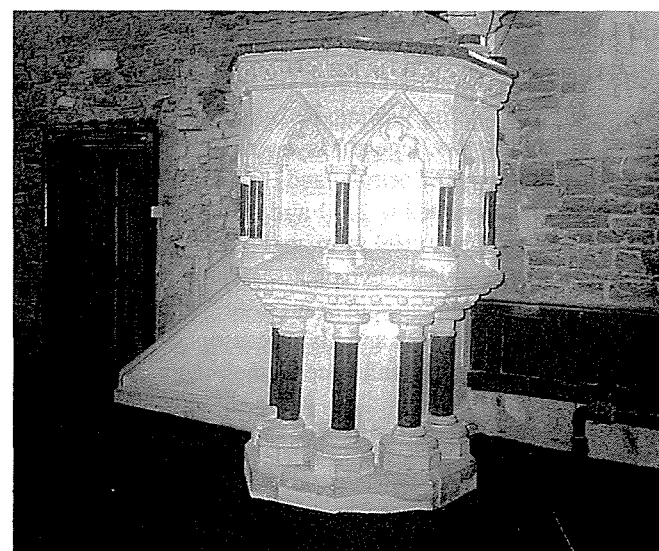
In 1828 the Church was "completely repaired and improved" by the 2nd Duke. He added an organ room and side galleries and placed a central stove in the aisle. The Church at this time did not extend back to the Tower. At the back of the Church, inside the South Porch, was the Duke's Gallery. The 3rd Duke, Frederick Augustus, continued the process of modernisation of Maynooth and Carton with the zeal of a man who considered Maynooth his home. It had been a long time since any of the Fitzgeralds had taken such a personal interest in the town and the locality. The previous Dukes were interested in development as any benefactor might be obliged however Frederick and his wife "felt at home" in Maynooth. Perhaps this was due to the presence of the University and the Canal which enabled life and its pleasures to be enjoyed to a greater extent than his forefathers.

The Fitzgerald family had also moved their mausoleum from St. Bridget's in Kildare to Maynooth Church of Ireland Church. The bodies of seven relations, one clergy man and both the third Duke and Duchess are buried in this Tower. These burials took place during the 19th century from 1821 up until 1875 when the Duke himself was interred.

1859

In 1859 another complete restoration of the Church was carried out. The school house, gallery and vestry were removed. The school house was replaced by the building of the Geraldine Hall near the Royal Canal in 1859. At this time also the Church was extended back to join the Tower, now the family mausoleum.

The specifications for the alteration are outlined in a hand written letter sent to the Church Authority in Dublin in September 1858 by J.W. Allister. *"To taking down the West end Gallery, and the two small Galleries at East end. Remove the stair steps leading thereto, and build up the doorways leading into the East end Galleries. To lowering the walls of the South-East Porch to allow of a window being put in over the roof of same. Reroof and slate the Porch, as per the plan: and fix up a fuel bin across the end of it. To putting in a new window over said Porch, as per the drawings....."*



The marble pulpit in the church

With the completion of these and a whole series of other very extensive alterations we arrive at the structure which the Church of Ireland community worship in today. Several minor repairs and alterations have taken place during the past 132 years until of course our recent major restoration project.

Appropriately, as renovations draw to a close, a special weekend of celebrations has been planned for mid November. On 14th November there will be a concert entitled 'Lord, for the Years' in the church at 8.00 p.m. This will feature the 'Dublin Waytes' and the choirs of the King's Hospital School. This concert will celebrate in word and music the eight centuries of the church's history and its close links with the Fitzgeralds.

On Sunday 15th November a Service of Thanksgiving and rededication will take place in St. Mary's Church at 11.30 a.m. The celebrant will be the Bishop of Meath and Kildare. Most Revd. Dr. Richard Clarke. We are also honoured to

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH (Cont.)

have as a special preacher the Archbishop of Armagh, Dr. Eames.

These celebrations would not have been possible without the support of many people in the local community. In thanking them we hope that everyone in Maynooth will feel part of these celebrations and will be able to join us for some or all of the events planned.



Joan Alcorn, member of Church of Ireland Committee



From left, Ivor Hayes, Rita McAssey, Sandra Hayes, Robert Alcorn, Iris Hildebrand and Nigel Hildebrand, some Committee Members in Church

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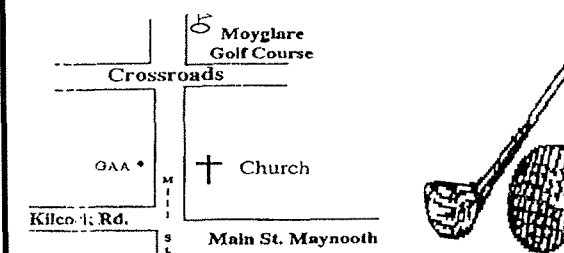
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Features

MAYNOOTH AUTHOR PUBLISHES 'FIREBOLT'

The literary world received its latest contribution from Maynooth in the shape of a new book released by publishers, Wolfhound Press and written by a local resident.

'Fire Bolt' is the latest work written by English teacher, Joe Buckley of Carton Court, Maynooth. Joe is well known for his series of 'Donny' books, 'Run Donny Run', 'Donny in London' and 'Donny goes for goal'. These excellent books, aimed at teenage readers, are presently used on the Junior Cert Course in Salesian College Celbridge, where Joe has been teaching since 1982.

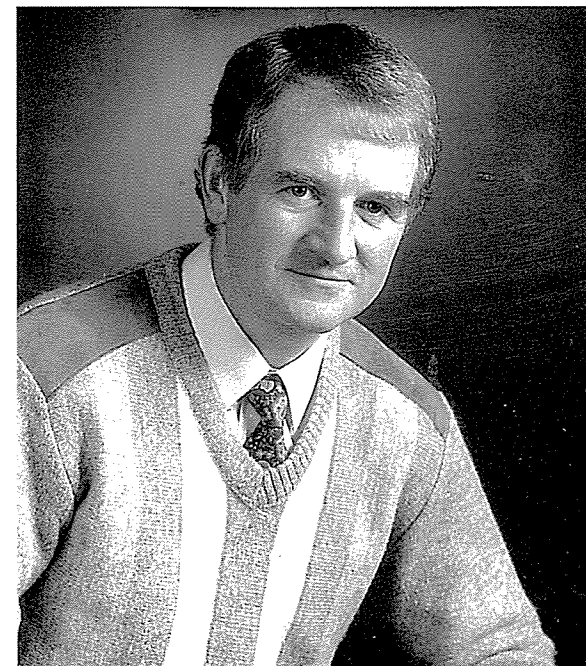
The setting for 'Firebolt' is a post-apocalyptic future where good and evil battle to control the destiny of the earth. This is a thought-provoking fantasy which follows the adventures of two young friends 'Branwald' and 'Maloof' who are swept up in a perilous quest to save their fathers from the evil 'Orelord'. They have heard tales of the ancient 'Firebolt' the one weapon which can conquer the 'Bastion of the Orelord' and their journey takes them through a world where everything is strange to them.

Joe Buckley's first love is teaching and though he enjoys writing books, he does so in his spare time. Joe feels there are plenty of budding writers in his school and encourages the use of such literary skills in the school magazine. Being a published author has its advantages when teaching English class as the pupils tend to enjoy the fact that Joe himself is creative in his work. The satisfaction derived from the pupils reading and talking about books far outweighs the loneliness which so often becomes a writer's companion. Joe often finds himself invited to other schools to talk to the pupils about writing and his 'Donny' books are also used in other secondary schools.

Joe's advice to writing enthusiasts is to read as much as possible thus using the imagination to create scenes and characters.

Married with three sons, Joe has nothing but praise for his wife Marion who has given him great support and he feels he could never have written his book without her.

'Firebolt' is available in Easons and it should be in bookshops in Maynooth and surrounding areas very shortly.



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Its constant hushing tumble never cease
A river of destiny forever to be

What makes my everlasting river flow
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ON YER BIKE ORLA

The Editorial Board recently lost one of it's valued members, Orla Murphy. Orla worked on the C.E. Scheme run by the Community Council which publishes the Newsletter and as such covered a lot of stories over her time on the board. Her wit and enthusiasm will be missed by both her fellow workers in the office and her fellow members on the Editorial Board. Orla was also a dab hand with the camera and could often be seen on the streets of Maynooth taking photos for relevant occasions.



Orla relaxing on a night out with the Maynooth Community Council staff.

However, all is not lost, Orla can still be seen on the streets of Maynooth, quite literally, as she travels the length and breadth of the town on her trusty bicycle made for one. On a final note a clue to where Orla has gone - she will be the life and 'sole' of her place of employment and her future will be 'well heeled'.

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VIDEO REVIEW

I Went Down (15's)

Newcomer Peter McDonald plays Git, a petty criminal who's just been released. However he very quickly wished he'd stayed in jail. After losing his girlfriend to his best mate, by the end of his first day of freedom he manages to get on the wrong side of a Dublin crime boss, played by Tony Doyle. In order to keep his legs and arms where they should be (on his body) he must take part in a none-too-legal job.

The job involves teaming up with the witless Bunny Kelly (Brendan Gleeson) in order to track down a slippery individual, Frank, played by Peter Caffrey, who's been having it off with the boss's missus.

A major hit at the box office, this is a very clever black comedy about a pair of incompetent criminals. All of the cast put in creditable performances, especially Tony Doyle who is superb as the wide-boy boss. It's intelligent, witty and, reassuringly for an Irish film, a genuinely funny movie.

Verdict: Top class!

Ulee's Gold (15's)

Peter Fonda gives an Oscar-nominated performance as the weather-beaten beekeeper who is suddenly faced with the task of saving his collapsing family in this engaging movie. Fonda plays Ulysses Jackson, an upstanding, respectable guy, who divides his time between keeping up the family business and looking after his two granddaughters. When his jailed son Jimmy phones him asking him to rescue his drug addict wife from two shady ex-partners in crime, Ulee's family life is put in danger when the pair hold her to ransom.

Beautifully underplayed, Ulee's Gold is one of those soft, feel-good films that leaves the audience feeling gratified and satisfied. It may start off like just another 'Joe-public-makes-good' movie, but at the end you'll realise it has a sting in its tail.

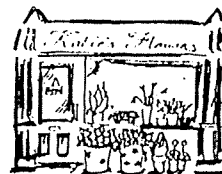
Verdict: Excellent

Titanic (12's)

You must be joking!!

Verdict Rent it, buy it, borrow it, get it any way you can, but above all - SEE IT

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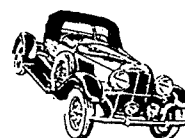
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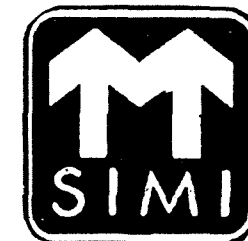
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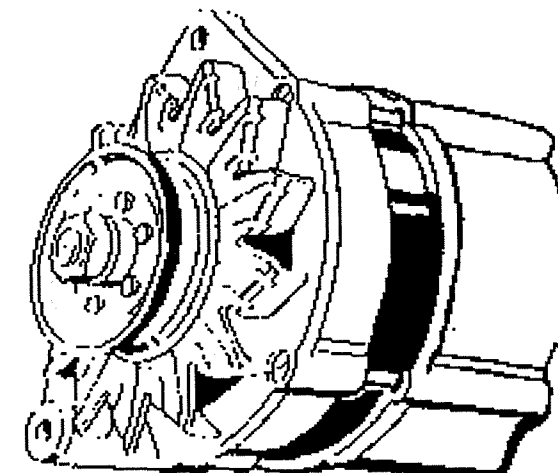
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- How long does a game of Rugby Union last?80 mins
- Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree, 1987- was a hit for whom?Shakin' Stevens
- Which animal do we normally associate with being sly or cunning?Fox
- What was the name of the holiday camp in TV's Hi-De-Hi?Marble Arch
- What mountains separate France and Spain?Pyrenees
- Meg, Amy, Jo, and Beth are characters in which famous book?Little Women
- What kind of creature is an Anaconda?Snake
- In what year did World War 1 begin?1914
- What does Michael Fish present on T.V.?Person
- What is the square root of 9?3
- How many legs does a star fish have?5
- How did Samson lose his strength?Cut his hair (Delilah)
- In which sea are the islands of Crete and Cyprus?Mediterranean
- Who won the Battle of Waterloo?Wellington
- Who wrote the novel "Tara Street"?Agatha Christie
- How many keys are there on a piano?88
- What kind of food is Parmesan?Cheese
- What day precedes Ash Wednesday?Shrove Tuesday
- What does B.I.M. stand for?Beats It Man
- Whose motto is "be prepared"?Scouts
- How many primary colours are there?3
- During World War II, in which country was the Maginot line?France
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- In which sport might you score a Birdie or an Eagle?Golf
- Where were the 1986 football World Cup finals held?Mexico
- How many squares on a chess-board?64
- Who was President of the U.S.A. "immediately" prior to Ronald Reagan?Jimmy Carter
- Who scored three goals for England in the 1966 World Cup final?Bobby Charlton
- What is the name of an otters home?Holt
- Which river is the longest in Ireland?Shannon
- What is the capital of Jersey island?Douglas
- What sport is played at the Crucible?Snooker
- What was the name of Sherlock Holme's partner?Dr. Watson
- Which climber conquered Mount Everest in 1953?Edmund Hillary
- How many degrees are there in a right angle?90
- Which quizmaster is famous for saying "I've started, so I'll finish"?Richard Briers
- What colour blood has Mr. Spock in Star Trek?Green
- What is the name of the river which runs alongside the Castle and The Mill, in Maynooth?Rye
- Who played "The Original" male lead in the film "Grease"?John Travolta
- Who was responsible for organising Live Aid in 1985?Bob Geldof
- What liquid metal is used in thermometers?Mercury
- What kind of animals live in a lodge?Beaver
- What grows in a paddy field?Rice
- How many months in a year have 31 days?7
- Which star is closest to the earth?Proxima Centauri
- In which game do teams 'pull on' a rope?Tug of War

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WOMEN IN BUSINESS "BREAKING THE BOUNDARIES"

"Women are more likely than men to create a new business than to purchase an existing one".

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"Women owned businesses in the US with the highest growth are in construction, wholesale trade, transportation, agri awareness, manufacturing".

"Women currently own c.8 million small businesses (1 out of 3) in the US"

"Women are starting businesses at twice the rate of men in the US"

"Women owned businesses in the US are more likely to have a web site than their male counterparts".

These were some of the facts presented by Janet Steele Holloway, Executive Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship, University of Kentucky, USA at a seminar organised by Kildare County Enterprise Board titled Women in Business "Breaking the Boundaries" in the Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge, Co. Kildare on Wednesday 30th September 1998.

Interestingly 56% of women entrepreneurs in the US either started a business totally unrelated to their previous careers or they turned a hobby or interest into a livelihood.

Women are starting their own businesses because they want flexibility, they see no future in the corporate world, they see that they are working hard for someone else so they may as well do it for themselves and sometimes it is from the sheer necessity.

Women are good at business because they tend to reflect on decisions, weigh options and share knowledge through networking and interactions.

Women from years of practice have the ability to balance different tasks and priorities. In other words women are multi-skilled.

However, exactly the same causes of failure in business apply in the US as in Ireland. They are:

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She also presented the 11 steps to success and in turn the 11 steps to failure.

Over 100 women attended the seminar which was part of the special Women in Enterprise Initiative. This is a unique initiative implemented by Kildare County Enterprise Board aimed at encouraging and fostering the entrepreneurial spirit amongst women in the county.

"It makes good commercial sense for Kildare County Enterprise Board to specifically target a significant sector of their market (50%) which continues to demonstrate positive and increasing trends" says Dolores McCarthy, Women's Enterprise Project Manager, Kildare County Enterprise Board.

ELEVEN RULES FOR SUCCESS

Work smarter, not harder.

It's not how much you do, but what you do and how well you do it. There are better ways to run your business than by brute force.

Strive for accuracy first, then build momentum.

Since you do not have a second chance to make a good impression, it is important that you always do things right the first time. It is much better to introduce an excellent product a little later than planned than it is to impetuously release something that you know has problems.

Find a niche.

Become an expert in your field. Stick to what you do best.

Build your reputation on integrity, quality and value.

Don't do anything that might compromise it. Once your reputation is tarnished, it is difficult to redeem yourself in the eyes of your customers.

Always better your best.

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Plan for success.

Know where you are going and how you are going to get there. Too many businesses exist day-to-day without any long-range plans or goals. Decide where you want your company to be in one, three and five years and draw up a plan of action to get you there.

Take advantage of change.

Changes in your market are inevitable - use them to your advantage. Be a leader, not a follower. It is far better to err on the side of daring than to err on the side of inaction or complacency.

Think before you act.

There is nothing so useless as doing efficiently that which should not be done at all.

Always promise a lot ... and then deliver even more.

Try to provide your customers with more than they expect. Go the extra mile to give exceptional quality, exceptional service or exceptional value. Your customers will remember and reward you with their continued business.

ELEVEN COMMON CAUSES OF FAILURE

Choosing a business that isn't very profitable.

Even though you generate lots of activity, the profits never materialize to the extent necessary to sustain an on-going company.

Inadequate cash reserves.

If you don't have enough cash to carry you through the first six months or so before the business starts making money, your prospects for success are not good. Consider both business and personal living expenses when determining how much cash you need.

Failure to clearly define and understand your market, your customers, and your customers' buying habits.

Who are your customers? You should be able to clearly identify them in one or two sentences. How are you going to reach them? Is your product or service seasonal? What will you do in the off-season? How loyal are your potential customers to their current supplier? Do customers keep coming back or do they just purchase from you one time? Does it take a long time to close a sale or are your customers more driven by impulse buying?

Failure to price your product or service correctly.

You must clearly define your pricing strategy. You can be the cheapest or you can be the best, but if you try to do both, you'll fail.

Failure to adequately anticipate cash flow.

When you are just starting out, suppliers require quick payment for inventory (sometimes even COD). If you sell your products on credit, the time between making the sale and getting paid can be months. This two-way tug at your cash can pull you down if you fail to plan for it.

Failure to anticipate or react to competition, technology, or other changes in the marketplace.

It is dangerous to assume that what you have done in the past will always work. Challenge the factors that led to your success. Do you still do things the same way despite new market demands and changing times? What is your competition doing differently? What new technology is available? Be open to new ideas. Experiment. Those who fail to do this end up becoming pawns to those who do.

Overgeneralization.

Trying to do everything for everyone is a sure road to ruin. Spreading yourself too thin diminishes quality. The market pays excellent rewards for excellent results, average rewards for average results, and below average rewards for below average results.

Overdependence on a single customer.

At first, it looks great. But then you realize you are at their mercy. Whenever you have one customer so big that losing them would mean closing up shop, watch out. Having a large base of small customers is much preferred.

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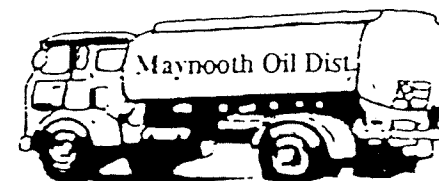
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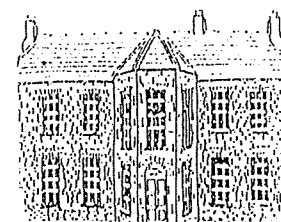
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Uncontrolled growth.

Slow and steady wins every time. Dependable, predictable growth is vastly superior to spurts and jumps in volume. It's hard to believe that too much business can destroy you, but the textbooks are full of case studies. Going after all the business you can get drains your cash and actually reduces overall profitability. You may incur significant up-front costs to finance large inventories to meet new customer demand. Don't leverage yourself so far that if the economy stumbles, you'll be unable to pay back your loans. When you go after it all, you usually become less selective about customers and products, both of which drain profits from your company.

Believing you can do everything yourself.

One of the biggest challenges for entrepreneurs is to let go. Let go of the attitude that you must have hands-on control of all aspects of your business. Let go of the belief that only you can make decisions. Concentrate on the most important problems or issues facing your company. Let others help you out. Give your people responsibility and authority.

Putting up with inadequate management.

A common problem faced by successful companies is growing beyond management resources or skills. As the company grows, you may surpass certain individuals' ability to manage and plan. If a change becomes necessary, don't lower your standards just to fill vacant positions or to accommodate someone within your organization. Decide on the skills necessary for the position and insist the individual has them.

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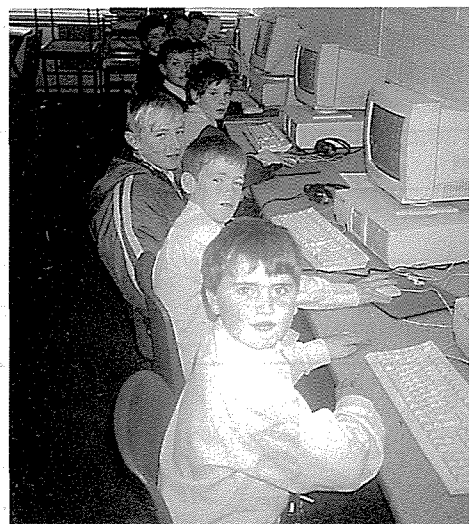
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ST. MARY'S B.N.S. GETS A NEW LOOK

Walking into St. Mary's B.N.S in Maynooth one gets a feeling of warmth and camaraderie, before even meeting the people who frequent the school. The walls of the school are covered with pictures done by pupils, paintings by hand and computer art by wonders of modern science. The corridors are lined with photos of pupils past and present dating back to 1982 including photos of school football teams. Others have murals covering the walls, some small and others done on a much larger scale. One such mural was painted by some students from Maynooth Post Primary in October 1997 as part of a school project. This work adorns the wall at the entrance to the junior classrooms and even though 150 children pass this 6 times a day, there isn't a mark on it.



Busy boys on Computer

A jungle theme has been created in the form of another mural done by the special class on the walls of the bicycle shed. This was done over a six month period with the help of their teacher Mr Downes and classroom assistant Rose Longmore. The creative handiwork was marked by the opening of the bicycle shed by Minister for Finance Charlie Mc Creevy in the summer of 1997.

Four women from a Community Employment Scheme painted a topical mural in the school gym. Georgina O'Brien, Maureen Kelly, Rose Longmore and Martina Donohue put their artistic talents to good use depicting male and females of every race involved in sport.

With 400 pupils being educated throughout the academic year, wear and tear has taken its toll on the school building and major renovations have been undertaken over the

summer of 1998. Having had the yard resurfaced in the summer of 1997, a basketball court was installed and games such as hopscotch, snakes & ladders, jumping rings, foot prints, curly snakes etc. will be marked out in the near future. This will keep the children occupied during playtime.

The summer of 1998 was a busy time for principal Peter Mullan who only managed 4 days holidays out of the entire break. All hands were on deck as Mr. Mullan helped to supervise the renovations in order to have everything finished for the Autumn term. The entire roof of the school was replaced together with 2 new water tanks in the roof area itself. While this might go unnoticed, plenty of other improvements are not so easily missed, new carpets for the corridors, two classrooms totally renovated and new toilets for adults and children. These are some of the renovations undertaken in the old end of the school. A new remedial room has been set up for pupils leaving a full classroom free to be used for general teaching. The renovations were mostly funded by the Department of Education but there will be a contribution sought on a local level from the parish.



Mr. Peter Mullan Principal of St. Mary's Boys National School

Peter Mullan has been principal in St Mary's for 18 months and he is very proud of the staff and the pupils. He feels his team of teachers is fantastic. Mr. Mullan feels what goes on in the classroom is very important and especially the teacher-pupil relationship. The teachers are always working on policies such as homework, code of behaviour, relationships and sexuality education, administration of medicines. More and more children are presenting with medical problems so Schools try to cater for them, i.e. asthma, allergies etc.

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ST. MARY'S B.N.S GETS A NEW LOOK (Cont.)

Mr Mullan is also very proud of the school's facilities. There is a very good library run by teacher, Caroline Keenan. All the teachers take a selection of books suitable for their class and distribute them accordingly. This is a great way to encourage young people to read and makes it a more enjoyable experience for them.

Another excellent facility provided by St. Mary's is of course the new computer room. Computers are the way of the future and fortunately most children are eager to use them. The school has 20 computers, 15 of which were donated by Hewlett Packard, 4 by Intel and 1 by Telecom. The children have access to lots of educational information on the computers and learn some of their subjects through them, all co-ordinated by teacher Cathy Carr.



Lovely Murals on the walls of P.E Hall

The parents of the pupils have been a great help in getting the computers, and the teachers gave up 1 week of their summer holidays to become computer literate. This in turn enables them to teach the relevant subjects using this fantastic facility. The school has two Internet lines, one of which was given by Telecom Eireann. They are not on line until more research has been done into the Internet access. This facility will enable the school to link up with other schools in Ireland and other countries.

Extra curricular activities are another important facility offered by St. Mary's B.N.S. These include gaelic and soccer run by teachers Elaine Buckley, Joe McBride and Donal Downes, hurling by Pat O'Connor and basketball by Seamus Grundy. These activities are free of charge and are very kindly run by the teachers giving up their free time. Speech and drama, music and dancing lessons are also available for a fee after school. Swimming is run during school hours for the older classes.

Football seems to be a very popular activity for the boys and the Kildare team featured very much in their lives this year.

Over the summer Principal Peter Mullan and Member of the Board of Management Colm Nelson brought pupils to every Kildare match. They should in fact go down in history as they were given 22 tickets for the final at £1 per ticket by the G.A.A. Peter Mullan has great praise for the G.A.A. at both local and national level for the great support they give the school.

