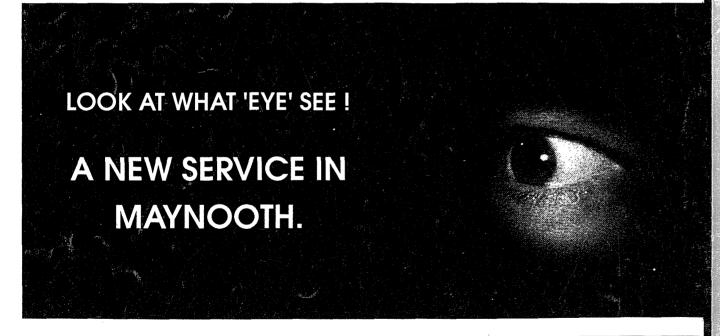
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DIARY DATES

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 centrepoint 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

Déaglán O'Síothcháin

Secretary: Treasurer:

Hilda Mooney

Please note that capacity is limited and therefore, early booking of places is advised.

Sean O' Síothcháin 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?

Audrey Lamb Parklands Crescent Maynooth

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Community Council Notes

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 it's 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

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

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Answer: If you are over 21 and in receipt of unemployment payment for 6 months and have obtained a place on a degree course you should contact your Social Welfare Office and get a form EOSI. You should complete this and return it to your local Social Welfare Office.

You will be paid at a standard rate (higher than your Unemployment Assistance and equivalent to the maximum Unemployment Benefit).

The allowance is payable for the duration of the course and including all holiday periods. It is not means-tested so you may also work without affecting your payment.

In addition to your weekly payment you will be entitled to at Annual Cost of Education Allowance, payable at the start of each Academic Year i.e. from September 1998 the amount of this allowance will be £150 per year.

Your payment will not be affected by any Maintenance Grant you may receive.

Further information is available from your local Social Welfare Office, or your local Citizen's Information Centre where you will find a leaflet SW 70 Back to Education Programmes which you should read.

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Wednesday 11am - 1.00pm (Dunboyne Community Centre)

Thursday 10.30am - 12.30pm (Leixlip Library) Friday 10.00am - 12.00 noon (Kilcock)

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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.
- Quinnsworth for the use of the car park.

- Pat Travers of the Parish Hall Committee for providing the chairs and steps for the reviewing stand.
- 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:

- 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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Community Council Notes

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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Seán Kennedy with sister Grace, mum Áine and dad Pat

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.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

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 throught 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

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 inmigration. 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 nicname 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 relativey 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, Kilgraigue, 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 27^{th} 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:

Account of the co		
Girls U/8	$1^{\rm st} \\ 2^{\rm nd}$	Elaine Houlihan 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} 2^{nd}	Sean MacNamara. Matthew O'Gorman
Girls U/14	1 st 2 nd 3 rd 4 th	Paula Curran Brenda Kearney Catherine O'Riordan 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 McCartan
Girls U/10 Boys U/14 Girls U/14		No Entries No Entries 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
- 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

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:

Martin Caine.

Melanie Oliver.

John Lambe.

Pat Farrell.

Sinead Molyneaux.

Mureadach Tuffey.

Evelyn McGrath.

Chairperson: **Assistant Chairperson:**

Sheelagh Brady.

Secretary: **Assistant Secretary:**

Treasurer:

Assistant Treasurer:

Committee Members:

PRO Officer: **Assistant PRO:**

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.

Admission only with Membership Cards or with completed Membership form with Photo.

Forms available from Committee Members or schools.

Host and Hostess Forms are available from Committee Members.

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.

MAYNOOTH KILCOCK

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For your information...

The Maynooth Kilcock no name! Club is a CLUB for those who are 14 years or older.

MAYNOOTH KILCOCK



no name!

Attach

Photograph

Here

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Section A - To be completed by the Applicant who is 14 years or over				
Name: (Use BLOCK CAPITALS)				
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		Date of Birth://19		
		(Please tick) 3rd 4th 5th 6th		
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I declare that I know the above applicant personal	onally an	nd that the particulars given are correct.		
Signed:				
Status:		School Stamp		
Date:				

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-ghuí 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. Movglare 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 Rianaigh 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 Eireann'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 Scéalaíocht 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 muinteoirí 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.



Chonmara ag úsáid na ríomhairí agus ag baint taineamh astu

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

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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:

> Presentation Sisters (Maynooth & Leixlip) Staff of Girls School

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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: Vice Chairperson: Norah McDermott Madeline Stynes

Joint Secretary:

Rose Breheny & Claire O'Rourke Freda Kelleher

Treasurer: Ass. Treasurer: **P.R.O.**:

Lorraine Butler 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

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. TREES / SHRUBS. HIRE OF A SKIP. GARDENING TOOLS.

Please contact Helen Johnson (ph.6272807) or Breda Holmes (6289757) if you can help in any way. Thank you.

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St. Patrick's Day



Charlie Haughey makes special guest appearance at the parade Photo: G. McCann



What float is coming next? Photo: G. McCann



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

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

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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 P.R.O.

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An exhibit. Foliage to dominate.

Space 30".

Class 6 Seaside Treasures.

A miniature exhibit. Not more than 4"

overall.

Class 7 From the Deep.

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height, width and depth.

Entry Fee: 50p per entry. Prizes: £10, £7

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be stated).

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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Class 9	One Stem of Flowering Shrub (Trees excluded).
Class 10	One daffodil or narcissus.
Class 11	Three daffodils or narcissi (same or mixed).
Class 12	Collection of cut flowers from the garden, excluding daffodils, narcissi and shrubs.
Class 13	Three tulips (same or mixed).
Class 14	3 Stems of spring flowers (same or mixed) excluding daffodils, narcissi and shrubs.
Class 15	A collection of herbs in a jamjar.

Entry Fee: 50p per entry. Prizes: £7, £5 and £3.

Staging: 10a.m. to 12.30p.m. Entries taken on morning of Show.

Judge: Mrs. Nancy McKeever.

Cups:

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Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup - Best Exhibit in Show. Bradshaw Perpetual Cup - Best Exhibit in Plant Section. Satchwell Perpetual Cup - Best Exhibit in Class 2. Flower Pot Perpetual Cup - For the winner of Class 1. Aoifa Perpetual Cup - For the winner of Class 7. RHSI Silver Spoon - For the winner of Class 10. RHSI Silver Spoon - For the winner of Class 3.



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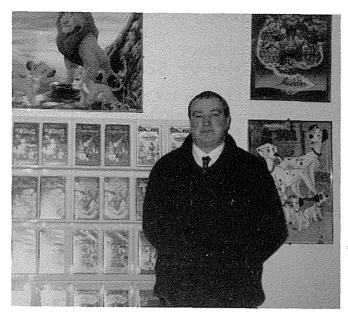
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Street Talking

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'.

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We wish Damian every success in the future.

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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, extemely 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.

Equestrain 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 Vetinary Products for which David has the sole agency here in Ireland.

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Equestrain World is open from 9.30 - 6.00 Monday to Saturday. The shop is well worth a visit!



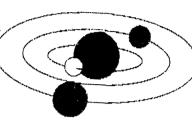
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1 sprig thyme

1 bay leaf

cream or thick yogurt

Wipe mushrooms or chop finely.

Sauté mushrooms and onion in batter 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
2¹/₂ pt. ring tin

Icing:

8oz plain chocolate

4oz margarine

2 egg

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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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.

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.

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.

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Features

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

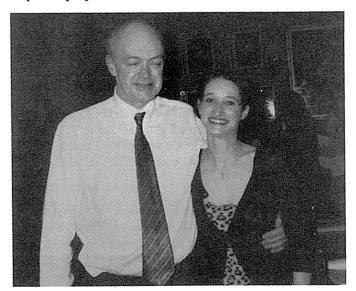
Vincent has work in The National Collection; The Allied Irish Banks Group; The Bank of Ireland Group (there is a beautiful painting of the college on display in their branch in the Main Street) and Kildare County Council, to name but a few.