Support of a different kind is given locally by Maynooth Credit Union. They have given membership to 4th, 5th and 6th classes, starting them off with £5 in their accounts. Thursday is Credit Union Day and pupils bring in their pocket money, be it 20p or £1 and learn to save in this fashion.

Peter Mullan is heavily involved with the Irish National Teachers Organisation who are working on the New Curriculum which will be introduced next September. The curriculum hasn't been changed since 1971 and will be implemented over a 5 year period. The curriculum will cover new teaching approaches, new subjects and different ways of grouping subjects i.e. Social Personal Health Education. Mr Mullan sees priorities for education as:

- Smooth implementation of the new curriculum.
- Reduction of class sizes which are still too high.
- Proper financing of Primary Education (A Primary School pupil receives £50 per year from the government while a Post-Primary School pupil gets £177)

However long the implementation of these changes takes, the future looks bright for St. Mary's and its pupils and the proof of the pudding is the happy atmosphere that is so obvious throughout the school.

The parents and the boys would like to thank Mr. Mullan for so kindly giving his free time on three Sundays to take the boys to Croke Park, travelling from Maynooth to Dublin by bus. They also wish to express their sincere gratitude to Mr. Mullan for securing 22 All Ireland Final tickets for the boys.

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- Make sure it is sited on a hard surface away from houses, garages and overhead cables.
- Don't use petrol or paraffin to light the fire.
- Adult supervision is essential.
- Fireworks are illegal and dangerous. Last year 36 children in the Dublin area had to be treated in hospital with injuries from fireworks.
- If the bonfire gets out of hand make sure everyone leaves the area immediately and call the fire brigade.

If the bonfires are being allowed they should be supervised by adults who should make sure that:

- That bonfire is located away from buildings, trees and overhead cables.
- Petrol or paraffin is not used to start the fire.
- Rubbish which might contain bottles or aerosols is not thrown on to the fire.
- The children do not play with burning fragments or stand too close to the fire.
- The fire is kept under control.

Also parents should supervise 'trick or treat' by children at Halloween. Older people, especially those living alone, can find repeated knocks on their door after dark, bonfires and bangers disturbing and frightening.

Firework Safety Code for Adults

Young people should watch and enjoy fireworks at a safe distance and follow the safety rules for using sparklers. Only adults should deal with firework displays and the lighting of fireworks. They should also take care of the bonfire.

Here are the top nine safety tips for adults:

1. Plan your firework display to make it safe and enjoyable.
2. Keep fireworks in a closed box and use them one at a time.
3. Read and follow the instructions on each firework, using a torch if necessary.
4. Keep naked flames, including cigarettes, away from fireworks except when ready to set one off.

5. Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back.

6. Never return to a firework once it has been lit.

7. Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them away.

8. Direct any rocket fireworks well away from spectators.

9. Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings are made safe before leaving.

Pets:

Animals do not like bonfires or fireworks. The flames and noise upsets them. They should always be kept safely indoors. Make sure that they can't get out through open windows and doors. It is best to keep the curtains closed and it may be necessary to keep them indoors for several nights around October 31st.

Sparklers

These are often viewed as being harmless but they do burn at fierce temperatures. Sparklers should not be given to anyone under the age of five. To a young child, the heat from a sparkler is equivalent to the heat from a welding torch.

So - Safety rules for Sparklers:-

- Never give to young children under the age of five;
- Always wear gloves preferably leather ones with sparklers;
- Hold it at arms length while an adult lights it for you;
- Never wave it about near someone else as you could burn them;
- Never hold a baby in your arms when you are holding a sparkler;
- When the sparkler has finished, put it into a bucket of cold water straight away and leave it there.

Halloween night in recent years has become a problem for fire brigades and a particularly upsetting time for children and the elderly - all stemming from bonfires. Parents should know where their children are on Halloween night so that they cannot hurt themselves or cause annoyance to others.

Bonfires badly sited, inadequately controlled and fuelled by unsuitable materials cause approximately £50,000 of damage each year to public property.

All of the above information was given to us by the National Safety Council.

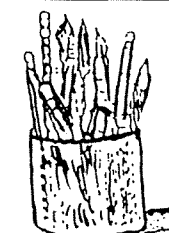
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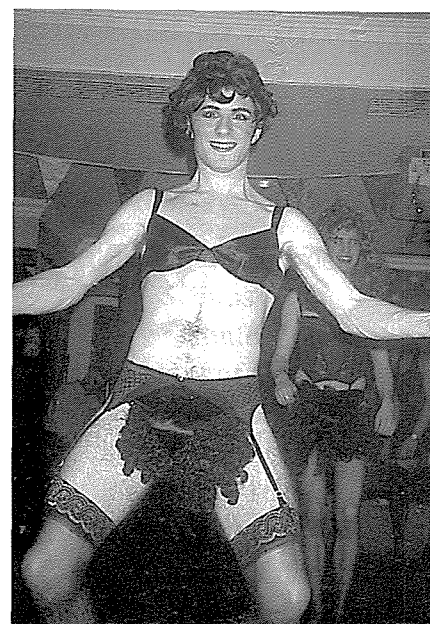
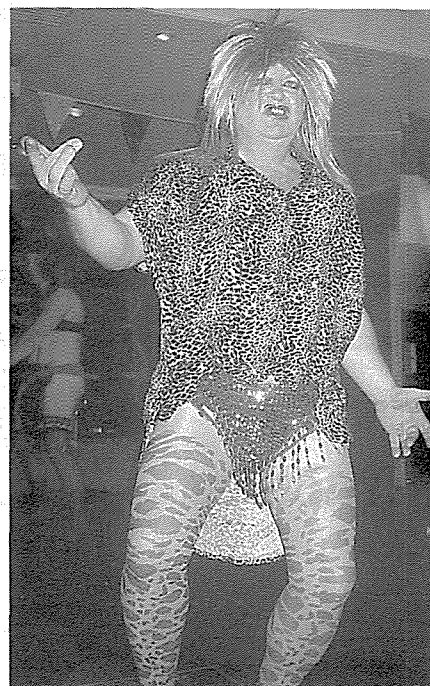
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FLEURS DE LIT - OH WHAT A NIGHT

The streets of Maynooth were deserted on Friday 16th October as the crowds piled into the Glenroyal Hotel to witness a 'Full Monty' Extravaganza.

Men and women alike stood on chairs cheering and clapping as the eight scantily clad entertainers gave sexy lingerie a whole new meaning.

Tina Turner, Michael Jackson and Jean Butler were among the celebrities portrayed as the newest version of River Dance was launched to rounds of applause. The Can Can caused uproar as the 8 likely lads lifted the roof performing an encore for the crazed fans.



Fleurs de Lit is the extravagant name the lads chose for their stage debut but they are known locally as Harry Flood, Vinnie Doyle, Anthony Kennedy, Colin Cassidy, Neil Doyle, Pat Farrell, Simon McGrath and David (Hammy) Cunningham. Gerry Burgess, Jimmy Fox and Jack Putin gave a great musical performance as the Band Viagra with Vinnie Doyle and Harry Flood joining them for some of the numbers. Patsy Treacy was the Sound Engineer for the night with Aidan Flood as Master of Ceremonies.

Money raised on the night will go to the Rape Crisis Centre, Maynooth Senior Citizens, St. Vincent de Paul, Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee, flood damaged Bangladesh, Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital for Sick Children and Cancer Research.

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FILM REVIEW

‘EVER AFTER’ (G)

A new release came to the big screen this weekend. Andy Tennant’s “Ever After” is an adaptation of the story of Cinderella. Set in the 16th Century the character of Cinderella is played commendably by Drew Barrymore with an aged looking Angelica Houston in the part of the wicked Stepmother.

The film begins with a Queen recounting the tale of Cinderella to some of her courtiers as a real life story and not a ‘fairy tale’ as everyone assumed. The scene is set with a young tomboyish Cinderella whose warm and loving father tries to keep her clean to meet the awesome Baroness who is to be her new mother. However shortly after meeting her Stepmother and two ‘not so ugly’ stepsisters Cinderella loses her beloved father and becomes an orphan at the tender age of 8.

Ten years pass before another man makes such an impact on Cinderella’s life and an impact is certainly what occurs when handsome Prince Henry (played by Antonio Banderas lookalike “Dugary Scott”) has a close encounter with the beautiful but somewhat hot-headed 18 year old on her father’s land. This is the first of many chance meetings between the Prince and Cinderella, whom he comes to believe is a visiting Courtier staying with her cousins.


Meanwhile, back at the family farm, the wicked Stepmother is planning to marry her eldest rather buxom daughter to the prince. Having plied her daughter’s wares using her ample bosom as a lethal weapon, she initiates rendezvous after rendezvous with the Royal Family, in the hope of being the mother of the future Queen.

However love conquers all as the Prince falls deeply in love with Cinderella and plans to make her his bride, but the cruel Baroness locks her away and informs his Royal Highness that she has left to marry her fiancé. Brokenhearted the Prince realises that his only other option as a bride will have to be the rather spoilt eldest daughter of the Baroness and reluctantly agrees to announce this at the masquerade ball which is being held in his honour.

Being a true life story, fairy godmothers are most definitely out but visiting the palace at this time is the infamous Leonardo de Vinci. This incredible man rescues Cinderella and ensures she gets to the ball in her deceased mother’s beautiful wedding dress. She makes a sensational entrance just in time to show the prince that she is not betrothed to another and the words ‘happily ever after’ immediately spring to mind. Not so! There’s more to come in this unusual interpretation of a timeless fairytale. Though not the story of Cinderella as we have known it, this is definitely one for all the family.

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How I do love thee,
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In the garden,
Where I play
You are so lovely,
Everyday.
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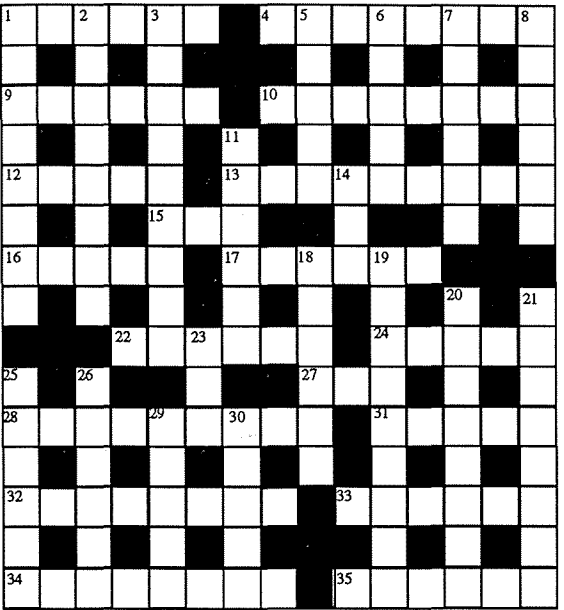
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Crossword No. 132



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Across:

- 1. Girl's name (6)
- 4. Bungs (8)
- 9. Disinter (6)
- 10. Container (8)
- 12. Italian city (5)
- 13. Deflated (9)
- 15. U.S. drug agency (1,1,1)
- 16. Light weight (5)
- 17. Nurses (6)
- 22. Climb (6)
- 24. Sacred pole (5)
- 27. Three of a kind (3)
- 28. Genetic (9)
- 31. Load (5)
- 32. Type of automobile (8)
- 33. Sign on (6)
- 34. Cheek (8)
- 35. Coalition (6)

Down:

- 1. The universe (8)
- 2. Sticky (8)
- 3. Memos (9)
- 5. Coach (5)
- 6. Reproduction (5)
- 7. Whole (6)
- 8. Step (6)
- 11. Native American tribe (6)

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- 14. Reminder (3)
- 18. Baby's toy (6)
- 19. Reluctance (9)
- 20. Bird (8)
- 21. Deceiver (8)
- 23. Sever (3)
- 25. Pound (6)
- 26. Afraid (6)
- 29. Strict (5)
- 30. Smells (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 131

Across: 1. Regard; 4. Stockman; 9. Circus; 10. Terminus; 12. Ahead; 13. Commodore; 15. Hoc; 16. Glebe; 17. Rattan; 22. Adhere; 24. Tenet; 27. Nee; 28. Bricabrac; 31. Rated; 32. Estimate; 33. Carbon; 34. Sedition; 35. Sheets.

Down: 1. Recharge; 2. Gardener; 3. Roundhead; 5. Therm; 6. Cameo; 7. Minnow; 8. Nasser; 11. Accrue; 14. Met; 18. Trench; 19. Aftermath; 20. Unstable; 21. Students; 23. Hob; 25. Obsess; 26. Tilted; 29. Admit; 30. Ratio.

**Winner of Crossword No. 131
Kathleen Hanley
83 Rail Park,
Maynooth**

Features

MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

In the first half of 1998, 18,730 new houses were completed in Ireland. The top three local authority areas in this league table were Fingal (1,783), County Cork (1,615) and County Kildare (1,285). County Kildare and especially North Kildare, continues to be one of the house building industry's most lucrative areas. 1,285 houses in six months means a population commitment of 4,500 people, or approximately 9,000 extra people every year, making Kildare the fastest growing county in the state.

1,285 new houses also means over 2,000 extra cars on the roads of Kildare. Think a little about what even 200 extra cars on the roads of Maynooth would imply for your daily existence. How about getting parked to do some shopping, or fighting for a place at the railway station? How about trying to cross the road, get off the motorway slip road, or even walk on a footpath strewn with many more cars thoughtlessly abandoned. How about trying to get out of Parson Street or down the Straffan Road?

1,285 new houses also means 2,500 extra children looking for a primary school in the next five years. Down the road it means a similar number looking for secondary schools, playing fields, swimming pools, libraries and a whole host of amenities not likely to materialise in time. All of these implications derive from one six month period. Strict planning practices would clearly be necessary to ensure that facilities are in place before such a rapid increase in population occurred. Otherwise major problems loom ahead. Growth is fine, but growth has to be managed and planned carefully if it is not to diminish the quality of life for all.

So how do we go about planning for the future. Traditionally we have left it to those elected representatives, the county councillors, though increasingly a greater role for the public is part and parcel of the planning process. The emergence of the various planning alliances in areas such as Fingal, South County Dublin, Wicklow, Meath and Kildare are evidence of a growth of people power which has had the effect of informing councillors of growing community intolerance on planning matters.

The next County Development Plan ends its display period in the Library on November 10th. This is supposed to be the vision of the future, or at least an idea of how our elected representatives propose our town should change over the next five years. What do they propose for you, the resident?

Well, firstly, the Council have, at your expense, engaged a professional demographer to predict what increase in population is likely in Co. Kildare over the next 5-10 years. The Council has taken these figures and then allocated target populations for each town in the county. Trouble is, the figures don't add up! The councillors in their wisdom have decided that the towns should be given target populations which in total greatly exceed the projected increases advised by their consultant. Maynooth, they suggest, should grow from 8,528 to 11,500 people over the next 8 years. That's just under 1,000 extra houses. Go back to the top of the article - that's around 1,500 extra cars on the streets of Maynooth!

But the worst is yet to come! These target populations are likely to be greatly exceeded because of the way in which our councillors propose to implement the plan.

Firstly, the proposed rezoned land in Maynooth to accommodate the extra population is being upped by 150%, ostensibly to be sure enough building land comes on the market. This is surely not necessary in today's housing and land market. So why do it? Secondly, large chunks of land built on in Maynooth after the population census was taken, and before the rezoning sums were done, have been deliberately omitted from the calculations. Why not use the best matching data? Thirdly, the sums have been done to exclude major developments just outside the town boundary, where permissions exist for an additional population of 400-500. Where are these people being counted in the plan? And finally, some of our councillors are likely to support material contraventions to add another 500 people to Maynooth's population before the plan is even passed!

All in all, a sorry indictment of how much you, the ordinary individual, counts in the process. Before November 10th you can at least still make your views heard on the plan to the County Secretary. After that you will have little opportunity because our councillors have decided not to show you their specific plans for Maynooth prior to bundling them through the Council next month. Will you remember all this when they come looking for your vote next June?

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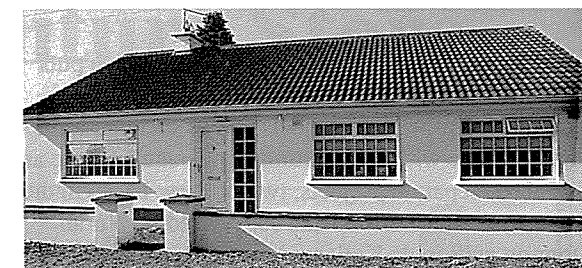
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROJECT

With all the publicity surrounding Community Employment projects recently many people on such projects are in limbo regarding their future in the work environment. However, life must go on as normal as the powers that be decide who the casualties of their cutbacks shall be.

The staff in the Community Council office, which puts together the Maynooth Newsletter are part of three Community Employment projects and as such are trained during their time with the Community Council. There are 50 staff on three separate projects, two of these based in the Community Council Office and supervised by Norah McDermott and Freda Kelleher. A third project running the Citizens Information Centre is situated in separate offices in the same building and is supervised by Breda Gormally.

Working in the Community Council office offers a wide range of experience in office work, magazine layout, publishing, public relations and accounts, to name but a few. Publishing the Newsletter is a major part of the work on this project and staff find they are involved in writing articles, taking photographs, typing up articles, proof reading, getting in advertisements, setting them up on computer, chasing up accounts and setting out the Newsletter for printing. The staff have been trained to set up the ads and articles on the computer using a facility called desktop publishing so the Newsletter is laid out with advertisements and photographs intact before being sent to the printers. Needless to say the week the Newsletter goes to print is the busiest week of the month.

Besides the Newsletter, the Community Council offers a typing service to the public and this is done by trained Computer Operators. The St. Patrick's Day Parade, the Maynooth Festival and the Summer Project are other annual events which involve the staff on the project and the Maynooth Directory is also put together in the offices.

Ongoing training is a vital part of the project and FAS give each member of staff a training allowance to enable them to partake in courses which will be of benefit to them in their search for employment. The training undertaken by the staff outside of the office is varied but a lot of staff tend to choose computer courses as they are working in an office environment. There are staff who choose other areas of education including photography, journalism, management and counselling. In some cases this enables people to try out something they have always wanted to do but never really had the confidence to try. Working with so many staff in the office tends to give people a boost and push them in the right direction.

In-house training is another important part of the project and while some training is ongoing there can be weeks when a training officer is brought into the office to teach a group on one of the projects, while the other project run the office.

A recent example would be a First Aid Course run very successfully over a week's duration. Staff attending this course had to be vigilant as they were trained in skills to use in life or death situations. It was a regular occurrence in the office that week to have one's pulse taken a couple of times a day by one of the 'trainees', who could of course tell you if you were fit, ill, or simply dead. Mouth to mouth Resuscitation and CPR were other techniques being taught but fortunately for the non-trainees this was being taught using a dummy. However, escaping being bandaged was another kettle of fish as practice makes perfect and non-trainees were the perfect targets for this form of homework.

Whatever the future for Community Employment projects, people will always need to be trained in new skills if they are to be kept in employment and the Community Council is presently providing a much need facility for this training in many areas of employment.



*Paul Flood with Community Council Office Staff
L-R (Front) Ann & Claire Flanagan, Margaret Flood,
Helen O'Reilly, Eileen McGovern
(Back) Gráinne Durham*



Community Council Staff out at a Social Night

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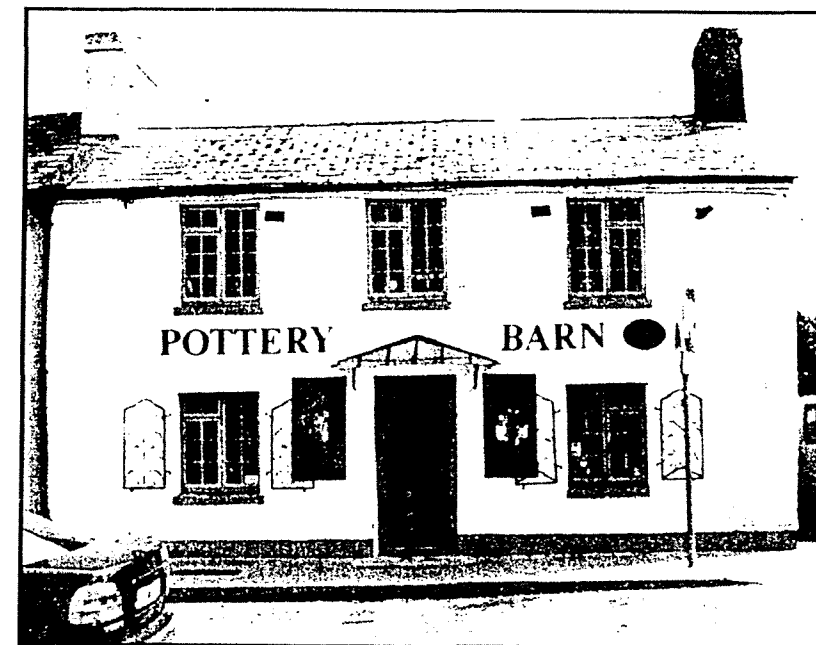
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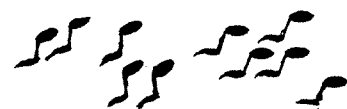
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CAULFIELDS THE TAKEOVER

One of Maynooth's public houses, Caulfields, changed hands recently as the sale of this licensed premises became a done deal. John Tiernan from Rathangan, Co. Kildare and Tom and Paul Mangan from Daingean, Co. Offaly became the new owners of Caulfields on the 22nd September 1998.

Tom, Paul and John have been in the bar trade successfully now for twenty years. They have several establishments, namely The Glenside in Churchtown, an award winning pub for it's authentic rustic decor and traditional thatched roof, Doheny and Nesbitt, famed for it's literary connections and The Stoneboat in Kimmage.



Caulfields Public House

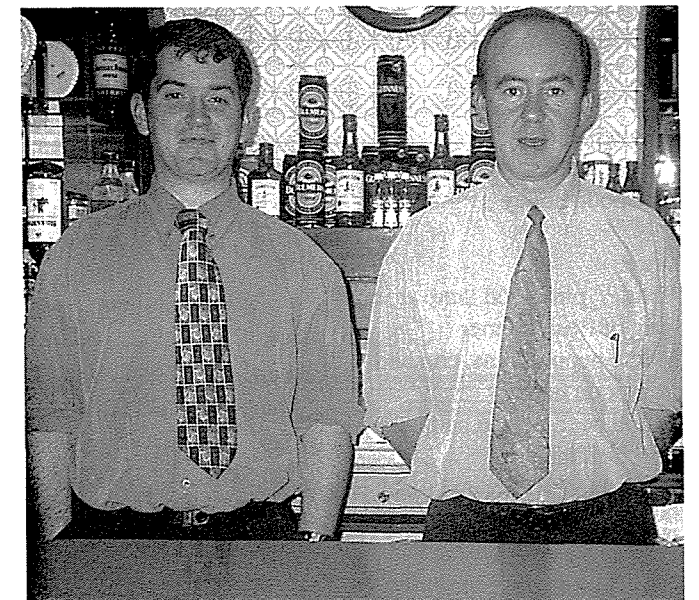
Caulfields has a new manager, Seán Fitzpatrick from Dublin and any part-time staff have been kept on working for the new proprietors. Five new full-time staff have also been taken on from the area and lounge staff have been employed to give floor service to customers. Seán is on the look-out for more lounge staff so any interested parties should apply as soon as possible.

The new owners, although not starting complete refurbishment for several months, have already made improvements in this area. The bar and lounge have been freshly painted throughout and new light fittings have given the place a brighter, cleaner and more comfortable feeling. Smoke extractors have also been installed and new beer pumps are an added feature behind the bar.

Trade in Caulfields is busy and Management feel that this is largely due to good service and the addition of floor staff being an added bonus for the punters.

Though realising the attraction of the lunchtime trade the proprietors of Caulfields have no immediate plans to cater for anything other than sandwiches in the food department. Approximately nine months down the line they hope to improve the pub in many areas and at that stage they plan to review their food menu.

Starting any new venture is always a major step and the Newsletter wish the new proprietors, management and staff of Caulfields the very best of luck for the future.



*Left to Right Bar Manager - Seán Fitzpatrick
Owner - John Tiernan.*

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Sprig of fresh thyme
Olive oil
1 onion, sliced
1 small pear
1 teaspoon honey

Sauce:
125ml/1/4 pint good lamb stock
Sprig of fresh thyme
4 white peppercorns, crushed
1 teaspoon honey
1 small pear, peeled and chopped
30g/1 oz butter
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas 4.
2. Score skin of lamb and insert garlic and thyme into slits. Brush with a little olive oil.
3. Place joint in roasting tin with sliced onion and 125 mls, 1/4 pint water. Cook for 80-100 minutes according to taste, adding more water if necessary during cooking.
4. Just before lamb is fully cooked, mash or liquidise the peeled pear with honey. Glaze surface of joint with this mixture before finishing cooking.
5. When lamb is cooked, wrap in foil and keep warm. Remove onion and excess fat from roasting tin before making sauce with the remaining juices.
6. Place all sauce ingredients except butter in a saucepan. Cook gently for 1 minute. Strain through a fine sieve before adding juices from roasting tin..

Carve lamb. Reheat sauce, add butter quickly, and stir in. Put a little sauce over each serving of lamb.

Serves 8

Golden Stuffed Potatoes

Ingredients:

4 large baking potatoes
4 anchovy fillets, finely chopped
2 tablespoons natural yogurt
2 finely chopped scallions (spring onions)
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1-2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley or chives

Method

1. Scrub potatoes and bake in a hot oven until tender with crisp skins.
2. Mash anchovies and combine with yogurt and scallions. Cut the tops from the hot, cooked potatoes and scoop out flesh, leaving a 6 mm (1/4") thick shell.
3. Mash and combine with the anchovy mixture. Add lemon juice to taste and season. Fill mixture back into potato shells and place under a hot grill until golden brown.
4. Sprinkle with herbs before serving.

Banana Bread

300g/ 10 oz bananas
peeled weight
180g/6 oz granulated sugar
2 standard eggs
90g/3 oz butter
240g/8 oz plain flour
1/2 level teaspoon salt
3 level teaspoons baking powder

Method

1. Cream butter and sugar in mixing bowl. Add eggs, one at a time, and beat in well. Mash bananas and beat into the Mixture. Sieve flour, salt, and baking powder and stir one teaspoon of this mixture into the nuts.
 2. Add rest to the mixture, then add the nuts and stir well.
- Bake in greased loaf tin 230 mm 130 mmx 65 mm(9" x 5" x 2 1/2") at 180°C 350°F/ gas 4 about 1-1 1/4 hours.

Boiled Fruit Cake

Ingredients:

200g margarine
200g brown sugar
100ml water and 1 tabsp. lemon juice
400g fruit, e.g. raisins, sultanas, mixed peel
2 eggs, beaten
300g flour
1/2 teasp Salt
1/2 teasp Bread Soda
1/2 teasp. mixed spice
1/2 teasp. ground nutmeg.

Method

1. Put margarine, sugar, lemon juice and water into a saucepan over a low heat, stir until sugar is dissolved. Add fruit and simmer for 5 minutes.
2. Cool, stirring now and then.
3. Sieve flour, salt, breadsoda and spices into a bowl.
4. Make a well in the centre, pour in beaten egg, then cooled fruit mixture. Mix well together, to make a dropping consistency.
5. Turn into lined 20 cm (8") square, or 23 cm (9") round, tin.
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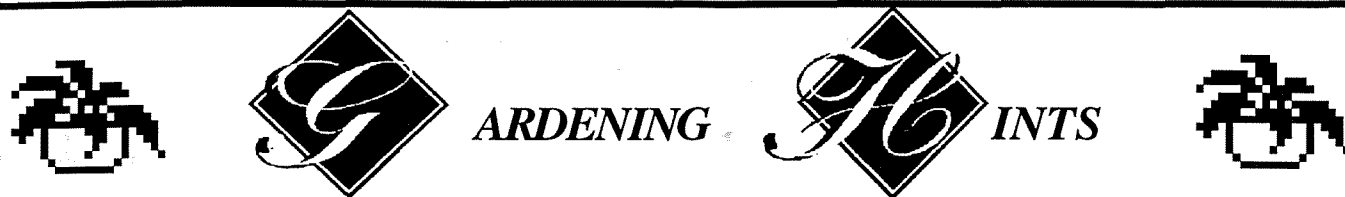
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How to make the most of bulbs

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Its important to apply fertiliser to your bulbs in spring and allow leaves to die down naturally.

Always look for packs that show the bulbs have come from cultivated stock and are not taken from the wild.

Flowers

Complete the forking of herbaceous borders. Cut back herbaceous plants that have finished flowering.

Set out new herbaceous plants if the soil and weather are suitable. If not, heel in the plants in a shallow trench, sheltered from wind, until conditions improve. Spring bedding plants, such as wallflowers (cheiranthus) , polyanthuses and forget-me-nots (myosotis) not used in bedding schemes can be planted in other parts of the garden to give spring colour..

Plant lily bulbs if the soil is not too wet. Otherwise store them overwinter in a cool place in boxes of slightly damp peat.

Checked that forced bulbs planted in pots are adequately moist. Bulbs showing more than 2.5cm (1in) of growth should be moved to a cool and shady place in the home or greenhouse.

Fruit

Prepare sites for new plants by double digging and working manure or well - rotted compost into the sub-soil. Let the ground settle - or tread it firm - before planting.

Plant new fruit trees, bushes and canes, and ensure they are firmly fixed to supports. Prune immediately after planting. If the weather is very dry, water the plants and keep the soil in the root area moist.

Trees, shrubs and climbers

Plant out any new trees, shrubs, climbers or roses in ground prepared last month. Ensure they are firmly planted.

Protect slightly tender young or newly - planted shrubs with a straw covering or with hessian to make a windbreak.

Check that all supports and ties are secure enough to withstand winter gales.

Under Glass

Keep the temperature to the minimum required, and ventilate on fine days but avoid draughts, and do not overwater.

Protect the plants in cold - frames from night frosts by covering the lights.

Check stored and resting plants to ensure they have sufficient moisture to prevent shrivelling.

Keep winter and spring flowering plants watered.

Spray, dust or fumigate to keep the greenhouses free from pests and diseases.

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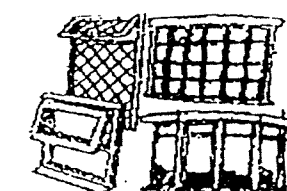
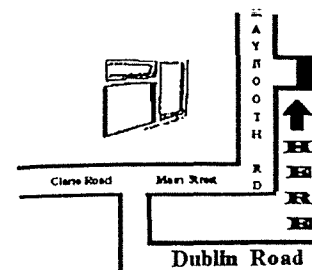
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FINE GAEL NOTES

Poor Quality Train Service

The failure of Iarnroid Eireann to provide the commuters of Maynooth/Leixlip/Confey with a quality service is now a grave concern. Cllr Senan Griffin has called on Iarnroid Eireann to update its rolling stock on the Maynooth line and he has further demanded that they provide adequate car parking at Maynooth, Leixlip and Confey. *"Extra carriages should be provided now to accommodate the growing number of commuters on this line and to prevent overcrowding on some trains most notably the rush hour morning services"* he said.

Express Bus Service

Cllr Senan Griffin has requested that Bus Atha Cliath provide an extra express bus at 7.30 a.m. to help to alleviate the overcrowding on the 7.28 am service from Cluain Aoibhinn. The failure of Bus Atha Cliath to accommodate early morning commuters from Rail Park and Kingsbry is showing a total lack of understanding of the requirements of commuters wishing to avail of this service. *"Bus Atha Cliath is charged with providing a quality bus service (their own slogan)"*, said Cllr Griffin, and it is about time that they faced up to the requirements of the commuters.

Kavanagh's Project

At a recent meeting of the local Fine Gael Branch, Cllr Senan Griffin outlined proposals for a £36,000,000 project at the Manor Mill, Maynooth. He welcomed the proposal as a vote of confidence by Kavanaghs in Maynooth, and he hoped that they would be successful with their planning application.

Cllr Griffin expressed his thanks to Kavanaghs for the employment they had created over the years and also paid a tribute for the concern shown by them for the welfare of their workforce.

Kildare County Council have sought further information and clarification on a number of points about the development prior to proceeding with their planning application.

Maynooth College

As a result of a proposal by Cllr Senan Griffin, the Celbridge Area Committee had a very informative meeting with the College President - Dr. Seamus Smyth. The President outlined a number of worthwhile proposals to solve traffic problems associated with the College. Cllr Griffin has requested the cutting down of three trees (under licence) so as to improve the quality of light to the houses on Parson Street.

Bond Bridge

"The design of the bridge has been allocated to H.J.

O'Connor & Co. but with no definite date fixed for the completion of the design", said Cllr Griffin. Kildare County Council are awaiting a full report on the proposed Meadowbrook link to the motorway, which will then be taken in conjunction with the Bond Bridge programme.

Moyglare Village Front Boundary Wall

The developer has been requested by Kildare County Council to submit costings for the construction of:

- (a) A stone wall
- (b) A dry dash wall
- (c) A substantial hedge

To date no reply has been received.

"It is important to remember", said Cllr Griffin *"that the developer has to provide a quality hedge in order to comply with their planning permission"*.

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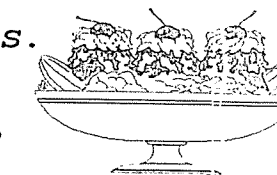
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Party Political Notes

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Main Street Footpaths:

Problems concerning the type of materials to be used have yet again caused a delay in starting work on the footpaths in Main Street. Council officials have advised Cllr. John McGinley that agreement has now been reached and that contract documents will be signed shortly to allow work to proceed.

Telecom Eireann - Damage to Footpaths:

Telecom Eireann seem to have stopped all reinstatement work following cable laying.

Footpaths in Convent Road, Straffan Road, Old Greenfield entrance and Newtown Road have been left in a disgraceful and dangerous condition.

The Celbridge Area Committee meeting of 16th October agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's proposal that Telecom Eireann officials be called in to the next area meeting to account for themselves.

In the meantime, Council Officials will be raising the matter at a meeting with Telecom Eireann on 21st October.

Kildare County Council Budget for 1999:

Cllr. John McGinley has requested that finance be allocated in the 1999 estimates for the following work in Maynooth:

- New footpath between Parsons Street and Bond Bridge.
- New and upgraded footpaths in Old Greenfield.
- Traffic Calming on Parklands through road.

Bond Bridge:

Council officials have advised Cllr. John McGinley that H.G.L. O'Connor and Co. have been appointed to prepare a detailed design for the new bridge. When this is approved tenders will be sought for the construction work.

Link to Straffan Road from Newtown:

The Government grant for this road leaves a shortfall of £240,000. Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to impose special development levies on the Kavanagh's Mill Development in order to meet the shortfall.

It is essential that this link to the Straffan Road and the new Bond Bridge are completed before any development takes place. Otherwise there will be traffic chaos with the increase in traffic in the Town Centre.

Kavanagh's Mill Development:

A decision on planning in respect of the Kavanagh's Mill Development was due on the 16th October. However the Council have been granted further time to consider the planning application.

Street Cleaning in Maynooth:

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised that mechanised street cleaning vehicles will be in use in Maynooth following completion of the new footpaths.

Consideration will also be given to seven day street cleaning because of Maynooth's special status of the only University Town in Ireland.

Grants for Recreational and Amenity Facilities:

Proposals on the allocation of grants for the Council's Recreational and Amenities scheme will be before the November Council meeting for decision.

Closing off Beaufield Road:

Cllr John McGinley's motion *'That Beaufield Road be closed off at the Newtown Road end in the event of the Meadowbrook link to the Straffan Road being completed'* was adopted by the Celbridge Area Committee on 16th October. Council officials had no objection to the proposal.

C.I.E. Footbridge:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has contacted the Chief Executive of C.I.E. in connection with the delay in providing a replacement footbridge over the Canal at the Harbour.

McGinley and Purcell Selected:

A selection convention for the Maynooth/Leixlip Council Electoral Area was held on Friday 9th October on the Ryevale Conference Centre in Leixlip.

Sitting Councillors John McGinley and Colm Purcell were selected to contest the Election next June. We are confident that based on their level of work for the people of the area that both John and Colm will be re-elected.

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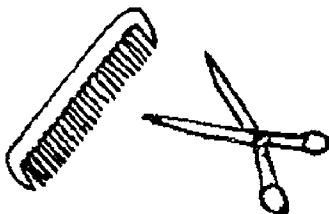
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LADIES SOCCER

Now that the Ladies football season is finished everyone is taking a well deserved rest before training resumes next January for the new season. It was a good season all round with the ladies team coming third in the Premier B division. Unfortunately promotion to Premier A was missed by a couple of points. The team suffered serious injury with Maedbh Flood sustaining a broken leg in a match against Bohemians. Antoinette Mooney missed the cup match due to a knee injury and Marie Grehan missed the last few matches also due to a knee injury. The usual knocks and bumps were suffered during the season but everyone played on regardless.

Antoinette Mooney and Emma Kilduff represented the club on the winning team in the Bracken Senior Cup held in Limerick with the Dublin Ladies. Emma Kilduff also represented the club in the under 18 interprovincial tournament with Leinster, also the winning team and Emma also played on winning Dublin under 18's team in the Bracken Cup.

It was with great delight that Maynooth was asked to select three players to go forward for the under 18's international trials in Drumcondra. On Sunday the 13th September Irene Kearney, Brid Ann O'Shea and Emma Kilduff took off with boots in hand to give it their best shot. We were thrilled when word came back on Wednesday 7th October that Emma had been selected to play on the Under 18's Irish squad and Irene on the reserve panel. It is a great boost for the club and the Ladies team in particular that a lot of hard work and dedication has paid off and that Maynooth is being represented internationally. The team and its supporters look forward to supporting the girls wherever they will play and a good social weekend to go with it.

Word has just reached us that Maedbh Flood is now castless with intense physio now starting. We wish Maedbh the best of luck with her recuperation after 12 weeks of plaster and crutches.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tony Kelly for his continuing support with the soccer jerseys. Also to Tony Mooney and Lenny Murphy for their tireless efforts in setting up the nets and lining the pitch every Monday. Thanks to all our supporters who came to matches and drove the team to various venues around Dublin. To Frances Kearney for her endless support and knowledge that she passed on to me when handing over the managing of the team. Frances has worked tirelessly over the past seven years training and encouraging the team wherever they went and whatever they did but decided to take a back seat this year though really it is in the passenger seat. Thanks Frances.

I want to thank the ladies team themselves without whose dedication, time and commitment we would have no team.

They are Antoinette Mooney (Captain and trainer), Emma Kilduff, Brid Ann O'Shea, Maedbh Flood, Marie Grehan, Emer Coughlan, Aine Coughlan, Paula O'Shea, Rachel Watson, Rachel Alcorn, Rachel Agnew, Irene Kearney, Joanne Smith, Ginny Breslin, Geraldine Breslin, Noelle Fitzpatrick, Aileen McCann and Sharon McBrierty.

Anyone over 15 interested in playing football should watch this space for more information.

Melanie Oliver



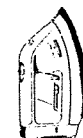
Deirdre Faherty and James Gilligan who were married on October 3rd.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES

MAYNOOTH GIRL FOR IRISH INTERNATIONAL SQUAD

The Committee of Maynooth Town F.C. at its October meeting extended their congratulations to Ms. Emma Kilduff of Greenfield in Maynooth on her selection to play for the Irish International Ladies Team. It is a great honour for such a small town to be represented at such a high level. Emma is a member of Maynooth Town's Ladies Team and has also coached the girls under 12's side for last years Community Games. It is hoped that Emma will receive the full support of all in the town as she starts out on her International career.

UNDER 16'S DIVISION B SUNDAY
GREYSTONES F.C. 3 MAYNOOTH TOWN 3

Maynooth Town's under 16s side travelled to Greystones on a windy Sunday afternoon for this Division B clash. The Town started well and Daniel Corbett struck twice (10 & 18 mins) to put Maynooth two up. In the 25th minute sloppy defending from a corner kick let the home team back into the game and 8 minutes later the sides were level. In the 36th minute Maynooth were awarded a free kick on the edge of the Greystones penalty area. Robert Stanley showed why he is in contention for a place in the Irish Under 15's squad with a delightful strike into the top left-hand corner to put his side 2-3 up at the break. The Town was well on top throughout the second half but despite several good chances were unable to stretch their lead. Greystones got the equaliser 24 minutes into the second half to grab a share of the points but Maynooth will feel that this was two points dropped.

Maynooth: D. Conway, D. O'Brien, P. Rochford, N. Healy, J. Newton, R. Stanley, B. Doyle, D. Corbett, S. King, T. McMahon, A. Ledwith, M. Costelloe, P. King, D. Dunk, B. Kelly.

UNDER 12's DIVISION A1 SATURDAY
BALLYBRACK F.C. 1 MAYNOOTH TOWN 2

A weekend of long trips saw Maynooth travel to Ballybrack for this under 12A1 clash. Having lost the toss the Town had to face a stiff breeze in the first half. Despite dominating Maynooth went into the break a goal down. They continued on top in the second half and any chances that Ballybrack got were swiftly dealt with by an in form Maynooth defence led by Sean McAllister. Mid way through the second half the Town got the break they deserved when Sean Doogan scored his 6th goal in 4 games to level the match. Maynooth continued to dominate but failed to convert several good chances. The teams looked set to share the points when with 6 minutes left on the clock Declan Bambrick grabbed a much deserved winner. A tremendous all-round performance from Maynooth with McAllister, Comerford and O'Malley outstanding. Our thanks to the Maynooth G.A.A. management team for their co-operation in fulfilling this fixture and to Joe Walsh for the dash back to Allenwood with the lads who had to play a G.A.A. match.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Shaun Doogan and Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Jason Moen and David Canny.

UNDER 12's DIVISION A1 SATURDAY
VALEVIEW SHANKHILL 2 MAYNOOTH TOWN 2

Shankhill were the under 12A1's opposition for this tough and at times bruising encounter. The home team started well and dominated the first 15 minutes but Maynooth settled and were first to strike in the 25th minute. The Shankill keeper did well to save a driving shot from Shaun Doogan only for the ball to drop into the path of Luke Daly who struck first time to put the Town in front at the break. Maynooth were lifted by their first half goal and took the game to Shankill in the second half. At the midpoint of the second half Declan Bambrick laid an inch perfect pass into the path of Shaun Doogan who beat the advancing keeper for Maynooth's second. As Maynooth looked to be on top Shankill struck back against the run of play. The Town then had a man sent off and were struggling to contain a revitalised home team. In the dying minutes a Shankill cross was met by a perfect header for the goal of the match. A great all round battling performance with Cian Walsh and Gavin O'Connor in defence and Kevin Comerford in midfield outstanding for Maynooth.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Shaun Doogan and Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Jason Moen and David Canny.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES (Cont.)



Maynooth Town's Under 12 A1 Team sponsored by Value Tile Maynooth S.C.
l. to r. Back row: Martin Bambrick (coach), Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Niall Doogan, Sean McAllister, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford, Joe Walsh (Manager). Front row: Sean Kennedy, Shaun Doogan, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Jason Moen, David Canny and Declan Bambrick.



Pat Moriarty with team members Kevin Farrell and Barry Harney accepts a new kit from Max Mooney of Mooney and Co. Solicitors, Charter House, Maynooth, sponsor of Maynooth Town F.C. under 12's B-side.

LOTTO RESULTS			5 X £10 WINNERS				
20th Sept. 1998	1,6,16	£750	E. O'Neill	R. Walsh	K. Lyman	J. O'Sullivan	P. Dowling
27th Sept. 1998	1,14,18	£775	Mandy Brady	Donal Finan	Anne Moore	David Newton	Paul Kelly
4th Oct. 1998	5,6,7	£800	Marian Hawkins	Kieron Kelly	Noel Dempsey	Bryan Stroud	Mandy Brady
11th Oct. 1998	2,18,27	£825	Sheila Munzar	Michael Doyle	Paul Garvey	Chris Gallagher	Mary Lettice
18th Oct. 1998	3,14,16	£850	Brian Tracey	Barry Farrell	Johnny Thompson	'Cha'	Alan Sweeney

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

President's (J. Carey) Prize
Grange Castle - Sunday 4th October

1st Overall	J. Moore	39 pts.	H/C	11
2nd	S. O'Connor	38 pts.	H/C	16
3rd	M. O'Regan	37 pts.	H/C	23
4th	J. Carroll	36 pts.	H/C	17
5th	M. Flynn	35 pts.	H.C	23
6th	T. Flatley	34 pts. (b.9)	H/C	19
7th	S. O'Connell	34	H/C	28
Front Nine	-	G. McTernan	17 pts.	
Back Nine	-	J. Byrne	19 pts.	
Twos Club	-	Terry Moore		
Nearest Pin	-	B. Cassidy		
Visitor	-	M. Hegarty	37 pts.	

Joe King of the Castle

The President's (John Carey) Prize took place on Sunday 4th October to Grange Castle Golf Club. This newly opened Public Course is a real gem and the showery conditions on the day made it an even stiffer test. Not to be outdone by brother Terry (winner of Captain's Prize) Joe Moore with 39 pts. ran out a worthy winner of the President's Prize. Joe in his acceptance speech simply said "It was a case of Mo(o)re Power" on the day. Congrats to Joe.

The Presentation took place in Caulfield's Lounge that evening.

Upcoming Outing:

Turkey Outing and Golf Match v Lysters
To Castle Barna on Saturday 7th November.

The Society would like to thank all those who supported the Grand Draw and congratulations to the winners. Result below.

			Ticket Number
1st Prize	Four Ball in K. Club	Sean Horgan, 25 Lyreen Park, Maynooth.	116
2nd Prize	Weekend For Two	Jack O'Connell, 32 Meadowbrook, Maynooth.	167
3rd Prize	Portable Television	M.J.E. O'Reilly, 35 Castletown, Leixlip.	32
4th Prize	Ping Putter	Pamela Flynn, 22 Palmerstown Drive, Dublin 20.	266

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT
26/9/98	U/11 Hurling League	Sarsfields 6 - 1 - Maynooth 2 - 0
26/9/98	U/13 Hurling League	Maynooth 7 - 5 - Sarsfields 5 - 0
3/10/98	Intermediate Hurling C/Ship	Maynooth 3 - 5 - Clane 0 - 13
10/10/98	Intermediate Hurling C/Ship	Moorefield 1 - 10 - Maynooth 2 - 5
18/10/98	U/21 Football Championship	Maynooth 3 - 8 - St. Kevins 1 - 7

North Kildare U/11 Hurling League
Sarsfields 6 - 1 - Maynooth 2 - 0

Meeting one of the strongest teams at this level Maynooth gave a very credible performance particularly in the first half and following good interplay between Andrew Higgins, Terence Fitzgerald, Sean McTiernan scored an opportunist goal midway through the half. Sarsfields with greater penetration in their forward line led at the interval by 2 - 1 to 1 - 0. Padraic Ward showed some fine artistry in getting a second goal for Maynooth late in the second half but by then Sarsfields had taken a firm grip on the game and emerged deserving winners. Best for Maynooth were: Morgan McInerney who made a number of fine saves in goal, Paul Curran, Mick Gillick and Gerard Hoare in defence. Andrew Higgins played his heart out at midfield while M.J. Fay, Terence Fitzgerald and Niall Diggins tried hard in attack.

Teams & Scores:

Morgan McInerney, Paul Curran, Mick Gillick, Brian Kerin, Joseph Riordan, Gerard Hoare, Aidan Kerin, Andrew Higgins, Hugh Oliver, M.J. Fay, Padraig Ward, Terence Fitzgerald, Barry Connellan, Niall Diggins, Sean McTiernan, Subs: David O'Grady, Peter Riordan, Michael Barry, Eoin Sinnott.

North Kildare U/13 Hurling League
Maynooth 7 - 5 Sarsfields 5 - 0

In their first League tie, Maynooth survived a five goal rally from Sarsfields in the second half to secure victory. Maynooth led 3 - 3 to 0 - 0 at half time thanks to goals from D.J. Canning, Fergal Molloy and Gerard Hoare and three splendid points from Mark Cummins. In the second half further goals from Fergal Molloy, David Comerford and Mark Cummins enabled Maynooth to hold out for a hard earned victory. Best for the winners were Enda Diggins, Sean Kennedy, James Hoare, Fergal Molloy, D.J. Canning, Mark Cummins and Mick Gillick.

Teams and Scores:

Morgan McInerney, Cathal Fitzgerald, Enda Diggins, Hugh Oliver, James Hoare, Sean Kennedy, Kevin Comerford, Fergal Molloy (2-0), David Comerford (2-0), Andrew Higgins, D.J. Canning (1-1), Mark Cummins (1-4), Mick Gillick, Gerard Hoare (1-0), Padraic Ward. Subs: Terence Fitzgerald for Kevin Comerford (injured).

Intermediate Hurling Championship
Maynooth 3 - 5 Clane 0 - 13

Maynooth snatched victory from the jaws of defeat in a very entertaining encounter played at Sarsfields on 3/10/98. A goal by Jim O'Mahoney and points from Fergal Scully, Stephen Brennan and Conor Diggins helped Maynooth to a one point lead at half time Maynooth 1 - 4 - Clane 0 - 6. Maynooth got off to the better start in the second half with a fine point from Tom Farrell and a goal from Vincent Coughlan. However Clane completely took over for the next twenty minutes and scored seven points on the trot to ease into a two point lead with five minutes remaining. Just when all seemed lost Ciaran McGuinness scored an opportunist goal to restore Maynooth's lead and they held out for victory. Best for Maynooth were Karl Ennis in goal, Declan Buckley, Stephen Noonan and Stephen Brennan in defence, Tom Farrell tried hard at midfield while Conor Diggins, Jim O'Mahoney and substitute Mark Nugent played well in attack.

Teams and Scores:

Karl Ennis, Eoin Nevin, Declan Buckley, Stephen Noonan, Stephen Brennan (0-1), Fergal Scully (0-2), Jimmy Cahill, Tom Farrell (0-1), Killian Fagan, Conor Diggins (0-1), Vincent Coughlan (1-0), Mick Bennett, John O'Brien, Ciaran McGuinness (1-0), Jim O'Mahoney (1-0). Subs: Mark Nugent for V. Coughlan, Tom Mullarkey for Eoin Nevin, Ronan Murphy for Mick Bennett.

Sport

G.A.A. Cont.

Intermediate Hurling Championship S/Final Moorefield 1 - 10 - Maynooth 2 - 5

In a game that never lived up to expectations Maynooth playing well below par went under to Moorefield played at Celbridge on 10/10/98. Moorefield were by far the more impressive team in the first half and had scored a goal and two points inside the first ten minutes.

Following a foul on John O'Brien, Stephen Brennan pointed the resultant free to open Maynooths account. Moorefield had a further before Conor Diggins pointed for Maynooth following a 30 yds solo run. However, Moorefield finished the stronger in the first half to add a further two points leaving the score at the interval. Moorefield 1 - 5 - Maynooth 0 - 2.