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.



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.



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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 birhtday. 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.

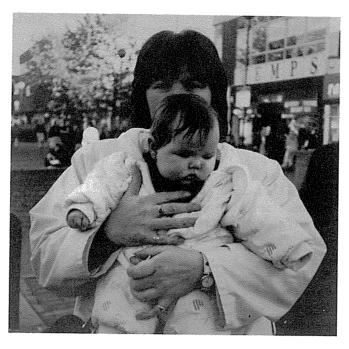
A Big "Thank You"

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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Features

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 enthusiam.

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.

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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 than the world to me!'

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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 ongoing.

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.

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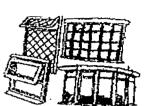
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THE HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH FIRE SERVICE

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 Lennie Murphy **Sub-Station Officer:** Tony Mooney Fire Fighter: Driver/Mechanic Joe O'Rourke Fire Fighter: Driver/Mechanic Brendan Kelly Fire Fighter: Philip Doyle Fire Fighter: Ollie Bright Fire Fighter: Paddy Nolan Fire Fighter: Barry Desmond Fire Fighter:

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 Siobháin 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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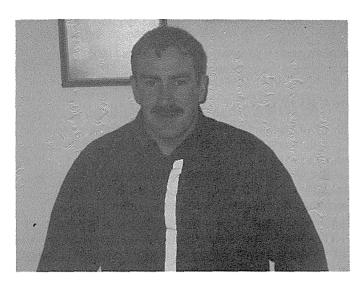
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FIRE BRIGADE PROFILES (Cont.)

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.

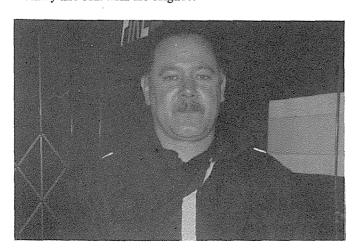
When not on call he likes to socialise, play golf and football. His favourite team is Stoke. Philip finds the job very challenging and also finds the lads a great bunch to work with.



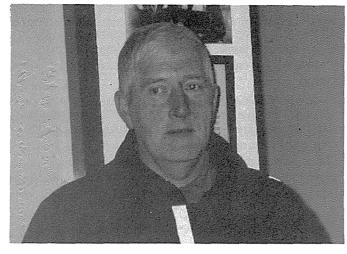
Brendan (Woggy) Kelly (Firefighter)

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.



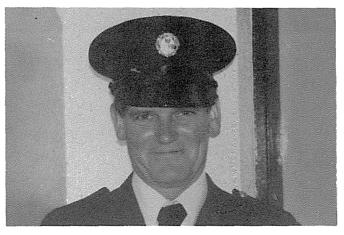
Paddy Nolan (Firefighter)



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)

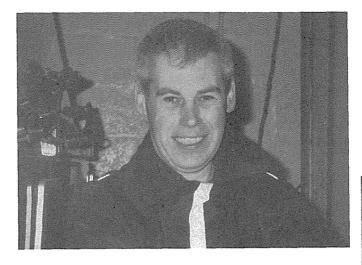


Born in Kilcock but living in Maynooth for many years. He joined the brigade in 1983. Ollie also works in Maynooth Shopping Centre. He likes to travel and has visited the United States on a number of occasions. Ollie likes to go boating on the Shannon and has taken part in a number of sponsored cycle rides for charity. He enjoys being a fireman and serving the local community.

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.

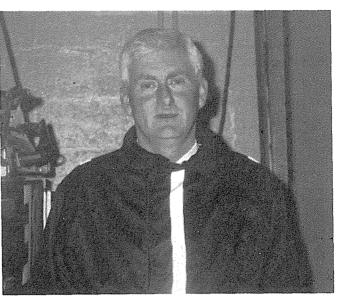
He still finds time for his favourite hobbies, swimming, snooker, motor sport, gaelic football and has a keen interest in vintage fire engines.

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".