The introduction of Ronan Murphy and Mick Bennett in the second half gave a new impetus to the Maynooth performance and they got off to the perfect start when a long range free from Fergal Scully was flicked to the net by Ciaran McGuinness. Moorefield responded with two points but Mick Bennett and Fergal Scully pointed to leave three points between the sides.

With Moorefield gaining supremacy at midfield they scored a further two points. Two minutes from full-time Ronan Murphy fielded a delightful line cut from Jim O'Mahoney and struck an unstoppable shot to the Moorefield goal. However it was too little too late and Moorefield held out for a deserved victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Karl Ennis in goal, Declan Buckley, Eoin Nevin and Jimmy Cahill in defence, Killian Fagan though hampered by injury worked tirelessly at midfield while the pick of the forwards were Conor Diggins and substitutes Ronan Murphy and Mick Bennett.

Team & Scores:

Karl Ennis, Hugh Nevin, Declan Buckley, Stephen Noonan, Eoin Nevin, Fergal Scully (0-2), Jimmy Cahill, Killian Fagan, Stephen Brennan (0-1), Conor Diggins (0-1) Jim O'Mahoney, Mark Nugent, John O'Brien, Ciaran McGuinness (1-0), Tom Farrell. Subs: Ronan Murphy (1-0) for Mark Nugent, Mick Bennett for Ciaran McGuinness, Tom Mullarkey for John O'Brien.

Under 21 Football Championship Maynooth 3 - 8 - St. Kevins 1 - 7

Maynooth made an impressive start to their U/21 Championship campaign with a fully deserved victory over St. Kevins played at Sallins on 18/10/98.

The first half was evenly poised with both defences on top. Goals from Niall Naughton and Declan Buckley helped Maynooth to a three point lead at half time of a scoreline of 2 - 2 to 1 - 2. Maynooth were by far the more dominant side early in the second half and points from Darren Naughton, Niall Naughton and Karl Ennis together with a fine opportunist goal from Marty Byrne eased them into an eight point lead. The Maynooth defence were in inspiring form and restricted the St. Kevins attack to five points in the second half. The harsh dismissal of Daragh Carr ten minutes from the end put intense pressure on the Maynooth rearguard but they were not to be denied and emerged very deserving winners.

Best for Maynooth were: Alan Nugent, Eamon Gallagher and Niall Byrne in defence. Ronan Murphy worked tirelessly at midfield while Karl Ennis, Niall Naughton and Sean Lennon always had the measure of their opponents.

Teams & Scores:

John Fagan, Daragh Carr, James Gallagher, Alan Nugent, Niall Byrne (0-1), Eamon Gallagher, Marty Byrne (1-0), Ronan Murphy, Mick Bennett, Karl Ennis (0-1), Mark Nugent, Sean Lennon (0-1), Niall Naughton (1-2), Declan Buckley (1-0), Darren Naughton (0-3). Subs: Robert Casey for D. Buckley, Senan Griffin for Sean Lennon, Chris Arthurs for A. Nugent.

Finally, commiserations to Kildare Football Team on their defeat by Galway in the All Ireland Final. It must be said however that they were beaten by a better team on the day and the west's truly awake again after a 32 year lapse.

Tom Coffey
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Timmons. Mother, brother, sister, boyfriend, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Marcello (Celia) Timmons, Newtown, Maynooth.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to **Cindy Ankers** of Kingsbry who will be 21 and a bit on 26th of November, all invited to the party, from Eilish and all the girls and boys in the office.

Happy birthday to **Declan Kavanagh** of Kingsbry who will be 12 on the 4th of November from Mam, Ian, Niamh, Neil, Karen, Mark and Jennifer.

Belated happy birthday to **Simon Redmond** who was one year old on the 19th October. From Mammy, Tina, Phillip and Catherina.

Happy 16th birthday to **Brendan Lennon** on the 8th November, from Mammy and Daddy, Kenneth, Mark and David.

Happy 13th birthday to **Debbie McGovern** on the 27th November, love from all the gang.

Happy 21st birthday to **Geraldine Moore** of O'Neill Park who celebrates her birthday in November from Mammy and Daddy, brother and sister and niece.

Happy birthday to **Declan Flood** who celebrates his birthday on the 29th of November from Mammy, Daddy, Elaine, Stephen and Carol.

Happy birthday to **Elaine Foley** who celebrates her birthday on the 3rd of November from all her family and friends.

Happy birthday to **Colin Cassidy** who celebrates his birthday on the 22nd of November from Mammy and Daddy and all the family.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Ann and Bertie Foley** of Rail Park, Maynooth, on the birth of their son, a brother for Meaghan born on the 21st of October, from Mammy and Daddy and all the family.

Congratulations to **Anthony & Amanda Flanagan** on their 1st Wedding Anniversary and Happy 2nd Birthday to their daughter **Megan** on 5th November, from Ann, Claire and family.

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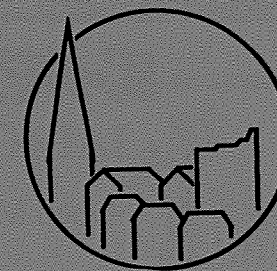
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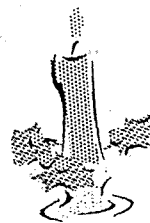
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DIARY DATES

Friday 4th December:

St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band
St. Mary's church of Ireland, Maynooth Arts Forum.

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Country Game and Shooting Club Chairty Event
Race night. Kildrought Lounge Celbridge @ 9pm.

Monday 7th December:

G.A.A. AGM in Club House @ 7p.m.

Friday 11th December:

Launch of Booklet entitled "Maynooth and 1798"
in the Library main st. @ 8p.m.

Saturday 12th December:

St. Mary's Brass and reed band.
Aula Maxima, Maynooth Christmas concert.

Sunday 13th December:

St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band St. Mary's Church
Carol Service.

Sunday 13th December:

Maynooth Senior Citizens, Christmas Party in Maynooth
post primary @ 3.30p.m.

Monday 14th December:

Maynooth Senior Citizens, Special shopping night in
Super Valu.

Monday 14th December:

Maynooth Community Council meeting in Maynooth Post
Primary @ 8pm.

Sunday 20th December:

St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band St. Mary's Church of
Ireland Carol Service.

Friday 25th December: St Mary's Brass and Reed band
Christmas Morning Mass Parade 11.30a.m.

EDITORIAL

Dear Santa

All we want for Christmas is....

New footpaths for Maynooth sometime before the new millenium and preferably before some elderly resident comes a cropper on the obstacle course of cars and potholes which pass for footpaths at the moment.

A first aid service on peak time trains to and from Connolly Station. We know it's too much to ask for an adequate train service but at least let's take care of the passengers as they faint from claustrophobia and lack of air.

More playing pitches for Maynooth's young footballers and hurlers. Both the GAA and soccer clubs have had great success with their underage teams in the last year. It's time they had the facilities they deserve. Some of our local publicans to go mad and spend a lot of money on doing up their premises. We've heard rumours that all sorts of renovations have been planned so what's the delay? One premises has recently brightened up it's act but Maynooth's hard pressed drinkers deserve the best. That no one in Maynooth will have to spend this Christmas on their own.

P.S And a Happy Christmas to all our readers.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

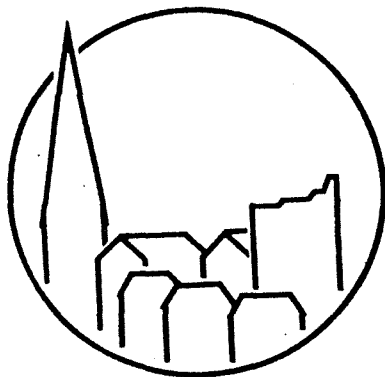
COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP 1998

Community Council meetings offer the opportunity for members to raise matters of local interest in their area. The current members of the Community Council are listed below together with the area they represent. If you want to have an issue discussed at the Community Council you can bring it to the attention of your local representative.

Town Centre	Tony Bean
Railpark, Straffan Road	
Railpark Estate	
Greenfield Estate	Richard Farrell, Marie Gleeson, John McGinley, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin
Carton Court	
Kingsbry	Susan Durack, Willie Saults
Old Greenfield	Anne Birchall, Dominic Nyland
Beaufield	
Meadowbrook/Brookfield	Brendan O'Flynn, John Doogan, Paul O'Malley, Dominic Ward
Cluain Aoibhinn	Susan Corbally, Tom McMullon
College Green	Peter Connell
Moyglare	Paul Croghan, Gerald MacCann
Newtown, Woodlands, Ashleigh Court	Des Matthews, Padraic O'Murchu
Newtown Court	
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Silken Vale	Elaine O'Connor
Castlebridge	
Parklands	Elizabeth Stoll, Paddy O'Connor
Rockfield	Peter Flynn, Tom Moore
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Timard, Laraghbryan, The Maws, Treadstown, Crinstown, Cormickstown, Ballycurraghan, Laragh Demesne	

CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENTATIVES:

Maynooth Tidy Towns	Mattie Callaghan
Maynooth G.A.A.	



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Maynooth I.C.A.

Dorothy Dornan

Maynooth Town Soccer Club

Lenny Murphy

Seats remain vacant in a number of areas and these can be filled by co-option. Nominations should be addressed to the Secretary, Maynooth Community Council, Main Street, Maynooth.

Community Council - December Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Monday 14th December 1998 at 8.00 p.m. in Maynooth Post Primary School. All members are welcome to submit items for inclusion on the agenda. Please forward them to the office, for the attention of the Secretary, at least two weeks before the date of the meeting.

Christmas 1998

Another year is over and thoughts turn to looking back over another eventful one in Maynooth. Many signs of the season of goodwill are apparent around the town. The year must not pass without a special thanks to all the people who played a role in improving community life for us all during 1998.

On behalf of Maynooth Community Council may I wish each and everyone who call Maynooth their home a very Happy Christmas and best wishes to have everything you would wish for yourself in 1999.

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

The Annual Presentation of awards for the best Estates/Shop Fronts took place on Thursday 12th. November in the Glenroyal Hotel.

The Event and Competition was sponsored by Coonan Property and Finance Maynooth. Robert O'Reilly, Chairman Maynooth Tidy Towns welcomed all to the presentations and called for a minutes silence in memory of Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. who was president of Maynooth Tidy Towns, Eileen Coonan, mother of Willie Coonan and former members of Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee who have died. Fr. Alex. Stenson P.P. led the minutes silence. Fr. Stenson has agreed to be our new President. Elsewhere you will read of the winners and the adjudicators comments. Robert O'Reilly thanked all who have helped with the Tidy Towns work. He paid tribute to the work of the Fás Community Employment Project and regretted its closure due to the problems with SIPTU and Kildare County Council. He thanked the Voluntary Sunday morning clean up crew.

Sue Tuite, Marketing Manager Coonan Property and Finance, said they were delighted to be associated with the best Estates and best Shop Fronts competition again this year and looked to its future development. Also present was the Kildare litter warden Noel Geoghegan and Joan Shannon, Environmental Section, Kildare Co. Council. Both gave an outline of the litter wardens duties and distributed leaflets. We will give a fuller report in the next edition of the Newsletter together with our plans for the future.

In the meantime if you require any information on Maynooth Tidy Town's Committee, please contact us care of Maynooth Community Council.

Tidy Towns Committee wish to thank Coonan Property & Finance, Residents Associations & Businesses in Maynooth for their co-operation in the Tidy Estates and Best Shop Fronts Competition held recently.

Richard Farrell
P.R.O.

ADJUDICATORS COMMENTS MAYNOOTH 1998

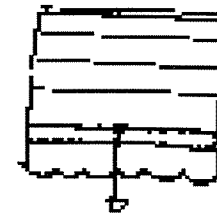
Yet again the standard has improved. It appears to us however, that the older estates need to make a greater effort if they are to compete with the newer ones. Another way of dealing with this would be to have a separate category for older estates. The following are our observations:

The most common failing was grass areas not edged, and weeds and litter at the kerbside. Trees are an asset and should be maintained properly. This involved cleaning around the base and removing side shoots. This improves the appearance of the area and gives it an overall tidy look. Sadly of late, flower beds seem to be out of favour to be encouraged to look again at this.

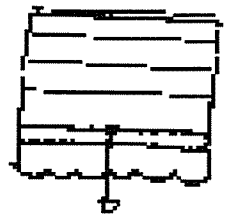
On the town and shop fronts, we found that the standard has improved again since last year, with shop fronts painted and colour added. We would like to compliment the 'Mona Lisa' chip shop. It looked very well, clean and fresh, with green and pine colours. A few hanging baskets and a litter bin would have completed the picture. Other shops to catch the eye were 'Hula Bou', 'The Pepper Mill', 'Centra supermarket', 'Just Gifts', 'Elite' restaurant and the E.B.S.

There is still no significant improvement in the Tesco/Quinnsworth exterior area since last year, which is a pity, as the area is very important to the cityside of the town.

In conclusion, we would like to congratulate the winners and say 'well done' to all who participated in the competition.



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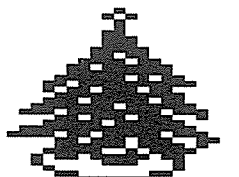
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| 1st | Rockfield |
| 2nd | Parklands |
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BEST SMALL AREA

- | | |
|-----|---------------------------|
| 1st | Charter House |
| 2nd | Castlebridge |
| 3rd | Parson Street/Lodge/Court |

BEST SHOP FRONT

- | | |
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| 1st | Katies Florists |
| 2nd | C.P.L. Motor Factors |
| 3rd | The Mill Wine Cellar |

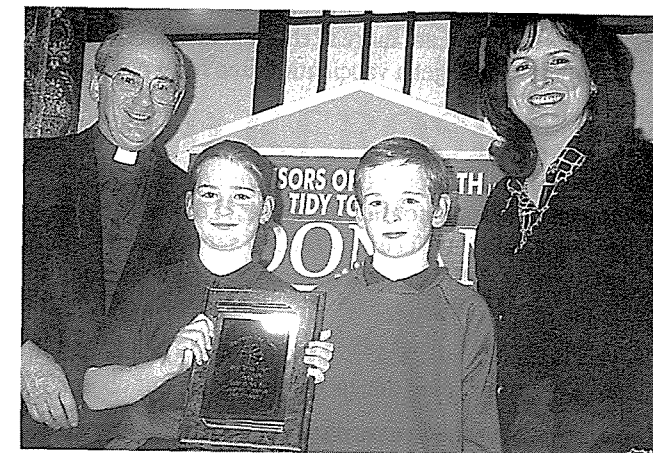


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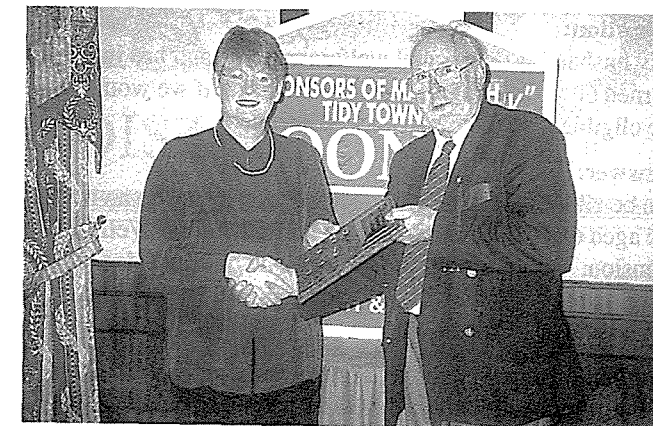
Sue Tuite presents Paul Lanigan and Niall Leavy with 2nd prize for Best Shop Front for C.P.L. Motor Factors



1st Prize winner of Best Shop Front, Katie Delaney of Katies Flowers pictured with Monsignor Alex Stenson and Aisling and Alex Delaney.



Ray Grehan receiving prize for Best Small Area on behalf of Charter House from Sue Tuite.



Chairman, Robert O'Reilly presents Miriam Ahern of Rockfield with 1st Prize in Best Large Estate awards.



Robert O'Reilly, Chairman presents Mary Fitzgerald of Parklands with 2nd prize for Best Large Estate.



Berna Hatton pictured with Monsignor Alex Stenson after receiving 3rd Prize in Best Shop Front awards.

Community Council Notes

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I am a 68 years old widow and in good health but my daughter thinks that I am more at risk from flu this winter. She said that I could get a vaccination free from our family doctor. Is this true?

Answer:

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The vaccination is available from your family doctor and if you have a medical card the vaccination is free of charge.

If you are not entitled to a medical card your doctor may charge a consultation fee for administering the vaccine.

For further information about the flu vaccination it is advisable to consult your family doctor.

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Further information about this allowance and about other benefits and entitlements for older people is available in 'Entitlements for the Over 60's', an updated edition of which was recently published by the National Social Services Board.

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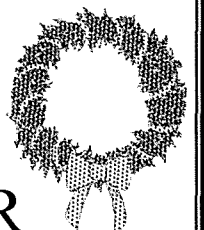
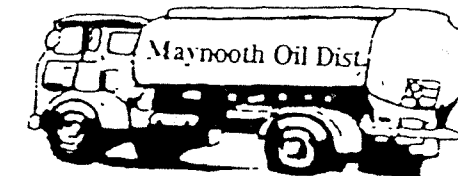
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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

As our "Sale of Work" had not taken place before the Newsletter went to print we will have to wait until the next issue for a report on that particular event. In the meantime our Christmas Party will take place on Sunday Dec 13th starting with Mass at 3.30p.m. in the post primary school.

The next day Monday 14th Super Valu will extend the hand of friendship once more to all our Senior Citizens in the form of a special Shopping night in a party atmosphere followed by tea, sandwiches and entertainment and of course a Christmas drink. This has become an annual event to which we all look forward.

Our next event will be our annual dinner on Sunday Jan 10th generously given to us each year by "Peter O'Brien Catering" to whom we owe a huge debt of gratitude.

Our morning club will close for holidays on Thursday Dec 17th and will re-open on Tuesday Jan 12th.

Christmas is a very enjoyable time of year for most of us with families all coming together, but for some it can be a lonely time with just memories for company. Nobody should be alone at this time of year but many of our older people are, so if you live near someone on their own, why not drop in, we all benefit from company, reach out and be a good neighbour this Christmas.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the Coonan family on the death of their mother Eileen and to Patricia Nolan our vice Chairperson on the sudden death of her father, Patrick Lyons. May they both rest in peace.

Finally, may I remind our Senior Citizens and their Carers once again about safety and security in the home over the winter months in general and Christmas in particular. Just keep four safety checks in mind spark guard, smoke alarm, chimney and door chain. Keeping these in mind could be the difference between joy and tragedy, meanwhile may I wish you all a happy, peaceful and safe Christmas.

Josephine Moore

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB.

Training has resumed every Wed. night at 7 o'clock at the G.A.A grounds on the Moyglare road. Tribute must be paid to the good attendance, who are braving the elements. The Cross Country season is well under way and the results so far are most encouraging.

Ciana Ennis is improving week by week and got medals in the Kildare under 10 and 11 championship. She also finished 2nd in the Dunleer open race but her highlight so far was a brilliant performance to finish 2nd in the Leinster.

Muire Ennis also got a medal in the Kildare under 12 and finished 4th in the Leinster, which got her a county team bronze medal.

David Comerford and Marc O Murchú got a county team medal in the Leinster boys under 12 and David also won 2nd place in the Kildare under 12 championship.

Awut Ni Mhurchú got 2nd in the Kildare under 14 and under 16 and ran well in the Leinsters.

David Campbell has won all four of his races this season, coming home first in Kildare under 16 and 17 and Leinster under 16.

In the adults section John Campbell won the Kildare vets and was 2nd in the Leinster. David Jolley won the over 50 Kildare and was 2nd in the Senior.

New members will be welcomed any Wednesday night, so come along and get ready for the indoor and track season. We cater for girls and boys from under 8 up to senior.

Next month will be a big one, and we wish all our athletes the best of luck in the All Irelands.

Art Exhibition & Literary/Musical Evening

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The November Guild meeting of the Maynooth I.C.A. was held in the I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour, Maynooth, on Thursday the 5th of November.

Our President, Rosemary, welcomed us all.

Sympathy was extended to Ann Broughan on the death of her father, Joseph Murphy, and to Theresa Mooney on the death of her mother-in-law.

As per usual, in November we had an Ecumenical Service at the meeting to pray for our departed members and friends. This was organised by Eilish O'Malley, and a lovely service was conducted by the Reverend Adrian Wilkinson and Monsignor Alex. Stenson. We would like to thank Eilish for all her hard work.

The Guild activities continue....

Crafts continue on Monday nights at 8.00 p.m.

Badminton continues in the Parish Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10.30 a.m.

The Guild competition for November was "The Oldest Newspaper".

1st - Theresa Brennan - 1916

2nd - Betty Moore - 1935

3rd - Mary Halton - 1972

Raffle results:

1st - Ann Broughan

2nd - Jo O'Connell

3rd - Mary Halton

Guild members will attend Kildare Federation Christmas Party in the Red House Hotel on December 15th.

Our next Guild meeting will be held on December 3rd at 8.00 p.m. The December competition is "Decorative Christmas Candle".

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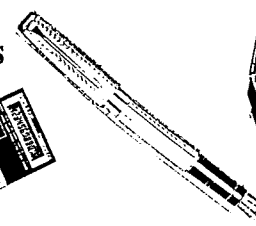
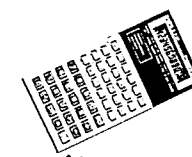
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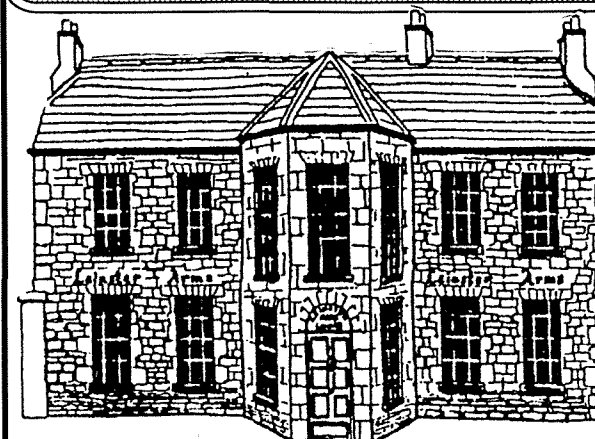
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The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club is back in action again with a very special year ahead for 1998 and 1999.

We are honoured to be selected to host the National Youth Awards to be held in the Stand House in the Curragh in April 1999. This event coincides with the 21st Birthday of the National No Name Clubs of Ireland.

We will also be hosting the finals of the Cabaret Awards and look forward to meeting all our friends from other clubs around the country. Our hosts and hostesses will find themselves busy throughout the year ahead with various events to mark this 21st birthday.

We are delighted to have so many adult leaders, only too willing to give their time so freely as always to their club, and may we take this opportunity to invite any past adult members and host and hostesses who may wish to become involved for the forthcoming 21st Birthday celebrations.

Our Disco's have began again successfully and we remind all young people to have a valid membership for the Club. Membership application forms are available from all schools or Committee members.

Reminder for Parents/Guardians

Disco's are for fourteen years upwards with a valid membership.

To ensure the safe arrival we welcome parents / guardians to bring young people to the disco. The disco finishes at 1.00 p.m., if you wish to collect your young person early please just call to the door.

We wish to thank the schools for all their help and co-operation and the local businesses for their support. A special word of thanks goes to the N.U.I. Maynooth and the Students Union for all their assistance.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of the late Joan Dixon, Secretary in Maynooth Post Primary.

As Christmas approaches again we wish committee members, hosts, hostesses and all involved with the club a peaceful and happy Christmas.

*Evelyn McGrath and Pat Farrell,
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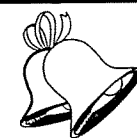
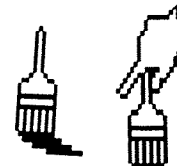


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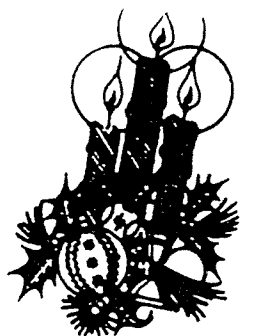
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FLOWER CLUB

At our A.G.M. on the 20th. October in the Loftus Hall, St. Patricks College, Maynooth. The following members were elected on the committee and nominated to the following positions for 1999.

Chairperson:	Margaret Howe
Vice Chairperson:	Moir Baxter
Secretary:	Felicity Satchwell
Ass. Secretary:	Rosemary Smyth
Treasurer:	Mary McInerney
Ass. Treasurer:	Noeleen O'Brien
Sales Table:	Imelda Desmond & Joe O'Connell
Charity Sales:	Mary Cleary
Librarian:	Toni Read
Raffle Sales:	Mary Doyle
Competition Sec.	Elsa Lawlor
A.O.I.F.E. Rep.	Noeleen O'Brien
Hostesses:	Carmel Owens and Sarah Angel
P.R.O.	Maureen Fagan

That night the demonstration was on the "Art of Pressed Flowers" given by Aliciacrafts. It was very informative and creative. They provided us with beautiful framed exhibits of their work and helped us on our way to create our own creations.

A great night was had by all at the Glenroyal Hotel on the 27th. October. Ann O'Hara proved to be an excellent demonstrator. Her exhibits under the title "Autumn Tapestry" were very inspirational. The show raised funds for St. Mary's Church of Ireland and the blind. A special thanks to all the members and the public for supporting these worthy causes.

December's meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th. in the Loftus Hall, St. Patricks College at 8pm. Competitions that night are "Christmas Sparkle" an exhibit, A. space 30' B & C space 24' Artificial plant material also allowed. Plant Competition: 1 stem of Holly Demonstrator for the 15th. December is Emily Whitford MacDonald. There will be a bumper sales table at our December meeting and many Christmas items for sale.

There is a Christmas Flower Festival in St. Patricks Hospital, James St. Dublin 8, on Saturday 5th. and Sunday 6th. December 10.30 am. - 5.30pm. Entry Fee. £5.00 Our Annual Christmas dinner will be held as usual in Moyglare Manor Hotel on the 19th. January 1999. details at our next meeting.

Non-members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Entry Fee £3.00. Finally, I want to wish everyone a peaceful and happy Christmas.

Maureen Fagan
P.R.O.

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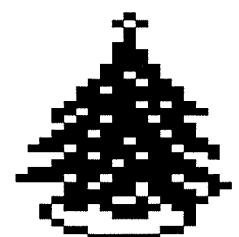
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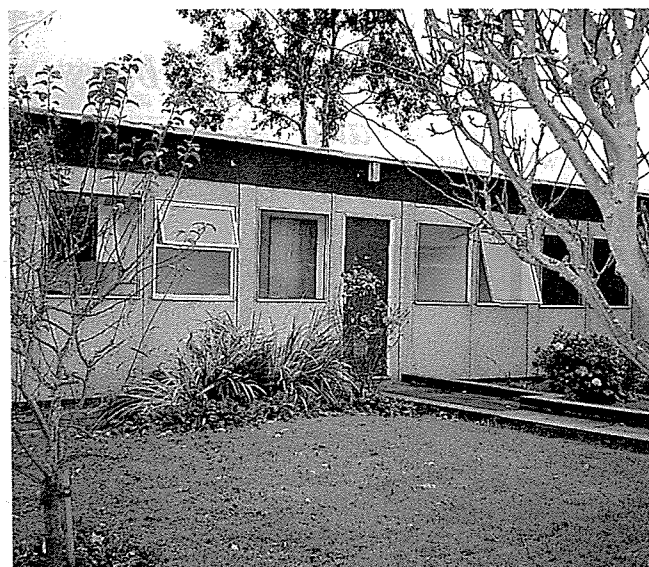
GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Seó Faisean

We would like to thank everyone who supported our Fashion Show again this year. Without this support our school would not be where it is today. We ask you to support all the local businesses who advertised in our brochure or who sponsored us in some way. It would be virtually impossible to thank individually all those who organised the night, but both Máirín and I are extremely grateful to everyone who contributed their talents and time on the night. Míle Búiocas libh ar fad.

Ranganna Feadóige:

Our Ranganna Feadóige have started for Rang a hAon and are proving to be both great fun and a great success. Go n-éirí libh a phaistí.



*Our new premises
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Resource Teacher:

We are extremely lucky to have our own Resource Teacher in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich. Imelda, a retired school principal has volunteered her expertise to the school. She is a wonderful teacher and is proving to be an invaluable asset to the páistí and múinteoirí. Her love for the children and for teaching is evident in all the extra work she does with them and in the great strides they are making with her help. They all look forward to Tuesdays and Wednesdays when Imelda comes in.

Táimid fíor-bhuíoch díot Imelda.

Cártaí Nollag:

We have designed our own Christmas Cards in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich. The cover has a picture which a child drew and the greeting inside is 'As Gaeilge'. The cards are of excellent quality and all proceeds go to the school. If you are interested in buying any cards please contact the school @ Telephone No. 6290667

San Nioclás:

Since the páistí in our school are so good that Santa told us he will make a special trip to see us! Bí go máith, tá an Nollag ag teacht!

Cúntóir Ranga:

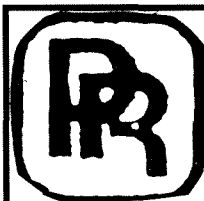
Rang a hAon now also have a Classroom Assistant. Celine, a student from the College, comes in every Thursday to do some extra work with Rang a hAon and to give Máirín an extra hand! Go raibh maith agat Celine.

New Premises:

Our 'Coiste Pleanála' has worked very hard in order to speed up the planning process and to secure a date on which we can move into our new premises at Harbour View. We are very hopeful that we will be moving in after our Christmas Holidays and can all look forward to our big Opening in the New Year! Máirín and I would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding and assure you that the wait will be worth it!

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT / TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The first meeting of the new committee for 1998/1999 took place in the School on Tuesday, 10th November last.

The meeting was chaired by Josephine Moore in the absence of Mary Byrne, Chairperson.

The first item on the Agenda was the election of officers and they are:

Chairperson: Mary Byrne
Vice Chairperson: Geraldine Tobin
Treasurer: Mercedes O'Rourke
Secretary/P.R.O. Mary Oliver
Assistant Secretary: Iris Hildebrand

Margaret McLoughlin was thanked and complimented on her excellent work as Secretary for the past three years.

As the main business of this first meeting was to elect the officers, the only other noteworthy item discussed was fund raising.

We hope to run a Social Evening towards the end of January next. We have organised a similar function at this time of year for the past two years and both nights, besides raising valuable funds for the School, were very enjoyable. They were a great opportunity for parents to meet in a pleasant, social environment, - particularly parents of first-years who have not had a child in the school previously.

We will advise you of the full details of the night as soon as possible.

The annual Mass for first year students and their families was celebrated in the school on Wednesday, 11th November last. The celebrant was Fr. John Sinnott and a Blessing was given by Rev. Adrian Wilkinson. Religion teachers Ms. Keyes and Mr. McDonagh organised the night and first year students sang and did the readings for the Mass. Special awards were made to Declan O'Rourke and Eloise MacAinarchainigh in recognition of their outstanding Leaving Certificate results.

Mary Oliver,
P.R.O. Maynooth Post Primary Parent/Association.

LYREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The new Committee has been elected for the upcoming year and we look forward to hopefully completing a number of outstanding issues, some of which have been long overdue. In fact it would be a positive thing to remark that the public lighting in the area has only recently been upgraded to the sodium type lamp and this is indeed a welcome improvement. We will press to have some additional lighting installed in some other essential locations.

The announcement of the pending relocation of Kavanagh's Mill has been welcomed by the members of the Association and the new proposals for the site are ambitious, diverse and should help to retain a focus on developing around the town centre. There are certain parts of the plan that we would question but overall we have a positive view on the proposals for this site.

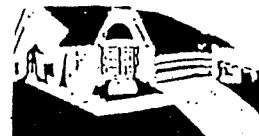
No doubt if one looks back on notes from this Association there is one item that runs through all of the correspondence and that is the problem of traffic using the back lanes as a 'rat run'. This problem has deteriorated over time and is now an issue of great concern and annoyance to us. The basis of the problem is the speed at which vehicles pass through the area. The 'no entry' signs have helped reduce traffic but may have inadvertently caused the speeding up of those vehicles who do break the 'no entry' signs. We will now pursue proper speed control measures for the lanes that will effectively make our area safer for pedestrians and indeed for those vehicles that do have occasion to pass through. To this end we will be meeting with the local representatives to bring this matter to a satisfactory conclusion. We will keep these notes up to date on this matter.

For now may we wish all our residents a Happy and Safe Christmas and New Year and look forward to a productive 1999.

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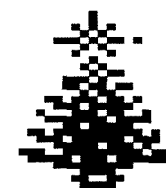
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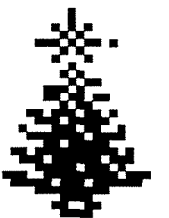
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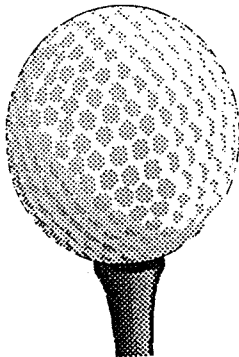


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Maynooth Golfing Society
Turkey outing to Castle Barna Golf Club, Saturday 7th November



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- 2nd - Ray Delemere - 30 pts. (back 3)
- 3rd - Michael O'Regan - 30 pts. (back 9)
- 4th - Sean O'Connell - 30 pts.
- 5th - Mick Flynn - 28 pts.
- 6th - Alan Dolan - 26 pts
- 7th - Sean Tracey - 25 pts.

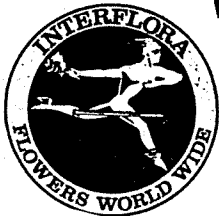
Front 9 - Mick Fahy - 14 pts.
Back 9 - Tom Flatley - 12 pts.
Nearest the Pin - Domnick Nyland

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Lysters 34 Maynooth 27



Tom wins his first overall



Near gale force winds greeted the players when they visited Castle Barna on Saturdat 7th November for our Annual Challenge V Lysters and our own Turkey outing. Thankfully the rain held off and despite the blustery conditions Vice-Captain Tom O'Haire with 37 pts. (playing in the last 3 ball) stormed home to collect his first overall prize. 7 points the winning margin was a record win so well done Tom. Sponsor for the day was Jerimac. In the Annual Challenge local knowledge proved the deciding factor with home team Lysters re-gaining the Shield on a margin of 34 to 27.



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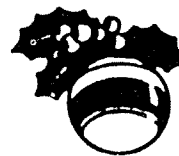
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BAND BULLETIN

I don't believe it, do you? The last Bulletin of 1998. It seems just a couple of months ago since we were doing the Den pictures of the 'crew' for our Kansas City trip and here we are now in the throes of preparing for an absolutely packed Christmas programme.

Looking back at November we had two major successes. Firstly our annual Mass for deceased members was once again a huge success. The ovation at the conclusion of our final piece was heart warming and encouraging and the requests for more "Band in the Church" music from the departing congregation was even more welcome. We hope our presence at the Christmas carol service will fill this need, and sure maybe we might do something with the choir and folk group for Easter.

Our second success was the amazing response to our enrolment sessions for our new music classes which get under way after Christmas. Our special thanks to Sr. Catherine and Peter Mullen for allowing our conductor and a few of our members to show the budding musicians in their respective schools what the various instruments look and sound like. The total enrolment was almost 90 if all of these boys and girls last the pace we just might find ourselves fund raising for an extension to the band hall. And so to December! Its a funny old world you know. When Niall O'Connor joined us almost two years ago one of his ideas was to give the Band more exposure. By the look of our December programme we could easily have a terminal case of over exposure. The line up is as follows:

Fri.4th	St. Marys Church of Ireland. Maynooth Arts Forum
Fri.11th	Town Hall Naas- Christmas music recital
Sat.12th	Aula Maxima Maynooth Christmas concert.
Sun.13th	Blanchardstown shopping centre 11.30-1.30pm
Sun.13th	St. Marys Church- carol service
Sun.20th	St. Marys Church of Ireland- carol service
Mon.21st	Westland Row railway station- Christmas recital
Tues.22nd	Westland Row railway station- Christmas recital
	Christmas Day, Christmas morning Mass parade 11.30am.

In addition to these performances we hope to provide our traditional Christmas recitals in the Maynooth Shopping Centres over the pre Christmas period.

We would like in particular to publicise our **Christmas Concert** in the Aula Maxima N.U.I. Maynooth on Saturday 12th December. This is an experimental event where we are joined by some of our young beginners and some members of the Narraghmore Pipe Band. As a gesture to the people of Maynooth for their support during the past year tickets are being sold for £1.00 (Yes one Pound) each of which is available from Maynooth Office Supplies, Dublin Road or Maynooth Post Office. Please do book early as all the signs point to a full house.

Finally our small number of dedicated members will once again meet in the square on New Years Eve to greet 1999. See you there.

Once again a sincere thank you to all who have supported us throughout the year. On behalf of the committee and members of St. Mary's Band we wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and health and happiness for the New Year.



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Before the end of this month, a team of consultants are scheduled to report on a major planning study on the future of the Greater Dublin Region. It is intended that this report should recommend strategic planning guidelines which should underpin future Development Plans for the Dublin and Mid-East Regions over the next ten years. This is a long overdue exercise, since no real long term approach to coping with the expansion of the Greater Dublin region has been attempted since the famous Myles Wright report commissioned by the government in April 1964 which laid the basis for the establishment of the three new western towns of Tallaght, Blanchardstown and Lucan- Clondalkin. A more recent effort by the now defunct Eastern Regional Development Organisation was never acted upon, and, as a result, the past decade has seen largely uncoordinated urban sprawl in the towns and villages within commuting distance of the city. North Kildare in general, and towns such as Maynooth in particular, has borne the brunt of this building bonanza as a result of the copious availability of development lands rezoned in the last round in 1985. Over 800 new houses have been added to this town during the past 3 years, and approximately 1200 new cars. If we have learned anything from the past few years it is surely that a continuation of 'rezone and sprawl' policies have not resulted in benefits for the vast bulk of society in this part of Ireland. Rather they have left a legacy of congestion and amenity shortfalls which it will take a generation to clear up.

You may have seen the questionnaire in the public libraries which the group distributed to seek opinions on a number of important issues. The questions were rather simplistic e.g. "Heritage and amenity locations should be protected by strong environmental policies". Maybe there are people who would disagree with this statement, but they must be lonely individuals. Equally, "High quality agricultural land should be conserved for amenity value and productivity" would seem a reasonable statement. How about "Public transport should be favoured over the private car"? Now we begin to get to areas where principles are fine for other people as long as they don't affect my way of working. We also get to the difficult areas of reconciling the rights of communities to maintain a reasonable quality of life with the rights of individuals to maximise their quantity of life in material terms. It is the view of this Alliance that that balance has been missing in planning much of this part of Ireland as a consequence of a democratic deficit at local government level which has stemmed from a failure of some local representatives to represent the wishes of the vast majority of their electorate on these matters.

How have the local authorities responded to the imminent arrival of the strategic guidelines? Essentially they have been engaged in an undignified rush to complete expansionary plans by the end of the year before the drawbridge falls. The controversial schemes in Fingal, in Wicklow and nearer home in Lucan are the products of this

rush. Kildare also has been endeavouring to pass its County Development Plan before the end of this month after a series of spectacular failures over the past few years. The latest effort The Draft County Development Plan envisages increases in population for Celbridge, Kilcock, Leixlip, Maynooth and Straffan amounting to just under 10,000 people by 2006. Though this sounds reasonable, the plan is already under threat as a consequence of the blatant disregard of the target population by the councillors of Kildare's largest town, Naas. If this sets a precedent for Maynooth we may as well write off this effort at county planning in Kildare as well. The 1996 population of Maynooth was 8,500 and it is targeted to rise to 11,500 in 2006. But this target is also under attack at present from some quarters. The credibility of a Draft Plan already being undermined by those who proposed its adoption must be seriously questioned.

The Minister for the Environment and Local Government has publicly affirmed his intention to support changes to future Development Plans arising from the publication of the Strategic Guidelines if these are found to be in conflict. To quote him directly:

"As part of my legislative reforms, I intend that local authorities in reviewing their development plans, must have regard to strategic planning guidelines relevant to their areas. These guidelines will be crucial to the adoption of a sustainable approach to future development in the Greater Dublin region."

It will be interesting to see how this commitment is followed through, particularly in the case of Co. Kildare which as a result of its misdemeanours, loses its ministerial permission to pass any development plans on the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve.

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A. WHEN SHOPPING

- If possible, avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Park your car in a recognised car park or other secure place
- When travelling in your car, do not leave bags lying on the seat.
- Be careful regarding your cheque books, cheque cards and pin numbers etc.
- When paying for goods, try not to expose large amounts of cash in your possession.
- Do not carry wallets, purses, etc. in easily accessible pockets and be aware of pick pockets in crowded shopping areas.
- When in restaurants, be careful with regard to your bags and purchases.
- 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.
- Never leave any possessions/purchases on view inside the car. If you have to leave them, discreetly lock them in the boot.
- Do not hide spare keys within the wheel.
- Be vigilant when returning to your car with your purchases.

B. SECURITY OF YOUR HOMES

- 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 over the Christmas period and be vigilant with regard to your neighbour's security, also the elderly and those living alone.
- Check out callers to your home fully and ask for identification. Do not admit strangers to your home.
- Be alert and report any suspicious activity, persons or vehicles to your local Gardai immediately.
- Careful consideration should be given to the use of audible or silent alarms, a silent alarm system is favoured in high risk situations as local bells/sirens may cause panic and injury to staff/customers.
- The alarm should be installed to a current Irish standard 199 and ideally have a connection to a

Central Monitoring Station. Consideration should also be given to having a radio link back up on the alarm system.

- Consider, where possible, that vulnerable rear door and windows be alarmed on a 24 hour basis with built in access/egress facilities if desired and that risk areas are adequately protected by a combination of good physical and electronic security.
- **For further information/advice contact your local Garda Station**

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The mask competition and the painting competition were judged on Saturday 31st. October.

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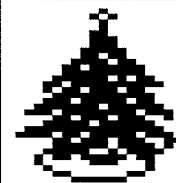
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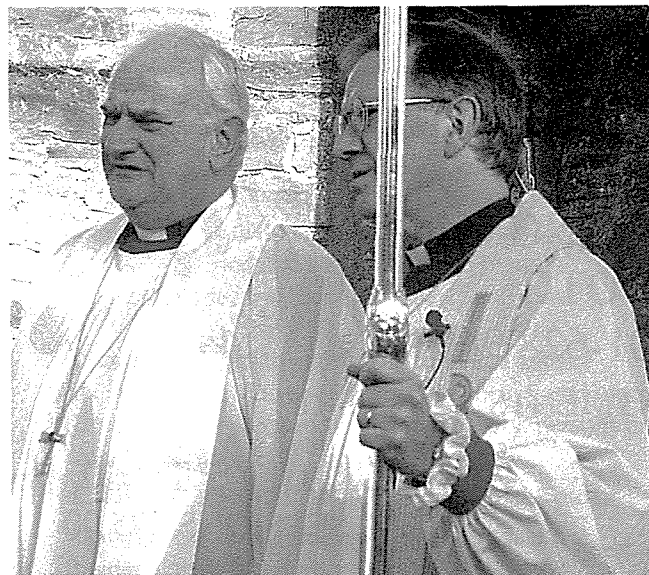
ST MARY'S CHURCH 750TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

St. Mary's Church Maynooth celebrated its 750th anniversary with a concert on Saturday 14th November organised by the Rector Adrian Wilkinson with the help of the 750 Committee.

The first half of the concert was performed by 'The Dublin Waytes' who have assembled again after some 400 years. They specialise in the performance of medieval and renaissance songs and texts and their presentation 'The Court of Silken Thomas Fitzgerald' was particularly relevant to the Church's history. The programme traced the rise and fall of the House of Fitzgeralds, Earls of Kildare from 'uncrowned Kings of Ireland' to the execution of Silken Thomas Fitzgerald in 1537, after the ill-fated rebellion of 1534. It included readings from 'Holinshed's Irish Chronicle (1577)'. The Dublin Waytes had performed previously in St. Mary's Church and the audience were once again treated to a great rendition of their wonderful talents.

The King's Hospital choirs and Ensembles filled the church with melodious sounds for the latter half of the concert. Their programme, called 'Lord for the years' featured the musical talents of a number of separate choirs performing both English and Irish hymns and songs including the Beatles 'Here, There and Everywhere'. The finale was a combination of the choirs singing 'Lord for the years' - T. Dudley-Smith and Speed Your Journey - Verdi (from Nabukko).

As a further part of the 750th Anniversary Celebrations a service of thanksgiving and re-dedication took place in St. Mary's Church on Sunday 15th November.



Bp. Clarke and Archbishop Eames entering the Church for the Service

St. Mary's Church of Ireland Notes

Services for advent and Christmas

Readers of the "Newsletter" may be interested to note the times of services for this month. Each Sunday there is a service at 10a.m.. During Advent, the four weeks before Christmas, the Candles on our Advent wreath are lit at the start of the service.

Our Carol Service this year will be on Sunday 20th December at 7.30 p.m. As usual this is an ecumenical service and we look forward to welcoming the St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band and some singers from St. Mary's (R.C) Church. This service on Christmas Day will be at 6. 10.am and all visitors are welcome.

A prayer in Preparation for Christmas

Our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, you have come as the Light of the World to shine in our lives and illuminate our hearts and minds. Thank you, Lord Jesus, for banishing our darkness with your eternal light. As we celebrate your birth this Christmas time show us how we can share our joy with those who have no joy and to share our wealth with those who have no comfort. Help us to make your love real to them and let us reflect your light as we proclaim the good news. Amen.



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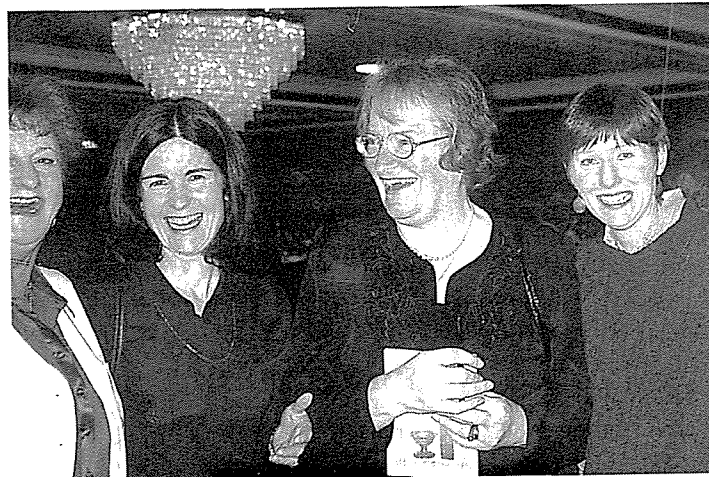
One has only to scratch the surface to expose the talented face of literary Maynooth. One such face is that of Maeve Mulryan-Maloney, local historian, retired school teacher and now esteemed author. "A History of Saggart and Rathcoole Parishes", written by Maeve and published by 4 Districts 1798

Association, was launched by Kathleen Watkins (a native of Saggart) in the City West Hotel, Saggart, on Thursday 5th November 1998. The launch, which was hosted by the 4 Districts 1798 Association Committee, was hugely attended and it must be said that an air of immense pride and expectation abided.

The book itself is as the title suggests, an in-depth history of the Rathcoole and Saggart Parishes, spanning the First Millennium to the Present Day. There are numerous stories of human interest, like that of Fr. James Harold, the only priest in the Archdiocese to be transported to Australia for alleged involvement with the United Irishmen. Fr. Harold served in Kilcullen for 5 years prior to his posting in Rathcoole. Of particular interest to Maynooth is the story that Lord Edward Fitzgerald made a present of

his favourite mare to Felix Rourke, a Colonel in the United Irishmen. At the outbreak of the 1798 Rebellion Felix was Colonel of the Kildare insurgents. He was later executed for his part in the 1803 uprising.

The author, who is a native of Williamstown, Co. Galway has lived in Maynooth for the past 6 years. Maeve taught in the Holy Family National School, Rathcoole for 25 years and she maintains strong links with the area. Maeve is actively involved in local history affairs and is currently undertaking a Masters in Local History at N.U.I., Maynooth. Notwithstanding all of this, she is also organising a Past Pupils Reunion for Polredmond National School, Williamstown Co. Galway. In her "spare time" Maeve enjoys Bridge and is an accomplished Artist!



At the launch of "A History of Saggart and Rathcoole Parishes" (L to R) Maura Gibson, Maura Durkan, Maeve Mulryan-Maloney and Tina Williams.

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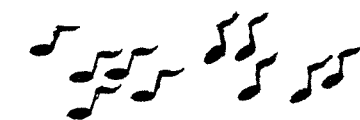
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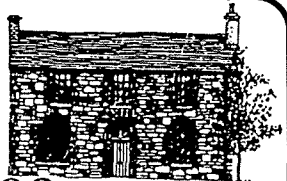
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AND SO GOD WAS STRONGER THAN LARRY A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE LARRY McEVOY R.I.P.

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For memories of you our hearts ever bind.
The Autumn leaves turn gold 'fore they fade;
No apples fall 'til in ripeness are laid.
The swallows all gathered and flew off south,
The signs of Gods gatherers were all about.
As all earthly beauty was borne away,
An original like Larry was not meant to stay.

They christened 'Elvis' on your dark locks,
When you rolled in the bucks and wore the bright socks
To roll down the highway it was your great joy,
To the place of your birth the Valley of the Moy.
Pride in your people and the spirit of celebration
Are two of the things that have formed our nation.
Though they can destroy the case which them bear
They always thrive over ruinous despair.

Oh how he did pray when he looked at the skies,
In the cold and the rain with dust round his eyes.
The whipping stings of frost he knew
And the suffocating heat when no wind blew.
A skilled workman and machine driver,
Concerned for his mates - a selfless giver.
Never a man to miss a days work.
No kind of difficulty did Big Larry shirk.

In Tug-O-War Larry was the best,
A giant of a man in his bright white vest.
His heels set in with fiercesome force
His unbridled strength his deep inner source,
With mighty will and nerves well steeled,
Never did brave Larry yield.
The "Big Eight" bet every team around,
Their sweat has blessed this earthly mound.
But when it came to trophies or prize-giving,
Larry preferred the riches of living.

In every place where folk all gather,
His presence was felt; a wise noble father.
Well he was known and he knew his patch,
For humour and jest he had no match.
Full generous he roused the mirthful tongue,
'Til every ounce of sport was wrung.
Like a meteor shot from Heavens port
As though he knew his time it was short.
All moping thoughts he dispersed like chaff,
For all Larry wanted was a laugh.