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 (Dutchy) Desmond (Firefighter)



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 Quinnsworth 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

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

And if according to your will, I have to lose my

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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 coordinate 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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- 5. Store unwrapped soap in linen cupboards, the soap scents the linen and, at the same time, hardens to become long lasting.
- 6. Stuff wet shoes and boots with newspaper to speed drying process. Stretch tight shoes by stuffing them with wet newspaper, and leaving them overnight. Improvise boot trees by stuffing rolls of newspaper into boots to help them keep their shape.

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 momento 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



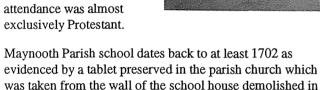
Sinead Conway with dad Pat, mother Linda, brother Martin, sister Laura and aunty May

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.



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.



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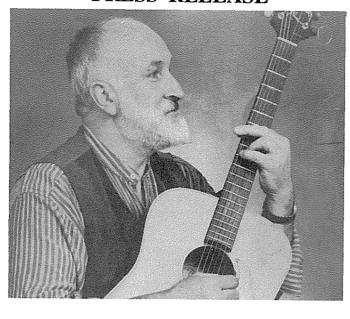
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PRESS RELEASE

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.



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

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

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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(2) yooz doant no thi trooth yirsellz cawz yi canny talk right, this is the six a clock nyooz. belt up.

(Tom Leonard, from 'Unrelated Incidents') A few bob to spend

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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 When in his world has his say A generous reward a job should give An honest wage for the effort made A man with dignity should live After the working week gets paid

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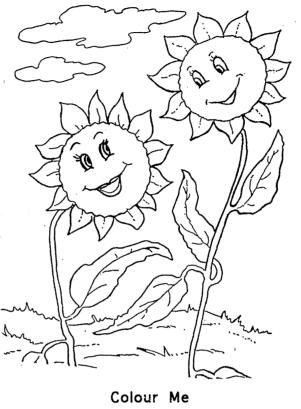




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VIDEO REVIEW

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 weightwatchers 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.

CHILDRENS CORNER

What fishes would you need, if your shoes **Ouestion:**

wore out?

Answer: Soles and eels.

Question: What do angry mice send each other at

Christmas?

Answer: Cross-mouse cards.

Mother: "I want you to take your brother to the Zoo".

Elder Son: "If they want him let them come and get him."

"Grandad, are you still growing?"

"No, why do you ask?"

"Because the top of your head is coming through your hair."

Teacher: "Tell me one common link between all the

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Tom: "They're all dead."

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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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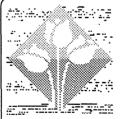
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Start by taking a stroll around your home as if you were strolling around a garden. Start in one room, e.g. sitting room - lounge. Have a look at the mantelpiece. How much clutter is there here? Do you like the items that you see here? If not, why 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 throwovers 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.

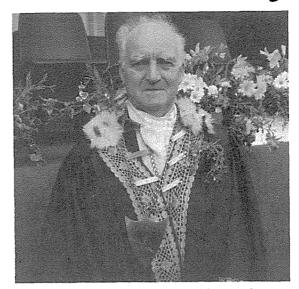
This same principle applies with everything in the house. Delph - how much extra do you really need for entertaining? Bed clothes - how often do you really have visitors? Most people would have no objection to throwing a duvet or a few pillows into the boot of their car when they come to visit. The same 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 Photo: G. McCann



Larry O'Brien at reviewing stand Photo: G. McCann



Tom McMullon, Chairman Maynooth Community Council presenting Richard with prize for Best Window Photo: G. McCann



Happy families watching the parade Photo: G. McCann



I'm tired but I'll watch the parade anyway Photo: G. McCann



Who said the Celtic Tiger is on the way out Photo: G. McCann

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
Shay O'Connell
Maura Durkin