Larry liked to live in the old style,
Old decency and comradery in toil.
He reared his turf at Timahoe
And 'Roches' knew his autumn glow.
Ever obliging to people in trouble,
Aid and fellowship came on the double.
Despite the hardships that he bore,

The gentle giant was to the fore.

As the stars fly with the moon,
To Larry's side did so many swoon.
A very good father, ne'er idle was he,
At five in the morn the sunrise did see.
His little dog 'Rod' he saw him away
He once wrecked Larry's van to keep him at bay.
In his little grand-children he took great delight
They sat on his knee at the coming of night.

God challenged Larry of whom he was fond,
For he could break ropes but not their bond.
Larry dug deep and kept the rope low,
Hoping that God might let him go.
The voice of his ancestors spoke in his ear,
Saying "If you lose Larry, we will be here".
Soon the rope turned bright gold and starry
And so it proved God was stronger than Larry.

"Come rest on my breast you daughters and sons,
Live life to the full like I have done.
Neath the cloak of my memories lie down to sleep
And in your dreams may our greeting hearts leap.
Farewell to my good wife faithful and true,
I've found a new place to share with you,
I'm free from all pain in Heaven above
Sending you all my happiness and love."

So if in the sun new brightness you see,
Its just Larry polishing his golden JCB.
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A DIRTY BUSINESS - LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

December 6th is the anniversary of an important event in Maynooth's history. This time last year the residents of Maynooth and surrounding area waited anxiously for the decision of Meath County Council on a planning application for a 'recycling plant' close to Maynooth. Only a visit to a landfill site such as Kill will bring it home to people the effect the granting of permission would have had on the heritage town of Maynooth. From the traffic point of view alone convoys of dirty trucks through the main street would have caused chaos in a town already gridlocked. The South Meath and North Kildare Environment Group worked tirelessly to convince the people of the enormity of the threat to their environment and quality of life. Businesses and individuals throughout the area rallied behind the Group and protested strongly to Meath and Kildare County Councils. Meath County Council were inundated with letters in protest. After what seemed an eternity, on December 7th the Council announced its decision to refuse planning permission. However it was not until six weeks later that the nightmare was finally over when it became known that the applicant Mr. Padraic Thornton had decided not to appeal the decision. Looking back on the past year, not much has happened in Maynooth as a result of this experience. No connection has been made between the threat just avoided and the litter problem in Maynooth. Do householders of the area even give a thought to what happens to the contents of their bin when it leaves them? Waste disposal is however, a national problem. Recent documentaries on television have shown the actual proportions of the problem. It is obvious that we must change our way of regarding rubbish, that we must be more responsible for the waste we produce. We cannot continue to put it all into landfill sites. They are simply not available anymore.

It is interesting to know that most of the waste we produce can be used again. If we can recycle more of our domestic waste, we'll be helping to protect our environment from further damage, by keeping our glass, cans, plastic and paper out of the ground while conserving more of our energy.

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In advance of legislation which will be likely to make waste disposal more expensive, householders can recycle most of the contents of their bins. A facility that is not yet available in Maynooth but is only a short distance away can be availed of. This is the Kerbside once-a-month collection in Leixlip. Many people are using this service, which is available from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the last Saturday of every month.

During this time a Kerbside truck parks in Riverforest car park. They will be happy to take all your glass bottles (unbroken), all food, petfood and drink cans, plastic bottles and containers such as milk, soft drinks and mineral water bottles, detergent containers, and shampoo bottles. Just rinse and remove caps. This company supply a weekly collection service to 50,000 households in Dublin City suburbs. Kerbside can be contacted at 01 459 7677.

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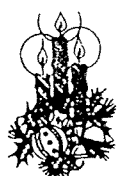
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MY OWN VIEW OF A DAY IN COURT AND ITS PROCEEDINGS

I attended Kilcock District Court on Tuesday 27th October. The court was to begin at 10.30 am and I had arrived five minutes before simply out of curiosity.

I entered the main entrance and was suprised to see that the place was absolutely congested with people. The Judge sat in his chair facing the crowd who had managed to find a seat. I had to spectate over the shoulders of others at the entrance.

The court proceedings began and I was eager to see how a Court actually went about its business. The court clerk read out the first case. I began to listen to each case and waited for one that would be best suited to my task. I acknowledged every procedure taken in each case and found it to be quite intriguing. One case in particular appealed to me and I began to take notes. I had gathered all the relevant information and details and wrote them down in my note pad. After I had taken my notes I had the option of leaving but decided to stay as I found it to be quite entertaining as well as informative.

I found the Judge to have quite a good sense of humour and I wasn't the only one. There was a stage in the court where the Judge was informed that his name was mentioned in an argument, where one defendant was in "Breach Of Peace". The guard was in the witness box and the court clerk had called the case to the court's attention. The Judge questioned the guard on this incident. The guard told the Judge that on the night in question he told the defendant that if he didn't quieten down he would have him up in front of 'yourself'. The Judge told the guard not to beat around the bush and tell him what he was called. The guard hesitated and then replied "He called you a Wanker Sir". The Judge sat up straight and asked "Where is he?" (the defendant), his solicitor informed the Judge that he had not turned up. "Right" the Judge said "I am issuing a warrant for his arrest. We'll talk about this matter on the 11th of November, thank you". The crowd and the guard in the witness box broke down with laughter. The Judge had a sarcastic grin on his face which encouraged his audience.

The court kept going through each individual case and I began to learn more and more about the court procedures. There was even one case where I guessed what the Judge's verdict would be. I truly had a most enjoyable day and would recommend to anybody to go at some stage. I know I will go again. As a spectator of course.

I honestly can't say that everything was to my satisfaction. I thought the court was too congested and the defendants should enter through a separate door when announced, instead of pushing their way through the crowd. I was also surprised to notice that the court in Kilcock was used as a clinic for patients. With all the money the court makes in fines and seizures you would think the government would build a separate court house. I also thought the Judge was a bit lacksadaisical on the noise in the court. Some of the whispers, murmurs, and quiet conversation blurred out some of the Judge's speech. I really thought the judge would have a strong opinion on this matter, whilst he did call for silence sometimes he didn't all the time. Overall, a valuable learning experience.

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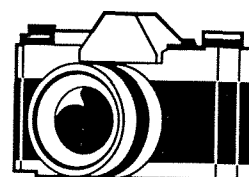
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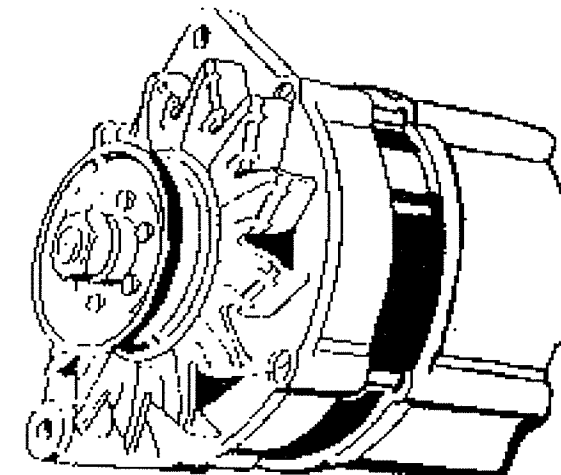
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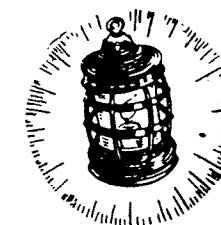
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Hula-Bou ladies boutique situated on Main Street is 26 years in Maynooth and specialises in designer wear for all occasions from size 8 to 20. There is something for everyone in Hula Bou, from tights and scarves, handbags and jewellery suitable for presents to exquisite outfits for the festive season. Stock from Italian designer Luisa Lorenzi includes:-

Short black stretch lace dress £105.00 - exclusive to Hula-Bou
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Also from leading Italian Fashion House Emmedue - Navy Silk Beaded two-piece £399

Hula-Bou also stock a wide selection of trouser suits available with option of matching skirt. A very chic black crepe skirt suit with satin trim from Gerry Weber at £189.00 is available with option of matching trousers.

Full length winter coats from Gil Bret start at £150.00 together with a wide selection of jackets from £99.00. Some selected styles of jackets are now reduced by 20%.

Also from the Gil Bret collection a limited edition luxurious alpaca wool full length coat is available at £349.00.

Mix and match ensembles are always available in Hula-Bou and a visit to this boutique is most definitely recommended.

Another boutique which has been in Maynooth for a long time, 22 years to be exact, is **Moulin Rouge** on the Dunboyne Road. This boutique stocks some lovely designer outfits for the Christmas season. These include:-



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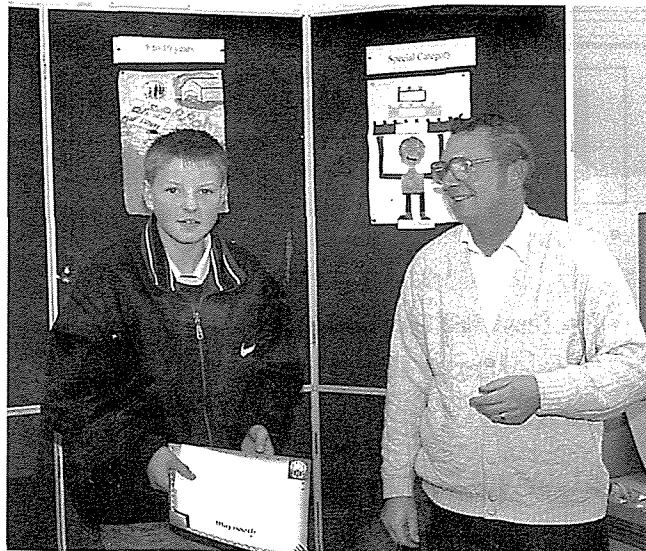
Jersey mix skirt and tunic top: £ 76.00
Matching silk scarf: £ 14.99
Total: £ 90.99

Sievers Grey flannel trousers £ 44.99
Grey and stone print cardigan: £ 59.99
Cream turtle neck: £ 26.00
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L'Espere Grey Duster Coat: £133.00
Sievers Black brushed cotton jeans: £ 44.99
Italian grey merino wool polo: £ 27.99
Total: £205.98

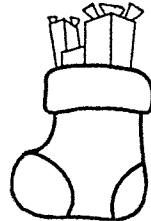
Moulin Rouge also have a selection of costume jewellery, scarves, tights and belts, which can be ideal Christmas presents or simply accessories to compliment any outfit.

Once again this is a fine boutique providing a wide range of outfits suitable for the party season.



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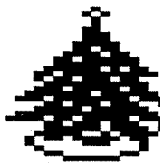
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A Tribute to Joan

I am honoured and privileged to have been asked by Martin to pay this tribute to Joan. I find it hard to talk about Joan in the past tense so I ask you to bear with me.

I have known Joan since 1992 when she joined us at Maynooth Post Primary School as Secretary/Receptionist. Joan packed what would be a life time achievement for most into those short few years. To give you some indication of Joan's achievements I mention the following:

- Joan's first task at Maynooth Post Primary School was to implement a new software package to establish a student record system. She did it so effectively that we received a letter from the Department of Education and Science congratulating us on being the first school to have the returns made and that they were 100% accurate. We continue to receive such letters since.
- Four years ago Joan started a Fás Project and took on the role of supervisor. The main achievement was the re-skilling of those who joined the Project and then the placement of the participants in permanent employment, she did this with singular success as is evident from the number of past and present participants attending here today.
- At National level she acted as secretary/co-ordinator for the Irish Mathematics Teachers Association training programme, in the process managing £250,000 in State funding. When those accounts were audited they were accurate to the penny.
- Joan typed-set and prepared the final school report for a prestigious European Project which brought much acclaim to the school.

These are just a few of Joan's many accomplishments with us.

On a personal level words fail me in trying to record Joans commitment to my predecessor as Principal Mr. Tom Ashe and to myself. Our common phrases when we had a difficult question to answer or wanted a difficult task carried out were:

"See Joan about that"
"Wait till Joan comes in"
"Joan will do that"

Such was Joan's level of expertise, we relied on her totally, Joan's work ethic was exceptional, Joan was unique.

Joan would phone me at home on a regular basis to brief me on some important issue or remind me of a meeting or to clarify the contents of a report Joan was preparing for me at home. Joan saw to it that everything was done to perfection. Joan could read any mind on most issues.

I hope you will pardon me if I introduce a bit of humour at this point, in the office we often called Joan "Jessica" after Jessica Fletcher in the TV series. Joan could spot a forged

note from a student a mile away, I am convinced Joan had a photographic memory such was the amount of detail she stored on any issue. Invariably when Joan went to the bank she spotted some students "on the hop." When she reported back Joan was able to give me the names of the students, their year and class. When I then challenged the students concerned they, as is normal for students, denied all knowledge until I describe to them the following "you left Barry's Newsagents, you lit a cigarette took two drags from it and then gave it to your pal, both of you then looked up and down the street and then entered the snooker hall" - They knew then the game was up!

Joan's greatest asset was her personality and her devotion to Martin, Damien and David. I had the privilege of sharing the same office with Joan for 5 years and her first chat each day was about Damien and David, what they got up to, how they got on at school etc. or what Martin was working at. Joan wanted the best for them, and at the end of the day rushed home to be with them and Martin. If in her rush she may have forgotten something Joan would always ring me, such was her commitment. When she left us last Tuesday she borrowed some educational software for the lads. Her devotion to Martin, Damien and David knew no bounds.

I find it hard to find words to describe her personality. She was full of life, had boundless energy and partook in many activities both in Maynooth and Longwood/Broadford.

Fr. Joe has borne testimony to Joan's work for himself and for Broadford N.S.

Her colleagues in the scout movement will pay their own tribute to Joan after me, in particular her work as a Scout Leader.

Joan enjoyed and participated in many sports, in particular badminton and GAA.

I think all who were involved with Joan in these areas know what I mean when I refer to her happiness and boundless energy.

To Martin, Damien, David, Joan's Mother, Father, Sisters, Brothers, Martin's family and Joan's legion of friends, I cannot describe to you your personal loss and all I can offer you is our support in the weeks /years ahead. When the time comes, I know I speak for all my colleagues when I say we will give Damien and David the best second level education we can offer, which was Joan's wish.

We will always treasure Joan's memory. I know she is in heaven with the best of them, not because we wish it for Joan, but she is there as of right.

May you rest in peace Joan and many, many thanks for all that you gave us.

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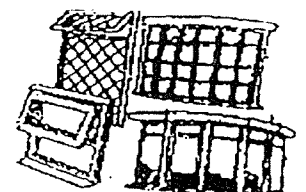
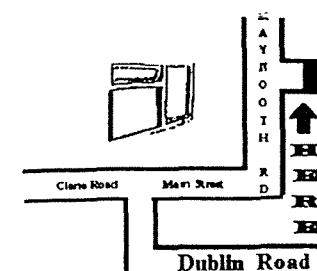
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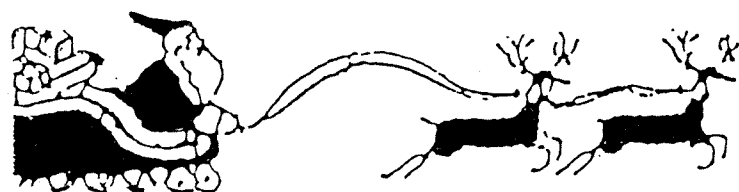
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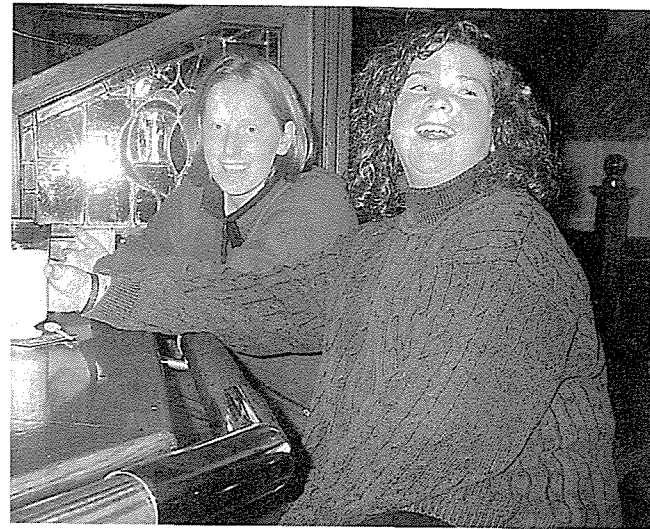


Features

'An Ideal Christmas'

The Newsletter took to the streets in search of 'the ideal Christmas' and the following is the response we got when the idea was put to the people of Maynooth.

Caroline Gannon is a student studying history and Irish in Maynooth College. Her ideal Christmas would be "no assignments, lots of money to go on the beer and a few nice men" - she's got three weeks off. It's Caroline's 21st this Christmas and she wants lots of presents and a trip to France to meet the man of her dreams.



Caroline Gannon and Margaret Mulhall

Martin Brady of the Leinster Arms worries about the old folk at this time of year. Martin's ideal Christmas would be if everyone would go to see one old person. He believes that Christmas is about others, not ourselves.

An ideal Christmas for Kevin Freeney, Signwriter, of Parson Street, Maynooth would be to go back to when he was a child waking up on Christmas morning. It was a very happy time for Kevin, but he finds that like many others he enjoys it now through his own children.



Darren Moran

Margaret Mulhall - a student studying history and geography in Maynooth College would have a whale of a time if she had her ideal Christmas. She would like no less than 150 tickets to Jamica so that she could bring all her friends with her. They'd "drink beer and dance on Bob Marley's grave". On the way back Margaret and her buddies would land in Liverpool on Christmas Day, go back in time to 1960, meet the Beatles and do a gig with them. She wishes that Santa would bring Budweiser to all cold taps and blue label vodka to hot water taps. Margaret's advice to all and sundry is "Eat, drink and be merry or you could be run over by a 66".

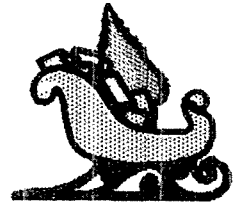
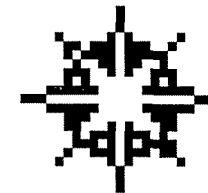
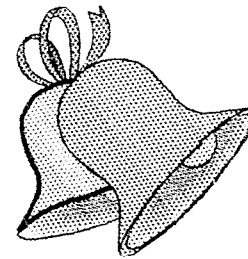
An ideal Christmas for Darren Moran, Barman, The Clockhouse, Brady's Maynooth would be plenty of drinking and partying with no trouble. He would like to have an enjoyable day with family and friends. Darren thinks that Christmas is a time for thinking of elderly neighbours and dropping into them to say hello.

Marie McGovern of The Roost would like to spend Christmas somewhere nice and sunny. She hopes to win the lotto for Christmas so she can have a ball over the holiday season.



Marie McGovern

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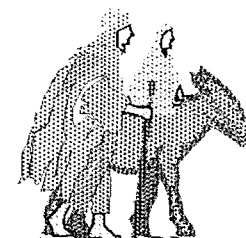
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Maynooth Post Primary

Success for Maynooth at the Michael Rigby-Jones first round debate

"That we do not agree that it should be a criminal offence for a parent to smack a child on the hand" was the motion hotly opposed by Maynooth Post-Primary's Shaunta Guha, Karen Hildebrand and Therese Mac Ainairchinigh in the first round of the Michael Rigby-Jones debate in the Curragh Post-Primary school on Thursday 22nd October. Their opposition hailed from St. Kevin's Community College, Dunlavin.

Maynooth Post-Primary's pupils on Kildare Panel

The following fifth and sixth year pupils in Maynooth Post-Primary are currently players on the Kildare Vocational Schools panel:

George Beirne, William Farrelly, John Fagan, Alan Geoghegan, Karl Ennis, Conor Diggins and Andrew Dalton. Training takes place in Newbridge on Wednesday's from 4.30-6.00pm.

First Year Pupils of Maynooth Post-Primary have a welcome Mass

Maynooth Post-Primary formally welcomed its new first year pupils and their parents to the school on Wednesday 11th November last. The pupils, along with their teachers Mr. John Mc Donagh, Ms. Shauna Keyes and Ms. Annmarie O' Farrell and Chaplain Fr. John Sinnott, prepared and delivered a wonderful Mass for their parents and teachers. Fr. Sinnott stressed the importance of nourishing the talents hidden in each pupil to produce responsible adults - Maynooth's future!

The annual Mass also celebrated and awarded the two top Leaving Certificate students of 1998: Declan O' Rourke now studying Medicine, and Eloise Mac Ainairchinigh, student of History and English, both in Trinity College. Well Done!!

School Tour to Italy - Hallow'een 1998

68 pupils and 7 teachers went on tour which took in Verona, Venice, Florence and Rome during the mid-term break. The group flew to Milan and, en route to Venice, visited Verona's ancient Arena and Juliet's house. In Venice we had beautiful weather, expensive coffee in St. Marks Square and visits to the Basilica of San Marco and the Ducal Palace.

A whirlwind tour of Florence took in the Galleria Academia to see Michael Angelo's 'David' and the Ponte Vecchio and then Rome was ours - so many highlights - such a beautiful city. Former chaplain to the school, Fr. David Boylan, now living and studying in Rome took us on a tour of the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel and we felt very important as he swept us by the Guards through the V.I.P. entrance into St. Peter's, where his vast knowledge was of huge benefit to us all.

Reluctantly, we flew home from Rome Airport with the hope

in all our minds that we would return again to the Eternal City.

Cadets cap the lot

Maynooth's Post-Primary's cadets have qualified to the zone semi-finals in the basketball next week. Teams they have opposed and conquered have included Tullow, Athy, Prosperous and Kilcullen. The team is made up of the following players: Claire Keogh, Yvonne O' Shea, Gillian Corbally, Lorraine Dunne, Emma Dowd, Emma Flemming, Ruth Cahill, Annmarie Doyle, Gillian O' Hurley and Pamela Lucas.

German Exchange - a 'rolling' success

Each and every year a valuable opportunity to exchange cultures, language and interests between students of German in Maynooth Post-Primary and students of English in Mullheim, Germany, is made available to all senior students. The format of the exchange is unique. It is called a 'rolling exchange' because it requires that each of the two cooperating partners - one from Maynooth, the other from Mullheim - spend one month in the foreign country with the partners family, attending school and experiencing life in the foreign country. Both partners are also required to complete a project (handbook containing up to 50 exercises) together - the Irish student must do them in German, the German student in English. A time gap of a few months is kept between the partner's return visit to allow for written/oral communication to take place.

Such has been the success of this project that the numbers opting for it have increased in the past number of years and this opportunity has fostered many life long friendships. There is no such exchange anywhere else yet. The experience gained by Frau Mechtild Schlang-Redmond, Ms. Carmen Creighton and Ms. Anna Wafer over the past 6 years has now encouraged some 20 institutions in England, Germany, France and Spain to go further and apply for Lingua funds in Brussels to establish a similar format in their schools.

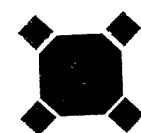
The exchange has proven the best way for students of German to improve their language skills and indeed the success is mirrored in the results attained at Leaving Cert. Level by students who have participated in the project.

Mr. Senan Griffin

Musical

Rehearsals are underway for the school production of "Grease" which will take place from Wednesday 3rd to Saturday 6th February. Tickets will be available from the school beforehand.

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The people

The low hills featured daily in the lives of the people. The rearing of cattle and sheep was the most important part of the local economy. Shepherds lived in the hills for months at a time - often for a whole lifetime. Sometimes they were on their own. In the milder weather their wives and families had shelters there. Some of these shelters were in groups when perhaps the extended family lived near each other. The shelters were made from tree branches with long posts hammered into the ground and lighter branches, forming a kind of basketwork, through the posts. Then they were covered with clay sods. They were not very durable but they were easy to erect and the materials were nearby. The floors were strewn with rushes.

Forts

Wealthy farmers erected ditches around their farm houses and farm buildings. A fort is a ditch around the early farmsteads. There are several forts in the parish. The forts show us that the people who lived here two thousand years ago were well organised and worked together. Rath is the Irish word for fort.

Rathcoole

We have no definite explanation for the name Rathcoole. It could well be Rath Coole meaning the rath of Coole the father of Fionn; coole may come from the Irish word the forest-coill. The word rath is in some local place names as at Raheen, Rathcreedan. The rath associated with Rathcoole is in a field between Rathcoole and Saggart. It is to be preserved in any future development of the area.

Wolves

The hills could be dangerous places especially when covered in snow in Winter. In the daytime the well forested hills were a cover for wolves. The shepherds with their wolfhounds frightened them off and protected their sheep and lambs. They also had sheepdogs, spaniels and terriers. The deer and goats rambled freely. The hens and chickens were in plentiful supply but they too had to be guarded.

Weather forecast

*Red sky in the morning is the shepherds warning
Red sky at night is the shepherds delight*

Men could gauge the weather forecast by seeing how high or how low the clouds were on the tree covered hills. In the mornings when the mist hung low over the hills and the sheep scattered out uphill over a wide area they made their

plans to go food gathering. The animals could sense a change in the weather.

When the farmer saw his sheep come together on the commons and look for shelter under the trees he knew that it was time for him to make sure that his shelter was secure against the storm that was coming. The moon and sun governed their days and seasons.

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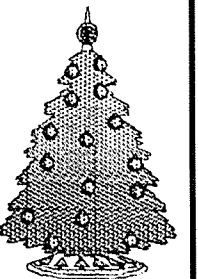
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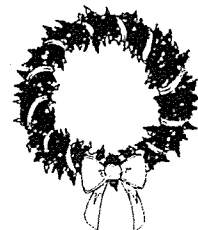
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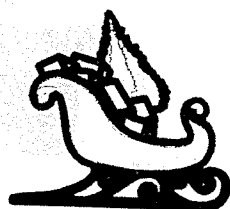
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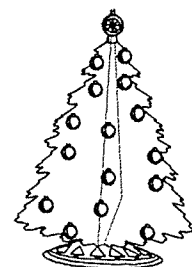
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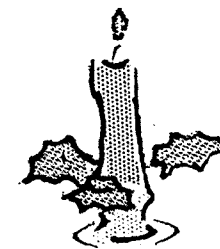
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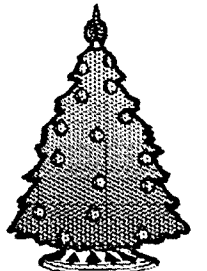


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DANNY CARTHY STORY

Danny Carthy "The Irish Connection"/"The Irish Connection 2" Gnome Records Gncd 001/002

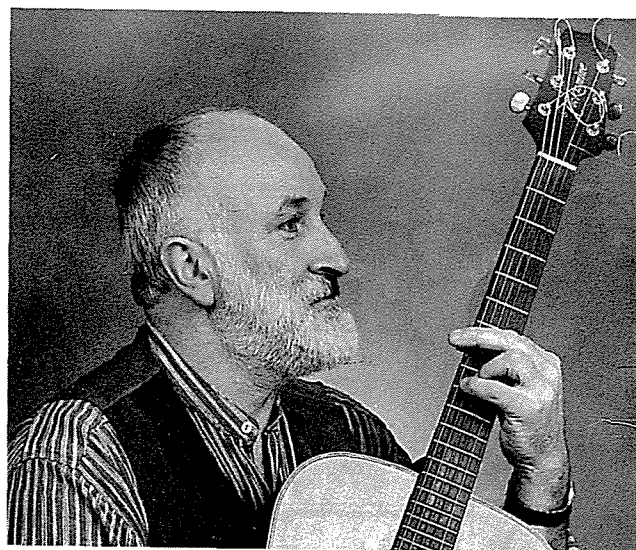
Danny Carthy is well known both in Ireland and Europe as a balladeer of both power and distinction. "The Irish Connection" features both sides of his work as a singer songwriter and an artist with an eye for quality material. "He will be remembered" is dedicated to the Sligo flautist/singer Josie McDermott a great traditional musician. "The Butcher Boy" and "The Hills of Connemara" show him giving new life to hackneyed favourites and his version of "My own dear Galway Bay" gets its definitive version. "The Irish Connection" opens the door on an underestimated talent.

"The Irish Connection 2" is where Danny Carthy's talents really come into play kicking off with a turbo charged "Paddy would a wooing go". Here Carthy's gifts of storytelling and balladry reign supreme in a dynamic arrangement from Peter Eades and ex Clannad drummer Paul Moran. Christy Sheridan's mandolin, and banjo add an ethnic touch while the arrangements are both high tech and imaginative. "Carlingford" and "Streedagh Sands" are both evocative ballads while "Punchestown Races" recalls Christy Moore's gift of social observation. Danny Carthy's updating of the art of the Irish balladeer in the modern world is both

courageous and inventive. "The Irish Connection 2" shows an agile mind and a pure ballad voice at work. **Investigate.**

Danny Carthy c/o Gnome Records 46 Lawrence Avenue, Maynooth Co. Kildare Ireland.

Distribution through Gael Linn and the albums will be on general release for Christmas, available in most Record Shops. Nice presents for Christmas.



MAYNOOTH LIBRARY, MAIN ST. MAYNOOTH. CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL 1998.

Pauline Devine, the children's author visited the library. Several classes visited, to hear stories and rhymes.

Joint Winners of the Junior Fiction Crossword Challenge:

Keira Hayes and Mark O' Connell

Halloween Art Competition Winners:

First Prize: Eoin Curran
Second Prize: Peter Mc Nevin
Third Prize: Matthew De Barra
All entries will be displayed in the library.

Magazine Workshop

- resulting in 'Wicked', our magazine that contains the work of seven children, aged between Ten and Twelve. A copy of this Limited Edition is available in the Library for all to see.

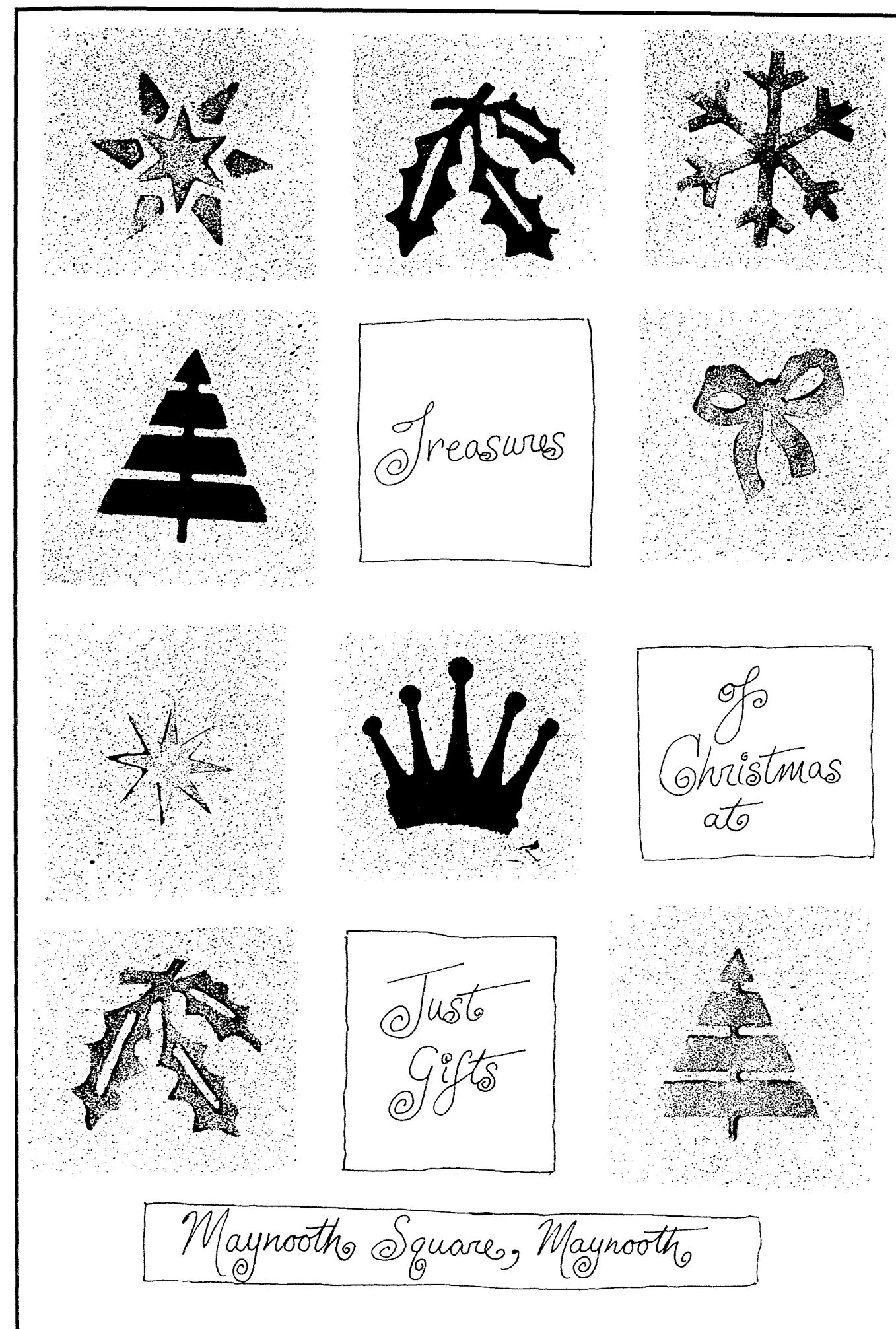
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Best wishes to all that supported Children's Book Festival from the Staff at Maynooth Library.



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CREDIT UNION NEWS

December, the last month of 1998 and by the time this is published Maynooth Credit Union will have held our AGM. A new board of volunteer Directors and officers will have been elected to manage our affairs for the next year and there will be some new faces, new challenges and some changes in the coming year. All of the time we will be working to improve our service to you, the member.

At this time of year, almost everyone is looking forward to Christmas and the joys that come with it. We would advise any member thinking of taking out a loan to cover expenses for this period to apply as soon as possible as we do not wish to disappoint anyone.

As well as catering for our adult members, we will be looking after our school going juniors, the next generation of credit union members. Photographs of the prize winners in our poster competition, may be seen in this issue.

On the 22nd of January 1999, we will be holding our annual school Table Quiz. An enjoyable night-out for the children and their parents. Nearer the date, the schools will be sent a reminder of the event.

Over the Christmas period our office will remain closed from 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday 23rd until Tuesday 29th of December and again from 5 p.m. on Thursday 31st until Saturday 2nd January 1999.

We would ask members to make a note of these opening hours as they may save you a journey.

Maynooth Credit Union wish all our members both young and old, a very,

Happy and Joyful Christmas.

Ken Loane. P.R.O.



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L.S.G. would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new members to the club. Since the club opened back in '96 we have catered for all ages and all different standards. We also had Gymnasts compete in the National Community Games Finals in Mosney.

L.S.G. have recently purchased new competition equipment to the value of £7,000 so that the Gymnasts may gain the experience of learning new elements. L.S.G. has developed such a good reputation in all aspects of dealing with children that five National School Principals are currently availing of their Gymnastics Services for their many students.

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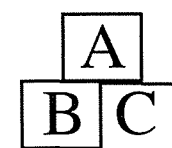
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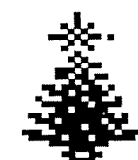
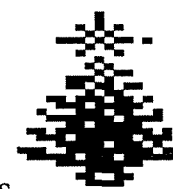


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MAYNOOTH LIBRARY'S MAGAZINE WORKSHOP BY CAROLINE FARRELL

As part of **Maynooth Library's** activities for *Children's Book Festival Week*, I set up a Magazine Workshop that was geared towards children in the age group Ten to Twelve years. The response was excellent, and seven young writers, poets, and artists took part.

Each child was given an assignment, either in the area of Artwork, Features or Short Stories and Poetry. Their enthusiasm was not surprising, given their respective talents, and was most rewarding from my point of view.

All of the children met their deadlines with a professionalism that would put some seasoned journalists to shame, which made my job of putting the magazine together a pure joy. The finished work, titled **Wicked**, is proof positive of the talent that our young people possess. The budding talents that feature in **Wicked** are, **Jessica Whelan**, Artist, who designed our super cover. **Alison Murphy**, Critic, who wrote some excellent book reviews. **Declan Kavanagh**, a master Story-teller and Poet. **Elizabeth Fox**, who also wrote a very competent Short Story, and devised a Joke Page. **Ross Cullinane**, Poet and excellent Sports Writer. **Elaine Mc Donald**, Features Writer, who compiled our Puzzle Page and our Feature, 'What's in a Name?', and last but not least, **Megan Jermaine**, who wrote a wonderful story for Halloween.

I sincerely hope that all the above writers and artists keep up the good work, and who knows, perhaps we will see their work in print once again! Finally, a copy of **Wicked** is available for all to read at Maynooth Library.

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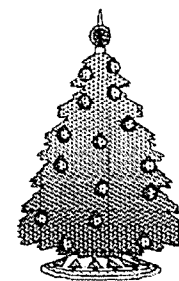
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"From this town all is confusion"

No, this is not a comment on the ability of the people of Maynooth to order their affairs, not even an assessment of the traffic flows through Main Street, but rather it will be an extract on the cover of our booklet entitled Maynooth and 1798 which will be launched in the library, Main Street, on Friday 11th December at 8p.m.

The extract is from a letter written in 1798 by a loyal government supporter a Mr W. Wilson in Maynooth, to Dublin Castle. The letter is now in the National Archives and with their kind permission the entire letter will be republished in our booklet.

The centrepiece of the booklet will be an extended article by Liam Chambers, author of a recent book Rebellion in Kildare - 1740-1803, published by Four Courts Press. The centrepiece analyses eighteenth century Ireland: the impact of the French revolution; the defenders; the foundation of Maynooth College; the growth of the United Irishmen; the rebellion in Ulster, Wexford, Co. Kildare and especially the Maynooth area; the French invasion under General Humbert and the aftermath of the rebellion.

The booklet will also include eighteenth century maps, extracts from a pamphlet written in 1800 by the President of Maynooth College on the College's attitude on the rebellion and a listing of 11 other publications on Co. Kildare and 1798.

We will be keeping the price of the booklet to a minimum and we hope that Santa Claus will include it in many Christmas stockings throughout Maynooth.

The launch will be open to the public and we invite you to come along to have your copy signed by the author.

Michael Quinn.

COUNCIL GOES TO MAYNOOTH

Maynooth is to be the home of a "One Stop Shop" providing all of Kildare County Council's services to communities in North Kildare.

Minister for the Environment, Noel Dempsey, allocated £200,000 to the establishment of the office in Maynooth on Friday 10th July.

Cathaoirleach of Kildare County Council, Liam Doyle welcomed the announcement and said the "One Stop Shop" is a major coup for the people of Kilcock, Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge and North West Kildare in general.

"It will deal with everything from rates, planning and refuse. All of the business that is conducted by people in Kildare County Council's offices in Naas will be able to be dealt with in Maynooth once the office is opened" Cllr. Doyle said.

Leader, Oak and KELT and all other groups associated with the Council will be located at the new office.

"As of yet no location has been decided for the new office but no site has been ruled out".

"Now that we have the allocation the Council will have to take a very serious look at the project over the next number of months" Cllr. Doyle said. He said the £200,000 allocation is relatively small when compared to other counties. Co. Donegal was allocated £1.8 million for its "One Stop Shop". Cllr. Doyle congratulated Kildare County Council official Donal Dalton who made the submission for the "One Stop Shop" in Maynooth.

"Now that the merits of the "One Stop Shop" for Maynooth have been recognised we have got to tease out the final details" Cllr. Doyle said.

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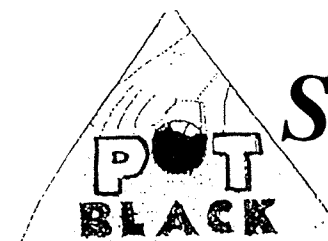
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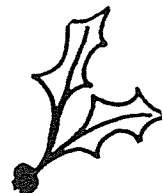
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A major part of Christmas is the atmosphere created by the decorative displays both inside and out so what could be more appropriate than the traditional holly wreath.

Maynooth Flowers has a beautiful selection of holly wreaths on display for all to see. Proprietor Ann Doohan has enlisted her creative assistant Claire Shorthall to make up this wonderful array of greenery with colours to suit the customers' wishes as requested. Claire has completed a two year course in the School of Floristry in Dublin and is putting her talents to good use at this special time of year.

Claire has made up holly wreaths, door swags and grave wreaths using the old fashioned method of moss frames and wire mounting. This method has proved more durable than oasis frames and the arrangements are priced from £10.00 upwards, depending on what the customer requests. Business wreaths are available for hotels or restaurants at £25.00 each with table centres and candle arrangements also on sale at various prices. Everything is made to order and samples can be seen in Maynooth Flowers where the Christmas spirit fills the shop.

Ann Doohan will be displaying all her arrangements at the Craft Fair in the Liffey Valley Hotel, Leixlip, on 13th December and orders can be taken in the shop or by phoning 6291376.



*Claire Shorthall and Ann Doohan displaying some of their
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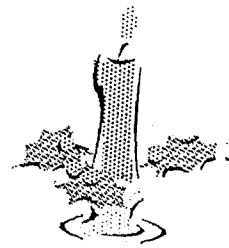
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EATING OUT IN MAYNOOTH OVER CHRISTMAS



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Opening hours are Monday to Thursday, 6.00 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.
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At time of writing this establishment had not yet opened its doors. Head Chef David McClelland has assured us that they are going for a casual, sophisticated atmosphere with a mix of modern and traditional foods. Starters will be priced £3.00 - £7.00, while main courses will be £10.00 - £14.00. A special dinner menu will also be available nightly with a set price for two people.

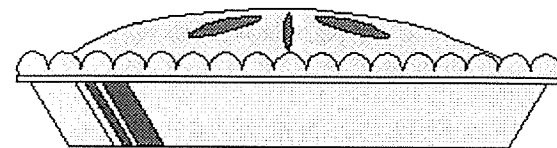
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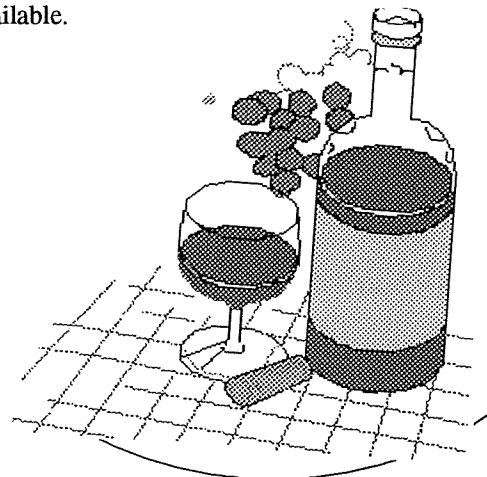
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RAILWAY BRIDGE

Last Thursday the Suburban Rail Manager visited N.U.I. Maynooth Students Union. The Students Union were due to stage a protest over the absence of a footbridge.

The Rail Authorities were more than honest and gave the whole truth.

This is what is happening:

- £200,000 has been allocated for the footbridge which will begin construction in March. There is no funding left for it to be completed this year.
- Weekly work sheets will be faxed to the Union which will be passed on to the Community Council.
- The construction work will facilitate as much as possible exams, festivals etc.
- Train times will, if possible, be moved by five minutes to facilitate students.
- The possibility of retaining the old iron footbridge was discussed but it would be too costly to build foundations.
- New carriages are on order, but due to the fact that the railway lines are a different size to the rest of Europe, they have to be specially made.
- Completion date for the whole project is 2002 and the bridge will be completed by next Easter.
- Things will get worse before they get better.

I found the Rail Authorities to be very up front and honest. They seem to be doing the best they can.

In the light of this, there is no point in going ahead with a protest as it serves no purpose.

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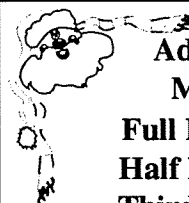
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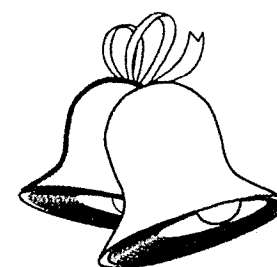
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Features

VIDEO REVIEW

Scream 2 (18's)

With the blockbusting original having both celebrated and parodied the horror film, Scream 2 naturally sets out to do the same. While most sequels fail to live up to the promise of the original, thankfully this is not the case here.

Those left standing at the end of the first movie return to find their little adventure with the masked serial killers has been turned into a movie, 'Stab', turning the survivors into media figures.

Courtney Cox returns as the manipulative news journalist-turned-author, while David Arquette is back as her dupe, deputy Dewey Riley.

Playing up to all the usual clichés, Scream 2 is a well crafted blend of horror and comedy, never sacrificing one for the other.

But if this was as intelligent a horror film as the makers would have you believe, then you wouldn't have a girl, who's been terrorised for the second time by a masked killer, joining a school production of a play that has her surrounded by cloaked and masked extras!

Nonetheless, if you enjoy watching movies from behind the sofa, this one will certainly do the trick.

Verdict: Brilliant!

The Man Who Knew Too Little (15's)

This latest offering from Bill Murray is a lightweight but extremely enjoyable espionage spoof. While it's not as good as Austin Powers, this is still a worthwhile movie.

Murray plays a simpleton American paying a surprise visit to London to see his wealthy brother (Peter Gallagher) and brought off one night to take part in an interactive street theatre show called The Theatre of Life.

Armed with the wrong instructions, he gets mixed up in all sorts of shadowy trouble involving a call-girl, played by Joanne Whalley, a blackmailed government minister, and a bungling megalomaniac who's planning to bomb a U.N. banquet.

Believing everyone around him is acting, Murray turns into Inspector Clouseau as he inadvertently saves the day.

This film may not be Groundhog Day, but it's Bill Murray's most entertaining comedy since then.

Verdict: Excellent.

The Ripper (15's)

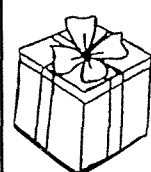
Going straight to video, Patrick Bergin headlines this solid telling of the Jack the Ripper legend.

Michael York is the head of Scotland Yard who puts his top man, Inspector James Hanson (Bergin), on the trail of the notorious serial killer.

Gabrielle Anwar plays the love interest, a former prostitute who witnesses the Ripper in action.

The story has been told and retold and made into films on several occasions, but nevertheless this offering, while it's no masterpiece, is never less than watchable.

Verdict: Well worthwhile.



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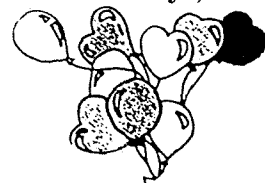
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

BOND BRIDGE

The Council have advised Cllr. John Mc Ginley that construction work on Bond Bridge is likely to start next November. Finance has been allocated in the Council's Book of Estimates for 1999 for this major project which will take from 12 to 18 months to construct.

To ensure that there is no slippage in the project programme Cllr. Mc Ginley will be supplied with quarterly updates on progress.

Running parallel to the Bond Bridge project will be the Meadowbrook Link to the Straffan Road. The route has been approved by the Celbridge Area Committee and design of the road is presently progressing. Cllr. Mc Ginley has insisted that traffic calming measures must be incorporated in the design.

The new link road will have a two fold positive effect - taking traffic out of the Town Centre and allowing easy access to the Motorway for Newtown residents. It will also allow unhindered construction work on the new Bond Bridge.

POUND LANE/BACK LANE

Following representation from the Lyreen Residents Association Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council;

That speed cushions be put in place in Back Lane/Pound Lane, Maynooth, in order to improve safety, and that money be allocated from the 1999 Discretionary Grants for this purpose. Furthermore, following completion of the speed cushions, the 'No Entry' signs should be removed from both ends and be replaced with a 'One Way' traffic system from the Dunboyne Road to Mill Street on Back Lane/Pound Lane'.

REPLACEMENT BRIDGE OVER CANAL

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the Chief Executive of C.I.E. that Iarnrod Eireann will provide a replacement pedestrian bridge over the Canal by March 1999. Whilst not regarded as a safety risk issue Iarnrod Eireann recognise the positive effect the Bridge has in allowing commuters direct access to the Town Centre.

CARTON COURT/CLUAIN AOIBHINN

Following representations from the Residents Association in Carton Court and residents in Cluain Aoibhinn in connection with the botched job the Council carried out in surface dressing the roads in both estates, Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

'That the roads in Carton Court and Cluain Aoibhinn estates, Maynooth, be carpeted with bitumen macadam and that money for this purpose be allocated from the housing estates road budget.'

FOOTPATH/LIGHTS FROM DILLONS ROW TO LYREEN PARK

Arising from representations by Cllr. John Mc Ginley the Council advised North City Builders on the 29th. October that they had two weeks to begin the work on laying a new footpath and installing lights from Dillons Row to Lyreen Park or else pay the Council £12,250. It is now over a year since the developer stated that he was going to do the work which is a planning permission requirement.

PUBLIC LIGHTING - KILCOCK ROAD

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has requested Kildare Co. Council to install additional public lighting along the Kilcock Road which is highly pedestrianised. He has also requested the E.S.B. to repair the 6 public lights along the road which are at present not working.

TELECOM EIREANN INACTION

Following demands from Cllr. Mc Ginley, Mr Paddy Harrington of Telecom Eireann attended the Celbridge Area Committee meeting held on 6th. November. Mr Harrington gave an undertaking to immediately attend to the non reinstatement of footpaths on Straffan Road, Old Greenfields, Newtown and Convent Road areas.

Cllr Mc Ginley has also submitted the following motion for consideration by the full Council:

'That the cost of reinstatement of footpaths/roads be lodged in cash with the Council before utilities get a licence to open roads/footpaths'.

SPEED LIMITS EXTENDED

As a result of Cllr. John Mc Ginley's recommendation the 40 MPH Speed Limit is being extended beyond Kildare Bridge on the Dunboyne Road, to Carton Wall on the Leixlip Road and to the Motorway on the Rathcoffey Road.

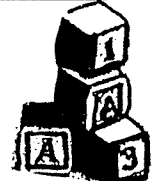



OLD GREENFIELDS

Serious damage is being done to the green at the bottom of Old Greenfield by construction lorries and other traffic using it as a roadway.

Cllr. John McGinley has demanded that the Council takes immediate action to stop this illegal activity.

Likewise the Council has agreed to erect bollards to stop

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES (Cont)

traffic illegally using the pedestrian walk between Greenfield Close and Kingsbry following representations by Cllr. Mc Ginley.

OLD GREENFIELDS - HOUSES 822 TO 859

As a result of a motion from Cllr. John Mc Ginley, Kildare Co. Council Architect Brian Swan accompanied Cllr. Mc Ginley and Deputy Emmet Stagg on a walk around Old Greenfield with residents on Monday November 2nd.