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Residents' Associations

ROCKFIELD RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION

On Saturday 31st of January 1998 Conservation Ireland travelled out to Rockfield Estate. They brought with them 20 mature trees and 60 saplings consisting of beech and rowan, wild cherry and ash. The trees were 6ft in height. They brought out a team of experienced helpers (our Eco warriors), Anna, Annette, Stephen, Sean, Annette and our very own Spider!!!! They spent the whole day planting trees and giving us advice on how to take care of them. All their work is voluntary. Conservation Ireland's main sponsors are Silé & Teddy Goodbear from An Bord Gáis. Conservation Ireland are involved in a millenium project. Their aim is to plant 50,000 trees in the Dublin area. It was a great honour and privilege that they had chosen Rockfield. A submission had been sent to them last year. Children got to plant their own trees on the day and they named them and were told to take care of them. A good day was had by all. 80 Residents



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. Top of the Crop, Main St., Maynooth.
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Leinster Arms, Main St.

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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ARDENING





APRIL IN THE GARDEN

Trees, Shrubs and Climbing **Plants:**

Finish pruning of roses and winterflowering 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 soilbed, 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 newlyplanted 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 welldrained fertile soil, deep enough for the roots to be in top-soil rather than subsoil, 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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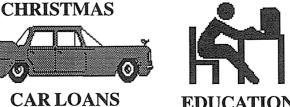
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Party Political

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 Breas	st 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.

Watch this space for more colourful events!



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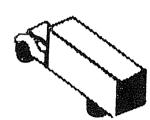
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Party Political

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.

${\bf Commercial\ Vehicles\ in\ Housing\ Estates:}$

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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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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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

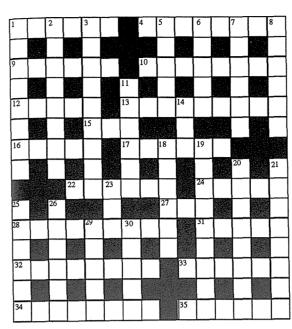
Maynooth secured their second victory in the league with an impressive 6 point win over Clogherinkoe, played in Maynooth on Sunday 15/3/98 before a large home following. The game was played at a cracking pace althrough with Maynooth's scoring power proving decisive in the end.

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



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- Hesitates (8)
- Languid (6)
- Lethargic (8)
- (5) Attain
- 13. Care (9)
- Tiny name (3) 15.
- Passage (5) 16.
- Command (6) 17.
- Scattered 22.
- Comedy (5) 24.
- Sprite (3) 27.
- Wild kittens (5,4)
- Half of the Odd Couple (5) 31.
- Spanish dance (8) 32.
- 33. Loathing (6)
- 34. Limits (8)
- 35. Charred (6)

Down:

- (8) Break
- Sea (8) 2.
- Slenderest (9) 3.
- Conviction (5) 5.
- Cretin (5) 6.
- Magic potion (6) 7.
- Salty (6)
- 11. Wager (6)

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- Female sheep (3)
- Trustworthy (6) 18.
- Choke (9)
- 20. Acquirer (8)
- Cheapened (8) 21.
- Extinct bird (3) 23.
- Prevent (6)
- Horrified (6)
- Lace up (5)
- 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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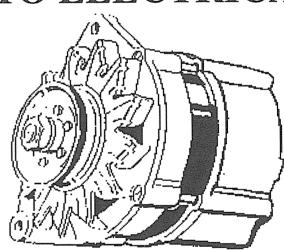
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Senior Football League Division II Maynooth Impress in First Outing Carbury 1 - 10: Maynooth 1 - 12

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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collossus 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.

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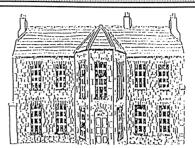
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3rd	S. Tracey	(19)	37pts	
4th	T. Moore	(14)	36pts	
5th	M. Flynn	(26)	35pts	on back 9
6th	M. O'Regan	(26)	35pts	
7th	W. Moore	(16)	35 pts	

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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 cooly 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 postive 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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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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Burke: With deepest sympathy to the brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews and friends of Mary (Eileen) Burke, (nee McCormack) Parson Street, Maynooth formerly of the Downs Mullingar.

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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Community Council & Newsletter Staff

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