The object of the exercise was to agree on Environmental Improvements required in the area adjoining the Square at houses numbered 822 to 859. Residents identified the following necessary improvements:

1. A Roadway to the front doors of houses 822 to 840
2. Landscaping of the Green Area with diagonal footpaths and rockeries.
3. Provision of two new house sites at square behind house no 837.
4. Tarmacadam roadway and footpath behind houses numbered 826 to 837.
5. Tarmacadam the square behind house number 826
6. Reinstatement of footpaths at pedestrian walks and provision of decorative bollards to prevent vehicular access.
7. Re-laying of footpaths where necessary.
8. Landscaping of area behind houses numbered 844 to 859

The details of the Environmental Improvements will be prepared by the County Architect and go before the Celbridge Area Councillors for approval. They will then go on public display for one month and residents will then have a further opportunity to make submissions.

Cllr. John Mc Ginley and Deputy Emmet Stagg would like to thank the Residents of Old Greenfield for their very positive contributions and for taking the time to attend the meeting.

RECREATION AND AMENITY FACILITIES GRANTS

There were two applications from Maynooth organisations for these grants from the Council:

* Maynooth Town Soccer Club and Maynooth Development Committee

The County Development Officer stated that 'Both initiatives proposed were worthy of consideration. However, they clearly highlight that a strategic approach is necessary in Maynooth towards the disbursement of grant aid. The Harbour Field is in a pivotal and strategic location in the Centre of the Town and investigations are warranted in relation to the best and most beneficial use of the property from a Community perspective.'

It was agreed that £15,000 would be ringfenced for Community agreement on the proposals for the Harbour Field and likewise £15,000 ringfenced for the Soccer Club on receipt by the Council of a definite proposal from the Club.

PUBLIC LIGHTS NOT WORKING IN MAYNOOTH

Maynooth Labour Branch Members carried out a survey of Public Lights in Maynooth on November 9th. and 10th. Over 60 lights were not working in the Town.

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted a list of those not working to the E.S.B. for their immediate action.

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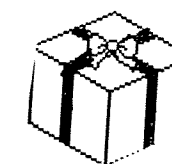
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FINE GAEL NOTES

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Footpaths - Dunboyne Road:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed concern to Kildare County Council about the delay in laying the new footpath and public lighting at Dunboyne Road, which serves Nagle Court, Pebble Hill and Lyreen Park. Cllr. Griffin is now seeking the assistance of the Construction Industry Federation (CIF) in an effort to get the developer to comply with the conditions of the Planning Permission, or else compel the developer to pay the levies to Kildare County Council so that the footpaths can be laid and lights erected by Kildare County Council.

Footpaths - Main Street:

The footpaths should be well on the way by the time these notes go to print. Cllr. Griffin said that the promised starting date is now the 16th. of November, and it is hoped that Main Street will be in splendour for the Christmas period.

Kavanagh's Proposed Development:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed concern that the demands being made by the planners at Kildare County Council could jeopardise the proposed £35 million development. The current Mill is a health hazard, and it is the view of a large number of residents that it should be removed from the town. It is important that the planners and the architects meet to sort out the existing planning problems so that the project can be advanced for the people of Maynooth, he said.

Amenity Grant:

Cllr. Senan Griffin welcomed the development to allocate the sum of £15,000 for the future development of the Harbour Field/Geraldine Hall. This money will only be allocated when proper plans will be in place for the Field and Hall.

Meadowbrook Link:

The consultants appointed by Kildare County Council have proposed to the Area Committee that the Meadowbrook Link be proceeded with as a matter of priority. The next stage is to design the road with its proper traffic calming measures.

Tidy Towns Proposal:

A proposal has been put forward by Cllr. Senan Griffin to the County Manager that he make available the sum of £100,000 in the forthcoming estimates to the participating towns in the County for a Millennium Project. The Project requires planning, costing and that it be completed for January 1st. 2,000.

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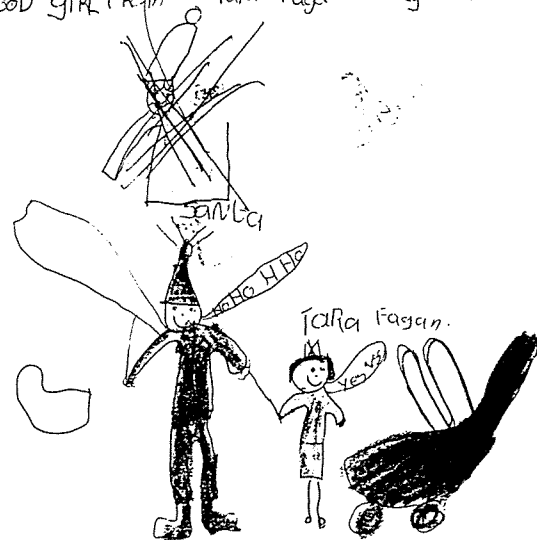
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Thank you for The
CARD you gave me and
Steven XXX I Love you
Santa

Dear SANTA PLEASE May I Have A
SCOOTER AND A SURPRISE
FOR CHRISTMAS I promise too Be A
very good girl From Tara Fagan Age 6



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all year
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any of the big things
Please will you get me a real rabbit

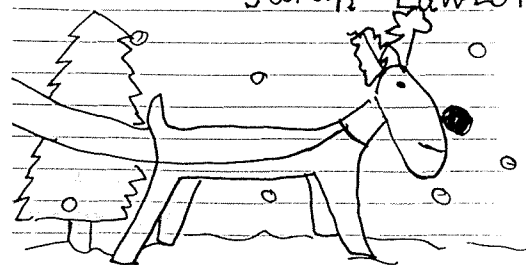
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Live in Barrogestown Maynooth I was
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am seven years old This year I
would like a new bike because my
old bike is too small I love you
very much and I am looking
forward to christmas eve
Lots of Love Katie



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Dear Santa, I would
like a baby for
please for Christmas.
I will leave you cookies
and milk and carrots for the
reindeers. There's something
special I made for all
of you. Good Luck! and
thanks,
Sarah Lawlor



Dear Santa

Dear Santa

I would like a bike for
Christmas, and a guitar
I'd like a model car
as well. I will
leave you a bottle of
Guinness and an apple pie
with cherries for dessert
Could you also send me
a cala set?
Thank you!!



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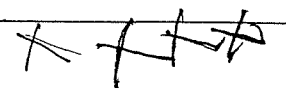
Dear Santa

on christmas we get
toys girls get toys as
well. people get bicycles
dolls and lots of
other stuff. we leave
Santa cookies, milk, and
a carrot for rednose
Reindeer. people do be
very EXCITED because
they get lovely toys
every year. We put up
christmas trees and have
lovely dinners. people
don't like Santa or
believe in Santa.
I am getting a
pool table it is 6 foot
love Kevin Mc Grath



Dear Santa

Please
bring me a Zilla
for Christmas.
I could let him to
scare everybody.
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Dear Santa

I want you to bring me a
Beast Wars Titanics ultimate
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Please bring the gorilla
called Optimus primal for
my brother Thank you
Emmet
P.S. my little brother
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 And I was very good. So can I have
 a surprise. And I know you are a
 good man and please leave My Mam
 a dishwasher so she dosen't have
 to wash up. you don't have to
 leave me anything. Merry Christmas

Age 8 Daniel O Mahony

1 Beaufield Drive
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Dear Santa



This year may I have
 a pool table and
 little surprise.

I do my homework every
 day. I try to help
 teacher. I help clean
 up at home for my
 Mum and Dad. I do cooking
 also.

Thank you.

Peter Murphy

Age: Eight

Maynooth,
 Co. Kildare Nov. 20th 1998.

Dear Santa,

I have been a good
 boy over the Summer holidays
 The best thing I love I have taken
 care of my brother. Please can
 I have a remote-control car
 and a small surprise for
 Christmas. please love and
 best wishes Love Dean
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Dear Santa I have

been a very good boy and was

hoping to get a surprise Christmas

gift because I have been helping

my mam and dad by cleaning

corner and making my bed every
 morning. Thank you Age 7

Maynooth
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 Nov 20th 1998

Dear Santa,

I have been good
 I would like a toy please San
 How is Rudolph and how are y
 Santa I am fine. My Name is Brian
 Kern. I can't wait till Christmas
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Brian
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Protect Christmas roses (Helleboursniger) from weather damage by putting dry peat round the plants and covering them with cloches. Apply slug pellets among herbaceous plants.

If lily bulbs are received, either plant them if the ground is workable or store them.

In mild weather, hoe among spring bedding plants and herbaceous perennials to remove any weeds.

Vegetables

Harvest vegetables as required. Check vegetables in store and remove any that are diseased or rotten.

Continue to lift chicory and rhubarb for forcing.

Clear up the vegetable garden of finished plants and fork over all vacant soil in preparation for next years crops.

Fruit

Check all stored fruits and continue to pen pears indoors.

Prune established and new fruit trees and bushes. Remove rotten fruits left hanging on the branches and burn them to prevent the spread of disease.

Spray with tar-oil winter-wash to kill winter eggs of pests.

Trees, shrubs and climbers

Continue planting trees, shrubs, climbers and roses. Hamamelis Mollis - Witch Hazel has distinctive fragrant yellow flowers displayed on bare stems during dullest winter months.

Prune back about half the growth of hybrid tea and floribunda roses to prevent gale damage (final pruning is best done in March).

Protect with straw, or screens of polythene, plants that are not fully hardy and could be damaged by cold winds and frosts.

Tread and firm soil raised by frosts in the root area of recently set out plants to avoid pockets in the soil.

Under glass

Keep the greenhouse temperature at the minimum required level, ventilate carefully and water the plants according to their needs. Check resting plants and do not let them dry out.

Cover the lights of cold-frames during frosty weather to prevent damage to plants.

Dust, spray or fumigate the greenhouse to prevent pest and disease attacks. Take into the home plants in flower, such as primulas, winter cherries (Solanum Capsicastrum) and azaleas.

Forced bulbs which flower earliest, such as hyacinths and narcissi, can also be taken into the home; continue to take in other bowls of bulbs as they reach the correct stage of growth.

With all flowering plants at this time of year, water sparingly to keep the soil just moist. Lightly spray the leaves daily with water if the atmosphere is

very dry, and remove dead flower heads.

Pot-grown chrysanthemums in the greenhouse which have finished flowering can be cut down. Remove them from their pots, and put in boxes. Water them occasionally, and store until brought into growth in spring. Continue to bring into the home or greenhouse chicory for forcing. Prune greenhouse grape vines and, if not detrimental to other plants, paint with tar-oil winter-wash. Sow cauliflower seed for early cropping next year.

Sow mustard-and-cress seed and mung beans at regular intervals to give salad material.

Greenhouses

A greenhouse greatly enlarges the scope of one's gardening, saves the costs of buying many kinds of plants, and provides plants for the living-room, as well as enabling one to propagate particular subjects which are costly or in scarce supply, or may not be generally available in plant form.

A greenhouse also allows one to work comfortably when outdoor conditions are wintry.

Every permanently placed greenhouse must have a proper foundation.

.....and don't forget

Repair broken lawn edges by turning the damaged edges inwards. Continue to rake up leaves and debris. Prepare orders for plants, bulbs and seeds for next year, and plan on paper any new ideas for the garden layout.

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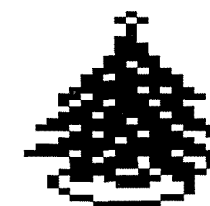
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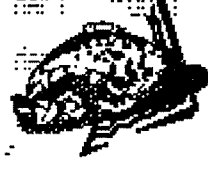
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Makes 12

Method:

Roll out the pastry very thinly. Cut out 12 rounds with a plain or fluted cutter and line pastry pans. Prick the bottom of each pie and put a teaspoon of mincemeat in each. Dampen the edges. Cut out 12 more rounds with a smaller cutter and cover each one. Press down so the lids are secure. Cut a small cross in the centre of each lid to allow steam to escape. Place tarts on a baking tray and bake in a preheated oven at 220° C/425°F, Gas mark 7 for 12 to 15 minutes or until well risen and golden. Dust generously with icing sugar and serve hot. When cold the tarts can be stored in an airtight container, or frozen.



Christmas Cake

Ingredients:

225g(8oz) butter
225g(8oz) castor sugar
grated rind and juice of 1 lemon and 1 orange
4 eggs, beaten
250g(9oz) plain flour
175g(6oz) sultanas
100g(4oz) glacé cherries, chopped
75g (3oz) glacé pineapple, chopped
50g(2oz) candied orange and lemon peel
100g(4oz) crystallized ginger, chopped
50g(2oz) walnuts, chopped
50g(2oz) blanched almonds, shredded
3 tablespoons sherry

Method:

Line a 20cm/8 inch round cake tin. Cream the butter and sugar with the lemon and orange rind until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs a tablespoon at a time. Fold in the flour alternately with the fruit, peel and nuts. When thoroughly mixed, stir in the orange and lemon juice and sherry. Turn into the prepared tin and make a deep hollow in the centre. Tie a band of brown paper round the outside of the tin and 2 inches above it to protect the top of the cake. Place in a preheated oven so that the top of the cake is in the centre and bake at 350°F/180°C, Gas Mark 4 for twenty minutes. When the cake starts to brown, put a sheet of greaseproof paper over the top to prevent it over browning. Reduce the heat to 300°F/150°C, Gas mark 1 for a further 2 hours and 40 minutes. A skewer inserted will come out clean when cake is cooked. Remove from tin and cool on a wire tray.

Marzipan

Ingredients

275g(10oz) ground almonds
275g(10oz) castor sugar
2 egg yolks
2 tablespoons lemon or orange juice
1 egg white beaten

Sift almonds and sugar into a mixing bowl. Beat egg yolks with fruit juice and stir into dry ingredients. Work into a stiff paste and knead until smooth.

Royal Icing:

Ingredients

3 egg whites
750g icing sugar
1 teaspoon glycerine
3 tablespoons lemon juice

Beat egg whites in a large bowl and gradually stir in the icing sugar and glycerine. Add sufficient lemon juice to make a thick spreading consistency. Beat until smooth and glossy.

To Decorate:

Spread a little icing in the centre of the cake board and place the cake on top. This will prevent it slipping. Fill in any gaps in the icing between the bottom edge of the cake and the board. Put a little ruffled icing in the centre of the cake and arrange the Christmas figures and trees on the icing to make an attractive snow scene.



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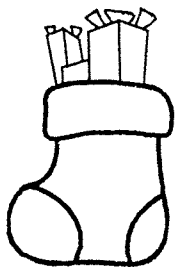
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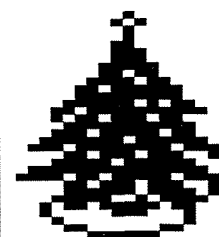
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT
26th October 1998	Intermediate B Football C'ship Final	Maynooth 4 - 14 Castledermot 0 - 8
31st October 1998	Higgins Cup Football Semi-Final	Maynooth 0 - 10 Kilcock 0 - 8
8th November 1988	Higgins Cup Football Final	Clogherinkoe 1 - 11 Maynooth 0 - 6

MATCH REPORTS

MAYNOOTH 4 - 14 CASTLEDERMOT 0 - 8

In what can only be described as a totally one sided affair Maynooth footballers put in a masterful performance and totally outclassed their opponents from start to finish. Maynooth were 1-5 to 0-0 in front by the fifteenth minute with Danny Casey getting the goal after good work by Aidan O'Dea and Karl Ennis. Peter Burke and Niall Naughton were completely dominant at midfield and ensured a plentiful supply of ball to the forward line.

Further points from Joey Edwards, Niall Naughton and Peter Burke eased Maynooth into an eight point lead by half time on a scoreline of 1-8 to 0-3. The second half followed the same pattern as the first and Castledermot never threatened to get back into the game. Further goals from Niall Naughton, James Delargy and Karl Ennis put the result beyond doubt. The Cup was presented after the match to Maynooth Captain Noel Reilly who paid tribute to the Team Management who prepared the team so well and the panel of players who worked so hard and showed such great skill and determination.

Best for Maynooth were: Hugh Nevin who never put a foot wrong in goal. Derek Fleming, Tom Farrell and Marty Byrne were razor sharp in defence. Peter Burke and Niall Naughton excelled at midfield while in attack Karl Ennis, Mark Nugent and Danny Casey played well.

Teams and Scores
Hugh Nevin
Alan Nugent Derek Fleming Noel Reilly (Capt.)
John O'Toole Tom Farrell Marty Byrne
Peter Burke (0-3) Niall Naughton (1-4)
Karl Ennis (1-0) Aidan O'Dea (-1) Mark Nugent
James Delargy (1-0) Danny Casey (1-2) Joe Edwards (0-4)
Subs: Eoin O'Neill for John O'Toole Liam O'Toole for James Delargy

MAYNOOTH 0-10 KILCOCK 0-8

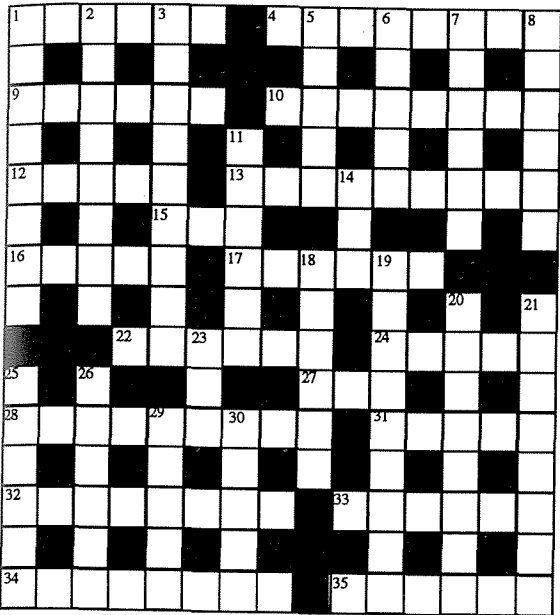
Maynooth intermediate footballers pulled off a surprise victory over neighbours Kilcock to reach the Jack Higgins Cup Final. Maynooth were by far the superior team in the first half leading by 0-8 to 0-3 at half time with the scores coming from Joe Edwards (3), Peter Burke (2), Sean Molloy, Liam O'Toole and Niall Naughton. Kilcock made a determined fightback in the second half and reduced the deficit to two points midway through the second half. However Maynooth fought with great determination and two points from Karl Ennis and Joe Edwards enabled Maynooth to hold out for a deserved victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Derek Fleming, Alan Nugent and Marty Byrne in defence. Peter Burke and Niall Naughton worked tirelessly at midfield while Karl Ennis, Mark Nugent and Liam O'Toole were the pick of the attack.

Teams and Scores
Hugh Nevin
John O'Toole Derek Flemming Noel Reilly
Alan Nugent Tom Farrell Marty Byrne
Peter Burke (0-2) Niall Naughton (0-1)
Karl Ennis (0-1) Sean Molloy (0-1) Mark Nugent
Liam O'Toole (0-1) Danny Casey Joey Edwards (0-4)
Subs:
Aidan O'Dea for Mark Nugent, Mark Nugent for Tom Farrell (injured)
Mark Faherty for S. Molloy

Cont./

Crossword No. 133



Entries before Monday 14th Dec

Name _____

Address _____

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Across:

- 1. Contend (6)
- 4. Backers (8)
- 9. Chairs (6)
- 10. The cost of breaking up? (8)
- 12. Cancel (5)
- 13. U.S. State (9)
- 15. Craft (3)
- 16. Utensil (5)
- 17. Land Description (6)
- 22. Glanced (6)
- 24. Another U.S. State (5)
- 27. Urchin (3)
- 28. Control (9)
- 31. Gusset (5)
- 32. Flourished (8)
- 33. Money lender (6)
- 34. Parts (8)
- 35. Abscond (6)

Down:

- 1. Anxiousness (8)
- 2. Automobile part (8)
- 3. Reprisal (9)
- 5. Simple (5)
- 6. Din (5)
- 7. Musician (6)
- 8. Designs (6)
- 11. Set upon (6)

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- 14. Point (3)
- 18. Account inspections (6)
- 19. Light standards (4,5)
- 20. Australian city (8)
- 21. Regenerate (8)
- 23. Epoch (3)
- 25. Fold (6)
- 26. On land (6)
- 29. Limit (5)
- 30. Dormant (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 132

Across: 1. Claire; 4. Stoppers; 9. Exhume; 10. Canister; 12. Turin; 13. Punctured; 15. Dea; 16. Ounce; 17. Carers; 22. Ascent; 24. Totem; 27. Tri; 28. Ancestral; 31. Cargo; 32. Mercedes; 33. Enlist; 34. Rudeness; 35. Merger.

Down: 1. Creation; 2. Adherent; 3. Reminders; 5. Train; 6. Print; 7. Entire; 8. Stride; 11. Apache; 14. Cue; 18. Rattle; 19. Reticence; 20. Starling; 21. Imposter; 23. Cut; 25. Hammer; 26. Scared; 29. Stern; 30. Reeks.

Winner of Crossword No. 132
Mary Callaghan
145 Kingsbry
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. RESULTS (Cont.)

CLOGHERINKOE 1 - 11 MAYNOOTH 0 - 6

While they battled bravely all through, in the end the winners were the better team and their greater forward potency paved the way for victory. Maynooth trailed at half time by 0-5 to 0-2 but had they taken more of their scoring opportunities the scoreline could have been reversed. Maynooth needed the better start after half-time but it was Clogherinkoe who dominated and three points in a ten minute spell for Padraig Graven left Maynooth with an uphill battle. A goal by Clogherinkoe ten minutes from full time sealed Maynooth's fate. In fairness Maynooth never gave up the fight and finished the stronger with two points from frees by Joey Edwards.

Best for Maynooth were: Hugh Nevin, who made a number of fine saves, Owen O'Neill, Thomas Farrell and Marty Byrne in defence. Niall Naughton played his heart out at midfield while Karl Ennis, Aidan O'Dea and substitute Mark Nugent impressed in attack.

Teams and Scores

Hugh Nevin
Derek Fleming Owen O'Neill John O'Toole
Alan Nugent Thomas Farrell Marty Byrne
Peter Burke Niall Naughton (0-2)
Karl Ennis Aidan O'Dea Noel Reilly
Liam O'Toole Sean Molloy (0-1) Joe Edwards (0-3)
Subs: Mark Nugent for Noel Reilly, Declan Buckley for Sean Molloy

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Please note the Annual General Meeting of Maynooth G.A.A. will be held in Club House on Monday 7th December at 7.00 p.m. All are welcome.

*Tom Coffey, P.R.O.,
Maynooth G.A.A.*



Maynooth Intermediate B Championship Winners 1998

Front Row: Joe Edwards, Mark Nugent, Derek Fleming, Marty Byrne, Hugh Nevin with son Adam, Noel Reilly (Capt.) Alan Nugent, Karl Ennis, John O'Toole, Owen O'Neill, Mick Faherty (Manager) with Andrew, Mick O'Riordan (Selector).

Back Row: Aidan O'Dea, Martin Donnelly Senior (Selector) Martin Donnelly Junior, James Gilligan, James Gallagher, Niall Naughton, Sean Molloy, Danny Casey, Aiden Burke, Liam O'Toole, Thomas Farrell, James Delargy, Declan Buckley, Gerry Delaney

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15 Nov. 98	1, 3, 23	£500	Anto Edwards	Ollie Bright	Alan Dolan		

Due to the recent wet weather there has been disruption to the Maynooth Town F.C. fixture list. We hope to resume normal match reports next month. The Committee and members of the Club would like to extend seasons greetings to all and thank them for their support throughout the year.




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Happy 21st birthday to **Elaine Flood** of O'Neill Park, Maynooth from Mammy, Daddy, brothers and sister.

Happy birthday to **Martin and Sinead Conway** on the 6th and 8th December, from Mammy and Daddy, Laura and Chloe.

Belated happy birthday to **Lauren Edwards**, who was 2 on the 19th November. Lots of love and kisses from Nanny, Grandad, Sandra, Darren and Elaine.

Happy birthday to **Jody Connolly** who is fifteen on the 3rd December. Best wishes from your mates.

Belated happy birthday to **Norah McDermott** who was ** on the 20th of November from the fantastic staff at Maynooth Community Council.

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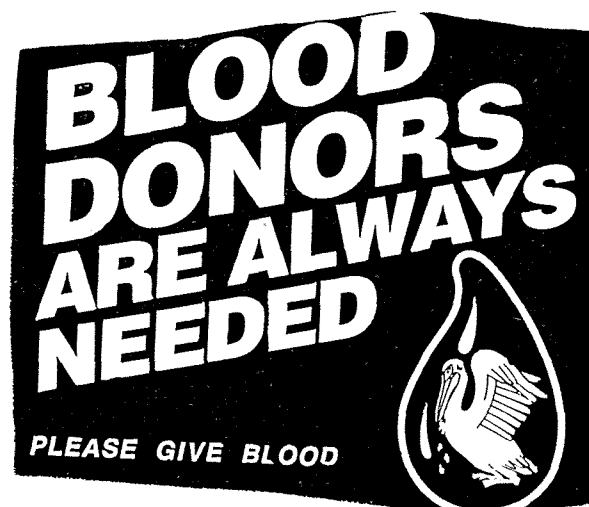
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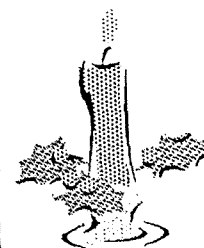
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Coonan: Sons, daughter, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Eileen M. Coonan (nee Geraghty), Leinster Park, Maynooth.

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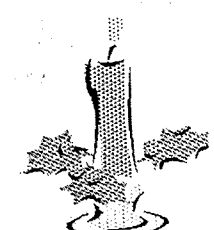
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